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# From the Managing Editor

Lyndon LaRouche's Sept. 8 webcast, featured in this issue, includes a highly interesting discussion with U.S. economists, foreign diplomats, and others. Here are a few of the questions (summarized), which many readers undoubtedly also have:

- 1. The market has come to substitute for the functions of the state. How, then, do we deal with the banks?
- 2. Unemployment is much higher than the government admits; it is simply lying about "job creation." Is it true that the President does not *want* to ask the people to support recovery policies?
- 3. Are we facing a Constitutional crisis, with Obama's "signing statements" that override Congressional votes?
  - 4. Do you support emergency Federal aid to bankrupt states?
- 5. The shift from an industrial to a service economy has bankrupted this country. Solving the financial crisis won't solve the problem.
- 6. How do you manage to do all that you do? What's your secret? "And what the hell do you eat for breakfast?"

You'll read LaRouche's answers for yourself, but to set the stage, here is what he told a group of associates on Sept. 19: Citing the U.S. town meetings in August, he said that the people told their Congressmen, "'We don't want to hear what you have to say! We want to *tell* you what you have to pay attention to.' And I'm in the same spirit. I'm not interested ... in hearing what Obama has to say, about his program. I'm not interested in negotiating his agenda, with me. Or, not interested in seeing somebody else negotiate their agenda with him, because it's not going to work."

Other breaking stories this week include Nancy Spannaus's overview of the mass strike in the United States; the report by LaRouche and Anton Chaitkin on the British royal family's direct role in perpetrating euthanasia in Britain, where 16.5% of all deaths come about after "continuous deep sedation"; and LaRouche's analysis of new revelations of the 1989 contacts between Britain's Maggie Thatcher and the Soviet Union's Mikhail Gorbachov.

Last but not least, are two reports on delegations from the LaRouche Youth Movement's "Basement Team" of science researchers, to Ukraine and the Czech Republic. They caused quite a stir, and the ramifications of the visits will be felt for a long time to come.

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On the other side, LaRouche said, we have to face the reality of the economic breakdown crisis, which calls for immediate action to create useful jobs for the growing number of unemployed. This kind of shift, which is what Franklin Roosevelt accomplished in the early period of his administration, is needed right now, politically, as well as economically.

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# LAROUCHE WEBCAST

# Down with The British Empire!

Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr. gave this webcast address in Washington on Sept. 8, 2009. The forum was moderated by his national spokeswoman, Debra Freeman. The video is archived at www.larouchepac.com.

**Freeman:** ...I should begin by mentioning that, certainly in the West, the tradition when someone celebrates a birthday, is that they receive gifts. But Lyndon LaRouche has never been someone who necessarily goes along with the norm. So that, today, which is his birthday, Mr. LaRouche has marked that day by giving a gift to all of us, not only with today's presentation, but also with the release of a new paper, which you will find both on the LaRouche PAC website and on the *EIR* website, and it is a document which, without any question, if we are fortunate, will determine the direction of human history for the next several generations.

Obviously, this is a very critical moment. It was months ago that LaRouche declared war, on Barack Obama's so-called "health-care reform," denouncing it as, in fact, a Nazi policy. At that time, nobody thought that there would really be much of a fight around health-care reform, and obviously today, we have a very different view of that, thanks to what was catalyzed by Mr. LaRouche on that fateful day, at a seminar very much like this one. But it was much longer ago than that, actually more now than two years ago, that Mr. LaRouche

made clear that what we were facing in the United States, and what we were facing globally, was a general breakdown crisis of unprecedented proportions. And today, we are seeing the immediate manifestations of that breakdown.

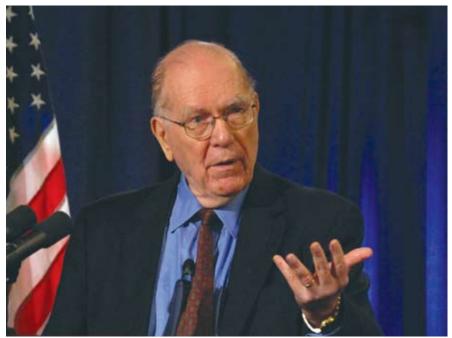
But no matter how bad people believe things are at this moment, one of the things that LaRouche has said over the course of the last several broadcasts, is that, really, the eye of the storm has yet to move over land, and that, in fact, we would see the worst of what is to come in late September/early October, and that we must come together, to discuss what we will do, and we must do it now. The hour is already very late. And it is that, which makes up the content of this paper that Mr. La-Rouche has just released, which as I said, is a gift that he has given to all of us.

So, without any further introduction, I'm going to ask you to join me in welcoming Mr. LaRouche, and also in wishing him a happy birthday.

LaRouche: Thank you.

Well, I can promise you a lot of bad news—which I'm sure you wish to hear. You would also like to hear what the bad news actually is, how many varieties there are running loose today, in the jungle out there, and what the chances are for changing this.

We are now at the end of things. Tomorrow, the President of the United States, so-called, is going to,



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Lyndon LaRouche delivered a blunt message to President Obama in his Sept. 8 webcast: "Junk your present program. It's idiotic, it's completely stupid, and it's criminal; stop it! Mr. President, for the first time in your life, be a mensch!"

presumably, make an address to a Joint Session of the Congress, and a joint session may mean a marijuana fest, as far as I understand, because it's going to have that kind of effect. There's no competence in this President. There never has been and there never was intended to be. This President is a joker, who was played upon the American people, with a lot of drug money behind it, and it was never intended that he would be competent. He's totally incompetent. He's not a man of intellect; he's a man who's trained to babble, and he's been taught the recipes to babble. He has no comprehension of what he's talking about.

However, he is the elected President of the United States, and you can not have coups at this time, because the danger is already—there are too many threats of coups d'état already out there. And the system is set up for overthrow of governments, including the United States government.

# The British, War, and Fascism

For example, you may recall when certain interests in London and the United States set up what became known as 9/11, as a Saudi-British operation, with cooperation of certain people inside the United States—and that's documented. That's a fact. This thing was funded

by a British-Saudi operation, in which the Ambassador of Saudi Arabia to the United States was a key figure in preparing what became known as 9/11.

At the time, there were many indications of what that was, but this was quickly hushed up. And the investigations, even as far as they went, were blocked; certain facts were blocked out. But the evidence was always there, and all you had to do, was to look in the right place. And it's there. It came from an alliance between Saudi Arabia and London, which financed and planned the entire operation, and the Saudi Ambassador to the United States at that time, was a key figure in setting up the operation.

Now, this information was accessible to the incumbent government of the United States, at that time. But it was hushed up. And

something else which had been intended, was done, instead. The intention was to destroy this government—how? From the inside. And you had an idiot, who was an unreconstructed drug addict, a cocaine freak, who had avoided military service in Vietnam by being coopted into the Texas Air National Guard. The Texas Air National Guard didn't want him, but the Bush family forced him upon the Texas Air National Guard. This fellow continued his habit, which included cocaine, a serious cocaine habit, and the head of the Texas Air National Guard and company shipped this guy out to another state, where he was supervised by a couple of military officials to go through drug treatment, for cocaine addiction. And he went through a year of training and cure for cocaine addiction, which didn't work.

So, we had a coke addict who entered the White House as President of the United States, an unreconstructed coke addict, who could just not drink alcohol, except near-beer. And he was nothing. A mean character—a mean, little jerk, no brains to speak of. The father was not too bright, either. The brains in the family had been used up by the grandfather, who had been a key man in putting Hitler into power in Germany. And you're dealing with this kind of process, Anglo-American process, all the way through, still to the present day.



White House photo

Remember them? The Cheney/Bush Administration used 9/11 to try to impose a unitary executive dictatorship—a policy Barack Obama campaigned again, but is gradually implementing today.

So now, we have, after two terms of this idiot, under Cheney, we have an Obama Administration. And despite the fact that Obama, when he was running as a candidate for President, campaigned against the Unitary Executive, nonetheless, he, when he became President, became very quickly an advocate of the Unitary Executive. Which is fascism, minus a burning of the Reichstag.

In other words, this schnook is put in as President. He fumbled around for a period of time. Then a crisis came, he kissed the British butt—the people who really owned him—and that's how we got to this Unitary Executive. We now have signing statements, from the President of the United States! We have a Unitary Executive, which was set up as a reaction to the bombing in New York, especially, 9/11. We're set up into a dictatorship, in which the Congress no longer has the legislative power to control the Presidency! Our system of government has gone to a unitary government, under which the Congress is allowed to vote—as long as they don't contradict the President. If they do contradict the President, he'll make a signing statement, and say, "Yes, you in the Congress, you voted this way. But I, as President of the United States, think differently, and I'm going to act differently!"

And we have a dictatorship in the United States, which is in the direction of a Nazi dictatorship, under a President who doesn't have much conscience, because he doesn't have any brains. He's trained to talk like a trained monkey, or something out of a mechanical zoo, and is stumbling along. But he's still the President.

Now, we in the United States are smart enough to know we don't make coups d'état. We don't assassinate our Presidents as a way of changing government, though we have some imported people who do that for us, from time to time, as in the case of William McKinley, which was a very crucial assassination, or the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, or the assassination of John F. Kennedy. John F. Kennedy, of course, is a watershed for this matter. They killed him, why?

Kennedy had two points on which he was hated, by the Wall Street crowd and the London crowd. Number one, on the question of the conflict over the steel industry: to defend American industrial power. And he made it stick, and he was

going to continue to make it stick. Secondly, he opposed the insistence of the Wall Street crowd, on going into a war in Indo-China. while he was President. And for that, he died. Imported assassins, directed from Europe, by way of Spain, and by way of Mexico, did the job. And scooted, while somebody came up with a funny story, to distract attention from everything.

But why was he killed? The reason became obvious in the next period, after his death, when President Johnson, as Johnson later admitted, had been so terrified by the fact that these three riflemen who killed the President Kennedy, were going to aim at his neck, too, as he said at the end of his term in office. And therefore, when the issue came up of what Kennedy had done—under the advice and counsel of former General MacArthur and the support of General Eisenhower—that he had objected to, and opposed, any launching of U.S. troops into Indo-China. And the policy of MacArthur and Eisenhower, and the policy adopted by Kennedy, was "no U.S. land war involvement in Asia!" That U.S. troops can not handle warfare in Asia! Because Asian culture is not like European culture, and you're going to run into a different kind of problem, and it's not the way to deal with it in the first place. Because, what you were doing, you were going on the side of British-controlled colonialism, imperialism, against the people of Asia. And if you have a country which is associated with the European standpoint, like the United States, culturally, that goes into a war against Asians, what are you going to get in Asia? You're going to get a reflex. And that's what we got.



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The British have repeatedly sought to destroy the United States by pushing it to participate in a land war in Asia, such as the Vietnam slaughter. Here, soldiers carry a wounded comrade through a swamp in 1969. Over 58,000 Americans died.

And the British have always handled us nicely by getting us into wars in places like Asia! This is the way the British run the world. The British Empire runs the world, through warfare! The same way they got imperial power, by inducing the silly nation-states of Europe to go to war against each other in the so-called Seven Years' War. And the leading nations of Europe went to war against each other for seven years, while the British stood on the sidelines and encouraged the process, and laughed.

And then, in February in 1763, in the Peace of Paris, the British Empire was declared, as the empire of a private company, called the British East India Company. And the British East India Company took over and became the United Kingdom, and has run it from that time, to its equivalent in the present day. The British East India Company, of course, went into bankruptcy at a later period; there were changes made, as under Victoria, and so forth. But the principle remains the same: The British East India Company represented a special kind of empire, which is the only kind of empire we've known in the whole history of European civilization.

# The Principle of Empire

The empires of European civilization were based on the destruction of Greece, through *self-destruction* in the Peloponnesian War, where the monetary interests centered on Athens, went into war against the monetary interests centered on the city of Corinth—the Peloponnesian War; and then, later, when not satisfied with Sparta's self-destruction, the combined forces of Greece went to war against Syracuse, the third maritime power of the Greekspeaking Mediterranean. And thus, a power from Asia, from the Asian tradition, called the Cult of Delphi, went through a process of organizing an empire under its control. Which later became, by special agreement, so arranged, the Roman Empire of Octavian, otherwise known as Caesar Augustus.

Now, in all this process, what has run the world, as an empire, since these developments, is a maritime power. That is, we had had empires in Asia before; the idea of empire comes from Asia, it does not come from Europe; but it was introduced to Europe by this process, by the Peloponnesian War, that vehicle. And since that time, we have had an empire, of a maritime characteristic, that is, originally based on the maritime power of the Mediterranean Sea, and later to the Atlantic Ocean—a maritime power, which

spread to the Atlantic Ocean—a maritime power, which had created a control over the use of money.

And the basis of this power was money, the control of money, as a form of imperialism. All European imperialism, including British imperialism today, is not based on a landed territory; it's based on an international organization of the control of money. Now, this money is actually controlled by private interests, by individuals who form concerts of private interests, who set up the control of money, its creation and management. And nation-states are subsidiary to this international control of money.

The British Empire, which evolved out of this process, is nothing but that. It is not an empire of the people of the United Kingdom. It is an empire of an international consortium, of these types of interests, whose control over money is used to control nations.

# The U.S. Exception

The one case in which this was not successful, was the formation of the United States, and the United States was actually created, especially, from the course of the 17th Century on, it was created initially by a colonization in New England, by the Plymouth Colony, and then by the Massachusetts Bay Colony. This was the keystone, the kernel of creating what became the United States.

These people who came on the *Mayflower*, or came to the Massachusetts Bay Colony—and they came from various parts of Europe, not just English-speaking—but came into this area, came here because they saw Europe as a hopeless cause; that the corruption in Europe was so bad, that they could not solve the problems of Europe there. They had to go across the sea—as had been recommended by a great person, Cardinal Nicholas of Cusa, earlier—to continents across the oceans, to carry the best of civilization across the oceans, into new territories, to meet new people, and to set up a civilization which would be free of the colonialist or imperialist evils of Europe.

And that started in Massachusetts, in that form. And we had the beginning of a different, alternative system of finance, called a credit system, which was established in the middle of the 17th Century, in Massachusetts, by a system of scrip. Which was later referred to as a paper-money system by Benjamin Franklin, and is the characteristic of the U.S. Federal Constitution. The U.S. Federal Constitution *does not condone a monetary system*, of the type that we've had, particularly, under the Federal Reserve System, which was an act of treason against the United States in the first place, because it destroyed us as a credit system, and made us the subject of an international *monetary* system, rather than a credit system.

Our Constitution specifies, to this day—and this is crucial for us, here today, to take into account—our Constitution specifies that we are not a monetary system, and we are not the subject of a monetary system: We are a credit system, as our Constitution defines it, and as the history behind that Constitution defines it. The only authorization for the circulation of money, inside the United States, or any other respectable nation, is an act of the state, not the going of the state to some international private monetary complex, to which the state goes into debt! And this issue of debt is crucial. Our debt is by our will, and it's our debt to ourselves, or by treaty agreements with other countries, in nation-to-nation agreements. And that is the principle we must apply, if we're going to save civilization now.

# **Our Conflict with Monetarism**

We've come to a point that the monetary system, or the *monetarist* system, which is based on international financier interests, not nation-states—international financier interests, which are called "free trade"—. What does free trade mean? It means "free" of government supervision. It means free of all government supervision: It means a world, planet government, by private financier interests, operating as a consortium of monetarist interests.

So, always, the issue has been that. It was the issue on the death of Roosevelt: On the 12th of April, 1945, the United States was operating under a credit system. As of April 12, 1945, the United States postwar policy under Roosevelt, was to set up a worldwide *credit system*—not a monetary system: The United States would organize, in cooperation with other nations, treaty agreements, would set up an international credit system, using the power which we had mobilized for military purpose of production; to use the power of the United States to produce the goods which would then be the engineer for freeing people from colonialism, freeing them from subjugation, and reorganizing Europe on the basis of an international credit system, which has the intent, the explicit intent, of Franklin Roosevelt at the famous Bretton Woods conference. Where he had rejected Keynes, attacked Keynes and rejected him! Knowing that this was the British imperial system, of Keynes. And the United States and the people of the world must be *freed*, once and forever, from monetary systems, and have the power of a system of sovereign nation-states, which would have partnership, with their respective credit systems of cooperation. That was Roosevelt's intention.

On the day that Roosevelt died, and his successor—Harry S Truman (no middle name: S; he was an "Sman") took over, he kissed Churchill's butt, and we did everything pretty much wrong, since that point on.

We've had patriots who have lurched, sometimes, in the direction of trying to reestablish the influence of the United States, *despite* the fact of the international monetarist system. Because the international monetarist system places the United States, among other nations, as the victim of *international private interests*—not governments—and the control over the idea of money, by international *private banking interests*, not governments; whereas, under the American System, only a sovereign nation-state, and a partnership among sovereign nation-states, should be allowed to have such power. And that's the crux of the problem now.

# This Breakdown Was Unnecessary

For example, in the Summer of 2007, on the 25th of July, in premises akin to these today, I set forth a policy to deal with the crisis which was immediately oncoming. I said that we were on the brink of a breakdown of



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Rather than taking up LaRouche's Homeowners and Bank Protection Act of 2007, which was supported by many institutions throughout the country, the Obama Administration rewarded the looters, through bailout. Shown, organizing in Philadelphia in September 2008.

the world system, specifically, the U.S. system, and that we had to take certain measures; that our banks were bankrupt, and we had to go through a process of reorganization in bankruptcy, by using the power of the Federal government, to *declare* bankruptcy, especially in respect to mortgages. That is, to *freeze all mortgages*, pertaining to people who occupied the residence which was mortgaged. And to protect the banks, which, in many cases, were already bankrupt: to protect those banks by a Glass-Steagall standard.

We put this forth, in the form of a motion, a proposal, which circulated widely, with wide support throughout the United States: the Homeowners and Bank Protection Act of 2007. If that act had been actually introduced [in Congress]—it was introduced on many levels, and supported by many parts of the population and institutions of the United States, including

states—if that had been done, we wouldn't be in a mess today. Well, what happened?

During the course of September 2007, Rep. Barney Frank, who is not the nicest person on the planet, and Sen. Chris Dodd, otherwise known as a Dodderer, came to agreement to block the Homeowners and Bank Protection Act, despite the large support it had throughout the United States, among popular parts of the state organizations and so forth. Had that act been carried through, we would not be in this mess today.

But what happened? Why did Christopher the Dodderer, and Barney Frank—and he's frankly something special—why did these guys get the support and become the instruments in the Congress to destroy the United States by blocking this, and what did they do? What they did, which became clear in the following year, 2008—what became clear was a process leading to bailout. The whole of Wall Street and similar kinds of international financier operations, around the world, were at that point bankrupt. That was the key problem here. Instead of putting these things through bankruptcy reorganization, we bailed out the bankers of the world, at the expense of the American population.

Now, today, because of the *trillions of dollars of theft*, by the Bush Administration and the present Obama Administration, we have a lack of the means to meet the needs of our own population, and we've engaged in a shutdown, over these months since September of 2007; we've engaged in a process of destroying the employment and conditions of life and security of the people of the United States, all for the purpose of the looting of those people, the taking away of their employment, in the service of honoring the artificial debt of a bunch of crooked swindlers, associated with Wall Street, with the firm of Goldman Sucks; this is the type of thing we deal with.

### **Dictatorial Powers**

So, what we now have, is a particular crisis of this President: This President is a butt-kisser for the financial interests, internationally. Why is he a butt-kisser? Because the British Queen told him to be. He has no mind of his own; he's educated to memorize speeches, whose content he does not understand, the implications of whose content he has no understanding of whatsoever. And he's simply the hired fool, who occupies the White House, and was selected because he *was* a fool, and *is* a fool, has *remained* a fool! What comes out of his mouth makes no sense. This man is not intelligent,

he's a trained zoo animal, who says things, and has great ambition. And lacking brain power, he has delusions of grandeur, and assumes that he's the Emperor.

This man has adopted, under encouragement, dictatorial powers of the type associated with what was attempted through 9/11, in the so-called "signing statements," and what happened in the course of the Iraq War, and since. We're now implicitly under a dictatorship. Politically, we're at the last stage, before the equivalent of a Reichstagsbrand. We're on the verge of a dictatorship in the United States, being pushed very soon, and "soon" is determined by the fact that at the end of this month, and beginning of October, the fiscal year of the United States comes to a close, and these accounts have to be reconciled. And there's no money to reconcile these accounts. There is no source of income to keep the states—48 to 49 of the states are already officially in bankruptcy—and there's no money, from any source, to take these states out of bankruptcy.

The payments that are not being made, will never be paid, under Barack Obama. There will never be any improvement of the conditions of life under Barack Obama. Because Barack Obama's Administration is under British direction, to maintain the interests of the *international financier interests*, the monetarist interests, the monetary interests—not the United States. And therefore, Obama comes up with a British proposal, for Hitler's—actually a carbon copy, of the genocide policy of Adolf Hitler! And it *is*; and no matter how much the Obama people deny it, they are *lying!* 

The policy of Barack Obama, is genocide against the people of the United States! That's a *fact!* And anybody who denies that fact, is either kidding themselves, or lying. If they're official, they're lying. That is the policy! And the people of the United States, over 60% of them, have smelled that. And picked up on that, as the leading reason for their opposition to the Obama Administration. They know the guy is a Nazi. And pasting a toothbrush mustache on the upper lip of Obama, like that of Adolf Hitler, makes it very clear to Americans, *what this guy is!* He's a puppet, who is assigned to play the part of an Adolf Hitler, in health care.

Because they can not continue to bail out the thieves, who looted this country, and robbed it, and also care for health care. They can't even apply ordinary employment, *without* health care. We have one-third, approximately, of the population that is actually unemployed. About one-third of which, of course, is not receiving anything, in terms of compensation for unemployment,

and others are running out of 52 weeks of unemployment compensation. So about 30% of the population is in destitute conditions, who used to work for a living, and have no hope. Many of them have given up hope!

And, as this October approaches, we're entering a period where a catastrophe, a social catastrophe, is about to occur. *Why?* Because President Obama is determined to bail out the system, even if it means killing Americans by his health-care program! A health-care program which is a copy of what Adolf Hitler introduced into Germany in 1939, in September-October of '39. *There's not a single iota of difference* between what Hitler did in 1939-1940, and what Obama is dictating today! Not one bit of difference!

Obviously, one minimal condition, which ought to be imposed, is that every creep that's part of that Obama health-care cabal, should be thrown out of office immediately. Any government official who says I'm wrong is a liar! He should also be thrown out of government.

Because, look: We've got a situation—if we care, as a nation, which represents a people, our population, we can not have the destruction of the great majority of our people into a hopeless condition. And we're not going to do this, to bail out some foreign predator. And the foreign predator is just going to have to "do a li'l bit without!"

Because the great crisis today, which Obama's not talking about, and will not talk about tomorrow, unless I scare him into doing it today, is that we've got to deal with the effects of this mass unemployment! And it's not just mass unemployment: Why are people unemployed? Because they're not producing! They have no opportunity to produce. Our industries have been shut down! Our agriculture is in a state of collapse! It's worse than that: It is something tantamount to treason. The name of this tantamount to treason, is called "globalization."

### **Globalization Strikes**

Do you know what happened to this planet after 1968, after the Spring and Summer of 1968? It's called globalization. It came in the form of a fascist movement on the campuses, the most privileged campuses of the United States. And they rose up, they tore off their shirts, waved their sexual organs, took dope, and marched out to "live freedom forever." I saw this thing, I saw it at Columbia. It was in the universities in the United States, and partly in Europe, at the upper class, so-called, universities, in which there were these con-

centrations of people who were literal copies of the ancient Cult of Dionysius, which is the model for fascism.

Mark Rudd and company, like the Weathermen, and so forth, were actually a fascist organization, bred on the campuses of the most privileged students of the United States, whose incentive for this great uproar was not some good for humanity, but the fact that they were being denied what they thought was their exemption from military service in Vietnam. So it was on those universities where the greatest number of exemptions from draft service, in Vietnam, were provided. When the war got hot, and they needed more troops, they began to dip into these areas. So, if the guy was not serious in the class, and didn't keep up the highest grades, he was likely to be snapped up in the draft, and shipped across, and trained for what to do in Vietnam.

This was the issue which provoked this fascist movement in the United States, which was typified by the Weathermen organization. And this Weathermen phenomenon then spread, during the course of the early 1970s and beyond, to become the movement which has taken over the policy-shaping, top down, of many of our leading institutions in the United States, today.

## **Green Fascism**

So now, we have the Green revolution—not the part of producing agriculture, because that also has gone under, but the Green revolution of being against industry, against production.

You have a human race which depends upon the increase of what's called "energy flux-density of power sources." We've gone from sunlight, to burning shrubs, to burning coal, to burning coke, and so forth, up the scale to nuclear power, and approaching thermonuclear fusion. The existence of the human race depends upon going to consistently higher energy flux-densities, that is, higher concentrations of power. Today, we've reached the point, that without nuclear fusion—nuclear fission and thermonuclear fusion—we can not continue to sustain a world population of the present magnitude, let alone an increased magnitude.

We can not maintain the standard of living. Because what we're doing, on the one hand—which is not bad,



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The Green movement, which took off in the wake of the uprisings of 1968, was actually a fascist movement, and it now controls many of the leading institutions of the United States and the world. Here, an anti-nuclear rally in Berlin, Germany in September 2009.

in a sense—we are looting, or using up, those resources on which we depend, which are the most richly concentrated. These are largely resources which are sort of laid down by dead bodies of animals and plants over many millennia. So now, we go to the area where the dead bodies of these creatures repose, where minerals of them were concentrated by biological processes, which concentrated these minerals, and we extract the minerals there, where they're most richly concentrated, because of a biological process. Our industry is based on richer levels of resources.

Now, as we draw down those resources, there's still plenty of resources on the planet, but you have to get them. They're not lying at your doorstep; you have to go out and get them. This requires more work; this requires more power. And therefore, you constantly have to go to higher levels of power.

So, mankind's progress went, essentially, from burning of simple objects—and the distinction of man from apes, as far as archeology is concerned—is generally a fireplace. You find something that looks humanoid in remains, and you wonder if it's human or not; if you can find the sign of a fireplace, where something was burned, as in cooking, or a fire spot in that area, you say, "This thing was human." Because only human beings use fire. So mankind's use of fire, has defined the nature of man's economy, or the ability to produce, or the ability to rise above the level of baboons, has de-

pended upon this principle of using fire.

But, as we use up some resources—we still have plenty of the same resources, but we have to get it! And to get it, requires more power. Not to lose productivity in getting these resources, we have to increase the power which we apply. So, in that way, we have to increase our concentration of power.

Now, what has happened? These fascists, like the Weathermen type—and there are similar depraved people around the world—have said, "No, we're going back to green! We're going back to sunlight! Going back to wind power!" (I mean, they should really not eat those beans.) Instead of realizing that we have to face the reality, that mankind is changing the world we live in, and should be changing the Solar System fairly soon, too—we're changing that. And this requires going to more advanced scientific capabilities, for mastering these forces, learning to control these higher energy flux-density sources of power, and applying them. And by this means,

we can improve the standard of living of our people. We can also more than overcome the apparent shortages we incur by sticking to a stagnant form of production.

But we've gone away from that! We don't teach science in universities any more, really. Oh, they teach something called science, but there's no devotion to a mission!

# FDR's Intention Was Betrayed

Take World War II: We had a devotion to a mission! And therefore, the resources of scientific capability and engineering capability were drawn into a concentrated effort, to enable us to produce the weapons by which we could win that war, and supply the logistical support to conduct that war successfully. At the end of the war, by this means, we had achieved the greatest concentration of productive power the planet had ever seen! And Roosevelt's intention was that we would use that accumulation of power, which we had used for *military* requirements; we simply would convert it to its natural occupation, for civilian requirements: for advancement of technology, not waste it on war, but use it for these purposes.

Roosevelt's intention was to free the people who had been in the colonialized part of the world, and help them to develop self-sufficiency and eliminate the British Empire, and all other empires from this planet, in



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President Truman's immediate capitulation to Winston Churchill (right) on economic and strategic policy, was the crucial trigger for the decades of brutal financial imperialism which followed. Here, the two talk on the President's yacht during Churchill's visit to the U.S. in 1952.

order to build up a planetary system of relatively sovereign, nation-state governments of people. And to hope to establish world peace among republics, by finding a common interest among the people of these various republics, for cooperation.

That was Roosevelt's intention for the United Nations: to convert a colonialized, imperialistic world, into a world of sovereign nation-states, American-style, to give them the option for an American-style sovereign nation-state. And to build a bond among these nations, of cooperation, and not get suckered for the British game, of controlling the planet by getting people to kill each other, in wars which somebody made up for them to fight. That was the point.

And this is what has been destroyed. It was taken away from us, from Truman on. Truman kissed the butt of Churchill, and that's where the whole process started.

And now, the world is playing the same silly game! We are now going to new wars, in various parts of the world, on schedule, killing people, for some cooked-up reason, and all for the benefit of propagation of the British Empire. Why did we go into Iraq—twice? There was no need to go in there. Why did we go into Vietnam? There was no need for us to go there.

When I was in military service, in Burma, at that time—I was operating out of Myitkyina—we were actu-

ally supporting Ho Chi Minh in Indo-China against the Japanese! And when the Japanese surrendered to U.S. forces, they took over. The U.S. government had joined with Ho Chi Minh, in the liberation of Indo-China from colonialism. What did Truman do? Truman gave the British the backing of the United States, to take the Japanese troops out of the camps, and *reconquer* Indo-China, until the French could get there to take over. And a British agent operating with Truman's backing, did that.

So we reversed our policy, for which we'd fought war, and we did it all over the world. We *recolonized* Africa! We recolonized, or partially recolonized, other parts of the world! We did not use our potential, our industrial power, to enable these countries, through machine tools and other things, to begin to develop their own independence, true independence and self-sufficiency.

And so what we did: We engaged in organizing, British-style, perpetual local warfare, between so-called "traditional rivals." And the British, as they had done in the case of the Seven Years' War, back in the 18th Century, *played* this situation so the United States, like a damned fool, would go off to fight one more war, and bleed its own people to death and waste our material, all for the greater glory of the British Empire!

And we're still doing that today! In Afghanistan! What a piece of idiocy that is, it's *inconceivable* idiocy! *Blessed by Obama!* It's insanity. And the error is McChrystal clear. This is insanity. So, we get into this kind of situation.

# **America's Special Role**

Today, obviously, we have to realize that we have been betrayed, in a very profound way. That is, with Franklin Roosevelt's success, as President, and his leadership in World War II, we had opened the gates for a new world, free of imperialism, free of these kinds of evils we suffer today, with the death of Roosevelt on April 12th of 1945, and the inauguration of Truman, who was no good from the beginning, and was a stooge for Winston Churchill, the British Empire and their friends inside the United States, their allies—the same ones who had backed Hitler, earlier. Remember, the whole Wall Street crowd had been backers of Adolf Hitler, *until* Pearl Harbor. And Truman was one of them, one of that pack.

And so, when Roosevelt died, who was the representative of the great achievement of his administrations, Truman moved the British back in, and Wall Street back in, to play their games.

Now, we have a very special role in world history, as a nation. We were established as a European culture. We were established on the initiative of a great figure, from the 15th Century, Cardinal Nicholas of Cusa, who recognized, at that time, that the situation in Europe was becoming hopeless, culturally: that the great intentions of the Council of Florence were being sabotaged, and were in danger. And he came to the conclusion that people in Europe had to think about going out across the oceans, to make contact with other parts of the world, and take the best features of European civilization with them, to contribute to these continents. And thus, by defending the advances of European civilization in these other continents, would feed back into Europe, and tilt the balance so that Europe itself could achieve its own proper intention.

There were various efforts in this direction. Christopher Columbus was actually inspired, specifically, by the program of Nicholas of Cusa, in about 1480 A.D., which he was actually able to carry out in his first voyage in 1492. But the Habsburg control of Spain and Portugal, meant that the attempt to develop civilization in Central and South America was jeopardized by this influence. And so it was not until the 17th Century, in the colonization in Massachusetts, in particular, that the initiative occurred, for the development of the United States.

Our distinction in the world is precisely that, the heritage of that period. Our distinction is, we formed on this continent, a republic which contained the best representatives of European civilization, people who came here from various parts of Europe, in the leading part, not to flee from Europe, but to carry European culture into a new continent, and develop here, a kind of nation-state, which would be an example for the restoration for some kind of decency to Europe.

And thus, we have this distinction between our British cousins, so-called, and ourselves: that, for many of us, we are part of the same cultural origin as they are, but their system of government is fundamentally different than ours, and the difference is largely not in language, though there is some distance in the use of language—in who we call what, and whatnot. But the difference is essentially this ingredient: that we do not accept the oligarchical conception of society, which is characteristic of Europe. We demand *our* kind of society, which is based on the nature of the individual. And we represent, in large degree, the *best* of European cul-

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The United States must immediately create millions of productive jobs, like those being carried out by these construction workers at Lake Shelbyville Dam in Illinois. This would combat demoralization, and start the country on the road to a real recovery.

ture, brought here, but freed of the habit of oligarchism—you know, of kissing the butt of Sir This and Sir That, and Baron This and so forth, that sort of thing. We don't believe in this idea of oligarchical social class. And that is the fundamental distinction.

So, we as a nation, an English-speaking nation, by and large, are absolutely unique on the planet, and we are the greatest danger, because we represent the alternative to the use of European culture, in Europe, as a way of destroying humanity. *That's* why they want to destroy us.

## 'Hey, Mr. President, Where Are the Jobs?'

Now, this comes to the practical question: What're we supposed to do now? The whole debate by Obama—Obama's a liar. I would call him a liar, really, if he were not an idiot. And how can you call an idiot a liar? I mean, that's really a problem, huh?

But, his thing about "my program or nothing"—the guy's a complete fraud! I don't think he thought up the fraud himself, because he doesn't think very well. But I think somebody told him that, and he's repeating it, being whipped into place. He's saying, we have to kill people, kill our citizens, because our economy can't afford to feed them.

I say: Well, Mr. President, you're kinda stupid, aren't you? That's not the problem. The reason we can't

feed our population, is the fact that they aren't employed! You took away their employment, you took away their industries, you took away their agriculture. Why don't you give them back their jobs? Why don't you give them back their industries? Why don't you give them back their farms? Why don't you support their industry? Why don't you support their investment in their industry? Why don't you support investment in their farms? Why don't you educate them, for the new kinds of employment which are required today, which we could do?

Why do you have them out in the streets, with no education, whatsoever? Why do you have Blab School education, instead of real education? These young guys coming out of school don't know anything! Why? Because they've been educated, to be know-nothings.

Why don't we go to the mission of—where are the jobs?

Hey, Mr. President! Where are the jobs? Hey, Mr. President, where are the skills, for those jobs? Hey, Mr. President, where are the industries to employ these people? Hey, Mr. President, where are the farmers, the prosperous farmers we used to have, to employ these people? Where is the basic economic infrastructure, to change the power of mankind, to increase the power of mankind in this universe, Mr. President? We've got these people out there! The citizens! You want to kill them! You want to increase the death rate among them! You say there're too many! You say, we want slaves, not educated people!

Why? Mr. President! Why are you such an idiot? Why do you insist, that if we don't listen to you, we're not going to make it? If we listen to you, we *surely* will not make it, Mr. President!

Now, Mr. President: I'm willing to keep you in the Presidency, for one reason: because you were elected. I may regret that deeply, but that's the fact of the matter. I regret the fact that you're President, because you're too stupid to be President! But, Mr. President, I have a solution for you. I'll take care of this problem for you. You sit in the Oval Office with a group of advisors—get rid of this bunch of clowns that you've got, that's pushing this genocide. You've got some perfectly fine, qual-

ified people in your administration. Just get rid of the bums... and I'm afraid, Rahm has to go.

Rahm and his brother should go out, and try to find what happened to the toilet lid from the King David Hotel, when their father blew up that hotel. And there was a British colonel, exposed, naked to the world, because the structure had crumbled around him, because of this lousy bombing job, done by the Emanuel family. And there he is, the plumbing is holding up this bathtub; the colonel is naked in the bathtub, exposed to all kinds of ridicule, because of the British proportions and characteristics-but where is the toilet lid? What happened to the toilet lid? I think, Rahm, you and your brother, ought to go out and

find that toilet lid. Or, at least give us a decent report of what happened to it.

We don't need the Emanuel family in our government. We don't need Orszag, we don't need a lot of others. But particularly, we don't need anybody who's associated with this health-care policy of this President! They must go! And they must go, suddenly!

Now, your problem, Mr. President, is, now, to pay attention to what I can do, and what some other people can do, to advise your government. You will sit, safely protected, in the Oval Office, because I don't want anybody to harm you in any way. We're going to protect you against your former British friends, who will want to kill you over this issue. We're going to protect you: The full resources of the United States are going to protect your person, as President. You will sit safely in the Oval Office, by every means we can use to accomplish that. Don't worry about that.

We'll treat you in a very friendly, kindly, respectful way. We will not have you announce any policy that you have not been presented with. You don't have to understand the policy, you can simply say, "I accept the guidance of my friends, here." On that basis, we have people, in the wings of government, outside government, who, to my knowledge, are willing to step forward, replace that bunch of clowns associated with the Obama health-care policy and similar kinds of things, and put together a program. By doing what?



USACE/Norm Atkins

The U.S. recovery program should focus on large-scale infrastructure projects, such as repairing the nation's major river system. Here, the John T. Myers Lock and Dam on the Ohio River.

# The Road to Recovery

The first thing we have to do, is we've got an immediate situation, coming up in the month of October, November, and beyond: an absolutely desperate situation, for people who are running out of—in vast numbers—the last shred of unemployment insurance. The last shred of support for the means of existence, facing an epidemic disease, which is highly dangerous, when the Obama Administration is trying to destroy all the very means we require, to deal with epidemic disease. We're dealing with a demoralization of the U.S. population, which is losing confidence in itself, and confidence in the future. *This is what we have to concentrate on*.

We have to create real employment. Not employment in make-work, but real employment in some kind of productive work, the way Roosevelt did, in the Depression years, in the beginning. We have to put people back to work. We don't have the work for them? Yes, we have to provide unemployment compensation, to keep them alive and keep them in condition. And keep their dignity, above all. We've got to save communities, which are no longer productive, put them back into productivity. We're going to concentrate largely on basic economic infrastructure, physical infrastructure of the type that's necessary for the foundation of industry.

Now, when you build large-scale infrastructure programs, you also create a lot of private employment. Because, when you have a major contract, a government

contract, for building a piece of infrastructure, what do you do? You call in private firms as bidders on contracts, to service the completion of this work. In that way, wherever you put in a transportation project, for example, or some other project which is a government project, you immediately stimulate employment, of this type, in the vicinity. People who have skills, who have small businesses or something, or that kind of skill, who can bid on the job, or do that job—we've got to do that, fast.

The first thing we have to do, is to do enough of it, to convince the people out there, that that's what we intend to do. Think back to the experience, as I saw it, and others saw it, back in the 1930s. The first thing to do: You've got to rebuild the confidence of those people out there, who are feeling desperate, in themselves. You've got to rebuild confidence in those communities which are affected by the desolation which is being caused now.

You've got to create *productive employment*, Mr. President! Not green employment! Productive employment! You have to fix up the Ohio River, which is no longer functioning, because of neglect. You've got to fix up the Mississippi River; you've got to build up the Missouri River! You've got to build up the Ogallala Aquifer, in the West, if you want agriculture for the future. There are many things to do: Get cracking at it! Pick a few of these projects, get them started! Correlate the way you start these projects, with the way you locate revitalization of employment in industries and local communities. As we used to do.

Look at a map of the United States: Go state by state, cooperate with the state officials, map the problem. Decide where you need the social effect of employment. And find the form of employment that fits the program, and make sure they get a share of it there. We want to have an increase, by about 20%, of employment of the people of the United States, over the immediate period ahead. We want them to feel that that is a Christmas present, and a New Year's greeting, for a change in the way things are going! The American people are trusting, and if you show respect for them, and respect for their needs, and a sense of justice, they will trust you for a certain period of time.

And they're now in a mood—we're in a mass strike mood, in this country, Mr. President, and the country doesn't like you, Mr. President! As a matter of fact, they're coming to *hate you*, Mr. President! They're not going to do violence to you, but they hate you, nonethe-

less. You are a symbol of the suffering you've imposed upon them, and you've got to prove that you're a better man than that. And we'll help you succeed, if you consent to do that.

We'll keep you in the White House; you'll stay there. You'll be protected. You will be consulted on every question that comes up that you should be consulted on. But you're going to listen to your advisors. And the advisors are going to be a lot more competent than you are. And you're going to learn a lot! For the first time in your life, you're going to really learn a lot that you need to know. And you will walk out of that job, with the pride, that while you were President—whether you were qualified to be President, or not—that under your Presidency, the job was done. And you can take pride in that.

That's what I can give you—it's the best I can give you.

Junk your present program. It's idiotic, it's completely stupid, and it's criminal; stop it! Mr. President! For the first time in your life, be a *mensch*!

# Dialogue with LaRouche

**Freeman:** ...Well! We have greetings that have come in, for Lyn, wishing him a happy birthday, from all over the world. I really can't even begin to read all of them, but just indicate that among the places are: China, Russia, Argentina, Australia; Mexico, Peru, Bolivia, Venezuela, Panama, etc., and certainly from various people here in the U.S. So, happy birthday from everybody, Lyn.

We also have satellite meetings going on all over the world. I don't have time to read all of them. I understand that for the first time, we have a group participating from Mauritius, and I'd like to welcome them, certainly.

But now, I really think we do have to get to the large number of questions that have come in. The bulk of the questions come from various institutions inside the United States, which are working on precisely the questions that Mr. LaRouche has addressed in the body of his remarks. In some cases, the questioner knows the answer, but I think they simply want Mr. LaRouche on record. ... But first, there are a few questions that have come in from international institutions, and I'd like to ask those questions first.

## China's Economic Dilemma

The first question comes from China, from a major think tank that has been following Lyn very closely. The question is prefaced by a request to forward to Lyn good wishes on his 88th [sic] birthday, and to wish him many happy returns of the day. The questioner notes that the number 8, in China, symbolizes luck—and we are sure going to need it.

His question: "Mr. LaRouche, as you know, China holds more than \$2 trillion in foreign currency. This has led to a great debate about the dollar as a reserve currency, etc., but really, what I wish to ask you is, if you think that such a practice, of holding such a large sum of money in foreign currency, is a safe practice. And if not, what you would indicate as a more reliable option for nations?"

**LaRouche:** The greatest asset we should seek, at this moment of world history, is the establishment of a relationship among a group of sovereign nation-states, which can be considered keystone sovereign nation-states, which repre-

sent sufficient power to force the world as a whole to come to its senses. Now, what I've indicated, is, there are four nations which are the most obvious candidates for that: Our own United States, presumably, under a President Obama who has accepted my proposals, today. Otherwise, we've got a problem.

Secondly, Russia, which is not only a major Eurasian state, but which has the keystone in technology—not just in territory, but in technology, an historically developed technology—to develop the mineral resources of the tundra and related areas of Siberia and northern Russia. Because these resources are the richest resources now available (apart from what's in the ocean; the ocean is a basic source of all mineral resources, of mankind, today), but this is key, particularly in respect to China's proximity to Asia. Because South Asia, and Central Asia, such as China, require a very large increase of the powers of productivity of its population.

The problem of China, today, with this sudden collapse of the U.S. and other markets which has occurred, is that there's a large part of the Chinese population and territory which has not been sufficiently developed, to have any sort of autonomy, interms of its position in the world economy. And therefore, that has to be fixed.

Despite the changes in government in Japan, the interest of Japan clearly remains: the technology of Japan



Chinese Embassy to the United States

The problem of China today is that it is totally dependent upon exporting to the West—into a market that no longer exists. What it requires is international credit for economic development. Here, workers in a factory in Huaibei, eastern China, in 2005.

and its participation in a role in respect to cooperation with China, in cooperation with Russia, and in that region. Because the development of Siberia, particularly of the Pacific section of Siberia, is very crucial for this entire area.

So therefore, then, you have to have the next-largest nation in the world, India. China and India, and the United States and Russia: These four nations, not excluding others, represent a crucial combination of nation-states, which, if in cooperation, with this kind of intention that I've indicated, is the basis for a change in the world system. I think, without such cooperation, the possibility of saving the world from a new dark age, is highly questionable. The role of these nations is crucial, their cooperation.

We have to understand, of course, that there are differences in policy and culture among these nations; but that is not important. Because this is a part of the problem: We do not need a homogenized world. One of the great problems today, which I did not reference, but I think I should reference here, is globalization.

The reason for the danger we face today, is a process which was actually launched in 1968, but especially over the period '68-'73, the process leading to globalization. We destroyed the functioning concept of the sovereign nation-state. Today, we shipped production

from nations which had high technology, into nations which did not have high technology, and used cheap labor, as the offset for the difference in productivity in those nations.

Thus, we destroyed the technological capability, the higher level of technological capability, in the United States, Germany, and so forth, and shipped production into other parts of the world. The effect has been, that the idea of national economic security no longer exists on this planet, at this time. Nations do not have any degree of self-sufficiency. We used to have a degree of self-sufficiency in basic food supplies, in basic industrial requirements, and so forth. We no longer have that, as a result of globalization.

Worse! The policy of the international system, today, has been to shift production from nations which do not consume that production, to nations which will not produce that, but will consume it. So therefore, the international monetarist money-men are able to control both nations, because they control the food supply of one and the industrial production of the other. That sort of thing.

You no longer have sovereign nation-states in the economic sense. Therefore, for this reason, the collapse of the United States, or the internal collapse of China, because of this loss of employment which has recently occurred, will be sufficient to blow the whole planet up into a dark age, as a chain-reaction effect. There are *no nations*, which could survive a collapse of the U.S. economy would mean *a total collapse of the world as a whole*, in a chain-reaction effect, in a very short period of time. And China is the leading target for this, right now. If the United States goes down, China goes down. If China goes down, Russia goes down. Europe goes down. South and Central America become a joke, but a bad joke.

So therefore, if we do *not* end globalization, if we do not enter into a system of cooperation among sovereign nation-states, *to end globalization*, by reversing this process, then there's *no chance of civilization on this planet, for generations still to come*.

The question of the \$2 trillion debt to China is exemplary of this. China has no external markets to make up for that! And if the credit of the United States is no good, then China has to eat those \$2 trillion! And lose everything that goes with it. That sets off quite a timebomb, inside the United States itself, as well as China, and the world as a whole.

So therefore, we can no longer stand for globalization. Monsanto will give up this fake patent right it has! No one will be allowed to patent a food. They didn't invent it, they can't patent it. Let Monsanto—get 'em out of there: "Okay, Mr. Monsanto, you can have all the inorganic ingredients you want! You can not have any living thing in there. And I want you to show that you can take these inorganic elements, and combine them in such a way, that suddenly, you have produced grain: viable, living grain, that can hatch, and produce more grain; if you can't do that Mr. Monsanto, I think we have to consider your patent rights a fraud—and they're cancelled."

This is the kind of problem we face.

Now, what we have to do, to deal with this: We really have to have some competent economics. We need a 50-year contract, essentially, among the leading nations of the world, which will be a credit system, shared among the nations of the world. Each will have their own credit system, but we'll have them in a fixed-exchange-rate relationship. We will then make agreements between governments, which allow for investment in long-term cooperation.

Now, take the case of China, which is the specific question here. China can not put its entire population on the world market for export, today. It won't work! The market isn't there. The market has been destroyed—it was artificial anyway. What China requires, is long-term capital development, of its own internal technology. That means, capital investments over a period of about 50 years—50 years, mean.

So therefore, you have to have an international system, a fixed-exchange-rate system, based on long-term credit for these kinds of projects, which will enable China, for example, to develop its capabilities, to enter in with full partnership, and full equality on the world market, for its entire population—which is going to increase. And to maintain an increasing population on this planet, today, requires a very rapid, and very aggressive bit of scientific and technological progress. So China must have a participation in that part of scientific and technological progress, which enables it to catch up, so to speak—for its whole population to catch up—to international standards. And within 50 years, that's about two generations, we can do that.

So China requires a system of international credit, at reasonable rates—we're talking about 1.5 to 1% internationally, under agreements between sovereign nation-states, which have the purpose of ensuring that every

nation-state is going to come to a point, 50 years from now, where the system is more or less in balance, as nation-states. And we have to eliminate globalization to do that. *No more globalization: Cancel it!* Go back to the sovereign nation-state.

And China has to be a key part, precisely because China has this problem! And because China, at the same time, is a very important part of any international combination of change. Therefore, the rights of China, the interests of China must be served, in any such agreement. Without such an agreement, there's no chance for the world as a whole: China, India, Russia, the United States.

Because Europe, presently, has no function on the world scale, because the British have gobbled up Europe,

with the euro. There is no sovereign nation between the Atlantic Ocean and the Russian border, to speak of. Doesn't exist. They've all been gobbled up by the euro! And therefore, we have to restore the sovereignty of nation-states in Europe, in order to qualify them, *to be free* to participate fully in this type of reorganization.

In the meantime, in my view, the United States, Russia, China, and India: These are four nations which have differences in cultural outlook, differences in perspective, but have a *common interest*, to unite around the common interest as a sovereign nation-state, and to create a nucleus, to overpower the British Empire in the world.

## The Dollar System: Eliminate Monetarism!

Freeman: ...This question comes from a Russian diplomat in New York, and relates to the UN Conference on Trade and Development [UNCTAD], which, over the last few days, has released a report, in which they say that system of currencies and capital rules that currently binds the international financial system, is not working properly, and, according to them, is what was largely responsible for the current financial and economic crises that we face globally. The UN report adds, that the present system, under which the dollar acts as the world's reserve currency, should be subjected to wholesale reconsideration.



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The recent proposal from a United Nations agency to replace the dollar with a global reserve currency, is primarily a reflection of the monetarist incompetence which has characterized thinking about economics since President Franklin Roosevelt's death. Here, the UN General Assembly discusses economics in June 2009.

The questioner says, that although leading economists in a number of countries, including China and Russia, at various points, have suggested replacing the dollar as the world's currency, the UN report is the first time, to his knowledge, that a major multinational institution has posed this kind of suggestion. He says that, "in essence, what the report calls for, is a New Bretton Woods-style system of managed, international exchange rates, meaning that central banks would be forced to intervene, and either support or push down their currencies, depending on how the rest of the world economy is behaving.

"The UN proposal also implies that surplus nations, such as China and Germany, should stimulate their economies further, in order to cut their own imbalances, rather than, as in the present system, deficit nations, such as the U.K. and U.S. having to take the main burden of readjustment."

He quotes one of the authors of the report, who says, "Replacing the dollar with an artificial currency, would solve some of the problems related to the potential of countries running large deficits, and would help stability. But you will also need a system of managed exchange rates. Countries should keep real exchange rates, adjusted for inflation, stable. Central banks would have to intervene, and if not, they would have to be told to do so, by some multilateral institution, such as the IMF."

He says, "Mr. LaRouche, these proposals, to me, amount to a threat to national sovereignty and perhaps the most radical suggestions for redesign of the global monetary system that I have seen to date. Although many economists have pointed out that the economic crises that we currently face, owe more to the malfunctioning of the post-Bretton Woods system, it still seems to me that this proposal is not a very good alternative.

"I ask you the question, however, because I know that this will come up as a major discussion as an alternative, at the G20 meeting, and also because I know that this has been a source of massive debate, often very hostile debate, in my own country."

**LaRouche:** Well, the point is, the whole issue is totally incompetent.

The problem is, we have been going—the world as a whole, beginning with the United States in 1966, '65—the United States went to zero growth, net zero economic growth, in basic economic infrastructure. Since about 1968-1973, the United States has been in a process of *negative growth*. Since the same period, 1967-1973, Europe has been in a state of negative growth, and real decadence.

This negative growth has been a result of policies adopted by governments, and adopted and encouraged by leading economists, working inside those countries, or for those governments. So, I think it's fair to say, that the thinking of the UN, as described by the questioner, the thinking of the UN is a reflection of that habit of incompetence, which has led to the present world crisis. And I don't think we need more of that incompetence, as a stimulus for remedies. We don't need more injections with the disease which has caused the problem. And the problem has been caused by the incompetence of the economic policies of virtually every leading government of the world, in one way or the other.

China, for example: Take a look at China; China has progressed. *But!* China progressed on the assumption of being an exporter for other countries. That export market for China has disappeared!

Or take Russia: Russia's policy was a stupid one, in a sense, despite what was accomplished by President Putin, and then by President Medvedev. It's been foolish—why? Because it based Russia's future on the gamble that the raw-materials sale from Russia to other countries would be the source of income for Russian growth. And now that market has collapsed, and Russia's in a crisis, because it had the wrong policy, of assuming certain things about the rest of the world's poli-

cies, which are wrong.

I can take the case and prove it, and I have proven it, I think, repeatedly: that the policies of every part of the world have been aggregately insane, in terms of their long-term effects over the past 40 years. We're in a mess today because of 40 years of wrong thinking, and any of the economists who come up and say: "Well, we're the experts, we're going to fix this for you. We're going to tell you how to fix it." And you say, "Please, I had cancer once, don't give it to me again. I don't need that anymore." And that's what our problem is.

Now, there's only one thing, first of all, you've got to do: You *must eliminate monetarism*. You must use the United States as the proven standard, under certain Presidents, under its original intention, under certain Presidents, such as Lincoln, such as Franklin Roosevelt, and use those experiences to show that the American System is the best system which was ever developed for economy on this planet. Except, we had a problem—we had too much British influence inside Wall Street. And it was British influence and British traitors inside the United States, who loved the British Queen more than they loved their own country, which are the cause of our problems. Aside from the fact that Britain was an empire, we had trouble fighting against it for some period.

But, we defeated the British Empire under Lincoln. Palmerston went down like a rocket. But what happened is, that Lincoln was shot, by the British. It was the British that killed him; this is an open fact, no question about that. Just like McKinley was assassinated, for example. McKinley was a patriot, a seasoned patriot and a competent President of the United States. But they got into trouble, and he put a *bum* in as Vice President—Teddy Roosevelt. Teddy Roosevelt was the nephew of the chief Confederate spy working for the British Empire in the Civil War. The guy, Roosevelt, Teddy Roosevelt, was essentially a traitor to the United States.

Now, at that point, under McKinley, the policy of the United States, in terms of Europe, was to try to make peace with France—which was a difficult problem at that time—and to rely upon the tradition of Bismarck's role in Germany, and to try to have relations with Russia which were based on Bismarck's agreements with the Russian Czar. That was our policy of war avoidance. We were going to cooperate with Germany and Russia, and hopefully France, against the British Empire. That was our policy.

The assassination of McKinley, by a British agent,

sent in from Europe to do the job, with cooperation of the circles of Theodore Roosevelt in New York City, who was then the Vice President of the United States, brought President Theodore Roosevelt into power, and a fundamental change in policy. It was Theodore Roosevelt's inauguration as President, in cooperation with what became the Woodrow Wilson Administration, which installed the Federal Reserve System, which is the enemy of the U.S. Constitution.

It was these arrangements which put the United States into its role in World War I. And despite the British—Franklin Roosevelt changed it; it was supposed to go the other way. Franklin Roosevelt was supposed to be on the side of the British in this thing, and he wasn't. He was on the side of the United States.

Then, when Roosevelt was out of office, they used Truman, who was a pig, to put us back in the same direction again. And over the entire period, the leading economists, with some exceptions in the United States, were traitors to the United States, in terms of their way of thinking. Either traitors or incompetent.

Most of the economists I know—I know some economists who are competent in varying degrees; some of them are competent in specialties, some are competent in history, some are competent in certain aspects of national policymaking. There are some of these people who I would obviously say should be called in as key advisors of the present U.S. government, because they have the kind of knowledge which is needed to provide the government with a well-crafted policy—foreign policy, economic policy, domestic policy. They exist.

But, in general, the leading theme of what is accepted on Wall Street and by the national press, the national news media, as economic policy, has been clinically insane, and even criminal. And it's those insane or variously criminal policies, and misguidance, which have led the nations of the world into this process, this mess. And, especially, the mess of the past 40-odd years. And we need no more from *them on their way of thinking*.

We have to eliminate monetarism. We have to destroy it, through bankruptcy reorganization, like an international Glass-Steagall Act. We have to purge the world of everything that smells of monetarism, and rely only on sovereign nation-states' lawful currency. We must bring about agreement to a global, fixed exchangerate system. The way to do that is the dollar. Because the dollar has no longer, since about 1973, has no longer been a *controlling* factor in international monetary af-

fairs. The British Empire has been the controlling factor in international affairs. Eliminate the British Empire, and you suddenly find a different world. All the filth in the world, all the evil, comes from the British Empire, which as I said today, is not an empire of the people of the United Kingdom. It's an empire of an international monetarist interest. This monetarist interest is, by its nature, private, not public. The International Monetary Fund is essentially a cabal of private interests, not nation interests.

But the nations have been corrupted by monetarism. We must eliminate monetarism from this planet! All the agreements on reform of the international system have been failures from the outset, by design, because they assume that you are going to have agreements among monetary systems, like those of John Maynard Keynes. And don't forget that, in 1936, when John Maynard Keynes published his General Theory, he published it first in Germany, and he selected Germany as the place of its publication, because he thought the then-present policies of Germany were more suitable to his policies, than those of any other part of the world. In other words, Keynes was really a fascist. And the world has been influenced largely, in the postwar world, by the influence of John Maynard Keynes. And Keynesianism is one of the worst diseases on this planet.

Eliminate monetarism! Go back to credit systems, fixed-exchange-rate credit systems of each nation of the world. And start with four nations which have to get rid of that pestilence right away—the United States, Russia, China, and India. And other countries will happily join that alliance.

But the UN is largely a bad institution for that, because it is polluted by this kind of monetarist and similar kinds of liberal thinking. The very kind of thinking that brought us to this crisis, since the day that Roosevelt died. And, especially, since 1968, when fascism ran amok in the streets of the United States in the name of the Weathermen, which was a cultural change which became the Baby-Boomer movement, which destroyed the United States from the inside.

And that's the way you have to look at these things.

# What About Regional Monetary Authorities?

**Freeman:** Lyn, this is a question, along a similar vein, which came from the Stanford group discussing a report that came out of a conference that was held in June, in Paris, by a number of economists—most of them American, but some of them representing other

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countries as well, which included the American economist Jamie Galbraith. This is the Economists for Peace and Security, as well as the Initiative for Rethinking the Economy. And the question is, as follows:

"Mr. LaRouche, without question, the growing assessment of all of us, but also of economists all over the world, is that the IMF is essentially beyond repair. The organization exists outside the framework of law, and it routinely violates its own charter with impunity, particularly in denying to member states the right to impose control over capital flows. As I think you know, under the charter of the IMF, members do have the right to demand reduction in terms of repayment. Yet, the IMF and the World Bank routinely seek to set themselves apart as creditors preferred above anyone else. Conditionality and austerity are imposed on the most vulnerable member countries, with the objective of undermining the most basic human economic rights, under conditions that preclude any possibility of effective economic recovery. I think we can all agree that adding funds and power to this organization is an exercise in self-defeat. In fact, the very concept of a reformed IMF, is an oxymoron.

"There really is no question that, in an ideal world, what you've called a Four-Power Agreement, to replace the currently dysfunctional international monetary institutions, would certainly be the most preferable option. However, there does not really seem

to be an immediate appetite for this. One proposal that has been put before us, as an alternative to a single-reserve-asset world, is something that we wanted your opinion on, because there is some lack of clarity among us, and certainly this is different than the market-basket of currencies that has been proposed elsewhere, but we are not sure this is workable.

"What we have been handed is an alternative to a single-reserve-asset system that would pursue the development of regional monetary authorities, which could, among other things, make dollar-reserve assets earned by countries that are successful net exporters, available to neighbors who are not. Such authorities would have distinct advantages over a global system, because 1) the regional fund has a direct stake in the

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The global monetarist system, which has dominated the planet since the Peloponnesian War, relies on the suppression of national sovereignty, on which competent economics depends. The method used was perfected by the Venetians, who ran the system for centuries, before handing it over to the City of London, which is its capital today. Here, a painting of "The Doge's Fisherman," by Paris Bordone, 1534.

success of the other member countries under its authority; and 2) a structured system like this, would give small countries some of the advantages and margin for maneuver that are now enjoyed by large countries, in both the developed and developing world; and 3) regional power can be deployed effectively over regional financial institutions.

"The drawback of this, is I think clear; but is there anything salvageable, as far as you can see, in this proposal, especially as an interim measure to be taken?"

**LaRouche:** What you have to look at is, the Glass-Steagall Act by President Franklin Roosevelt, which Larry Summers—from inside the Clinton Administration, when Clinton was in trouble—managed to screw up.

The first step in dealing with any monetary question today, or any question of currency, is, you must put every system of the planet through internal bankruptcy reorganization. This planet has been polluted. All the financial transactions included by this process which began, really, was unleashed in 1987, with the 1987 crash, under which, in effect, Greenspan unleashed Hell on Earth in the form of financial derivatives. It's a swindle. Now, most of the debt, and most of the list of assets that are under discussion in most parts of the world today, are completely fraudulent.

If you apply a Glass-Steagall standard—which you must apply, because it's the one existing standard which is reliable for all countries; every country of the world can apply that standard the same way—you apply the Glass-Steagall standard, and you take this pile of so-called monetary assets, financial assets over here, put a big pile here. Now, you put a test. It's like, "Are you going to Heaven or are you going to Hell?" And at the gates, you've got St. Peter, and he's watching at the gate. Somebody comes up and says, "We have this financial asset." And he says, "Downstairs, please!" And by the time you've gone through the process, there are very few safe Christians, or anybody else, left up there!

So, you have a much smaller number of claims, financial claims, on the system as a whole. You have eliminated the waste material. You've had the great ExLax event of the century. And therefore, we should not talk about the existing so-called national monetary assets, because they're polluted. We have to cancel most of them. You know, I think about \$25-30 trillion of the debt listed as the assets in claims in the United States ought to be just *pssft*—gone!

Now, we've got to go back to a hard-credit dollar. We have to transform the U.S. dollar from a monetarist dollar to a hard-credit dollar, which means that, suddenly, agriculture and industry and other things become the means, no longer financial speculation. Financial speculation is a crime! I think we ought to make that part of our criminal law. The practice of monetarism should be outlawed as a crime against humanity. Certainly, monetarism has killed more people on this planet than any known disease. Shouldn't we outlaw it? Its only rival is drug trafficking. Shouldn't we outlaw it?

So therefore, when we talk about relations between national currencies, we mean the currency of a national credit system, in which a sovereign government declares, "This is our money. It's not somebody else's money; it's not some international cartel." Governments don't borrow money from international financial institutions. It's a matter of their relationship with an institution; their sovereign relationship to any private institution. It's not a matter of international institutions.

What has killed the world since the time of ancient Greece, since the Peloponnesian War? What is the problem? Was it an economic problem? No, it wasn't. It was a monetary problem. The question was, after the defeat of the Persian Empire's attempt to take over the Eastern Mediterranean, after the great battle where this occurred, you had three foci of what we call today Greek, Greek-speaking culture, in the Mediterranean, which had a certain relationship with Egypt, which unfortunately at that time was under Persian occupation. So, Egypt was an essential part of the culture. The relationship of Greece, the historic relationship of Greece to the culture, the Greek culture and the Etruscan culture for example, were a key part, from the 7th Century B.C. onward. So, suddenly, the Persian Empire had attempted to take over the area of the Eastern Mediterranean and beyond, using its alliance with Tyre as a key part of this process.

This whole period, through the triumph of Alexander the Great, is of this particular type of nature, where Egypt came back into the situation as an independent power, Tyre was destroyed, and the Persian Empire was gobbled up by Alexander, who tried to assimilate it into a new kind of international system. He was poisoned, probably by Aristotle, who had tried to poison him before, but this time, probably successfully. So, this is the period.

So what had happened is, in this period, before Alexander, you had these Greek influences which were, apart from being political influences, were actually economic interests; the economic interests of *maritime power*. Greek civilization, and also, predominantly, historically, Egyptian civilization, the Etruscan civilization was essentially maritime power, not land power.

And thus, these nations, which had emerged with the melting of the glaciers, and up to the present levels of seas today, these powers had existed on the basis of trade. They produced things, and they traded. Their trade was based on the existence of *monetary systems*. The monetary system of reference for the Greek-speaking people of that period was the Cult of Delphi, which was an Asian intrusion into European civilization. And the priests of the Cult of Delphi, playing their magic tricks and so

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forth, got these three parts—one centered on Athens, another centered on Corinth, which is Sparta, that area, and the other centered on Syracuse. And they started out with a war between the two Greek-speaking areas, which were *rivals in trade*, on the basis of *monetary* rivalry, of who was going to be the monetary power.

So, they got into a war! The beginning of the Peloponnesian War, the first phase, which is Athens against Corinth. The Athenians, the Ionians against the—in this Peloponnesian War. Then, not satisfied with that piece of folly, which had almost destroyed the joint, they went through a war with Syracuse, and did the same thing—another great power in the Mediterranean. Syracuse was a center of intellectual and monetary financial power, and economic power in that region. *Boom!* They destroyed themselves for the sake of another power.

So, you had the systems of monetarism, in which private ownership of money, or the equivalent of money, determines power. And the wars of the world, particularly of European civilization, since that time to the present day, have been a struggle for imperial power above nation-states.

That's what the meaning of empire is. The British Empire is not an empire because the British control the world. If you know the British people, they're not capable of controlling the world; they can't even control themselves. (But they can control some stupid Americans.) But the power lies in the power of a private interest, a private monetary interest, a money interest, which, by controlling money, and credit based on the idea of money, controls nations, as from above. This is what imperialism, is in the European experience. It's monetarism, like that of John Maynard Keynes. It's monetarism. And that's where the problem lies.

When we get rid of monetarism, as our American Founders understood, from the time of Massachusetts Bay Colony: Get rid of monetarism! Get rid of the international imperial power of private monetary interests over nation-states. Establish the superiority of the sovereignty of the nation-state over all other power, and define world relations on the relations among sovereign nation-states, like the U.S. Constitution prescribes. This is the unique genius of our system, the Hamiltonian feature of the U.S. Constitution.

And thus, if you want to have a reform, the first thing you do is, you take the monetarists out and you melt them down, because they're not real. Because that's what you've got to do. So, don't talk about relations, about state-to-state relations, or system-to-system rela-

tions. You've got to get rid of syphilis first! Get rid of the syphilis before you try sex!

# The Meaning of a Mass Strike

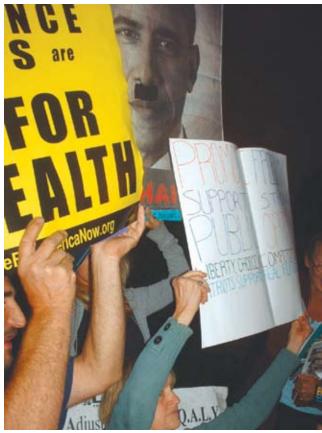
Freeman: The next question comes from the Stanford group. They say: "Mr. LaRouche, in trying to analyze why certain proposals that we put forward, which we thought were obvious, were rejected, we started to take a closer look at how our policy here in the U.S. is, in fact, structured. And, among the things that we learned, was that, essentially, over the course of, especially, the last 30 years, there has been a complete dismantling of effective taxing power over those who sit at the top of the system. The effective corporate tax rate for the top 20 firms in the U.S. is currently under 2%. There is more that could be said about this, but the bottom line is, that the effect has been to create a trained professional class of retainers, who devote themselves to preserving the existing system.

"Furthermore, there were massive frauds in the origination of mortgages and the rating processes that led to securitization, and in the credit default swaps that were supposed to insure against loss. In the policy approach so far, there has been a consistent failure to address, analyze, remedy, and above all, prosecute these frauds. And our insistence that our government would not see any restoration of public trust until this occurred, has fallen on deaf ears in Washington.

"The bottom line is that fundamental reform and any kind of bottom-up recovery strategy of the sorts that we've proposed, is blocked from the outset. Obama has his equivalent of Louis Douglas, the conservative budget director under FDR, but there is nobody in Washington at least, who is prepared to play the roles of Harry Hopkins, Harold Ickes, and Francis Perkins, who were the architects of the New Deal employment policy, of public works and improved labor conditions.

"Meanwhile, major legislation, from health care to bank reform, continues to be written in consultation with lobbyists. One example, is that the legislation on credit default swaps was actually prepared by [JPMorgan Chase chairman and CEO] Jamie Dimon and his lobbyists.

"The fact, though, is that, above all else, we see as the greatest danger in being able to shape any policy under these current circumstances, that the market has come to substitute for the functions of the state. And without the state, the concept of the public interest disappears from all policy. Markets, by definition, serve



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The mass strike which broke out in the United States over the month of August, is an expression of the fact that the American people are no longer willing to sit back and accept the diktat of Wall Street, which is coming from their government. Here, a town hall meeting in Skokie, Illinois, on Aug. 31.

private interests.

"With that said, however, banks are institutions that are chartered by public authority to serve public purpose. It is clearly understood, both in U.S. law and in practice, that banks have responsibilities as well as rights, and that the state has power over the conduct of banks, including the power and the duty to take them over and run them when they are troubled enough to threaten the public guarantee that lies behind bank deposits. Financial markets, on the other hand, especially the shadow banking system that we see today, exist to place in the domain of private market transactions, what previously existed in a clearly defined relationship to public purpose. They escape both regulation and insurance, and the result has been to vitiate the concept of public service, creating in banks privileged and power-market-oriented institutions that use and largely control the state, rather than respond to it.

"Now, all of us seem to agree that this system needs reform. Even Geithner and Summers have written articles to this effect. But the question is, what changes will actually count as fundamental? We've arrived at the conclusion, that there will be no fundamental change unless and until we agree on two basic things: 1) that laws were broken, and that the law-breakers must be prosecuted. If they are not prosecuted, then there is absolutely nothing that would serve as a deterrent for them to do it all over again. 2) It is our contention that it must be stated, clearly and without compromise, that banks are institutions that are chartered by public authority to serve public purpose. They have no other function in the American republic.

"We know that this is a position that is going to lead to a tremendous outcry, and we're probably all going to be denounced as a bunch of wild-eyed radicals, but we really don't see any other way to address this, and we'd like your comments on whether or not *you* think we're in the right direction."

**LaRouche:** There is a great movement in the United States today, which erupted in the month of August, which I've characterized scientifically as a mass strike. It's clear that over 60% of the American public has arisen in a strike, a protest, against what it hates. First of all, in the person of the President of the United States, and secondly, in most of the members of the Congress, in both Houses. This is a phenomenon which is poorly understood by most people, but I understand it very well, because I've studied my history. This is a genuine mass strike. The most recent example, as a precedent for this, happened in East Germany in 1989, when the people of East Germany, especially from Saxony, rose up and said, "Wir sind das Volk!" "We are the people!" and the D.D.R. regime collapsed, and the whole Soviet system went into a process of disintegration.

We had a similar event throughout the cities of the United States, during the month of August, a true mass strike. Not a protest movement, a mass strike. The characteristic of these things, as I saw the videotapes of them: The people said "Shut up! Listen to what we say! We don't want to hear what you have to say. We're telling you!" And they're still saying it! Over 60% of the U.S. citizenry despises the current President, but treats him with respect, despite despising him, because they want to achieve the dignity of asserting their rights as citizens. And the health-care issue is the number one issue.

So now, you look at all the other issues. When the

American citizen arises on his hind legs and says, "We are the people, you..." [mutters expletive], which I think a great number of them said, in effect—what I saw in the television shots of this thing—then you have the exertion of the ultimate power of government, under a republic, a true republic.

The power does not lie with the majority of the vote. The majority of the vote is not worth anything. You can buy it. At least, that's the way most of our people got into Congress, they bought the vote. There's no moral expression in this, although there were some hints of this and that. But the vote was bought! With money! And the politicians went to people with money and said, "Buy us! Buy us! We'll be yours. Give us the money. Buy us. We're for sale!" And that's how this kind of problem arises.

But then, suddenly, everything is under control! "We fixed the election. We got this bum in. This bum is now following these policies, which we hate. What are we going to do? How do we protest? Do we go to our representatives and ask them to represent us? This prostitute is going to teach us sex life?" No! We say, "We are the American people, and you have just made it very plain to us, that you are not one of us. You don't represent us."

See, this is what the American Revolution was.

You know, the problem is, people don't understand Classical culture at all. They think Classical culture is something you study in the university—which they *should* study in the university, but they really don't. They do the same thing in the university that they do in election campaigns. "Vote for us!" I mean, it's mostly fakery.

But the essential thing is that there is a phenomenon, where a people—and this occurs repeatedly in history, as in the case of the American Revolution—where a people recognizes a sense of common interest as human beings, as human beings of a certain culture, a certain political culture, or a group of cultures. Recognize that we are human beings. What's the interest of a human being? What are the rights of a human being, as opposed to some kind of slave or hired servant or something? And where they suddenly get a sense of: "What is it that we really want? What is the principle, the dynamic, that unites us in a common sense of what we really want and should have, as a right?" The assertion of the *natural rights* of a people.

This comes in the form described by Shelley. I've often referred to Shelley, but he's not the only one, just

the best known in the English language, his *A Defence of Poetry*, the concluding part of that. There are periods in history, in which the people are seized, in large numbers, by a certain sense of a common interest, a common moral interest, a common conceptual interest. And at such times, the people find themselves capable of being united in a common purpose by a force, which they don't fully understand, but whose validity they recognize. And this comes out in the expression of "our rights," "our mission," "our purpose." "We're no longer going to be in a slum. We're going to decide to move upward. We've decided it's our right and obligation to do this." And they say, "Well, if this is the moral principle which should govern us, it is this moral principle that must govern us in suitable form, suitable expressions." And that's how you get these great movements.

There is, in the United States today, despite the folly of that silly egotist, the President, there is a power that is far greater than anything he and his crowd represent, in the United States today. The people of the United States have said, "You are a bum! We don't like you. We're going to rip that mustache off from under your nose, because you have threatened to kill us, set the dogs upon us, to kill us, by taking away our health care, and murdering us, in order to save *your money*, to save the money of the people who bought you, Mr. President." And they decide that they paid too high a price for the purchase of this worthless object.

So, that's the way things are going now, and therefore, the only way in which you correct this kind of problem, is when a people are aroused, as the people of the United States, in large numbers, manifested this in their turnout in the month of August. They're aroused to a sense of a purpose, a higher purpose, to a higher morality, and then they *insist*—the way that the people of Saxony, for example, brought down the D.D.R. regime, where the "Land of Milk and Honey" was no longer milk and honey, and brought the regime down.

You're now in a period where the American people are desperate. You have seen in the month of August, a representation of a sample of 60% or more of the population that despises this present administration, and the members of the Congress have been frightened by this scarecrow, and have come back into office, trembling: "What are we going to do now? Tomorrow, a Joint Session of Congress! What am I going to do? He's looking at me! He's looking at me! What are we going to do?"

They're going to find that the American people are still of that disposition, and that damned fool better

learn real quick what the reality is. The American people are not going to tolerate this. And *that* is the government. That's the day on which politicians, who are bought and paid for by Wall Street—most of them are bought and paid for by Wall Street. What did they pay for Barney Frank? Whatever it was, it was far too much. His services are not particularly desirable.

So, that's the reality of this, and what you have to do, and what I have to do, is, we have to be governed by that. We have to be governed by our own conscience, but our own conscience is informed by, "We are a part of a people. I'm a part of a people. If I'm going to act, and act to try to change things, I have to do it with the consent of the people." And therefore, the people are speaking! And some people in Washington are not listening! The press is telling them it's not true, but it is true.

We are headed for a crisis like humanity has not seen in its memory, about to break out on a global scale. We're about to go into a dark age beyond belief, if you try to continue this system. The people say "no," they don't want to go on with this system. They want out of this system! And they are a power which is greater than any combination of elected representatives. And you try to defy them and you will find that they will speak, because their very lives, the meaning of their lives—more than their lives itself, it's the meaning of their lives—that is being disgraced. You're taking our American people out there, you're taking their lives; you're destroying the very meaning of their life. They will lay down their life for the meaning of their life; but they will not lay down the meaning of their life, and you're taking away the meaning of their life.

Mr. President, you're a damn fool. I know you're ignorant, but even an ignorant man like you, Mr. President, shouldn't be such a damned fool. I'll try to save your butt.

# **Coverup of the Economic Crisis**

**Freeman:** The next question comes from a representative from the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, who has been working with the section of the Stanford group working on jobs policy. He says: "Mr. LaRouche, I know you're aware of the fact that unemployment climbed to 9.7% last month, and that that rep-



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The devastation of conditions of life for the American population—ranging from unemployment to state bankruptcies to dependence on food stamps—has been suppressed by phony statistics coming from the Federal government, and leading politicians. This home in Jefferson County, West Virginia, is exemplary of some of the hidden poverty.

resents a 26-year high. However, I don't know if you have access to all of the information that we have access to, and I'd like to share some of that with you before I ask my question.

"Certainly, the trend is that we've lost a lot of jobs, and we're still losing them. But, the fact is, that the media have somehow tried to turn this into a good thing, saying that the trend is somehow improving. Trying to put that spin on it, is the equivalent of putting lipstick on a pig, because the bottom line is that for the job situation to be improving, it would mean that we would have to stop losing jobs!

"The fact is, that as bleak as the recent reports seem to be, the situation is really far worse, and there are a couple of things that I think have to be noted:

"Number one, the unemployment numbers of the past two months were revised upward to include another 46,000 job losses. We will probably see a lot more of that in the coming months, because of this strange thing called the 'birth/death model,' which counts theoretical business births and deaths. That model added 116,000 theoretical jobs last month, which was 26,000 more than it added the month before.

"I want to stress however, that these jobs are theoretical. *They do not exist*.

"And then there's the question of 'seasonal adjustment.' Note that the number of people no longer counted in the labor force, thus doing their patriotic duty to hold down the unemployment rate, is something which we again have to look at, especially in terms of seasonally adjusted numbers. That rose by 143,000. The subset, however, of those still wanting a job, rose to 381,000. Now, if you look at the non-seasonally adjusted numbers, you find people no longer counted in the workforce, and that rose 1,578,000. That's an enormous number to ignore. The subset of those still wanting a job rose 516,000.

"Then, you have to look at the number of jobs lost. Our survey showed a plunge of 392,000—at least that was the government number. But that number was flattened by a surge in self-employment. Now, whether these newly minted consultants and home improvement contractors were making any money, is wholly another story; and wage and salary workers, well, they don't figure into this equation, but they happen to have plunged by 637,000. That is the largest decline since March, when the stock market was testing its new lows. The number of people not on temporary layoff, surged by 220,000 in August, and that level continues to reach new highs. In fact, that number alone is now at 8.1 million. This accounts, by the way, for about 54% of the unemployed. And it's a proxy for permanent job loss.

"To make the point: These jobs are not coming back. Now, if we think about that for a moment, then, we have to consider some other things as well.

"Today, there are 223,000 fewer jobs in America than there were ten years ago. But, the country has 33.5 million more people. How you can call this anything but a Great Depression, is really beyond me. The unemployment rate for adult males is well over 10%, even by official numbers, and for people under the age of 25, it's over 27%, which is the highest on record. The average duration of unemployment is also at the highest level that it has ever been, since we started keeping records. The precondition for job gains, which is longer hours for part-timers and taking on additional temporary employees, was not met last month.

"Now, despite all these depressing numbers, there are two numbers that make it even worse. The first number is 1.3 million. That's the number of people whose unemployment benefits are going to run out by the end of the year. Five hundred thousand of them will exhaust their benefits before this month is over. These people are going to lose yet one more strand of what has become a very thin safety net. Right now, more than 50% of the people who collect unemployment will ex-

haust their benefits, and they will do it very quickly.

"Now, workers aren't the only ones who are running out of unemployment money; the states are too. Eighteen states have simply run out of money to pay the benefits, and they've been forced to borrow from Washington. In fact, in the last two months, they've borrowed more than \$8 billion. That number is going to grow, as more states reach the brink. Now, if they are not able to pay that amount back before 2011—and most of them will not be able to do so-they're facing paying hundreds of millions of dollars in interest. Many have been maintaining close to zero reserves for years, even before the economy ostensibly headed south. California got into trouble by raising benefits without increasing taxes. Other states, like Michigan, lowered taxes to levels that were unsustainable for them to run their budgets. Now, in the midst of the worst crisis our nation has ever faced, these states are going to be forced to either raise taxes or cut benefits in the midst of a depression, just when those changes will do the most economic damage.

"The second depressing number is 40%, and that's the percentage of people collecting food stamps, who are employed. That's up from 25% just two years ago. These are people who have watched their hours being cut, to the point that they can no longer make ends meet without government assistance, and given the fact that the threshold for collecting food stamps is really quite high, their situation is dire. Yet, they are listed as being employed. On top of that, 35% of all workers in the United States have less than one week's salary in savings.

"The job situation in the United States is going to continue to get worse, unless the reasons for these job losses are addressed. And despite what President Obama seems to think, the economy did not break down because the American consumer bought too few cars and not enough houses. So, the fact is that tax credits to encourage people to buy more cars and houses, are not going to solve this problem. The question is, what will it take to solve the problem?

"And that is really where my question comes in. Not to ask you what it will take, because I believe you have outlined that, both in broad terms and, in private communications, more specific terms.

"My question is this: If I were the President, and I were going to go to the American people to ask for their support for a broad recovery program, I would not wish to cover up these numbers. I would want people to know just how bad things were, and just how many people in

our nation were suffering. The fact that we continually cover this up, and minimize the plight of these unemployed; the fact that there are no media in the U.S. that shine a spotlight on this, leads me to believe, and it leads many others to believe, that the government itself has no intention whatsoever of asking for support for policies that would address this. Obviously, this is a very stark contrast to the way FDR approached the problem, but then, FDR intended to do something about it. Am I being cynical or is that in fact what the problem is?"

# We're Running Under a Dictatorship

LaRouche: Well, that's a characteristic of our problem. Cheney lied, in his part in getting the United States into the war in Iraq. Cheney lied in many other ways: his orchestrated lying about 9/11. The story of 9/11 was known! The facts were known. 9/11 was organized by the British government, through a certain branch of its government, in cooperation with Saudi Arabia, and several of the terrorists who were actually involved in terminating themselves in this process, were actually paid through funding through the Saudi Ambassador to the United States. The Saudi Ambassador was very close to the Bush Administration. As a matter of fact, the immediate event after the 9/11 event—you had a plane of people who had been in Texas, of the [bin Laden] family, and they were moved by plane, the only plane to leave the United States' territory in that period, was that family. It's no secret. There were indications of that in the hearings, but—whoosh!—under the table.

Now, what happened? Here was something done by the friends of the President of the United States, the friends of his family, with the aid of the Ambassador to the United States of Saudi Arabia, and funded through an organization which is a branch of British cooperation with the Saudi interests. Why was this covered up? What was the reason?

Why was McKinley assassinated? Why was Lincoln assassinated? Why were some of these things done?

It's not just the statistical business that's the problem. This is typical of history: The people are *fooled*. They're panicked. They're herded like sheep. Fear this and fear that, move them into this and move them into that. They become superstitious, and believe that it was some mysterious force that did 9/11. It was not a mysterious force; it was a covert operation, but it was not a mysterious force. The evidence is there to this day! It's on the record! The Ambassador of Saudi Arabia to the United States was involved in funding and protecting two of the participants in 9/11. The operation was *done*. We know. *Why* was it done? Because you had a jerk who couldn't qualify as a soda jerk, as President of the United States, who was not going to be able to govern very well. Look at his popularity at the time he got in. He ran against Al Gore! I mean, that's a set-up. There's no one that that President could have beaten *except* Al Gore. By throwing that patsy Gore in there, that really helped the whole process.

But anyway, the point is, it's ungovernable.

So what happened is, after a discreet interval of panic, they put in new laws, which became the present system—the present system by which the Presidency is governed. And that's how Obama got in, that's what Obama represents. Signing statements, unitary government. This is dictatorship! It's essentially of the same category as the Hitler dictatorship, established when Hitler was stuck in, by what? By the British government. Hitler was appointed to become the dictator of Germany by the British Foreign Office—well, actually, by the Bank of England. And through the Bank for International Settlements, which had been established in Switzerland as a part of this process, when [Hjalmar] Schacht, who was an asset of the Bank of England, was transferred to operate out of the Bank for International Settlements. The Bank for International Settlements was the vehicle through which Schacht was brought into Germany for the economic policy.

In this same period, somebody set fire to the Reichstag. And the *Reichstagsbrand*—which is what I said was expected, something like a *Reichstagsbrand*. When I looked at this President, Bush, after he was elected, even before he was actually inaugurated, I said, "This President is going to bring the United States something like a Reichstag Fire, in order to bring a dictatorship here."

The Reichstag Fire proved to be 9/11, which instituted a reign of terror, which later resulted in these signing statements, and the idea of the integral government, this kind of sovereignty, this shared sovereignty, which was denounced by Obama when he was running for President, but is now *his* policy.

So, we're running under a dictatorship, in which the powers of the Congress are limited by the imposition of this signing statement procedure of this integrated government. That's how these things are done. Don't look for whose hand was in the pocket as such; look for who



Behind the official lying by the Federal government, is a serious threat (and intent) of the imposition of a Hitler-like dictatorship. If this happens in the United States, it will be a disaster for the entire world.

benefitted. What was the result? And that's our situation today.

We are under a high degree of fakery in government, and if we are fools enough to accept that, then, I tell you, humanity-Well, just put it this way: What's going to happen to humanity if we don't change this? What happens if things go the way Obama says? Well, you can kiss the country good-bye; it'll be gone soon. Matter of fact, every country in the world will be gone soon, because if the United States goes down, if the United States dollar collapses, I can assure you that every government, every nation in the world, will go through a collapse in rapid-fire sequence, as a result. That you will have, probably for a couple of generations or more, a vast collapse of population, until finally the present policy of the British monarchy to reduce the world population to less than 2 billion people from the present 6.7 will be achieved. Most languages will have disappeared; most cultures will have disappeared, but they'll get what they want in the end. They'll get a system of oligarchy that they want—if we're fools enough to let them.

And the problem here is, that we tend to be, on two levels, fools; and, as the questioner put it, on the one level, we allow ourselves to be fooled by this kind of thing, which is the more immediate thing. But we don't ask ourselves the deeper question: Why is this done? To what end is this foolery done? Just to fool us? Well, let's look at what's happening tomorrow.

What the *hell* is going on, when a brainless President of the United States can order an appearance of the

Congress before both sessions, to hear him give orders?! What do you think that means? What has happened to our separation of powers? What's happened to checks and balances? This is a step toward tyranny! And the only thing in the way, is a few voices like me, but more important, a mass strike movement of over 60% of the U.S. population.

And be careful that you don't overlook what I say, because I don't have any contract with those people out there, that 60% that wants this Presidency changed, but I know how to read their intentions. And I'm telling you—I'm not the Prophet Isaiah, but I'm telling you, I'm telling you: "You do, on this—you, people out there—you do what you have to do, as I've said today, or you're not going to have a country. And worse, you're not going to have a civilization, because I know exactly what this is leading toward."

It's up to those of us in the United States, who have the knowledge and guts to tell this President, "You get in your office, and we'll tell you what to do. You're going to stop this nonsense, and you're going to fire these characters. You're going to drop this health-care nonsense, and you will announce that you have changed your policy. You're now going for a mass increase in productive employment policy."

# A Constitutional Crisis Ahead?

**Freeman:** Lyn, I'm going to veer slightly away from some of the questions on economy to address a question that was submitted by a well-known historian and author from the East Coast, but I'm going to kind of make it a composite question, because we have gotten so many questions in on this particular issue.

He says: "Mr. LaRouche, one of the things that I fear most in the immediate weeks ahead, is the social ramifications, or the Constitutional ramifications if you will, of the course that I see this President taking.

"First, on the question of health care, it seems increasingly to be the consensus, that this administration—aside from the fact that they've proposed a monstrous policy that nobody really seems able to support—that they are determined to get it through. And they have talked openly of the use of the parliamentary technique of reconciliation to force a 'yes' vote on their health-care reform package. If they do this, the likely result will be an explosion, both in the Congress and among the American people.

"Secondarily, President Obama has made clear, and has stated explicitly, that he need not obey laws, as written—this is the echo of the Bush signing statements—he has identified many areas where he need not comply with the law as written, but one of the key areas of this, is the question of putting troops under UN command.

"There is a simmering situation in the U.S. around the question of the increase of troops in Afghanistan. People read these headlines with dread, and this has only been overshadowed by the debate on health care. But the fact is, that we have never had *any* debate on what U.S. policy toward Afghanistan would be. Yet even so, it does indeed appear, that this President is going to commit more troops, and that this President is going to broaden the war effort in Afghanistan. Again, I fear that if he does this—and I believe that he will—this

will lead to a complete explosion, both among liberals and progressives, but also among certain layers of the Republican Party.

"Now, you are forewarning of a crisis of unprecedented proportions, as we enter the final phase of the breakdown of this financial system. Under these conditions, to have a President who takes steps like these, steps that do not gain the confidence and trust of the American people, but, in fact, undermine it, really does worry me. This is no time for us to have a Constitutional crisis, yet every sign would tend to indicate that this the way we are proceeding.

"My question to you may be somewhat rhetorical, but this President seems to be somewhat obsessed with his standing and with his popularity. Isn't there some way that this can be leveraged, so that he will cut out this kind of insane behavior? He is undermining his ability to govern in a crisis, and that crisis is clearly at our doorstep. Would you please comment?"

**LaRouche:** Well, if it becomes a test between the survival of the United States and the incumbency of this President, guess which way I vote? It's that simple.

We're in real history now. People have studied anecdotal history for so long that they don't know real history, because they don't understand it. They think of it in statistical terms, or narrative terms. They don't understand the pulsations which underlie the surface of the behavior of humanity. They don't understand human



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The behavior of the President, and much of the Congress, has undermined the citizenry's faith in government, to the point that about 60% of the people want this President and their Congressman out. Here, Congressman John Dingell faces angry citizens in Romulus, Michigan, Aug. 6.

beings; they don't understand human culture, really. And this has become worse, because it has come at a time when Classical culture has disappeared: It was outlawed at the end of World War II by Truman and company, by Churchill and company.

You know, the point which I make extensively in this latest publication which I've completed, is, the essential thing that differentiates a human being from an animal, is not mathematics. I think we could train an ape to do most of the kinds of mathematics that I've run into these days. The distinction of a human being is the creative powers of a human being, which lie in Classical artistic composition. This is particularly true when you look at the case of Classical musical composition, Classical poetry, and scientific creativity.

I often use the case of Albert Einstein, and the relationship of his violin to his creativity in mathematical physics. The essence of creativity lies in a quality which is called inspiration, not mathematics. A mathematician is a stupid person, as long as they remain a mathematician. It's only when they take the organization of the material before their consideration, and are inspired to see something beyond that, as being an efficient force, an efficient characteristic of this, that you get what we call creativity, the effect of creativity, including scientific creativity.

And the problem here is, that we lose sight of that, and we lose sight of the role of creativity, or the moves

which are associated with creativity, in a population. This is the way dynamics works. It is what Shelley is describing in his A Defence of Poetry, that there's a power that is specifically human, specific to human beings, a power of dynamics, of the superiority of dynamics, in the character of the human being. And the human being operates on the basis of the imagination, but does not trust the imagination as such, but tests the imagination against what is feasible in reality: That's creativity. And from that, we discuss the principles which underlie, like the principle of the distinction between non-living beings and living ones; the qualitative distinction between human beings and animals, or other forms of life. And these are three principles—the nonliving; the living; and the human, the cognitive—three universal principles that we know.

And within that framework, we challenge our own powers of imagination, as Einstein did, with long sessions with his violin. He was a gifted amateur violinist. And when he was struck by the imagination, with a concept to say, "Is this feasible?" *then* he went back to the laboratory to think it out, and work it out. And from the experience of testing the powers of the imagination against reality, is where creativity occurs.

This occurs in all good people who think that way, but it occurs especially in a people at large, when they are sufficiently challenged. And they say: "Isn't there something better than this? Isn't this wrong?" And then, in their imagination, they try to imagine the alternative, to see what's wrong, to imagine what could cause this. "Why could I behave so stupidly? Why did I make that stupid mistake? Why does so-and-so make that stupid mistake? Why did we re-elect that *jerk*?" And it's in those kinds of inspiration, by the powers of the imagination, as disciplined and tested against experimental reality, that we get out of these kinds of messes.

We're at a point now where the American people, those who are the over 60% who have certified that they want this President and this Congress *out*—I would say that about 80% of the members of Congress today are ready for the chop, in the next available election, as it stands today—they want no part of them; they've made it very clear, and they terrified the Congress out there in the month of August, by just this fact. They don't want these guys anymore. They stink! They're traitors; they can't be trusted. You vote for them, and they go out and they vote against you. They betray you every time, and say, "We had to kiss the butt of the President," or something like that, which is a terrible idea.

That's where the problem lies, and the solution lies.

We are going to have to do what we have to do. *But*, what we're going to do, is what we're going to do in the imagination first, and we're going to test the fruits of the imagination against the reality. And we're going to look at our neighbors and friends, and we're going to say, "This was my imagination. Am I crazy, or am I right?" And the friends, if they say yes, they're going to go to the next guy. "Is this just us, or are we right?" And so on. And that process radiates through the population very rapidly, and out of this, very sudden changes—and sweeping changes have occurred often in human history. Sometimes not often enough.

But, it's not for me to decide. My authority is extended to what I know is the present state of affairs, and of that I'm fairly confident, particularly as the competition is rather poor these days. On the other hand, what I should do, is limited by my perception of what the American people, in particular, are disposed to do. And what I think, and what they think the consequences of doing that might be.

So, I don't go too far. I tell this President, "Okay, you bum, get in your office, and take a few lessons from me. And we'll work something out for you, so you stay in office, and we don't have to put the nation through an impeachment process. However, if you don't go along with this, I can say that we're going to head toward the inevitability of a very nasty impeachment process, and very soon. Mr. President, you have a few days to decide, because I think that when the month of October is reached, and when all the bankrupt states of the 50 states of the nation are arranged, and there's no means to pay, and the nation-states are collapsing in their economies, the national credit is collapsing, and the chain-reaction collapse is extended throughout the planet, and the planet is going to chaos as a Christmas gift—then, I think something will happen. And I think the disposition will be "Get that guy out of here! And take about 80% of the Congress with him."

# **Swine Flu and Vaccinations**

**Freeman:** We have been deluged with questions, both institutional questions and questions from individuals, on the current swine flu situation. I'm going to read two brief questions, because I think they both capture the essence of what all these people are asking.

One is from an ordinary citizen, who says, "Mr. La-Rouche, my wife has just received a letter from her employer, Columbia Memorial Hospital in Hudson, New



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The swine flu pandemic is real and spreading, and the best approach is to get the vaccine as it becomes available. LaRouche suspects that the rumors against the vaccine, are actually being generated in order to spread the disease.

York. It says that all hospital employees must submit to a flu vaccination, and if they do not, they will not be permitted to work after Nov. 30, 2009. It says that they are just following orders from the Department of Health, although they do not say whose Department of Health—Federal, state, county, city. They also begin vaccination on Sept. 9, but the swine flu vaccinations are not being sent out until October, so we wonder what they are injecting us with. Should she refuse to take this vaccine?"

Before I read this next question, let me just make clear that while it's true that the swine flu vaccine is not going to be available until October, most health departments are, I think properly, instructing people to be vaccinated now with a seasonal flu vaccine to provide them with some protection, and then later on, to get swine flu vaccines when they become available.

There is a growing movement, particularly among African-Americans, saying that they are going to resist the vaccinations, because they believe that it's an avenue of genocide. I will say, and I haven't discussed this with Lyn, but I will say, as a public health professional, that I agree with Department of Health recommendations, that particularly, for instance in this case, where we're talking about a public health worker, that people who have not been vaccinated should not be permitted to work in these fields, and that is just a very basic public health measure.

The next question, along the same lines, has come

from three different journalists, two of them outside the United States, one of them from inside the United States, and the one from inside the United States is from a major African-American newspaper. And they say: "Mr. LaRouche, have you considered the possibility, as many analysts and whistle-blowers seem to believe, that the so-called swine flu pandemic could have originated from a private or government lab, and could be part of an agenda of population control, under the World Health Organization and other global organizations' umbrella, coinciding precisely with the expected financial collapse at the middle of October?"

LaRouche: Well, that's too simplistic. Of course such things are possible, but what do you do in such a case? Is there anything different in the way that you would do it before or after, one way or the other? If the thing is being spread, do you take the antidote? If you don't think the thing is being spread willfully, but is just occurring, do you take the antidote?

So, do you see what's happening? The public is being played by this kind of thing, to induce it into a state of paranoia, saying, "Should I take it? Is it really they're trying to poison me? Or should I take it, maybe they're trying to frighten me into not taking it, so I will die? What are they trying to do to me?" Well, how do you judge a question like that? First of all, you say.

you judge a question like that? First of all, you say, "Wait a minute, buddy, who's 'they'? Who's 'them'?" Is it the U.S. government? Well, you should expect the worst, at least these days.

Don't get into this kind of thing. In this kind of situation, you have to operate on the best option you have, and the assumption that if the disease is out there—and the disease is known to be out there; there is no question about that, that is very clearly established—then you'd better find the antidote real quick, and don't fool around about it; don't worry about it.

I think the rumor was spread, that this was done as a synthetic operation, and it's done in order to actually spread the disease. If people don't take the vaccine, what will happen? The disease will spread, and more people will die, including those who refused to take the vaccine, especially. So, that's the kind of question you have. So, in a case like this, don't let your paranoia rule. You've got enough paranoia in the President himself; he's got enough paranoia for all of us, we don't need any more. Forget it.

# **Emergency Federal Aid to the States?**

Freeman: Lyn, this question comes from someone who serves as the economist for the National Governors Association. And he says: "Mr. LaRouche, as I'm sure you know, most state constitutions require balanced budgets. So, in a depression, or a recession if you prefer, when revenues fall, states are compelled to behave perversely. They cut program outlays just when public needs increase the most. They lay off workers, they defer projects, they raise taxes, and they resort to budget gimmicks that are a bad policy in their own right. This has led to a situation where governors who are facing election campaigns in the next election

cycle—be they Democrats or Republicans—are being faced with defeat at the polls, because of policies that they are being forced to implement.

"What we are calling for—and I am asking you if you would support this—is an emergency Federal intervention in the form of aid to the states. Some would argue that the idea is radical, that it would add to the Federal deficit; but my argument is that the idea is about as radical as Richard Nixon was. Because he was the first person who proposed general revenue sharing, back in 1970. This approach requires no advance planning; it simply will prevent deeper cuts.

Our proposal is that the Federal government simply write 50 checks—one for each state. Participating states would have to commit to maintenance of effort, i.e., maintaining their taxing and spending policies as of some particular date, say, Jan. 1, 2009, or December 2008, whatever is agreed upon. The tonic effect is almost instantaneous, since cuts and layoffs are prevented, suspended projects and programs are resumed, and laid-off workers are recalled. The fact is, that if we don't do this, the current carnage that each state faces will worsen.

"All but two states face budget shortfalls for this fiscal year, and the shortfalls are enormous. The fact is, that the Obama stimulus package doesn't come close to even replacing 25% of that shortfall. If what we are proposing is, in fact, implemented, some can argue that the primary benefits would be macro-economic—saving jobs, preventing program cuts, and making sure that



White House video

The collapse of the economies of virtually all the U.S. states cannot be dealt with by technical measures like the emergency infusion of funds. The solution requires recapturing the Presidency for the nation, first and foremost. Here, President Obama at the Sept. 9 Joint Session of Congress.

states don't worsen consumer purchasing power by regressively raising taxes in a depression.

"But there is also a secondary benefit, in preventing a further erosion of trust in government. When state budgets go into free fall, and localities slash budgets that people both need and expect, the results are catastrophic. Schools and libraries close, government offices cut hours, community college budgets take hits, and the most creative and valued programs are, more often than not, the first to go. As public employees are laid off, government's basic capacity to do its job is wrecked.

"Just as an example, 21 states have cut low-income health insurance, or reduced access to health care. Twenty-two states and the District of Columbia are cutting medical, rehabilitative, and home-care services for low-income people who are elderly or disabled. At least 24 states are cutting, or proposing to cut, funds for kindergarten to grade 12 schooling, early education, and child care, and 32 states have already cut support for public colleges and universities.

"Another example, in Birmingham, Alabama: The municipal government was forced to fire cafeteria workers at the local jails. They did it, they saved money, but they don't have any idea how they're going to feed the inmates. Secondarily, it has come to our attention that the City of Birmingham no longer has the necessary funds to bury its indigent, and therefore the bodies are piling up.

"The strategy of emergency revenue-sharing, would

seem to be low-hanging fruit for the Obama Administration. It's a great bipartisan remedy. Republican governors and legislators support, it as well as Democrats. I'm even willing to take the suggestion of one Washington, D.C. journalist, that we name the bill for Richard Nixon. But I'm wondering if you would lend your support to such an effort."

**LaRouche:** No, I would not lend my support to it at all, because it's a waste of time. It's actually avoiding the issue, by going to an elaborate around-the-bend, "what if, what if, what if, what if..." This is nonsense.

The thing that's going to decide, entirely, from the top down, the future of this nation, is what is done about this Presidency. Don't talk to me about these other things. You're wasting your time. You don't have a chance, unless you do something about this Presidency. That's the issue. This guy either shapes up, as I have proposed to help the poor slob, under protection, or we lose the nation. Who cares about these so-called alternatives? What if the President doesn't do something, what if the President fails, what are we going to do then? You're going to do!! And therefore, you're going to do what you have to do, about this Presidential system now, because if you don't do it, there's nothing else you can do. You're doomed. Therefore, you'd better learn.

As most of the 80% of the people out there protesting against this Presidency, and against stupid Congressmen who want to go along with him, have said: "You either change this or you're finished!" We can't go any further. We're on the edge of doom. Don't talk about alternatives; there are no alternatives. You either change this Presidency and this policy, or you don't have a nation. So don't tell me and ask me what we're going to do about it, if the Presidency is not fixed. You're not going to do a damned thing about it, because the world's going into the deepest crisis you ever saw. Every other suggestion is a damned waste of time.

#### Look to the Future!

**Freeman:** This question comes from a fairly well-known economist and author who also is working with the Stanford group. He says:

"Mr. LaRouche, 25 years ago, I was part of a debate on industrial policy, and it's old news that I was on the losing side. Neither Democratic Presidents nor Republican ones accepted the idea that it mattered, whether the United States had world-class industries. After all, we were told, we were becoming a service economy, and services were just as good as products. Most econo-

mists ridiculed industrial policy, on the grounds that government was not competent to pick winners, and that free markets would make the appropriate investment.

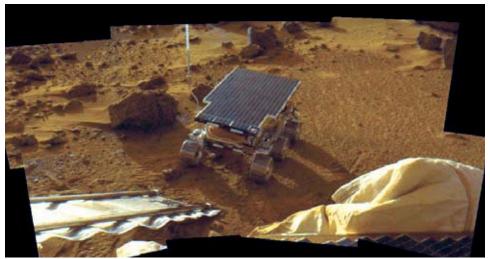
"Well, a quarter of a century later, most of those services turned out to be financial services, and a lot of that sector turned out to be a big bubble which has popped. The free market has made one blunder after another, and ever since the financial collapse began in earnest, in the Spring of 2007, government has been picking winners with taxpayers' money, except that most of them are failing banks.

"A reading of American history reveals that the U.S. has had industrial policies all along, and it began with Alexander Hamilton's *Report on Manufactures*; it continued into World War II, and proceeded through the space program of John F. Kennedy. Government investment in biotech is another example. All of this, from Alexander Hamilton to John Kennedy, represents one big industrial policy. Go back and read books from the debate that I was part of: Blackstone and Harrison, *The Deindustrialization of America*; Steve Cohen and John Zysman, *Manufacturing Matters*. You look at them today, and they look prophetic. We all, including you, Mr. LaRouche, lost the political argument back then, but we were right all along.

"Now, with the economy facing a prolonged crisis, the fact is, that unless we address this directly, then I do not see how we can find any way out. It's not just about banking policy or financial policy. It has to be about what it is we intend to do for our nation and for the world."

**LaRouche:** Ah, this is a fun one. This is a nice question, because it prompts me to put on the table what I think. We've said a lot of things here today, we've said a lot of things earlier. This is quite to the point.

You know the last, lame effort of the United States to save its soul came when John F. Kennedy made the speech about doing something that was good to do because it was hard—the space program, the Moon landing. You see, at that point, we had a division in the economy. To the extent that the space program, as Kennedy had actually revived it from near-death—it was about to die, but he revived it by that speech. And despite the other things that intervened during the period up to the time that this crazy Nixon came in, we actually had, in the space program, the most important accomplishments in the economy, in our existence, occurred within this sector of the economy, during that period.



NASA Solarsystem Collection

The next step beyond returning to the Moon is Mars, where man is now only deploying robots like the Sojourner Rover, shown here.

We reached the ironical point, however, with 1967-68, with the change in the budget under those conditions, in which we were sending things into space, as to the Moon, but we were using up the technology which had brought us there. That is, we had lost many of the technologies which had been developed under the space program earlier. This was the same thing that hit the Route 128 circuit in Massachusetts about that time. where all these satellite industries around MIT and so forth were involved in various branches in the space program, and crash, it began to collapse. But their product went into space, leaving the thing that had produced this product behind. And you'll find there, still today, bits of technology kicking around in some private laboratory, here or there, where it was left in the dustbin from that period, and it's still around.

Now, don't talk about economy the way most people talk about economics. People who are decent economists really don't believe much in what's called economics today. They think actually in much more concrete terms, and they don't use terms like "industrial economy" in any different sense than the distinction that Alexander Hamilton made with manufactures back in that time: Infrastructure, agriculture, manufacturing—those are still the basic categories. Everything else is subsidiary.

Now, the key thing that drives, is *science*, physical science in particular. And physical science has many manifestations. It has the process of discovery, the process leading to the process of a discovery, and the spill-overs of a process as the effects of the discovery come

trickling down through the process of engineering, and so forth, on down the line.

And what happens is, the main line is an increase in the energy flux-density of the sources of power employed and deployed. In other words, the transition from burning of coal, to coke, to petroleum and natural gas, then to nuclear power; the organization of electrical power, the changes in uses and form of electrical power.

For example, the development of the alternatingcurrent motor in New York

City, at the beginning of the 20th Century, was a change in the use of electricity which made possible the smaller, independent machine, which would operate the particular process in the production line. This was a revolution in productivity in the United States, which hit about 1910, 1911, 1912.

You have various revolutions of this type, in technology, which break through and spill over into the industrial area, as in the New York area, where you had these large steam-driven factories with belt-driven machines. And now you had even the electrical machine, you had the individually powered machine, under alternating current, and this was a big revolution at that time. The whole machine-tool industry was revolutionized over this period, by the result of this type of thing.

So now, you're always looking for revolutions, scientific revolutions in technology, and sometimes these are little, like the thing with electrical alternating-current improvement, and sometimes there are much more fundamental things. But always, in every case, when mankind adopts a mission which says, "Look, we've been doing this for a long time, isn't there a better way of doing it?" And you put a science driver behind this thing: "Can anybody come up with a better way? Look at this thing! We've been doing the same thing for ten years now. Isn't it about time we came up with something new, something fresh?"

And if you have a project, which is a national mission-orientation—all the great movements in economic history come essentially from these revolutions: Agroindustrial revolutions, revolutions in technology, mobi-



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The revival of our manufacturing sector today, demands the revival of the space program, going back to the Moon, and then moving on to Mars. We need an orientation for the next 100 years. Here, astronauts Gene Cernan and Jack Schmitt, during their return from the Moon in December 1972.

lizations of people around technology. And it also goes to the question of, how far can you go with a given technology? There are limits to any technology; these are the scientific principle limits of technology.

Now we have before us a great change. The space program was part of it. We got to the Moon, and after Nixon, we could never get to the Moon again. He killed the Moon! He gave us moonshine, instead of Moon. And we killed the space program. The space program is a shattered piece of crap today, in which you have elements, scattered in various parts of industry. Some guys, they have a laboratory here, somebody's got something there. This is the kind of thing we're dealing with from the Basement<sup>1</sup> now.

We have before us, the prospect of industrialization of the Moon, which was devised, actually, in the 1970s and early 1980s, by a friend of mine, a friend of ours, at the time. And that's still valid. Now, if you want to go farther into space, you want to go to higher levels of technology *on Earth*, you have to go into space. Because you have to have the challenge of going into space to get you to drive your technology upward, and bring the benefits of driving it upward, back to Earth, and back to the benefit of mankind.

We also have the question of the exhaustion of various types of resources. It's not really the resources that are exhausted, it's the way in which they're concentrated. The richest resources are being drawn down. We have to use a poorer quality of resources, but we get the same effect. We do that by technological progress.

Now, the project before us is—and everybody who knows anything about science or economy knows this—we have to have a project of completing the Moon assignment, which was what the push was then, with Kennedy. It was not just going to the Moon. The purpose was to industrialize the Moon, and these would be largely automatic industries, which require automatic technologies. It would be industries controlled from Earth, with very few people, because, you know, the low electromagnetic gravitational field is not the best thing for your health, eh?

And then, what are we going to do with that? Well, we're going to go to Mars! And how do you go to Mars? Well, if you want to send somebody to Mars by inertial trajectory, you can do that, but I'd hate to send a human being out on inertial trajectory for 200-300 days, on a journey between the Moon and Mars. What's going to arrive there? Mr. Blob?

So, therefore, we have to think about accelerated flight. Well, we have on the Moon a resource we recognize as helium-3. The Sun has been depositing helium-3 as a mineral on the surface of the Moon for a long time. There are big pits of ore of helium-3. Helium-3 happens to be a very useful item for space flight, because it can be very directly applied to the propulsion process. We could, technically, with helium-3 fusion, have a 1-gravity flight, from the orbit of the Moon to the orbit of Mars, which would get you between the two planets within a few days!

Now, there are some problems to be considered in venturing that, but if we can get from the Moon to Mars in several days by 1G gravitation or something comparable to that, that place is open to us, buddy! And whatever resources it has, and whatever it means as a stepping-stone to further things in space, are now available to us. And once we adopt that policy, everything we've done in getting to Mars, or getting *toward* getting to Mars, now spills back on this planet, as a revolution in everything we do on Earth.

This is what this country needs, apart from reorganizing this economy in a sensible direction—and there are a lot of people interested in this. We've got ten nations which are committed to a Moon development project. Ten nations, so far, committed! Actively! And I'm committed to a Mars arrival project. I've been committed to this for a long time, as some people know,

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A group of young researchers, working under LaRouche's direction, is known as the Basement team.

since I did this half-hour film on "Mission to Mars" back in 1988, the '88 campaign. And it's still valid today.

I don't think I'm going to get there. I don't think I'm in the best physical condition for that kind of travel at this time. It's not my sight-seeing venture of the year.

But anyway, it'll probably be in 20, 30, 40 years; we could achieve, not only the fulfillment of the Moon development, but we'll have achieved, in some way or the other—we will deal with Mars, we will conquer Mars, we will see what's up there, we will see what use we'll make of it.

And we'll change the nature of man's conception of himself. Man will no longer think of himself as an Earth-bound landgrubber. (Not landlubber, but landgrubber.) And man will think of himself as man in the Solar System. Now this means a change in relationships of human beings to human beings. You've got a human being on Mars who's working up there, and a human being on Earth. It's a weekend's travel to get up there and back. It's going to change the relationships in human life. All the technologies which are now used to do this, will now be reflected in revolutions in technology back on Earth, including growing food, foodstuffs. I mean, growing vegetables on Mars: This is a real change in agriculture. It broadens your conception of what agriculture means.

And that's how you do it. You have to adopt a national mission. The first national mission before us is to get this meathead in the White House and put him under suitable supervision—with his consent, of course. He has to consent, but the consent will have to be induced, by strong inducements. The guy will survive; we'll protect him so the British don't kill him, because he's one of their disappointments—they like to blow up things that don't work for them.

But we've got to think beyond that, because I've got people who are now in their 20s. Believe it or not, we still have produced babies, we still have people in their 20s. So, we have a supply of them. Now, if we can get Obama under control, they have a life expectancy that goes into their 70s and 80s. And what are they going to do in the meantime? They're going to be the recipients and transmitters of this technological progress and what goes beyond it. And so, we have to think about two or three generations ahead. I mean, don't you think about your grandchildren? Don't you think about even your great-grandchildren, if you're lucky? Isn't that your mission in life? Isn't that your sense of continuity in

life? So, what's that? A generation, 25 years. Three generations, 75 years. Four generations, 100 years. What are you going to be doing for the next 100 years, people?

If you're thinking about the future, if you care about your children and grandchildren that are coming after you, if you think about the future of humanity, and locate your identity in what you're doing for them, to make their lives possible, what do you think about? You think about where we're going to be 75, 100 years from now, and think how accurately we can forecast where we might be. What are our options? Where are we going? What should we be doing? Hey, what are you going to do when you reach retirement age at age 75, 78, or 85, with improved health care? What are you going to be doing with yourself? What's your future? What kind of a world are you choosing? What kind of a Solar System are you choosing to live in?

And that's the way you do it. You don't do it by coming up with a list of this, or a list of that. What are your priorities? You go out with a mission, a mission for humanity. This is not about jobs. This is not about income. This is about humanity, the difference between man and the beast. What are you, as a human being, going to do, that certifies you're a human being, and not ashamed of the result in the eyes of your grandchildren? What are you going to accomplish with your life? We accomplished something, we got so far. How far are you going to take us? How much further are you going to take the human race?

And that's what makes it work. It's motivation. How you *choose* to spend your life. Not pass it, but spend it. Expend it. To what purpose? To what end? What are you going to raise children for, to what end? For humanity! Why should you be remembered by people two generations from now? Why should you be respected, a generation from now? What are you going to do, to earn that respect? Your identity as a human being.

And if you follow that line of thinking, and use the space issue, space exploration, as a parameter, a paradigm, from our recent experience, which shows the difference, then you say: We don't talk about industrial policy as such. We don't talk about agricultural policy. We talk about human policy. We talk about the development and progress of the human species, to a better life for future generations. And that takes scientific and technological progress, as well as the cultural progress which fosters creativity in the individual human mind. That's our mission.

What we're getting, is these people come up with these crazy categories of values—crazy, stupid, dull. They bore me! Now let's talk about going to the Moon! That doesn't bore me! Because that involves exactly what we have to do, step by step, in terms of science and technology, to do each thing we have to do to get each step along the way. And that's our mission-orientation. We take that mission-orientation, and we find it works just fine. We've just go to get this thing together a bit.

"Mr. President, you have to change your ways, but it will be good for you. You'll get a good reputation in the future. Just change your ways. What can I tell you? I guarantee you, you'll have a successful future. Just change your ways, just a little bit. It won't be painful. You'll be in the Oval Office, you'll be comfortable, you'll be protected, with great zeal. You'll have the privilege of being honored for what your office has done, what the Presidency has done. Look at all the good things you'll get, instead of being spit upon as you're being spit upon today, Mr. President. It's a much better future for you, don't you think? I don't think you're going to go to Mars. I don't think you want to go to Mars. Maybe the people over there won't like you."

But in any case, that's the way we define a perspective, not in terms of these technicalities of industrial policy, or something like that. If you can't spark the imagination and passion of people to accomplish something in the future, you're not going to get to the future.

#### **Living in History**

Freeman: ... This last question is an interesting one and I'd like the answer to it myself. It's from one of the leaders of the Stanford group, and someone I've especially worked very closely with over the course of the last months, and the question is: "Mr. LaRouche, you've well established your authority on questions of both economic forecasting and planning. Now, especially in these times, it doesn't really take a genius to figure out that the repeal of Glass-Steagall was a mistake, and that we ought to look back at FDR for some hot pointers on how to build our way out of the depression.

"However, anybody who digs deeper into your writings will soon discover that your economic theories are built on a foundation of an in-depth understanding of not only history, which is not so uncommon in on our field, but also on theoretical physics, on mathematics, on music, and on other areas of science. Add to that, a sense of humor that clearly grows raunchier as the crisis

deepens. And well, all in all, it sets the bar pretty high for the rest of us. In fact, it has left some of us feeling rather inadequate. For some others, who have too much of a self-love issue going on, to feel inadequate, well, it just seems to piss them off. Anyway, our question really is how do you manage it all? What's your secret? And what the hell do you eat for breakfast?"

**LaRouche:** I think the secrets are expressed largely in what I write, when I always feel the more I write, the more I have to write, because I realize in writing something, I've left so many things out, that I've got a bigger agenda after completing a work than I had before starting. Because the work itself just carries these questions.

And also, the best thing you can do, which I've insisted upon, is don't get stuck in your own generation. You have to look at the coming generations—you have to look at the past, of course, to understand the present—but you have to look at your own generation as just that, and you have to look at other generations which are coming up, as I have, especially in the recent ten years or so. Actually, more than that now.

But since the end of the Clinton Administration, one looks more and more at this question of young people coming up. Because we're faced with the problem of the Baby-Boomer generation and its influence. The Baby-Boomer generation has two aspects: One is, it's a generation, and that's not necessarily good or bad.

But go back to the end of the war, World War II. I came back from military service abroad in the Spring of 1946, and the disaster had already happened. And I had made a statement, which I thought later was somewhat prophetic: That a number of soldiers came to me, in India, in 1945—April 13th—and wanted to talk to me later that evening; we could do that aside. And I said, yes. So they asked me a question, which did not, in its nature, surprise me at the time: "What is going to happen to *us*, now, that President Roosevelt has died?" And I thought, and the answer that came to me was a very simple one: "We have lived under a great President. We are now faced with a very little man as President, and I'm afraid for us, on that account." I was right.

And then, we went into a period which was evil. In Europe, it took the form of the influence of the Congress for Cultural Freedom, which was a Nazi-type organization which I ran into. It hated me, and I hated them, and the existentialist movement in the United States and abroad.

We also went into a security situation, under which we created a category of people, of my generation,

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coming back from war, who had gotten jobs, either through completing university education, or going in some way into the security area, what became the national security area, and which was pretty much a brainwashing area. And so, you had people who were eager to keep their jobs, lest the FBI get some bad information about them. And they raised their children accordingly, and tended to flee into communities where people of their own type circulated. They met with only people of their own national security-cleared types, in these communities. They raised children, the Baby-Boomer generation, and they told these children not to have any definite ideas, to be very careful about whom they associated with, and so forth.

And then, came 1957: a recession. And the arrogance of this generation, which had raised these children, or was raising them, the arrogance went under. They became frightened, frightened not by the security clearance question—fear of losing

their position, their economic position. By '58, it was well founded. I was then an executive in a consulting firm, and people were wandering the streets and coming up to my office, begging for jobs, at one-quarter of the pay which they'd received from where they'd come from. And so, the children of this "we're better than shit" layer, raised in these families, underwent an experience.

In the meantime, there was a change in culture, especially in Europe and in the United States—away from Classical culture. Now, if you know that Classical culture is the spark of creativity, including scientific creativity, as typified by the case of Albert Einstein's violin; it's Classical culture, which is the power of the imagination, as applied to the questions of physical science, which is the *source* of the inspira-

tion of creativity in physical science. They took that away!

So then, these people went on to universities. They tended to get into the so-called "best universities," the Ivy League universities, and comparable types. They were the "kings of the universe"! "Oh, we are the perfect people!" But they still had an existential fear that they would lose their jobs, lose their security, as their



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What keeps me going, LaRouche said, is a long-range agenda, one oriented toward both fulfilling the work of past generations, and creating the basis for the success of future generations. At first, this orientation led him to recruit among the Baby Boomers after 1968—as this picture of him from 1973 shows. As the Baby Boomers became demoralized, he moved on to recruit a new generation of youth, dedicated to developing the creativity to save civilization. Here, LaRouche with members of the Basement crew in 2007.



family had, or had been in danger of losing. They went to the best universities, but they felt like an elite, because when the Vietnam War came on, they were able to manage not to get into military service, by being in universities, and therefore, exempt from the draft, until the exemptions got pared down, as we approached 1968. And they were conditioned, culturally, to an existentialist world outlook. And even if they studied science,

they weren't any damned good at it, because they had an existentialist attitude, which is not good for your creativity.

And then came 1968. And then came the change in 1968, after May 1, the first step in the collapse of the U.S. monetary system. *And they went ape! Really ape.* 

Now, this generation, the Baby Boomers, became a nightmare. They became promoted—they took their clothes off, they took everything off, they did all kinds of things, they took all the drugs there were to take—and they got the best positions of influence in society. Especially during the Carter Administration period, and thereafter. And so, as the older generation, my generation, began to go into retirement age, these young whippersnappers, so-called, took over, and brought their degeneration and their anti-science attitudes with them.

And then, with 1987, we had a deep recession, one of the deepest in our history, as a recession. Panic. We went into absolute insanity, in terms of our economic policy. And this generation, the Baby-Boomer generation, was now in the top positions. These were the years of George H.W. Bush and Bill Clinton. The worst years, in terms of the turn-down—1990, *pfsssst*! Spring 1990, the illusion was over! 2000, 2001, the end. Then the Bushes.

So, we'd gone through, at that point—at the end of the 1990s, I was very much concerned about, what about a new generation? Because, what had happened is, the Baby-Boomer generation, that is those who were born in that period after 1945-46, were not all of one type, but the worst of them were in the top positions. And the effect on a population is—if the very worst representatives of a generation are dominant, it has an effect on the attitudes in life of others. And when people get older, when they get past their 40s and 50s, they tend to become frightened, if conditions are not favorable. And if they find the top generation, which is apparently successful in controlling society and leading society, is dominant, they will tend to adapt and try to imitate those who they think are more successful.

So you had an ideology of a very small part of the population, like the Mark Rudds and similar trash, that had risen into top positions of social influence in society, their generation. But the acceptance of the green tendency, the anti-nuclear tendency, the anti-industrial tendency, had become a dominant tendency within this population, as a whole, through this structure.

And therefore, being a person as I am, I said, "Well, get me the *next* generation!" And that happened about

1999, going into 2000, that period, about 2001.

So, I suddenly looked into, as my Presidential campaign that year, some of the campuses, and began to make contact with people on campuses who were truly of a new generation. They had problems that their precedent had not had, different circumstances and new problems, but they were a generation which was capable of providing a succession, to this trashy aspect of the ruling generation. And I was more and more committed to that, saying, "We have to save the population as a whole, we have to save civilization as a whole, but what're you going to do it with? You have to reach out to a generation which is not so deeply demoralized as the Baby-Boomerage generation had become demoralized. And only through their action are you going to get the kick in the rear, which brings even some of the older guys of the Baby-Boomer generation back into reality." And that's exactly what's happened,

But, I've lived my whole life with this kind of view. I live in history. I go back to about 6,000 years ago, in terms of my fascination in history, and so I look at mankind in that way. I look at mankind as a history of mankind, the development of mankind. The issues of mankind, the problems of mankind. I look at all this from the standpoint of creativity, that mankind is characterized by creativity, which no animal has, and it's the role of creativity, human individual creativity, as it's expressed in Classical artistic composition, and spills over from Classical artistic composition into physical science, as we know physical science from the time of the Pythagoreans and Plato, and so forth; which is all one mass to me. And that's what I live in.

I live in a devotion to what I think are the treasures of mankind, or the categorical treasures of mankind, and the defense and promotion of what I consider the treasures of mankind. I like to look across, at other cultures, and find it in other cultures. I particularly like to find it in our own culture, our own European culture, and discover more deeply the secrets of our own culture, its achievement, and bring them forth. And that's what I write about—that's who I am.

I am not a careerist. I have no career. I'm just the person who I am, who is tumbling through the experience of life, expressing things that I think are important—as today.

**Freeman:** Okay, that brings today's event to a close. I would ask you to join me in wishing Lyn a very happy birthday.

LaRouche: Thank you! I've had fun!

## **PIRNational**

A NEW 1989?

# The U.S. Mass Strike Dynamic Expands

by Nancy Spannaus

Sept. 17—On Oct. 6, 1989, Erich Honecker, head of state of the communist German Democratic Republic, presided over a gala celebration of East Germany's 40th anniversary, and proclaimed that the regime's brilliant successes would last 100 years into the future. Overwhelmed by a mass citizen uprising, which coalesced around the slogan "Wir sind das Volk" ("We Are the People"), Honecker was forced to resign within weeks. By Nov. 9, the Berlin Wall separating East and West Germany had come down, and the communist dictatorship was on its way to oblivion. Like a tsunami coming from nowhere, the mass strike of the people had prevailed over tyranny.

The current uprising of hundreds of thousands of Americans, who have been massing around town meetings, and holding demonstrations around the country, can only be compared, in recent history, to the mass strike upsurge of East Germany 1989. The Sept. 12 demonstration in Washington, D.C.—which drew at least 200-300,000 people and thus, was the second-biggest protest in the capital since the Vietnam War, next to the 1995 Million Man March—was not the end of the process, but rather a major milestone in its growth. For the first time in decades, the American people are beginning to assert themselves and their rights, against an administration and a government that have either blatantly disregarded their interests,

or assaulted them outright.

Like Honecker, President Obama, egged on by his British controllers and fascist advisors, has decided to ignore the force and quality of the popular opposition. They are making a potentially fatal mistake. The vast majority of the American population is making it clear that it will not tolerate the current policy of bank bailouts, mass unemployment, and Hitler-like austerity, which, at this point, is aimed at cutting what the Administration considers "unnecessary" medical care for those "too expensive" to treat. Many of the people who have taken to the streets for the first time in their lives, do not have any idea of what the alternative is, but they have determined to fight a policy of what they perceive as mass murder.

At this point, it is virtually certain that President Obama will not, and cannot prevail, especially with his Hitler health plan. The crucial remaining question is how rapidly the mass strike ferment can be consolidated around the leadership of the one political leader who has a solution to the economic and political breakdown crisis of the United States: Lyndon LaRouche.

#### Who's in Control?

As of now, the answer is: no one.

There has been an intensive, and coordinated, effort by the U.S. and international media to both mischarac-



Frank Kleefeldt

The 1989 Revolution in East Germany coalesced around the slogan "We are the people," as seen in this photo of the last "Monday demonstration" in Leipzig, March 12, 1990, which adds the statement, "We are one people." Today's popular uprising in the United States is more diverse, but with a similar impulse: "We the People" will no longer tolerate the disastrous policies of the Obama Administration. Shown: Washington, D.C., Sept. 12, 2009

terize and downplay the ongoing mass political ferment. The political organizations which are claiming credit for mobilizing the upsurge—ranging from Dick Armey's Freedomworks, to the Tea Party, to right-wing radio talkshow hostsare simply trying to take advantage of the popular outrage, but they don't control the crowds. As in any genuine mass strike, the popular mood of revolt



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is spreading with a dynamic of its own, and can't be turned off and on by its self-appointed leaders.

From their interaction with tens of thousands of the participants in town meetings, and at the Sept. 12 demonstration, LaRouche PAC organizers can authoritatively assert that the people in motion come from all over the political spectrum. They are independents, retired unionists, disaffected Democrats, Republicans, and people who were totally apolitical—until now. They have been galvanized into action by the fact that they perceive that their government has sold out to the Wall Street crowd, and has now turned against *them*.

Time and again, demonstrators have told LaRouche PAC organizers that they never thought they would ever come out into the streets, but that they are so frightened and angry now, that they feel they must do *something*.

Even more important, the vast majority of people—as at the Sept. 12 event—are seeking answers, and unwilling to be pigeonholed into any category. Thus, while many will mouth the "anti-government" line, they are willing, when challenged on the necessity for government intervention, to think about how the problems they face could actually be solved.

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#### **Unprecedented Crowds**

The most striking phenomenon, however, is the enormity of the crowds. Far from calming down since the August Congressional recess, the number of people coming out for protests against the Obama health swindle (and others) has dramatically increased.

For example, as the Tea Party caravans passed through towns and cities across the country, on their

way to the Washington, D.C. demonstration, crowds of more than 10,000 people gathered in numerous locations. While Obama was addressing a mere 4,000 laborcrats on Labor Day in Cincinnati, an estimated 18,000 people gathered on Sept. 5 in suburban Cincinnati, to confront three Congressmen, including House Minority Leader John Boehner. "I've never seen anything like this," a stunned Boehner said afterward. "These people are scared to death. They're scared that the country they grew up in is not going to be the country their children and grandchildren grew up in."

Two days later, in New Lenox, Ill., where a crowd of 400 was expected, more than 10,000 people showed up to greet the Tea Party Express caravan.

And, on the day of the Saturday D.C. march, satellite rallies were held all around the country, including one in downtown Fort Worth, Texas, which was estimated to have brought out 10-20,000 participants.

These huge crowds were supplemented by gatherings of anywhere from a few hundred to 3,000, in other cities. For example: Dallas, Texas, 2,500; Cranberry, Pa., 2,000; Toms River, N.J., 3,000; Salt Lake City, Utah, 1,500; Wasilla, Alaska, 1,000.

The gatherings are by no means over. More caravans are currently on their way across the country to Washington, and report-back rallies are planned from the Washington demonstration. There is a deliberate blackout of events, except in some of the local press, and sometimes, they were not covered there.

The best estimate is that more than a million Americans have been involved in this mass strike activity, since it took off at the end of July. And the fact that the news media won't cover it? That will just feed the revolt.

#### What Are the Issues?

While the horrors of the genocidal health-care bill

demanded by the President and his fascist advisors take center stage in the mass actions, there is no single issue which is motivating people to get off their couches and come out onto the street. At the Sept. 12 demonstration, for example, there were hundreds of home-made signs, featuring issues that ranged from the bailout, to the Fed's money-printing, to the expanding war in Afghanistan. At one town meeting after another, angry citizens would bring up the outrageous diversion of taxpayer money to the banks, as well as their overall distrust of government.

If there is one symbol, or flag, of the popular upsurge, however, it is the Obama Mustache poster, which was devised by LaRouche PAC in the early Summer. At meeting after

meeting, LaRouche PAC organizers sporting the picture of the President with a toothbrush (Hitler) mustache, have been greeted with cheers, with demands for more copies of the posters, and general appreciation. Many demonstrators have asked to carry the poster themselves, to simply march around, and when LaRouche PAC organizers have been attacked by pro-Obama thugs, in many cases, other citizens have massed to their defense.

Why is the Obamastache poster so popular? Because it represents the truth about the President's health-care policy.

The American public, by and large, is sick and tired of not being told the truth. But, starting with his April 11 webcast, LaRouche told the ugly, shocking truth about President Obama: specifically, the fact that he is a



narcissistic, Nero-like personality being advised by behaviorist fascists, and committed to implementing such a policy. From there, LaRouche went on to document the fact that Obama's health-care policy *is* based on the Hitler commitment to eliminating "lives not worthy of life." It stuck.

As LaRouche got the word out, the LaRouche PAC website became increasingly the center of the mobilization against what is now called Obamacare, including among intelligent Republicans. Soon, the scandal about the threatened "death panels" swept the country—and no lies Obama or any other member of the Administration could tell could sweep it away.

In effect, LaRouche *is* the leader of the mass strike movement—not just because he raised the clarion call, but because he uniquely has presented the solution to the crisis which lies behind the Administration's fascist policies. It is the bankrupt British imperial system of globalization that is demanding fascism today, just as it did in the 1930s, LaRouche has argued. That is what must be defeated, with the American System policies put forward by LaRouche.

#### It Will Get Hotter

There is no question but that the mass strike process will expand, although not necessarily in a linear manner. Americans have lost faith in their government—and the crisis which their government is refusing to confront, is about to get much, much worse.

Take joblessness, for example. While officially 9.7%, actual unemployment is counted, even by Bureau of Labor Statistics statisticians, to be at least at 20%—and probably much higher than that. On top of that, as many as one-third of the unemployed are getting no help at all, and many of those who are, are about to lose it over the next months.

Then take homelessness. One of the biggest scandals of the country is the zooming rate of homelessness, which has led to the setting up of makeshift shanty towns, or "tent cities," all around the United States. There is no exact count of the homeless, of course, but there are visible encampments in Columbus, Ohio; Chattanooga, Tenn.; Athens, Ga.; Sacramento, Los Angeles, San Diego, Ventura, Ontario, Calif., and undoubtedly many other cities. The situation is so desperate that local officials are demanding provision of sanitation, in order to head off the potential of contagious disease.

Which brings us back to the health crisis, which is about to get much, much worse with the expansion of the flu epidemic. Already, ICU facilities are inadequate to deal with the outbreak of swine flu in certain regions of the country, and it's going to get a lot worse.

Combine this physical breakdown with the expected next round of financial blowout around the end of the fiscal year, and it's clear that the U.S. population is not going to buckle under—especially after they've defeated the health bill. They will instead be demanding solutions for the very salvation of the nation—and that will mean turning once again to LaRouche and his economic programs: bankruptcy reorganization and a massive reconstruction program, based on re-establishing the Hamiltonian credit system we never should have let the British take away from us.

To this, either Obama will submit, or the nation will face a disaster beyond belief. Unlike in Germany 1989, we have a leadership in place, and it must be heard.

Now. It's Official!

## Baucus, Newsweek Back Hitler Health 'Reform'

by Nancy Spannaus

Sept. 18—It's been eight months a-coming, but Sen. Max Baucus's (D-Mont.) weekly meetings with White House staff, and a bipartisan group of Senators on his Finance Committee, finally produced a "health care reform" bill on Sept. 16. And what have all these months of maneuvering produced? Precisely the same Hitler-modelled cost-cutting bill that *EIR* and the LaRouche PAC accused the Administration of promoting many months ago!

And, to add to the problems of the Administration, which is desperately trying to deny the genocidal reality of its favored health bill, one of its biggest promoters, the *Washington Post*-owned *Newsweek* magazine, has just produced a feature issue emblazoned with the bold cover headline, "The Case for Killing Granny."

No wonder that leading Democrats, from Sen. Jay Rockefeller (W.V.), to Sen. Ron Wyden (Ore.), to AFL-CIO President John Sweeney are already denouncing the Baucus bill; nor does it have a single Republican supporter. While the President and his foot-soldiers are gearing up for a frenetic campaign to pass their "reform," so far, it would appear that the Congress has gotten the

message from their constituents, and it's DOA.

#### **Baucus's Bill**

Baucus's bill, in its current form, has what Obama has personally demanded, again and again—a national health board, or "Medicare Commission," to cut and deny treatments, tests, procedures, imaging, etc., and thus cost lives, in order to cut Medicare/Medicaid spending after the multi-trillion-dollar bailout of Wall Street. Congress would only be able to react by making equivalent or deeper cuts each year starting in 2013—or the Medicare Commission's cuts would take effect.

Otherwise, the bill still has the myriad of other means of cutting insured medical care, which were spelled out in Baucus's Sept. 9 draft. These include prohibiting payments for treatment of what it calls "preventable conditions";

eliminating the State Children's Insurance Program (SCHIP) in 2013; cutting Medicare reimbursement schedules by 0.5% each year, beginning 2013; penalizing doctors, hospitals, and other health-care institutions by 5-10% of payments, for "excessive care" and "preventable admissions"; and the like.

Equally enraging to the public is the fact that the Baucus plan's provisions would put trillions more into the coffers of the insurance companies, while costing more than millions of Americans can afford to pay, and taxing union-won health plans. This is no surprise, of course, because the bill was basically written by insurance company employees, as from UnitedHealth Group, who were hired by Baucus and others to share their "expertise" in writing a bill for their own murderous benefit.

#### **Letting It All Hang Out**

The *Newsweek* feature, to appear in the issue dated Sept. 21, follows the same train of thought, and throws it in your face. It attacks the very idea of using medical

science to extend life. "Until Americans learn to contemplate death as more than a scientific challenge to be overcome," the lead article argues, "our health-care

system will remain unfixable."

"The idea that we might ration health care to seniors (or anyone else) is political anathema," writes Newsweek editor-at-large Evan Thomas. "Politicians do not dare breathe the R word, lest they be accused—however wrongly—of trying to pull the plug on Grandma. But the need to spend less money on the elderly at the end of life is the elephant in the room in the health-reform debate. Everyone sees it but no one wants to talk about it" (emphasis added).

Thomas then proceeds to talk about it—and promote it—at great length, contending that there is no way we can get control of costs unless we find a way "to stop overtreating patients." He launches into a long defense of the Dartmouth Atlas lies about "overuse" of medical care, and even gets around to discussing setting up a British-

model NICE-type panel to decide what—i.e., who—gets cut from medical treatment. (NICE is the Orwellian-named British National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence.) Arguing that our present system is unsustainable, Thomas writes that, eventually, economic reality may force the United States to adopt a system like Britain or Canada.

While claiming that talk of "death panels" is demagogy, Thomas notes that end-of-life counselling does hasten death. "A study by the *Archives of Internal Medicine* shows that such conversations between doctors and patients can decrease costs by about 35 percent—while improving quality of life at the end."

"Our medical system does everything it can to encourage hope," Thomas complains. "And American health care has been near miraculous—the envy of the world—in its capacity to develop new lifesaving and life-enhancing treatments. But death can be delayed only so long...."

Thomas is right. But the first death is likely to be that of the Obama-Hitler health plan itself.



Carolyn Bunce

Sen. Max Baucus's long-awaited "health care reform" bill is, as expected, modelled on the Hitler-style program of cutting those lives "not worthy of live" out of medical care. It's already been judged, "Dead on Arrival."

## **National News**

## The Bailout Is Killing Federal Housing Admin.

The Federal Housing Administration is running out of money, as a result of its role in the bailout of the imperial monetary system. The agency is being used to guarantee mortgages, as a way of propping up the values of the securities backing them. So far this year, the FHA has guaranteed 23% of U.S. home loans, up from about 3% in 2006.

By law, the FHA is required to hold reserves equal to 2% of the mortgages that it guarantees. The agency is in danger of violating that limit as of Oct. 1, FHA Commissioner David Stevens told the Sept. 18 Washington Post. To build up its reserves, the agency may need to turn to Congress for a bailout, although Stevens insists, "We are absolutely not going to Congress and asking money for the FHA. We're not going to need a special subsidy or special funding of any kind." Brave words, Mr. Stevens. Given the way the economy continues to collapse, you're going to have to eat them.

### Frank Whines: GOP Has Not Repudiated LaRouche

Appearing on CNN's "Anderson Cooper 360 Degrees" program Sept. 17, Rep. "Bailout Barney" Frank (D-Mass.) attacked Republicans and conservatives for not repudiating Lyndon LaRouche. He even whined that he has been criticized by Fox News "for being rude to a LaRouche advocate holding a picture of the President as Hitler."

Prior to Barney's outburst, Rep. Mike Rogers (R-Mich.) accused "people in the talking head arena" of misjudging the town hall meetings. Rogers pointed out that "these are just average people" who are agitated about health care and other matters.

Cooper then played a video clip of Frank's famous encounter with La-

Rouche PAC's Rachel Brown, to which Barney retorted that the woman who asked that question was "an advocate of Lyndon LaRouche ... who came out of deep lunacy."

Frank then sputtered, "The mistake I think conservatives have made, and they're paying for it now," is that they were happy to let the LaRouche people and others attack Democrats, when they should have been repudiating LaRouche.

Lyndon LaRouche's comment on Barney Frank's performance, was that he is paranoid and needs a shrink; and that the idea of the Republicans curbing LaRouche is ludicrous.

A spokesman for the Jewish Anti-Defamation League, quoted in the *Seattle Times*, had a similar complaint, that, "the language first propagated by LaRouche backers... is now entering the mainstream debate." She further lamented, "What used to be so fringe is making its way onto talk shows, radio, blogs, YouTube and other sources that people see as legitimate."

#### Cook Report: House Dems in Big Trouble

"Blue-state Democrats are showing little awareness that their party has a problem," says veteran political analyst Charlie Cook in his Cook Report in *National Journal*. He reports that a GOP polling/message-testing service had found that there is a "reservoir of goodwill among independents toward Obama—if not his policies—but those warm feelings did not extend to Congress." Independents provided the crucial margin (18%) for the Democratic sweep in the 2006 mid-term elections.

Most House Democrats live in blue (Democratic) America and show little awareness that their party has a problem, Cook says, but the Democratic majority in the House is built on 54 seats that the party picked up in 2006 and 2008 that are largely in purple—or even red (Republican)—America. Forty-eight of those Democrats

are from districts that voted for Bush in 2005 and McCain in 2008. "That America is very different from the Democratic base in blue America," Cook notes, "and it sees many major issues very differently."

## UN: Crisis Devastating World's Poor Nations

In the week before the annual high-level debate in New York at the United Nations General Assembly, the UN issued two reports on the devastating impact the international economic crisis is having on the poor nations. These followed an August report by the Food and Agriculture Organization at the UN, which noted that for the first time in human history, more than 1 billion people worldwide are undernourished.

The report "Strengthening the Global Partnership for Development in a Time of Crisis" highlights the \$35 billion a year in unfulfilled pledge of aid, that the Group of Eight industrialized countries made in 2005, which includes a \$20 billion annual shortfall on commitments to Africa.

A second report, "Voices of the Vulnerable: The Economic Crisis from the Ground Up," stresses that the "green shoots" of recovery are not being felt by the poor. On the contrary, the global economic crisis continues to push millions into poverty, hunger, and early death. Some 100 million people have been forced below the poverty line, while an estimated 61 million have become unemployed over the last two years. Youth unemployment increased by about 18.2 million in the last year alone.

The report notes that infant mortality rates are set to rise by an additional 200,000-400,000 annually, and that the crisis will have long-term consequences, with tens of millions of children suffering from cognitive and physical injury caused by malnutrition.

The report stressed that the expected spread of swine flu could be the straw "that may break the back of overstretched populations and governments."

## **Exercise** Economics

#### STATEMENT BY LYNDON LAROUCHE

## Bernanke's Money-Printing Is Hyperinflationary

The LaRouche Political Action Committee (LPAC) issued this statement on Sept. 16.

Economist and statesman Lyndon LaRouche today characterized Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke's monetary policy as "turning a major crisis, into a hopeless crisis," versus his own alternative, proposed in 2007, as "the issue" of urgent comprehension of economics and policy in this crisis.

A Washington researcher with expertise in the history of central bank policies had told LPAC on Sept. 15, that Bernanke intended to "keep Fed interest rates well below 1% for at least two years, and likely for three years." Bernanke thinks it's necessary, and inflation will have to be "contained" by other means than letting up on printing money, he said.

"Bernanke is, of course, utterly incompetent, and to a degree of gross stupidity," LaRouche said. "His process of printing money, is simply already hyperinflationary. What is collapsing is the sense of the financial world, which is collapsing on them. And the more they print money, the greater the rate of collapse in the financial sector. Because the physical production is collapsing. The financial sector's great problems are based on problems in the physical sector. What Bernanke and company have done, is what Greenspan did, really clearly, co ming out of October 1987. What they do, is they say, we pump monetary aggregate in, and it's the monetary aggregate that will cause a recovery. And therefore they say that in order to have a recovery, we have to put in a higher rate of monetary aggregation, in order to increase employment.

"But it's the higher rate of monetary aggregation that is crushing employment!

"So there's only one thing you can do in a case like this: You put the damned system through bankruptcy, and eliminate the monetary system. You get only the financial system and the physical economy as your only real elements which are determining the international process; then you can get a recovery, especially through a Glass-Steagall standard and reorganization. But you have to bankrupt this entire monetary sytem, which is directly opposite to what these creeps are doing.

"You have to go back to when we proposed the HBPA [Homeowners and Bank Protection Act] in 2007. At that point, we could still have a simple reorganization in bankruptcy procedure, which would have stabilized the situation and would have allowed a recovery driven by a Federal credit system. What they did to prevent that from being installed, with this hyperinflationary system, a really runaway inflationary system—what they did, as typified by Sen. Chris Dodd and Rep. Barney Frank, was the worst possible thing you could do. So you turn a major crisis into a hopeless crisis.

"When people talk about economy, *this* is *the* issue. And if they are not talking about this issue, then they are just babbling away nonsense."

#### LaRouche's 'Triple Curve'

LaRouche caged the Greenspan/Bernanke hyperinflationary policy and its effects, within the context of his 1996 heuristic Triple Curve economic collapse function (**Figure 1**).

"There are people who recognize, just by looking at my triple curve, ... that the breakdown crisis is when you get the three effects: the decline in actual physical productivity per capita; combined with an increase in

#### FIGURE 1

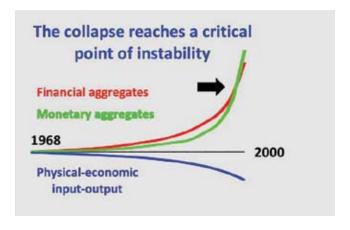
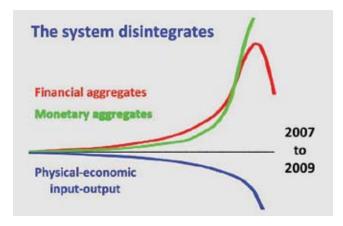


FIGURE 2



hyperinflation, that is, a self-inflating rate of monetary inflation; and you build up toward bankruptcy in financial processes, which become progressively deflationary. This is the case in the past three years.

"So you have an increasing rate of inflation—that's hyperinflation. The entire monetary process internationally is hyperinflationary. Whereas the financial process, apart from the financing of monetary aggregate, is deflationary. And also deflationary, is that you have an ongoing deep depression in term of physical values. That is, the percentile of the population that is actually producing wealth—physical wealth, not bullshit wealth. So you take these three values—physical production, not paper production, not accounting production; and then you have the hyperinflationary curve in monetary aggregates, of which the bailout was the accelerator of hyperinflation; but you have a deflation in the financial transactions which pertain to the real economy.

"So these three factors are there, which mean you're in a system which is inherently going to burst apart. The whole system is worse than bankrupt, and it's going to blow out. There are two ways: It can have a sudden blowout; or, more likely at this stage, the way this thing will behave in the short term, would be a series of cycles, building up, where it resonates throughout the world, and then it comes to a complete breakdown. That's where we are at.

"Bernanke and the others are talking about exactly that. They are living in the triple curve reality, exactly as we've defined it, especially in the recent reports on that, that we've put forth in the webcasts. That's the reality. This means the system is already as good as dead, or worse than as good as dead. It's already begun to rot, even before it dies. So it's a walking corpse, rotting away, waiting to be declared dead.

"This is what I presented in January 1996, and this is exactly where the history of the planet has gone in that process, in that way, ever since. We're talking about 13 unlucky years, from January 1996 to 2009."

In the field of economic science, LaRouche said, "We should make this argument, and put it in print right way. Because we do have a core of economists who have come to undertand the triple curve. It's those who don't understand the triple curve, or look at it as some kind of a novelty, who don't understand that that's the basis for all competent monetary and physical theory. We will have a monetary process of some sort, which is a byproduct of a physical process. But, you have to explain it as it actually is connected, this triple curve concept.

"You can go back and show it; even though what happened in Germany back in 1923 was artificially induced, politically; what we have today is a global model, which is not a contained situation, as Germany in 1923 was. But the global model is the same kind of problem. You try to get a monetary answer: They want to pay the war debt, the Versailles war debt which was sucking at the system. And you maintain the economy to the degree you can use it to try to generate growth in the economy to pay the war debt.

"This had the opposite effect: It made the war debt problem impossible."

At the Federal Reserve, LaRouche said, "Bernanke and company are acting like a person who is trying to conceal the fact that their institution is bankrupt. He's behaving as if he were aware of that problem. He's behaving as if he believes that the institution may be hopelessly bankrupt.

"These guys are really nuts: They are stupid and nuts!"

## Herd on the Street by Les Swift

## In Search of the Recovery

For something that's supposed to be happening everywhere, it's been awfully hard to find.

President Obama has seen it, and so have Larry Summers, Ben Bernanke, and Tim Geithner. The bankers have seen it, on Wall Street, the City of London, and in the European financial centers. It seems like everyone has seen it but me, and I'm starting to feel left out.

I'm talking about The Recovery, of course. You know, that great economic rescue we've been promised, ever since the bottom blew out of the global financial system.

It's all a bit puzzling. Back in 2007, that Lyndon LaRouche guy told us the system had died, but our leaders disagreed. Don't worry, it's nothing but a little bump in the road, they told us.

A few months later, Bear Stearns was given a shotgun marriage to JP Morgan Chase, with a huge dowry from Uncle Sam. I'll admit to being concerned about that one, but our leaders said not to worry, that The Recovery was just around the corner.

Then came September 2008, and all Hell broke loose. Banks were falling like toxic flies, and all of a sudden the guys who had been assuring us everything was fine were having hysterical meltdown migranes, and demanding dictatorial powers and unlimited funding to save us all from a problem that wasn't supposed to even exist.

It's enough to make you suspect that they had not been telling us the whole truth, and maybe none of the truth at all.

A year later, we're regaled with tales about how our glorious leaders pulled us "back from the brink of financial catastrophe," and how The Recovery has already started—or at least, is just around the corner.

I believed them when they said there was no problem. I believed them when they said the sky was falling, but that they had the solution, even though I was confused as to what the problem was, since they'd insisted that there was no problem. I believed them that they'd saved the day with their bailout. I even almost believed them when they said we were turning a profit on that bailout. So why, I ask myself, am I having so much trouble believing in The Recovery?

Feeling a bit guilty at doubting our leaders, I decided to go out and find The Recovery, to see it for myself.

My first stop was the newspaper stand, since the press guys seemed to know where The Recovery was. I read everything I could get my hands on, but somehow, The Recovery still

My next stop was the Federal Reserve. Since Ben Bernake had seen it, I figured the Fed could steer me in the right direction. Unfortunately, the security guards wouldn't let me in. I assured them I wasn't there to steal The Recovery, but merely to see it, but to no avail. If The Recovery is there, they're keeping it hidden.

I tried the White House, but they were erecting a giant poster of our Glorious Leader, and I couldn't get near the joint. Perhaps The Recovery was behind the poster, or maybe locked in the closet in the Oval Office. Maybe so, but I still hadn't found it.

Fine. I'm sure it must be in the heartland, so I decided to try there next. I went to one of those fabled industrial cities of the Midwest, and almost immediately saw a long line of people, wrapped all the way around the block.

Finally! I thought. This must be it. Everyone is here to see The Recovery. I took my place at the end of the line, knowing it would be well worth the wait.

Breathless with anticipation, I asked the person in front of me how long we'd have to wait to see The Recovery.

"Ain't no recovery around here," she said. "This is the unemployment line."

"But Obama said The Recovery had started," I sputtered, fighting back the waves of doubt sweeping over my

"Well, McDonald's has a job opening," she replied. "But you'd better hurry. There's already over a thousand people in line there."

Curses, foiled again, as they say in those old cartoons. Wherever it was, The Recovery clearly wasn't in the Rust Belt. So I headed for California.

Things weren't so hot there, either. I passed by row after row of empty houses and boarded up businesses foreclosure signs and out-of-business signs were more common than street signs. I came upon a freeway and couldn't believe my eyes: There must have been ten families living underneath the overpass. Shaking my head, I kept driving, and then—shades of Hooverville!—came across one of those giant tent cities, with people living in cars, trailers, tents, and even cardboard boxes. Must have been a thousand people, packed into what used to be a public park.

Speaking to these people, it was clear that The Recovery was not in California, either. But it must be somewhere, because our Glorious Leader said so, so I'm going to keep looking. I'll let you know when I find it. I think I'll try Vegas next. Maybe my luck will change.

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# The British Monarchy & Hitler Today

by Lyndon LaRouche

Sept. 11—In the following report, historian Anton Chaitkin documents the personal complicity of the British Prince of Wales, Charles, in engagement with the type of crimes against humanity which the British monarchy has foisted, as a fraudulently alleged "health-care program" on its virtual puppet, U.S. President Barack Obama.

The crucially important point to be made, is that since the elevation of Britain's Queen Victoria, as successor to the bankrupt British East India Company, and Empress, the British empire has been a continuation of what had been the imperial power and reach of the British East India Company, since the February 1763 Peace of Paris. That British monarchy has been a globally extended empire in the true sense of that term, and has been also the chief author of not only World Wars I and II, the author of Japan's 1894-1945 warfare against such included nations as China, Korea, and Russia, and the co-author of the original early 1920s scheme for the British alliance with Japan for a planned Japan attack on the U.S. Pearl Harbor naval base which was actually carried out on December 7, 1941. It was this British monarchy which organized what became known as World War I and which had put Adolf Hitler and its policies into power in Germany through an operation run in January 1933.

It was British health-care policies, then, in September-October 1939, which are known today as both the genocide policies of the Hitler regime, and the policies, uttered from the London of former British Prime Minister and infamous liar Tony Blair, which are expressed as the pro-genocidal intention of the policies currently proposed by President Barack Obama (those who deny that fact, are either stupid, or lying). The policies underlying the Hitler- and Blair-like policies of the Obama Administration presently, are entirely creations of the British Empire under the current British Royal Family's role as an empire of a British monetarist system, a system currently based on the root supplied by President Franklin Roosevelt's chief Bretton Woods adver-



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Prince Charles is a trustee of the King's Fund, and his mother is its Patron; the organization is steering the discussion of "end-of-life services" (euthanasia) in Britain.

sary John Maynard Keynes.

The visible leading edge of the pro-genocidal, and drug-traffic-promoting policies of the current British imperial monarchy, is the pro-genocidal policies of population-control promoted under the umbrella of the British Prince Royal Consort Philip, and his son and putative heir to the British Throne, Prince Charles, the Prince Charles who harbors former U.S. Vice-President Al Gore as a virtual lackey-in-waiting. The World Wildlife Fund, its lackies, and the international drug-trafficking policies of Nazi-trained, British lackey-in-fact George Soros, are the center of the principal enemies of not only our own U.S. Federal Constitution today, but, also, of the welfare of humanity at large.

The charges which I have made against President Obama for his complicity-in-fact with those evil policies, have been moderated by the evidence which I have received which indicates that the President is not in full charge of his own intellectual faculties, but should be kept in office, if possible, under protected managed care, as if according to the Woodrow Wilson precedent.

The challenge to all our U.S. citizens, under these circumstances, is, simply, are you a patriot, and are you actually capable of acting as a patriot, especially if you hold Federal public office?

## The Royal Death Scheme

by Anton Chaitkin

Sept. 10—The British Royal Family and panicky City of London financiers began implementing, in 2008, a program to kill elderly and other sick people, precisely repeating the opening phase of Hitler's 1939 Tiergarten-4 euthanasia program. Under the Liverpool Care Pathway, adopted for general use by the National Health Service, those showing symptoms that might foreshadow death are to be killed by heavy narcotics and the withdrawal of fluids and nutrition. The policy accounted for about one-sixth of all deaths in Britain last year, according to a study by Dr. Clive Seale of the Barts and the London School of Medicine and Dentistry.

When the world financial system meltdown began in 2007, British imperial leaders pursued drastic shifts in funds away from public services and into bailouts of the London-Wall Street axis. They rushed into general practice a euthanasia policy that had been introduced as a pilot project in 2003-04 by then-Prime Minister Tony Blair and royal health advisor Simon Stevens.

This British fascist agenda was exported to the United States for adoption by the incoming Obama Administration.

The King's Fund is the official agency driving the new euthanasia. A government-funded charity, called, alternatively, Marie Curie Cancer Care or Marie Curie Hospice, is the operations center tasked with shaping the killing program. Prince Charles has been president of the King's Fund since 1986, and president of the Marie Curie Hospice organization since about 2000.

What is today called the King's Fund was created in the late 19th Century by the Prince of Wales. After he became King Edward VII, the agency was incorporated in 1907 as King Edward's Hospital Fund for London. This was the Royal Family's planning center for the reform of health care, in accord with the Empire's innovation of the time, eugenics, or race-purification theory.

To start up the new killing program in 2008, the Queen became the Patron; the agency was re-incorporated under the name King's Fund; and Prince Charles and his retainers went into overdrive.

The King's Fund and the Marie Curie Hospice were merged for action with the June 24, 2008 announcement that King's Fund Policy and Development Director Steve Dewar would henceforth lead both agencies, to "develop the contribution of both organizations to the further improvement of end-of-life services across the U.K." In July 2008, the National Health Service published its End of Life Care Strategy, developed by an NHS Strategy unit set up for the new euthanasia program.

The Marie Curie Palliative Care Institute in Liverpool is one of two centers for experimental killing regimes. Out of this has come the procedure called the Liverpool Care Pathway, with its Continuous Deep Sedation procedure for euthanasia, which has recently broken into the headlines in Britain due to a public protest by physicians against the murders.

#### 'Doing Less with Less'

Marie Curie chief executive Tom Hughes-Hallett, a King's Fund Senior Associate, chairs the external Implementation Advisory Board for the national End of Life Care Strategy. In his forward to the Board's first annual report, published by the National Health Service in July 2009, Hughes-Hallett wrote:

"We're trying to change the way this country thinks about and responds to the idea of death. We're trying to change the way the medical and social care professions think about and respond to death. We're trying to change the way end of life care services are commissioned."

Hughes-Hallett, a City of London financier, wrote further on the urgency of getting the killing program going full blast: "One thing that has changed quickly, and unexpectedly, is the financial climate. For this financial year and the next, the NHS has new money for this strategy. After that things are much less certain..."

In that Strategy Report, the "end of life care pathway" proceeds from "Step One: Identifying people who are approaching the end of life," to "Step Six: Care After Death," or what to do with the bodies and the survivors, and the sticky problem of the death certificate. If the medical staff is to kill patients, they will run into what faced the Nazis in their T-4 euthanasia program: how to convincingly lie that the deaths resulted from underlying conditions, rather than homicide. The Strategy document hints at this dilemma: "In response to ... evidence that carers were being forced to wait unacceptable amounts of time for a doctor to verify the death ... it was proposed that a policy be developed allowing

nurses to perfom this function."

A National Health Service-commissioned report by McKinsey and Company, calling for saving \$32 billon per year by drastic cuts in health care, was leaked to the press last week. King's Fund chief economist John Appleby (quoted in *Time* magazine, Sept. 9, 2009) repsonded that these savings must be accomplished by finding "ways to counter rising health-care costs associated with an aging population, expensive new medical treatments and rising patient expectations." King's Fund chief executive Niall Dickson chimed in that, rather than doing more with less resources, "Doing less with less seems a more realistic scenario."

The Royal euthanasia program was introduced as a

pilot project in 2003 and 2004, by Simon Stevens, Blair's chief advisor on health policy 2001-04). In 2007, Stevens came to the United States to spread the euthanasia project here, becoming vice president of the Minnesota-based UnitedHealth Group, a massive private health insurance company for the United States and Britain, including the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP). Stevens' official job is to advise all private health insurers to get behind the new agenda for health-care reform.

Continuing as a trustee of the King's Fund for Prince Charles in London, Stevens connects President Obama with the London-Wall Street axis, for implementation of its urgent strategy in the face of financial catastrophe.

## Simon Stevens and His Mobile Death Squads

Sept. 17—Royal Family courtier Simon Stevens was Britain's "Death Minister," simultaneously advising Prime Minister Tony Blair and successive health ministers from 1997 to 2004.

From that post, in 1999, he established NICE, the National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence, to ration health care. In 2000, he crafted the plan for creeping privatization of the National Health Service. In 2002, as fascist financiers claimed that the elderly were "clogging the beds," Stevens arranged a National Health Service contract with UnitedHealth Group's Evercare Hospice unit, to conduct pilot studies on how to restrict hospital access for older patients.

Based on the mind-set in the Evercare contract and Evercare's pilot-project report, Stevens then put into effect the Liverpool Care Pathway, an experimental program for killing the frail elderly.

In 2004, Stevens left the Blair government to become chief executive of UnitedHealth Group's European division. Then, in 2007, he moved to the United States to become chief executive of the elderly ("Ovations") division of the company, where he oversees the Evercare Hospice unit. The Minne-

apolis-based UnitedHealth Group was founded in 1974, as an outgrowth of President Richard Nixon's 1971 deal to establish health management organizations (HMOs).

UnitedHealth Group and its allies at the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation put millions of dollars into the Dartmouth Atlas of Health Care 2008, a propaganda sheet that is demanding lower medical costs (see series by Dr. Ned Rosinsky, *EIR*, July 31, Sept. 11, 2009).

Stevens' photograph is displayed on the website of the American Association of Retired Persons, whose 40 million members are advised to buy AARP-endorsed insurance—from Evercare. In effect, UnitedHealth has simply bought AARP for this purpose, paying for this promotion.

During Spring 2009, Stevens was all over the American media, beating the drums for austerity "reform." Quoting the phony Dartmouth Atlas statistics, Stevens demanded \$540 billion in cuts from payments for medical services to the elderly and poor.

Working with the George Soros apparatus, Stevens is now a central player in the London-Wall Street axis that is driving President Obama's health-care reform. *Business Week* (Aug. 17), gloating under the headline, "Why Health Insurers Are Winning," featured a full-page photo of Stevens, overshadowing the U.S. Capitol Building.

—Anton Chaitkin

## **INCLIPATION AL**

## London 'Adjusts' to Collapse Of Obama Presidency

by Jeffrey Steinberg

Sept. 17—Two flagship publications of the City of London financial oligarchy—the *Financial Times* and the *Economist*—have printed calls for an expansion of nuclear power. These two pieces signal a potential shift in policy outlook, away from the radical Malthusian and quack environmentalist policies associated with former British Prime Minister Tony Blair, and with two rabid fascist voices of the British Monarchy, the Royal Consort Prince Philip, and his son and the presumed successor to the throne, Prince Charles.

Lyndon LaRouche has identified this emerging policy shift as an indication of a growing recognition, by some leading London circles, that their dreams of engineering the final self-destruction of the United States through the Obama Presidency, has failed miserably, and that their "Obama agenda" cannot be salvaged. This London-centered faction, in LaRouche's view, has taken note of the mass strike process underway in the United States, and the danger of a return to the American System policies, last seen in the Presidency of Franklin D. Roosevelt.

In another sign of the sea change in thinking among some factions of the British oligarchy, another City flagship publication, *The Times*, on Sept. 11, published previously classified details of a September 1989 Moscow meeting between then-British Prime Minister

Margaret Thatcher, and then-Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachov, in which the two plotted against the expected German reunification.

These revelations came on the same day that the British Foreign and Commonwealth Office released a 600-page volume of FCO documents from 1989-90, exposing the collusion among Thatcher, U.S. President George H.W. Bush, French President François Mitterrand, and Gorbachov, to block the reunification of Germany and the collapse of the Soviet Union.

The FCO documents were not due to be declassified and released for another decade.

#### LaRouche's Strategic Assessment

In a Sept. 15 discussion with colleagues about these extraordinary developments, LaRouche expressed his preliminary thoughts on the emerging policy shift in London: "Now, only what we are doing, and only what I have specified to that effect, could possibly prevent a general disintegration of world civilization during the period immediately ahead. There may be certain factors which might tend to slow this down. There may even be some interesting interventions from the enemy's side, because not all Brits, for example, believe that the current British administration, which is running the United States, presently, is actually capable of dealing success-

fully with this situation, even from the standpoint of their own interests. So they might intervene, as you saw in the *Economist* this week, where there was an article in there of some weight, which made the case for nuclear power, as against other alternatives, rather strongly. So obviously, there are people in the system on that side, who recognize that since our defeat of the Obama cause—we haven't defeated Obama, but we've defeated his cause; his cause will never get through. His cause will never be successful. Unless he surrenders to my conditions, there's no possible way that he can be successful. Only if he surrenders to me, and that puts him into protective custody within the White House.

"So therefore, there are other forces, who recognize that the British and related interests, which are supporting Obama up to now, may be getting ready to dump Obama, because he's worse than useless. In that case, there are some people who will try to stick to the cause, in some term or other—to find a substitute for Obama to pursue the same direction of policy. But I think there are also-there are signs of this-much more serious elements, behind the curtain on the British side, shall we say, who are looking at alternatives to the end of the Obama trend. It's not that they oppose the idea of Obama having tried to do what he did, but they now realize, that because of the chain-reaction my intervention set off, that Obama's case is hopeless. And therefore, whatever regret they wish to express, they are prepared to replace and dump the Obama option, where some people among them are not."

LaRouche later addressed the Times' Gorbachov revelations: "You had a very peculiar development, of relevance to this: When somebody on the British side, ten years before the release of this information was scheduled, previously, released reports, including an extremely significant leak, on a meeting in Russia, between Margaret Thatcher, and that treasonous British agent of influence, Gorbachov. Now, this Gorbachov element, this leak, tends to suggest something very interesting on the British side, which goes along with this item inside the current edition of the Economist boosting nuclear power, against the so-called alternatives. There is a counter-view, coming out of Britain, as typified by this article on nuclear power in the Economist, and typified more emphatically, by this advance leak of a recapitulation of the negotiations among Mitterrand, and his mistress Thatcher, and George Bush, together with Gorbachov, in the consequence of the collapse of the Berlin Wall.

"There is somebody on the other side, who is playing a different game than the British have been playing up to now. And this has implications in all kinds of directions: What's the effect of this crowd's opposition, alternative to Tony Blair operation? What is it? What do they intend to do? This is obviously against the Anglo-Russian entente, now. It's something else. They're pro-Russian, in one sense. They are for nuclear power, they are for a different approach. They also represent people who have blown the whistle on Gorbachov.

"Remember," LaRouche continued, "Gorbachov was a British agent. Thus, he was actually a treasonous figure, from the Russian standpoint, not only the Soviet standpoint, but the Russian standpoint. He's a traitor. And so, you have a British-controlled traitor, and he's not the only high-ranking traitor in this old Soviet system, of relevance to this case. But he's a traitor! And that little leak, of the conversation between Thatcher and Gorbachov, in Russia, which just leaked as part of the whole leaking process, has very, very, interesting implications from our standpoint."

LaRouche next drew an important distinction: "What you're dealing with—see, the intelligent type, within the power structure in Britain, or the British system, are not friends of ours. What the significance is, they have made a great gamble, that is, the whole British crowd has made a great gamble, together with other factors in the world, like the Russians and so forth; the gamble is open. The gamble was: 'Let the system collapse, we'll control that. But the United States will be destroyed, and that's good.' That's the game. That's the game in Russia, that we're up against. That's the game with Britain.

"Now, the point is, that game, if played, would be the end of the existence of Russia! And would be a catastrophe beyond belief for the British, as well as the Chinese. As for all continental Europe, and for South America and Central America! So, there's some characters on the British side, who have the intelligence to recognize that fact. They're not interested in lining up with us. They're not attracted to us. They hate us! They hate us all the more, because we defeated their buddies. What they're saying is, 'Okay, call off the war for the time being—until we're ready to take you on again!'

"So, what they're doing, is they're walking away from a war, which has turned inconvenient for their purposes, and they've often done that. And waiting for the time to start the war, on new terms, again, which will take some preparation on their side. That's what we're looking at."

#### The U.S. Mass Strike

LaRouche then turned to the situation inside the United States: "There is a process in motion, inside the United States, which represents a recognition that the Obama cause is, in principle, defeated. They can still do a lot of damage, and the side-effects which can be ruthlessly damaging. But, at this point, Obama is on the way down. In this circumstance, other forces are beginning to emerge. They're moving into preparation to take over. The key factor will be the rate at which the popular movement, or the mass strike movement, moves. And generally, the forces that are going to try to move things, in a direction different than Obama, who is considered already a failure, but they will move to replace him with something.

"But the impetus for that will come in, and be regulated by the tempo of the mass strike movement. Because anybody who's going to come into a position of power is going to require a power-base: They're not going to go out there and organize it by themselves. They're going to try to take over leadership of something that's already in motion. And the thing that's in motion, is the mass movement, the mass strike movement. And so, anybody who's going to replace Obama now, is unlikely to be successful, unless they do it that way. But it will be other forces in the Democratic Party and also the Republican Party, who will tend to coagulate, in trying to assume an adaptation to the mass strike movement. That's the only way that the kind of change that's likely could be brought into being.

"I think, anybody in the British circles, for example, and their friends on the continent, anyone who's looking at this situation is going to readily recognize what we've said, if they hadn't recognized it earlier, the minute I said it, they began to recognize it: that the phenomenon inside the United States, now, which frightens and astonishes a lot of people, is properly to be seen, as having the precedent of the mass strike in '89, in East Germany. That's not going to be ignored. They're going to recognize that that's the character of the situation, the character of the *breakdown* crisis of the economy, makes that the only possible basis for doing something—so they're going to adapt to it."

LaRouche concluded: "So the British are not going to be quiet, the British faction, the oligarchical faction. They're not going to love the United States, but they're

going to say, 'This option, which came out of Tony Blair & Co., with Obama and the British monarchy, has failed! So, let's not gamble our existence any more on trying to bail out that failure. We're going to have to move and take an adjusted position, for a little bit longer-haul view of things. Now, that means that we don't want to have an immediate breakdown of the entire society, worldwide. That means we want to postpone that. We want to find a period of interim stability, while setting up new lines of controversy at the same time.'

"And there are signs that some people will be moving in the direction of the obvious thing: First of all, an elimination of this green policy, wherever it's feasible to do so. All we have available for reviving economies in Europe and the United States, generally is infrastructure. We have means, for example, in the United States, to do that. We could take the auto-industry sector, which has been totally collapsed, but it's fresh dead, shall we say—fresh killed. And therefore, it still can be revived with government support, which would require credit.... And the driver for that would be—nuclear power! Because that would give you all the options you want, for this kind of project....

"So, my bets, are that anybody's going to play a game, for presumably a survival of civilization beyond the coming months, is going to think in that direction. You have some hard-nosed characters, who're going to stick to this crazy green policy, and similar kinds of idiocy, and they will be a nuisance. But what's going to happen within the context of adopting a policy which means a prolonged period of survival of civilization, because of such reasons; you're going to have the essential warfare, which has existed, for example, between the two English-speaking powers of relevance, the United States and United Kingdom; you're going to have that warfare still there—not as a short-term conflict, but as a longer-term conflict, played on a different field of battle, than presently.

"That's what I think is the situation, potentially, as of now. And we've seen signs that that is recognized on the other side of the fence, by some people there, as you see the Obama phenomenon and the people associated with it, *going down*. We see the imminence of the British faction, British royal family faction, going down. And there would be some inclination in the British Isles, to lessen the role of the British royal family—which has become a 'bloody nuisance,' as the British would say, these days."

#### Lisbon Treaty

## EU Demands 'Yes' Vote in Irish Referendum

by Dean Andromidas

Sept. 18—At a press conference at the European Parliament in Strasbourg on Sept. 16, Ireland's Socialist Party member Joe Higgins accused European Commission president José Manuel Barroso of employing "terror and fear," to force a "Yes" vote, in the Oct. 2 Irish referendum on the Lisbon Treaty. Higgins said that the EC has, for weeks, sent its employees, including the Commission's secretary general, to visit schools all over Ireland, as a "cynical means of sending a message to parents that they should vote 'Yes' to the Lisbon Treaty." He accused the Irish government and the pro-Lisbon Treaty organizations of taking their cues from from the EU, by relying on a campaign of "fear to pressure the Irish people to support Lisbon." They are using the anxiety among the population over the economic crisis to claim that a "No" vote would cause catastrophe.

The Lisbon Treaty is a plan for supranational rule that would divest Europe's nations of whatever shreds of sovereignty they still have. The treaty was signed by EU heads of state in December 2007, but requires unanimous ratification by the member countries. In June 2008, Ireland's "No" vote in a referendum derailed the supranationalists' plans. Heavy pressure came down on the Irish government to schedule a new referendum.

Higgins said the Irish "Left is in favor of the widest democratic debate on the Lisbon Treaty, and we are fully prepared to debate with any of the political groups around Europe, but it is a gross abuse of taxpayers' funds and of democratic procedures for the Commission to intervene in a one-sided fashion in the way the Commission has done in Ireland.... Europe has had enough of Mr Barroso's neo-liberal agenda."

EIR pointed out that the German Constitutional Court had recently ruled that the Lisbon Treaty is only valid for Germany insofar as it is interpreted in a manner compatible with the German Constitution; and that political forces in Germany and other countries want ref-

erenda as well. Higgins replied that these issues made the "No" campaign on the Irish referendum all the more important for the rest of Europe.

The Socialist Party, along with 13 other organizations, is part of the "Say 'No' to Lisbon/Campaign Against the EU Constitution" alliance, and has invited the Irish Prime Minister and his colleagues to a full public debate, in late September; but the government has yet to accept the challenge.

#### **Backed by the Banks**

In his press conference, Higgins said that, given the backing of big business and the mass media, the "Yes" campaigners have spent ten times more the the "No" campaigners. The "Yes" supporters have the full support of Ireland's hopelessly bankrupt banks, which just received a EU54 billion bailout from the government. On Sept. 16, the government announced its "bad bank" scheme, called the National Asset Management Agency, which will buy up toxic assets of the main Irish banks. These debts are mostly owed by speculators who bought big during the Celtic Tiger boom years (1995-2007), but who now cannot, or will not repay them. This is the biggest financial rescue package in Ireland's history, and was made under direct orders from the International Monetary Fund and the European Central Bank; it means the government will pay EU54 billion in bonds to take over EU77 billion of toxic debts.

In an attempt to use the bailout in the government's campaign for a "Yes" vote, Irish Finance Minister Brian Lenihan said, "Throughout the last year, our membership of the European Union, and the euro zone in particular, has played a vital role in our response to the current financial crisis. The ECB stood behind this country during its time of greatest need, and let nobody forget that when it comes to the Lisbon referendum on October 2nd."

While the EU54 billion bailout represents over one third of the country's gross domestic product, the government has cut the budget by 20%, and admitted that living standards and unemployment have been set back by 20 years.

In June 2008, the Irish voted down the Lisbon Treaty by 53.4% to 46.6%. Today, because of the government's media campaign, the polls are too close to call. Whatever happens, the economic crisis is going to get far worse, and that promises a political backlash, just as the mass strike in the United States is transforming the political situation there.

### **Book Review**

## How President Clinton's Special Envoy Found the Path to Peace in No. Ireland

by Michele Steinberg

#### **Making Peace**

by George J. Mitchell New York: Knopf, 1999 193 pages, hardcover, \$24.00

I had never heard of the "Peace Line."

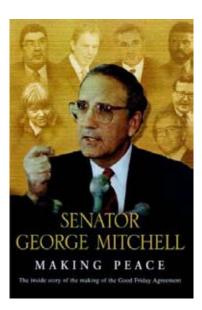
When I went to it the first time, I was taken aback. The Peace Line is a wall that stands up to thirty feet high, is topped in some places with barbed wire, and goes right through the middle of Belfast-through urban streets, even through buildings. It is one of the most depressing structures

I have ever seen... The name, presumably, is born of the notion that peace can be achieved by building a wall between two warring communities....

-Sen. George J. Mitchell

The power of the office of the U.S. Presidency is unique in the world, and can bring about great good or the greatest disaster. That is a point that Lyndon La-Rouche has stressed for several decades, but especially in the current context of the meltdown of the world financial system which is unprecedented in modern times. And nowhere is the uniqueness of that power more obvious than in Southwest Asia, where reaching a permanent peace between Israel and Palestine can only be accomplished if the President of the United States puts his heart and soul into achieving it.

Such an all-out effort was made by President Bill Clinton in 1993, when he began parallel diplomatic efforts in Israel/Palestine and Northern Ireland. In September 1993, the United States rejoiced at the signing,



on the White House lawn, of the Oslo Treaty, and when, later that evening, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin proposed a toast to all who participated in the Oslo negotiations, asking that they tip their glasses to "those with the courage to change axioms."

For Northern Ireland, an agreement would not come until May 1998—the famous Good Friday Agreement. In 1994. President Clinton chose as his envoy Sen. George J. Mitchell, who toiled for more than three long years, and spent much of his time virtually living in Northern Ireland, from February 1995 to May 1998—to achieve a victory. Clinton made the decision in

1994 to grant a visa to Sinn Fein president Gerry Adams, to visit the United States—it was not an easy decision, and came with vicious opposition from the British government, and from some members of Congress.

A wise retired military officer of Irish heritage recently told this writer that he followed the ups and downs of those often heartbreaking Irish negotiations attentively, and one thing jumped out. In the most difficult times of the Irish talks, President Clinton was there, often speaking every night by phone to Senator Mitchell, or to party leaders themselves, to do everything he could to make the Northern Ireland agreement possible.

Today, the same retired officer watches Mitchell's deployment as President Obama's Special Envoy on the Middle East more distantly, dismayed at the lack of U.S. response to the Israeli Prime Minister's scornful disregard of the U.S. demand that Israel freeze expansion of settlements.

What is Mitchell doing in the Middle East? Will he resign in frustration? The answer to that, really depends

on whether he has the full support of the U.S. President.

And then, the question: Can anyone really make a comparison between what happened in Ireland and what happened to the Palestinians?

#### **Useful Parallels**

Making Peace, Mitchell's "behind the scenes story," is an inside look into a difficult process of negotiations between people who had been in a religious war that goes back 400 years. There were times when British newspapers lied, "Mitchell To Resign Today," or falsely reported that Mitchell's trusted assistant was having an affair with an IRA terrorist. (The British paper had to pay damages.) It tells a lot about the struggle, and about George Mitchell. It also tells you that there are limits to what any American diplomat can accomplish if he does not have his President behind him.

This writer was skeptical that the "Troubles" in Northern Ireland could be compared to the level of bitterness and blood-spilling over the last 60-70 years in Palestine. *Making Peace* is a book that will open many eyes to the fact that there are very useful parallels, and several important differences. But most clear, is that when the people want peace, the leaders must listen.

That is what happened in Eire and London, and Northern Ireland during the time of Clinton's Presidency, and his appointment of Mitchell as Special Envoy in 1994. On the British side, it was Tory Prime Minister John Major, who shouldered the bulk of progress toward the Good Friday agreement. But it was President Clinton's watchful eyes, many thousands of miles away, that made the peace possible through every difficulty.

Ian Paisley, the Protestant religious fanatic minister and head of the Democratic Unionist Party (DUP), and his rejectionists, walked out of the first day of talks, denouncing chairman Mitchell as an imperialist tool, sent to oppress the Northern Irish. Throughout the years of negotiations, Paisley would continue to denounce the Catholics as followers of the "anti-Christ" in Rome. Paisley tried repeatedly to trigger a Protestant revolt against David Trimble, who represented the largest loyalist party, the Ulster Unionist Party (UUP), in the multi-party negotiations. At least three major terrorist actions, from the Republican side, occurred during the long negotiations, each time threatening a failure. But with Presidential backing, Mitchell persevered.

There is no such benevolent leadership today overseeing what Mitchell is up against with Israeli Premier Benjamin Netanyahu and his right-wing government. But this could be corrected, if the leadership team of National Security Council head Gen. Jim Jones, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, and Defense Secretary Robert Gates, have the power to shape President Obama's actions on Israel-Palestine, and if the influence of the insane White House handlers—David Axelrod, Rahm Emanuel, and Larry Summers—is eliminated. And a key to that success, is enforcing the ban on the expansion of the Israeli settlements. The settlements issue is not just one of justice for the Palestinians, but also for the Jewish Israelis. For it was an extremist settler—driven by the settlers' hatred of the successful vote in the Knesset in October 1995 accepting the "Land for Peace" framework for peace—who killed Rabin.

A Middle East expert who has been involved in Israeli-Palestinian negotiations since the late 1980s has compared the issue of stopping the settlement expansion to what Mitchell did in the Northern Ireland negotiations. In Ireland, Mitchell chose one issue—the end of all terrorist violence—as the fulcrum of success. He established a principle of non-violence and democracy, and required that all parties agree to those. Anybody who would agree, could be party to the talks. And the violation of non-violence meant immediate expulsion from the talks. It happened more than once.

The freeze on the Jewish settlements is that kind of litmus test. The United States has made it very clear that a "total freeze" on settlement expansion is expected from Israel. It is a tiny thing in the scope of the many travesties that Israel has carried out against the Palestinian people during the occupation, especially in the years of the British domination of U.S. policy since the George W. Bush Presidency.

But the settlement issue *is* a direct blow to the "Eretz Israel," ideology, and a message from the U.S. to the Israelis that, no, this time, on this one point, you will no longer get away with violating international agreements, from Oslo to the Road Map, to countless UN Security Council and General Assembly resolutions.

Judging by his record in Northern Ireland, Mitchell will not back down. But will Obama?

#### The Courage To Stand

The following excerpts come from the chapter titled, "Sinn Fein Comes In." The time is September 1997, and Ian Paisley and the extremist allies of the DUP have walked out. Mitchell had been chairing the multi-party talks for well over a year. They have been suspended many times over violence and terror attacks, first by the

IRA, and then by splinter groups. For years, Sinn Fein, though formally a party to the talks, was kept outside the gates by the rules of the Northern Ireland government. Finally, progress is at hand.

"It took three long and turbulent years for [Gerry] Adams to get to the negotiating table. But finally, there he was, sitting with the British and Irish governments and many of the political leaders of Northern Ireland....

"London and Dublin had, on August 26, signed an agreement for the estabishment of an Independent International Commission on Decommissioning. This was part of the governments' scheme which had been rejected in July. Although the unionists had voted against the proposal, they strongly supported this provision. So the governments, in a continuing effort to accommodate to the unionists had agreed to form the commission....

"Another problem greeted me when I arrived at Stormont the next morning, in the form of a letter from Ian Paisley, demanding on behalf of the Democratic Unionist Party, that Sinn Fein be expelled from the talks ... [so there was] a discussion on whether the DUP had legal standing to bring such a charge. It had left the talks in July.... The other parties present challenged Sinn Fein on the IRA statement. Adams repeated his denial. Sinn Fein spoke for Sinn Fein, not the IRA. Sinn Fein had committed to the Mitchell Principles, and it intended to honor that commitment....

"We worked all Tuesday morning to satisfy the concerns of the UUP [Ulster Unionist Party]over decommissioning. Good progress was being made.... But just before noon a bomb destroyed the center of the [Protestant] town of Markethill. When I heard the news my heart sank and I thought, Oh God, this is so difficult! Every time we're on the verge of progress, a bomb goes off or someone is shot...."

"The UUP then challenged Sinn Fein's participation, and Trimble walked out. But on Sept. 23 negotiations resumed, and Trimble returned, backed up by two of the other loyalist party leaders from the PUP and UDP.

"To no one's surprise, the governments rejected the UUP's request that Sinn Fein be expelled from the talks. So long as the IRA was on cease-fire, Sinn Fein could remain.... [and] there was no evidence to link the IRA to the Markethill bombing...."

#### **Determination To Succeed**

Compare that determination to continue negotiations and not allow the minority "extremists" who carry out terrorism to determine the future, to the miserable

history of the Bush-Cheney Administration's treatment of Palestinian President Yasser Arafat, who was repeatedly punished by the Anglo-Americans for violence not carried out by the PLO or the Palestinian Authority. The Anglo-American faction has so castrated American foreign policy since George W. Bush came in, in January 2001, that even now, the U.S. will not recognize Hamas, despite *its* abandoning of suicide bombings and terrorism since 2005. And against many hopes in the 2008 election, the Obama Administration has held on to that folly of not talking to Hamas.

The patience, fairness, and hard decisions that Mitchell describes in the Northern Ireland negotiations inspire hope, where there is little in the Middle East.

The arguments are often deafening that Northern Ireland cannot be compared to Israel and Palestine. Those arguments come from dinosaurs whose propaganda that Muslim extremism and "jihad" (as misdefined by the warmongering neo-conservatives) will never allow peace. That is a vicious myth.

The truth is that the peace process in Israel-Palestine was destroyed by assassination by a Jewish extremist—a settler extremist—of Yitzhak Rabin in November 1995. It is impossible to overstate the significance of that assassination. And it is with great sorrow to Israel and the world that no statesman of Rabin's courage has emerged to fill his shoes.

When the pro-British Paisley and his Unionist extremists walked out of the peace negotiations, Mitchell and Clinton kept the negotiations going. (The inside story of that process is still not told.) There was no forced, artificial timetable; and the channels of discussion inviting Paisley et al. to return to the talks were not closed down. The breakthrough for an agreement came on April 10, 1998 (Good Friday), endorsed by the British and Irish governments, and supported by most Northern Ireland political parties. It was backed by the voters of Northern Ireland in a referendum on May 23, 1998. Ian Paisley—as bad as Bibi Netanyahu or Avigdor Lieberman—and his DUP never rejoined the talks, yet peace was made.

As the UN General Assembly approaches in the next week, there has been massive pressure on Senator Mitchell from the White House to stage a meeting among Obama, Netanyahu, and Palestinian Authority Interim President Abu Mazen (Mahmoud Abbas). Such a meeting would sow the seeds of failure. Only the kind of patience and honest treatment of all sides, which Mitchell showed in Northern Ireland, will succeed.

## LYM Breaks British Effort To Bury Kepler At Prague 4th Centennial of 'New Astronomy'

Jason Ross, a member of the LaRouche Youth Movement (LYM) and LaRouche PAC editorial, was interviewed on the Sept. 12 edition of The LaRouche Show web radio, aired every Saturday. The program was hosted by Lyndon LaRouche's West Coast spokesman Harley Schlanger (www.larouchepub.com/radio).

Harley Schlanger: Joining me now is Jason Ross. Jason is a leader of the LaRouche Youth Movement; he was part of one of the original Basement teams of LYM researchers, that did extensive work on Johannes Kepler and put up some material on the website [http://wlym.com/~animations], which was quite startlingly original, including animations. Jason was recently invited to participate in a major international conference in Prague, in the Czech Re-

public, which was commemorating the release, 400 years ago, of one of Johannes Kepler's great works, the *Astronomia Nova*. So, Jason, welcome to The LaRouche Show.

Jason Ross: Thanks, Harley.

#### 'Kepler's Heritage in the Space Era'

**Schlanger:** Tell us a little bit about this conference, what went on there, and what you presented.

Ross: It was, as you said, a conference to commemorate the 400th anniversary of Kepler's first really major work, and the theme of the conference was "Kepler's Heritage in the Space Era." There were people from about 12 different countries there; there were about two dozen presentations, 60 registered participants. And for the most part, people gave presentations on aspects on Kepler's life, or his relationship to Galileo—why Galileo was such a jerk—or his relationship to Tycho Brahe.



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Jason Ross at the grand opening of the new Kepler Museum in Prague, Aug. 27, 2009. Kepler was living in this building when he completed writing the New Astronomy.

There were a few presentations on *The New Astronomy*, including by myself—there were four of us who actually spoke about the book that the conference was commemorating.

**Schlanger:** Did you actually have people talking about the superiority of Kepler to Galileo? Because most modern science denigrates Kepler in favor of Galileo.

**Ross:** Yes, actually, one of the participants at the conference is the head of the Kepler Working Group, for the International Astronomical Union, and he was pretty irritated that 2009 is the Year of Astronomy, and that Galileo is being celebrated, when he didn't do anything in 1609, besides receive a telescope in the mail. Whereas Kepler discovered the motions of the planets.

**Schlanger:** So you mean, some of these guys actually *do* understand real science?

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**Ross:** Well, some of them have a certain respect for Kepler, although what I found was that people have not read Kepler's books very thoroughly. One man that I had met, who seemed like an interesting guy, I asked him, "So, have you worked through the *New Astronomy*?" And he said, "Oh, no, no! I'm an astronomer!" You know, he's not an historian, so why bother? What could we learn from a genius in the past for today's problems?

#### The 'New Astronomy's' Lasting Value

**Schlanger:** Now, you were with the Basement team that did the work on the *New Astronomy*, right?

Ross: Yes, three years ago.

**Schlanger:** So, what is in the *New Astronomy*, that was worthy of celebration, 400 years after its release?

**Ross:** Well, it was a big attack on Aristotle and Euclid, which is always worth celebrating. This is known today. If you want, you can look at Wikipedia (shame on you!), but you would find that the *New Astronomy* is where Kepler put forward what are called his first two laws: that a planet moves in an ellipse around the Sun, and that its motion traces out equal areas in equal times.

Now, those were the results that Kepler came to in the *New Astronomy*, from a hypothesis that he had had years before, that, instead of looking for geometry and mathematics as the way to understand reality, you've got to look at physics, and you've got to have a creative idea of what's *causing* the things that we observe. And so, unlike Copernicus, who put the Sun in the center, inasmuch as the planets went around it, Kepler looked at the Sun as the *cause* of the motion of the planets. And that enabled him to break beyond the bounds of mathematics and move into physics.

**Schlanger:** Now, in the *New Astronomy*, Kepler actually takes you through his developing hypotheses, doesn't he?

**Ross:** Yes, it's really wonderful in that respect. It's *the* beginning of modern science. What he discovered was incredibly powerful; it was the beginning of science, *and* he was kind enough to write down for you what his thinking process was, in a way that organizes the reader. Because, you could sort of have the "right answer"—I mean, Kepler could have just printed his tables of where the planets would be, and everyone would have said, "Wow, this guy's a genius, he made a

perfect table." But, he went through, how did he get there, what were some of the problems he came across along the way.

One of the most important things that he did, in the same way that when Socrates has discussions with people, in the dialogues that Plato wrote, it's rare for Socrates to tell somebody, "No, you're wrong. You're an idiot. This is the way it works." Instead, he lets them disagree with themselves, by drawing out more of their thoughts, and then seeing how they contradict themselves, which really forces his interlocutors to think.

Kepler does the same thing: He takes two assumptions that everybody was making, that planets move in circles, and that there is some imaginary point, around which the planet moves constantly, almost like there's a lighthouse somewhere, and the planet always has to be on the beam coming from the rotating lighthouse. And



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Prague honors Johannes Kepler (right) and Tycho Brahe, who worked together in the city (1600-01). Kepler's revolutionary discoveries relied on Tycho's scrupulous astronomical observations, although Tycho remained stuck in the Aristotelean mindset.

with those two assumptions, Kepler went as far as he could, did the best study ever, but it still had an unavoidable error, which meant that those assumptions were wrong. And so, people have to be open, to look beyond geometry, then, and take his approach and look at physics, look at cause.

**Schlanger:** What did you present in your paper at this conference?

Ross: Well, before I had gotten there, I was planning on going through the website that we had put together http://wlym.com/ on ~animations/newastronomy.html, somewhat briefly. (You can also find it on www.larouchepac.com, there's a link on the right for "The Basement Project," and then you can click on the New Astronomy from there [http:// www.larouchepac.com/basement].)

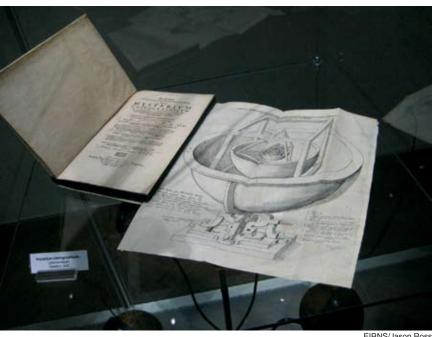
So, I was planning to go through it briefly, when I first got there, more to focus on how we had used animations to do something which has never been done before, which is teaching, on a mass scale, how Kepler made his discovery.

The New Astronomy is a book that's been read by a few experts here and there, or astronomers, but it's never been a general part of education, and it should be. And, in the LaRouche Youth Movement, it is.

So, I had planned to go through the website, briefly, and then focus mostly on Mr. LaRouche, his economic success, his economic method; read some of the quotes from LaRouche's paper, where he set us off on the mission of really working through the New Astronomy. And then, since the conference's theme was "Kepler's Heritage in the Space Era," and as listeners hopefully will have checked out on the www.larouchepac.com website, we just put up a movie about going from the Moon to Mars-

Schlanger: We just had that as our topic on The La-Rouche Show last week, where we had your colleagues Oyang Teng and Peter Martinson on as guests.

Ross: Yes, and so I had planned to conclude with that, going through the space colonization—that that would be a good way to celebrate the birthday of Ke-



Kepler's first book-length work, the Mysterium Cosmographicum (1600), with a drawing of his first-approximation model of the planetary orbits. The orbits lie on imaginary spheres that inscribe and circumscribe the nested Platonic Solids. The model was just a little bit "off," mainly because he still assumed that the orbits were circular. The display is at the National Technical Museum in Prague.

pler's work, would be to go to Mars in person, to make observations, which Kepler couldn't do.

#### A Clash with British Axioms

Schlanger: So, what happened that caused you to change your plans?

Ross: Well, a couple of things. One is, I met a very devout mathematician from Britain. I think she's one of the big New Astronomy experts in the world. She gave a presentation where, I guess the trouble with being both British and a mathematician, is that her refrain, as she was going through Kepler's work, was that he never used cause, he didn't use physics, there was no sense of dynamics, and that Kepler discovered the ellipse using mathematics. Which is totally-it's something that Kepler would have grabbed her, if he was there and well, at least he would have disagreed. But she was really sort of tormenting everybody at the conference, by being very adamant in this position, including in her questions to other people, and in discussion periods and things like that.

And I decided it would probably make sense to go through the New Astronomy for people, realizing that they didn't really know much about the book. So, I went

through what I just described with you, about the impossibility of the planets' orbit being circular, or having a uniform motion, and using the animations on the website along the way, to demonstrate what I thought was sort of a quick summary of how Kepler came up with elliptical motion in the proper fashion. And I showed some pictures from some of our youth conferences.

They were pretty amazed to see a photograph from one of our California youth conferences of 100 people, working on this book. They're used to only—I don't know—people with three PhDs ever reading it.

**Schlanger:** But to go back to this British mathematician: She was essentially denying the method that Kepler used in this book, that was being honored at this conference.

**Ross:** Uh, yes. I mean, I really thought she had some gall, to come to Prague and do that to Kepler, and I didn't want her to get away with it.

**Schlanger:** So you had a bit of a dialogue with her? **Ross:** You could say that. It was mostly civil, because, I went through what Kepler actually did, in my presentation. I knew I was going to certainly upset her—it did.

So, after I was done, there were a couple of questions about details on the *New Astronomy*, or about La-Rouche and our movement, and about the space program. But she had this incredibly specific mathematical question. And it's hard to convey—it's good to have really been there, to hear her voice and everything—but she was just *screaming* at me from the audience, about whether I would admit publicly that I was wrong if she proved it to me with some equations. It was the kind of thing that might have scared you, if it weren't just so absurdly funny. A lot of people afterwards thanked me, saying, "I sure am glad you stood up to that woman. I was just scared of her, when she asked me questions!"

#### **The Basement Team**

**Schlanger:** Jason, for our listeners: First of all, this is not an esoteric debate; it gets right to the heart of the axiomatically revolutionary method that Lyndon La-Rouche is bringing into the science of economics, which is, that you can never go with sense-certainty,



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This detail from the frontispiece of Kepler's Rudolphine Tables (published 1627) shows a droll picture of Kepler himself burning the midnight oil. The Tables of celestial observations and forecasts, a highly laborious effort, were initiated by Tycho Brahe and completed by Kepler many years later. The display is at the Kepler Museum.

and you must never start with mathematics, in approaching a question of science or economics. So, this is not just a debate over a 400-year-old text. But I think it's important to give our listeners an idea of what your background is, or what you did with the Basement team, that gave you a certain amount of expertise to participate in this conference. Tell them a little bit about the work that was done, back in those early days of the Youth Movement, on Kepler.

Ross: Well, and even more, too, because, like Kepler, LaRouche is kind enough not just to be correct, but also to write papers and to communicate to people how he thinks, so people can replicate his method of thinking. And he is completely firm, that you can't be a competent economist, if you don't understand science, and if you don't understand Classical culture. Because it's human creativity as you see in culture, and not in mathematics, and what you should see in science, that's the key to human economic development. We don't move forward over the generations because we developed a better form of stock market, but because we developed breakthroughs in medicine, new forms of power, nuclear energy, the space program, etc.

So, the team I was with, about three years ago, in 2006, we were assembled and working with LaRouche in Northern Virginia, and we thought that we were going to be working on an economic program for trans-

portation in the United States. And he sort of surprised us, by saying, "No, no, no. What we need to do, is we need to create for people, what we need to animate economically, is how Kepler made his discoveries. So we'll start with the *New Astronomy* and, that's your task. Go to it: Show how a creative mind works."

That initial project was followed by another group that worked through Kepler's *Harmonies of the World*, where he really lays out his universal principle of gravitation. And then, by continuing work on Gauss, Riemann, and—you're seeing the results of that now, with the interview last week and the video on Mars and space colonization [http://larouchepac.com/lpacty?nid=11573].

#### **A Political Issue**

**Schlanger:** Given that the topic of this event was "Kepler's Heritage in the Space Era," clearly, there's an intent in, I think, 10 or 12 nations, to launch major, aggressive exploration of space. And unfortunately, in the United States, under the effects of Bush-Cheney, and now Obama, there's a retrenchment in NASA, which will, I guess, be taken up by Congress over the next couple of weeks. But were people intrigued by the idea that Kepler was at the heart of the political fight that the LaRouche movement is waging internationally?

**Ross:** [laughs] I don't think people knew what to think! Everyone else there worked at a university. I began my presentation saying, "I work for a political movement. I'm not a full-time astronomer, and I'm not a mathematician, I'm a political organizer." Plus, I was the only one who talked about Kepler's heritage in the space era! Very directly!

So, people were very excited, both by the website, where people were pretty happy to see a guide to the book—it can be an intimidating book.

**Schlanger:** So you actually had people sit around you at a computer, and you showed them what the website looks like, and what they could find on it?

Ross: Yes, well, during the presentation, we had the overhead projector, so I was using the website during my presentation. I also got out, in Prague, about 100 copies of the LaRouche PAC video, "The Harvard Yard," which gives a summary of the work that the LaRouche Youth Movement has done on Kepler, the *New Astronomy*, and the *Harmonies of the World*; as well as an attack which was launched against us, by a competitor website. So, people were really snatching those up in multiple copies right after the presentation.

**Schlanger:** And how did things end up with you and your new British "friend"?

Ross: Well, we sort of had this showdown. The last night of the conference, we had dinner on a boat on the river, and I didn't really want to do it, but eventually I thought, okay. So, we sat down, going through the equations. And I went through my calculations—not to be too technical, but, she said that Kepler discovered the ellipse, not because it worked better than another orbit, but because it was mathematically more beautiful to him. But Kepler, in his book, says that, in addition to that, it actually puts time in the right place, this sort of orbit does. And I said, "You know, it's right here, Kepler has the calculation. I just did it this afternoon; I got the same number." And she said, "You obviously did it wrong!" Actually funny.

She asked me if I'd ever heard of this Professor Whiteside, and I said, "No, I have haven't." And she said, "Oh! People bow when they heah his name!"

**Schlanger:** Well, we know they do a lot of bowing in the British Empire.

Ross: Yes, they can stick with the bowing. Anyway, we had our duel, we went through the things. She said, it really didn't make sense. And part of it did, but it wasn't really relevant to Kepler. It's the sort of thing, when you have mathematicians, where they might have one tiny point, where they've thought of something that Kepler hadn't thought of, but meanwhile, put in his shoes, would never have discovered anything. You don't get discoveries from mathematics; you don't find creativity in mathematics. And so, the sort of the gaping hole, was that she missed cause—Kepler includes "cause" in the title of his book [New Astronomy: Based upon Causes, or Celestial Physics, Treated by Means of Commentaries on the Motions of the Star Mars, from the Observations of Tycho Brahe, Gent.], and she said he didn't use it!

And so, we had our duel, and people asked afterwards who won.

**Schlanger:** I assume that you'll send, to some of the contacts you made, the new piece by Lyndon LaRouche on "The Science of Physical Economy" [*EIR*, Sept. 18], so they can pick up where you left off with your presentation?

**Ross:** Yes, because, in addition to the directly astronomical discussion, a lot of people said, "Okay, we can talk about Kepler later: Tell me more about your

political movement. What're you guys doing?" So there was a lot of interest. It's a pretty phenomenal movement: I mean, it's completely unique in the world to have a political movement that knows what to do, and that is developing the minds of leadership through study of science and Classical composition.

So, it was pretty fun. I sent out the space movie to everybody who was at the conference, and I've received a few replies so far. People were happy to see it.

**Schlanger:** Did you send one to your British friend? **Ross:** Of course!

#### The Kepler Museum—and Truth

Also, the second day of the conference, they had the grand opening of the Kepler Museum in Prague. It's actually the original house that he lived in, when he completed writing the *Astronomia Nova*. And I was very sorry to see there, that they had used some animations made by keplersdiscovery.com, which is the website that totally stole all of the work that we did, and did such a bad job doing it, that they basically screwed up everything that they stole.

So, the Kepler Museum in Prague had these just terrible animations that were totally wrong. And that was one thing that my British mathematician friend and I agreed on, which is that, she said, "You are right! These are rubbish!" So, I emailed the director of the museum the right animations to put up, and he said he's going to replace them. He was sorry for the confusion.

Schlanger: That's good! Well, this is the level of warfare that we're waging in the world right now, because the question of truth has to be at the center of science and the center of governing. And again, we go back to Socrates on this: It's seeking truth rather than acceptance from those in power. And of course, you have in science now, the domination of the same kind of ideas that Kepler was fighting, the Aristotelean/Euclidean approach to physical space-time. And it's as though the work that was done by Kepler, and then by Leibniz, and then through Gauss and Riemann, and Einstein and Vernadsky, as though this is "all very interesting, but we have to keep our profession in shape."

**Ross:** Yes! You can really see the use of authority—you become this supposed authority, not by being right, but being just so incredibly mean to everybody else, that they give up fighting you. That's sort of what I saw with this woman.



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Dr. Martin Solc demonstrates the use of Tycho Brahe's enormous sextant, at the Museum pf Benátky and Jizerou. With such instruments, Tycho was able to make the most precise celestial measurements up to that time. (The telescope was invented after Tycho's death, in the Netherlands, in 1608—although Leonardo da Vinci had sketched and described one 100 years before.)

And also—not to put too much emphasis on her, per se—you get it with British foreign policy, today. They'll stab you in the back; they know that you saw them, and they say, "Oh, we didn't do that!"

Schlanger: They'll say, "You're paranoid." Ross: Yeah, right. It's ridiculous!

**Schlanger:** Well, Jason, the final question I have, is, I think an important one: What you did see, then, is a response to LaRouche's method of approach to science, from most of the people who were there attending the conference with you?

**Ross:** Yes, absolutely. People have come to think that it's just not possible to think through and really understand science from the inside. So, I think it was prob-

ably very inspiring to them, to see—you know, it probably almost seemed like it was my hobby. I'm not a professor or anything. But I think it was inspiring for them to see, that here's concerted work toward getting at the inside of science, in a mass way.

And one of the challenges that I laid out to them was, going to Mars, and that the *New Astronomy* should be taught in every high school in the world. From the looks of these professional astronomers, who haven't even read the book, I think they thought it was kind of a tall order. But, I think the possibility of doing that is there, and people were pretty excited about really getting into these things. And definitely about going to Mars.

**Schlanger:** And from your experience from the work on the *New Astronomy*, you don't need to be a mathematician to get what Kepler is talking about.

Ross: No, not at all! I mean, you could do it in high school, right now. There's no calculus in it, there's no—I mean, he wrote it before most of the things that they torture mathematicians with even existed! The book was published in 1609, so, there really wasn't that much mathematics around. You had geometry; in fact, the real developments in mathematics as a language, such as Leibniz's development of the differential calculus, the infinitesimal calculus, came as a result of Kepler's prodding. He had a physical problem, that couldn't be solved with mathematics as it was, and it required developing the language. And that's a legitimate use of mathematics. The way it's looked at today, it's like grammarians talking about words, but not actually talking about any real things in the world.

**Schlanger:** LaRouche said, in a discussion with some of his associates the other day, that people who think they need to have a definitive answer, think they can get it only from mathematics. And they're afraid of acknowledging that there are more questions that still have to be asked, before you go and get a definite answer.

**Ross:** Right, and any answer to something new, can't be expressed in the terms that already exist! That's why LaRouche stresses Percy Shelley and his *Defence of Poetry*: that it's the poet, it's people who bring in new abilities for thought; they are the legislators of mankind. That moves you forward, and you see it, in the language of mathematics, where any solution to some-

thing new, cannot be expressed in the old words! If it's something new, it's something *new*. And what the whole Bertrand Russell tradition does, in mathematics, is to kill creativity. I mean, you can't be a really intense mathematician, and be creative.

**Schlanger:** I think the mortality rate of mathematicians, the point at which creativity ends and psychosis begins—it's well documented—is sometime between 25 and 30, right after they finish the PhD.

**Ross:** Yeah! LaRouche said, in a paper of his, "The Pagan Worship of Isaac Newton," that the most fundamental emotion of all mathematicians is rage. I definitely saw it at the conference!

Schlanger: Well, Jason, this was an important conference for you to participate in, and it points to one thing that we've been talking about quite a bit on The LaRouche Show in recent months, which is: In this devastating crisis of civilization, people are beginning to realize, that the old ideas no longer work, and that you have to be axiomatically revolutionary. And I presume this is probably the most important thing you take from this conference: that the best of the old ideas still work, but it's the principles behind them, as opposed to the specifics, and that this is the challenge for science, today.

**Ross:** Absolutely. We'd like to focus on the question of creativity per se, more, in the upcoming videos that the Basement produces, on space.

**Schlanger:** Well, Jason, I'd like to thank you for joining us this afternoon, and I'll close by telling our listeners, that the material is available on Kepler, on the wlym.com website.... And then, on the larouchepac. com website, you'll find ... the beautiful film on the Moon-Mars mission, and there's more expected. Do you know exactly what's being worked on, Jason?

Ross: On balance, pretty much every week, we're going to have something out: a discussion, a new movie. So just keep posted, and we're going to have regular updates. I know at the moment, the group that had worked through "How Gauss Determined the Orbit of Ceres," is pulling together a movie based on some of their further thoughts after having worked on it, on the role of the physical tensor, and relativistic travel, and Gauss's determining the orbit of Ceres. I'm not involved in that exactly, but it looks like it'll be very exciting.

## 'Basement' Leaders Visit Ukraine

by Sky Shields

From Aug. 18 to Aug. 29, 2009, LaRouche Youth Movement members Sky Shields and Michelle Lerner, both veterans of the LaRouche "Basement team," toured Ukraine, as part of the outreach connected to the establishment of Lyndon LaRouche's Four Powers initiative—decisive action for a real-growth-based economic system, to be taken by the U.S.A., Russia, China, and India, with other nations quickly joining in. Occurring in the same time period as their colleague Jason Ross's participation in the Prague, Czech Republic conference on "Kepler's Heritage in the Space Era" (see accompanying article), the tour by Shields and Lerner deepened the dialogue between the LaRouche movement and important scientific and political layers in Eurasia. In Ukraine, the homeland of Vladimir Vernadsky, their discussions naturally revolved around Vernadsky's conception of the Noösphere, currently being developed by LaRouche into the creation of a credit system for the development of the Solar System.

The LYM delegates were featured guests at Student Republic 2009, the finale of an annual project held by the People's Democratic Youth League (NDLM) in Yevpatoria, Ukraine. This is the group whose Youth Economic Summit was addressed by German BüSo (Civil Rights Solidarity Movement) and LYM leader Stefan Tolksdorf in May (see *Neue Solidarität*, June 10; *EIR*, July 31). The Student Republic 2009 event was held Aug. 21-23, on the Crimean Peninsula, near the town of Yevpatoriya on the Black Sea coast. People in the 18-25 age range, who attended from all 27 regions of Ukraine, had been chosen at feeder events in those regions earlier this year.

In addition to their their presentations, the LYM representatives were interviewed by the event's own roving reporters. Part of Lerner's interview was published in the in-house newspaper. It was also broadcast and projected onto a large screen on the beach, amidst various



Two leaders of the LaRouche Youth Movement Basement project, Sky Shields (left) and Michelle Lerner (right), visited the Odessa State Geological Museum, as guests of Dr. Yuri Yurchenko (center). They are pictured here, standing in front of a copy of the famous Laocoön statue (original, in the Vatican), at the Museum.

activities which went on late into the night. And, as reported in the "Za Dilo" handout, Aug. 22: "For Michelle Lerner of the LaRouche political movement (USA), a nation's culture is directly connected with its political culture and attitude toward its Constitution. For the USA, this is the foundation. As similarities between Ukrainians and Americans, Michelle notes the cultural orientation toward science and the development of one's intellectual powers."

Two other interviews have subsequently been pub-

<sup>1.</sup> A group of young researchers, working under LaRouche's direction, is known as the Basement team.

lished by the NDLM and associated groups (see below).

Much of the discussion with the youth centered around the necessity of a Vernadskian view of politics and economics. Only this outlook would allow Ukraine to avoid being used as a pawn in the geopolitical manipulations of the British Empire's George Soros.

Said one of the conference organizers, "Their contribution was wonderful, and every single participant in the Student Republic was aware of their presence, and it made a lot of people start thinking, and put aside the stereotypes they get from the mass media."

#### The Institute of the Noösphere

After this event, Shields and Lerner traveled 11 hours by train, to the city of Odessa, where they were guests of Dr. Yuri Yurchenko of the Institute of the Noösphere, and visited a laboratory that studies the marine biology of the southern seas.

LaRouche had emphasized that the antidote to the recent foolishness from politicians and economists in Russia is to be found in reviving the scientific tradition of, particularly, Russia and Ukraine. Russia will not survive, he cautioned, by pursuing the empty promise of profiting solely from oil exports, but requires a policy of technological advance, and physical investment in large-scale infrastructure projects organized around the increase of physical productivity. This clear prescription from LaRouche is something which is understood best by those layers in Russia, Ukraine, and elsewhere, who have some degree of scientific competence.

The level of scientific competence among those with whom Shields and Lerner met was thus made most clear by their complete emotional and intellectual attachment to the ideas of LaRouche. At the end of a two-part address by the LYM visitors, Dr. Yurchenko added his impassioned observation that, although he had been studying Vernadsky for years in Ukraine, he had had to travel to the United States in order to find a movement which was actually interested in implementing the ideas of this great Russian-Ukrainian scientist!

From Odessa, the LYM organizers arrived Aug. 26 in Kremenchuk, Poltava Region, where they addressed a group of professors from the Kremenchuk Polytechnical University, at an event cosponsored by the Kremenchuk Regional Museum, run by Vernadsky specialist A.A. Ignatenko, about which we reported in *EIR* of May 1, 2009. The entire audience was intimately familiar with the LaRouche's ideas; people jumped out of

their seats to wave their treasured copies of LaRouche's books and 21st Century Science & Technology magazine.

Much of the discussion centered around the mass strike ferment within the United States, and LaRouche's leading role. The participants listened attentively and asked serious questions, and it was clearly the case that their understanding of the possibility of organizing the Four Power agreement from the United States hinged on the outcome of this political ferment.

Lerner and Shields took time in Kiev, at the end of their visit, for two days of intense discussions with friends from political and university circles, including some young people who are becoming increasingly active in studying and promoting LaRouche's ideas.

#### Two Interviews

## In the Footsteps of V.I. Vernadsky

LaRouche Youth Movement leaders Sky Shields and Michelle Lerner gave several interviews in Ukraine, which have been published in Russian and Ukrainian. Two of those are printed here. Because the translators had some difficulty with what the LYM representatives were saying, not all of the quotations are accurate. In particular, several of their statements of LaRouche's policy solutions came out in oversimplified form.

#### From Ukraine, with Hope and Optimism

From the People's Democratic Youth League (NDLM) website, Sept. 9, 2009:

Interview with Sky Shields and Michelle Lerner, leaders of the LaRouche Youth Movement (USA), who visited Ukraine in late August to take part in the finale of Student Republic 2009 in Zaozerny.

**Vrinchanu:** What is your impression of the youth and youth movements in Ukraine?

**Shields:** One of the reasons we came to Ukraine is that Ukraine has a very great foundation, a rich scientific and cultural tradition and history, which is especially richly represented in Vladimir Ivanovich Vernadsky and

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his works. As we left for this trip, Lyndon LaRouche emphasised that this was the tradition with which we would have to interact in order to lay the basis for the Four Powers agreement. Political and economic layers in Russia and Ukraine do not, in general, understand physical economics, except to the extent that they are connected to these scientific traditions. The ideas of Vernadsky are coherent with LaRouche's economic outlook, and from their standpoint, both the liberal policies being introduced into Ukraine, as well as Russia's dependence upon its oil exports, are economic follies. Only the development of the creative, productive powers of the population, in the form of the development of new technology and massive infrastructure projects, are scientifically valid economic strategies. Many people in your country are already studying LaRouche's economics and trying to conceptualize his ideas. And that is the scientific basis for our coming here.

**Vrinchanu:** What about the Student Republic? Did you like the finale of the Student Republic?

**Shields:**I liked attending the Student Republic very much, because there were many interesting ideas and conversations there. And a lot of people turned up, whom it would be interesting to work with.

Vrinchanu: Where else did you go?

**Shields:** This time we managed to visit not only Kiev and Yevpatoria, but also Odessa and Kremenchuk.

**Vrinchanu:** What did you learn that was new, from traveling around Ukraine?

Shields: We were invited to Odessa and Kremenchuk by acquaintances, who have studied the works of Vernadsky in detail. Most people here are somewhat aware of Vernadsky's work on defining the biosphere and noösphere, but few are aware that Vernadsky's final work was to contribute to a fundamental advancement in Einstein's concept of general relativity, extending his work into the domain of living and cognitive phenomena. That was sort of an ulterior motive in this trip.

**Vrinchanu:** What feelings and thoughts are you going home with?

**Shields:** I am leaving Ukraine with great hope and optimism, but, at the same time, great alarm.... On the one hand, we are living in a dark time, politically and economically, but, on the other, we are living in a time of the development of great potential.

And I am struck by the level of geopolitical manipulation being directed at Ukraine. One of those organizations is the IMF, whose intention is the economic destruction of every country it touches, including Ukraine. And unfortunately the government of Ukraine is trying to find solutions through aid from this same IMF and similar agencies. The result is massive manipulation through propaganda backing Ukrainian nationalism. This is still going on, despite Ukraine's true interests, and the people doing it don't care about the consequences for Ukraine, Ukrainian culture, and the existence of the nation as a whole. Their goal is the destruction of the cultural and scientific traditions which exist in Ukraine, such as the rich scientific ideas of Vernadsky. This is all being done deliberately.

But LaRouche cares about Ukraine and is not indifferent to what happens here. Ukraine, by virtue of its connection to Russia, plays a central role in the future survival of the human species. The only way out of the situation for Ukraine and other countries, consumed by the crisis, is to create a new global financial system, based on the establishment of fixed exchange rates, in order to make possible long-term investment and economic development, as well as the creation of great infrastructure, science-intensive projects all over the world, and, of course, the establishment of a credit system, which would issue very low-interest-rate loans, and would be controlled by sovereign governments, not private banking interests. This would mean the end of empire, globally.

## Ukrainian Youth Have Enormous Potential on a Planetary Scale

From Molodyozhnaya Pravda (Mpravda.com) Sept. 3:

This is the view of LaRouche Youth Movement leader Sky Shields (USA), who recently attended the finale of Student Republic-2009 in Crimea.

#### What does your youth organization do?

Our central task is the establishment of a new, global financial system. One of the main elements is to create an international agreement, which would include the USA, Russia, India, and China, for the creation of a new credit system, to replace the present, dying, monetary system. This system differs from monetarism, in that the issuance of credit is in the hands of sovereign governments, and not private financial interests. The



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Lerner and Shields gave a number of press interviews in Ukraine, including to the website of the People's Democratic Youth League (NDLM). They are shown here at the League headquarters in Kiev, with members of the Student Republic 2009.

control of credit is taken out of the hands of Central Banks and private banks.

The purpose of such oversight is very precise: to develop the physical economy. Connected to this, low interest rates are needed, for the creation of the possibility of investment into long-term, large-scale, infrastructure projects. Exchange rates between countries should be fixed, so that investments in long-term, 25-50-year projects can be planned. In particular, Lyndon La-Rouche has demanded separating the interest rates for infrastructure projects from those for speculative purposes. The interest rate on speculation should be very expensive, in order to eliminate this type of activity.

## What do you think of how the Student Republic project is going?

Ukrainian youth have exceptionally great potential. We have had many discussions with Ukrainian youth, and we saw that this potential exists. I was very happy that representatives from other countries could attend the Student Republic. My hope is that these youth should become world citizens, centering their personal identities, and their national identities, in the advancement of the human species as a whole. Vernadsky's concept of the noösphere.

#### What do you think should be improved?

We interacted with a lot with young people at the

Student Republic. And some of them were asking what music American youth listen to. I told them that I listen to Brahms. It turned out that none of these young people had heard of his works. They also wanted to know what music U.S. citizens would be listening to during a visit to Ukraine. I told them that the last time I was here, I attended two concerts of folk music. I liked this a lot. I wanted to buy some discs of this Ukrainian music, but the young people told me that, unfortunately, it is very difficult to find recordings of this music in the country. And I thought: All of this discussion about creating a unique Ukrainian culture, and everybody listens to terrible dance music from America in the 1990s! We don't want to be entirely stuck in traditions, but great Classical thinkers such as Beethoven and Brahms recognized that the elevation of a culture can be achieved through the Classical development of its folk musical traditions.

The British empire understands this. This is why they've gone out of their way to destroy American culture through modern music and debased entertainment. And it needs to be clearly understood that the globalization taking place in the world today is a block to the process. This is particularly evident among youth, into whose heads is pounded the rhythm of constantly repeating music, and the delirium of dope and alcohol. This is an impediment to thinking at a higher level.

I would like to compare the current state of culture with the tradition which, for example, the great scientist Vernadsky left, as he already in his lifetime laid the pathway for development from our current state into the future—from the state in which people were living at that time, toward mankind's ultimate destiny in the cosmos.

## What do you think the future of the Student Republic will be?

I hope that it will heed Lyndon LaRouche's prescription and become a kind of cultural revolution, not locally, but on a planetary scale. From the conversations I've had with the people attending the Student Republic, I think this is possible. Ukrainian youth have enormous potential. And it can be applied on a global scale. On an even greater scale than merely planetary, if we consider space exploration.

Interviewer: Vladislav Khmel

### **Editorial**

## Britain's Health-Care 'Strategy'

The *Washington Post* performed a useful service Sept. 15, when it published an article on the recent report issued by a British think tank, the Optimum Population Trust, which argues that the real way to cure pollution is to reduce the world's population. With this recommendation, the OPT, one of whose directors is the ecology advisor to Prince Charles, highlights the historical strategic issue behind the so-called health-care debate in the United States, and internationally.

For, as Lyndon LaRouche has repeatedly stressed, the real significance of the health-care issue lies in the battle between the outlook of the British Empire, from the early 18th Century on, and the emerging American Republic. We are dealing with a long-term cultural conflict between an imperial system that deals with human beings as just a more clever form of animal, and a republican system that values the human mind, and fights to create the conditions of progress that foster human intellectual development.

The British, as its London headquarters became the mailing address of the world financial empire in the early 18th Century, adopted the outlook which goes all the way back to Aristotle. Whereas the republican view, represented, in the early 18th Century, by Gottfried Leibniz, and soon after, by his intellectual heirs in Europe and the Americas, took up the outlook of Plato.

The difference couldn't be more dramatic. Plato, like Solon and other great men before him, represented the understanding that man is a creature of the mind and ideas, and thus, a truly human culture demands the constant stimulation of the technological and scientific progress that allows man to rise ever higher than the level of the beasts. It was also clear, that lifting up man's condition represented a

serious obstacle to the domination of society by empires, which turn human beings into slaves for the profit of the Emperor (or financial ruling class).

That's where Aristotle came in. After Plato's death, Aristotle's "philosophy" was promoted as a means of stupefying populations, so that they would submit, and stay in "their place" in an oligarchical society. The fact that Aristotelean doctrine led to societies being more backward, and thus, keeping their populations lower, was seen by the oligarchies as a crucial benefit.

It's from that outlook that the history of antipopulation policy, best identified with the fraud called Malthusianism, derives.

Of course, there is no such thing as overpopulation—there is only *under*technology, or lack of scientific progress. When the oligarchical principle kicks in, as it did with the killing of the U.S. space program, it destroys the ability to support the population at the standard of living appropriate to a progressing society. That, in short, is the history of the last 45 years!

Thus, in the fight to *kill* Obama's British-modelled Hitler health plan, we are actually fighting against the British imperial policy, which has been committed from the 18th Century on, to destroying the republican society which eventually became the United States of America. The defeat of the Obama policy is crucial, but it will simply open the door for reversing the whole range of anti-science, anti-technology policies which have destroyed both the U.S. economy, and the planet. By walking through that door, we can be on our way to restoring the only real threat to global imperialism which was ever established: the American Republic.

And if we lose? It's not even worth considering.

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