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From the Managing Editor

The most crucial item on the agenda today is to pull together what Lyndon LaRouche describes as a Four-Power Alliance among the United States, Russia, China, and India, to initiate the creation of a new global *credit* system—not a monetary/monetarist system controlled by British-headquartered financiers. There are obstacles in the way of this from each of the four powers, but if the alliance is not brought to life *very soon*, the physical economic collapse will reach the point of no return.

LaRouche's *Feature* addresses specifically his Russian interlocutors, and those many Russians who have been watching him over the Internet for years. Russia's anger at the way it has been treated by the United States, notably during the George W. Bush Administration, has recently spilled over into idiotic calls from Moscow for a new global reserve currency to replace the dollar. Not only would this not work, but it would plunge the global economy into the abyss, for reasons La-Rouche has often discussed. What Russian leaders have to understand is why a *credit* system, based on the Hamiltonian economic principles of the U.S. Constitution (not free trade!), is the only solution.

The recent agreements between Russia and China (see *International*) are a very promising step toward overcoming obstacles to cooperation between those members of the Four-Power Alliance.

All four powers are stuck, however, in the British-created "tar baby," the conflicts in Afghanistan and the Indian Subcontinent. This is the subject of a fascinating *LaRouche Show* roundtable with *EIR* analysts Jeffrey Steinberg and Ramtanu Maitra. They will convince you (if you need convincing) why President Obama's so-called strategy for the Afghanistan War is completely insane.

Speaking of insanity, Debra Hanania-Freeman and John Hoefle detail how the Obama Administration is getting us deeper and deeper into economic crisis, by continuing the bank bailout policy and making the worst possible decisions regarding unemployment, health care, the machine-tool industry, and vital infrastructure.

Next week's issue will feature an interview with LaRouche published in the Moscow weekly *Zavtra*, and the full briefing by Ukrainian leader Dr. Natalia Vitrenko to our Wiesbaden office, on Ukraine's economic crisis and her support for the LaRouche Plan. And mark your calendar for LaRouche's webcast on Nov. 11 at www.larouchepac.com.

Susan Welsh

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SEVERAL OBSERVATIONS:

On Russia Now

by Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.

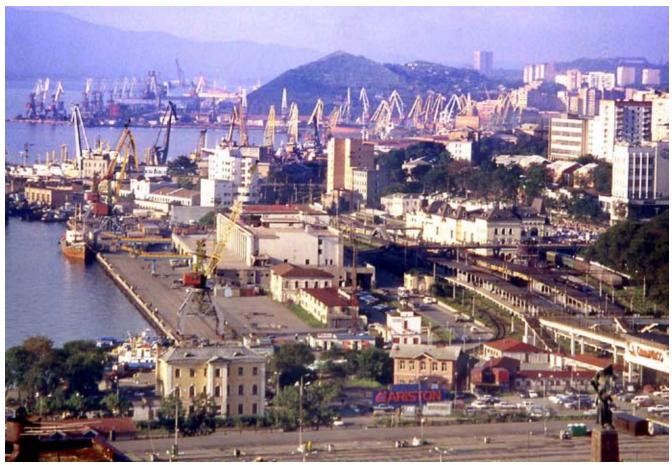
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I have omitted naming the person to whose report I am reacting, lest the piece to which I respond here, might, or might not have been intended for comment by a broader public identification than the limited audience among which it had been circulated. Let it be said, therefore, that I am responding in a timely way to the relevance of something which I have read from that recent work. See the appendix of this report, for the explanation of the "Triple Curve" on which my uniquely successful method of long-range economic forecasting has been premised.

To address the global situation in which Russia finds itself today, the following introductory considerations must be laid out summarily, as follows.

There has been much written, and otherwise said, on the continuing array of justified, or other disappointments left over from both the former Soviet Union, in Russia today, and in other former parts of that Union. The presently essential fact of those matters is to be summed up in three points. These points typify the characteristics of the current state of the process of degeneration of the world economy, when that process is considered as a physical economy as a whole, as since the immediate aftermath of the 1963 assassination of U.S. President John F. Kennedy.

First: in 1966-1968, as, in part, a consequence of the effects of the Kennedy assassination, the world as a whole had already been sent into a plunge triggered by the schemes of the British Harold Wilson government, pushing the world at large into early phases of what became not a merely deep economic depression, but a presently



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"Whereas, creativity is the natural, universal state of the universe throughout, only mankind deploys creativity as a matter of a willfully chosen mode of characteristic action of our species." The port of Vladivostok, which is undergoing tremendous development, is pictured here.

onrushing, accelerating, general, physicaleconomic breakdown-crisis of the entire planet.

Since then, both the former Soviet Union and such nations as those of the Americas, and of western and central Europe, have continued to be in the grip of a process of decline which actually began as a decline in net growth of basic economic infrastructure, during the middle to late 1960s, and had entered, more recently, since 1987, into what has now become, a general, planet-wide, breakdown-phase of the present relics of what had remained, essentially, as a Keynesian monetarist system.

As a consequence of the process of globalization, the progressive loss of sovereignty over not only borders, but over the preconditions of life of a nation's means of existence, a process of loss called "globalization," has created circumstances in which there are no traditional checks by which a collapse of one leading economy can be prevented from becoming a chain-reaction collapse of the planet as a whole.

The practical significance of that trend, lies in the fact that the increase of the productive powers of labor does not lie within the bounds of the assumptions of financial accounting, but, rather, within the incorporation of scientific progress into medium- to long-term, increasingly capital-intensive investments, as this is expressed in both general increases in the ration of basic economic infrastructure, per capita, and in the capital-intensity of the means of urban and rural modes of production.

Second: this has actually been much more than a global decline, which had already spread its chain-reaction-like effects into the Soviet Union,

than it had been a decline caused by the policies of any one leading nation of the planet, such as the U.S.A., or Russia itself. The worst effects which the world has suffered since 1987-1991, have been less Russia's internally generated decline, than one which was not only willfully, but forcibly imposed on Germany, the Soviet Union, and the former Soviet Union's components, a decline which was set into motion by the willful, 1989-1990 joint initiatives of the governments of, chiefly, the shared imperialistic scheming among the United Kingdom's Margaret Thatcher, France's François Mitterrand, and the U.S.A.'s George H.W. Bush.

Those three, latter governments of that time, had acted, then, chiefly, against both Germany and Russia, seeking their intended, ultimate destruction. However, the chain-reaction-like effects of the evil which those three had done, have become the present, London-directed threat to the continued existence of every nation of this planet.

Yet, all that true enough so far, there is something of additional, grave importance, which remains to be emphasized, as follows.

Third: whereas, virtually all among the world's systems of financial and cost accounting are premised, formally, upon an underlying, embedded, axiomatic presumption of universal entropy, all successful modes of economic doctrine and practice actually depend upon the specific functions of universal anti-entropy which were set forth for modern society in the successive phases of development of the calculus by Leibniz, as in opposition to the presumptions of Leibniz's reductionist opponents of the Seventeenth and Eighteenth centuries. All failures to maintain a relatively high ratio of investments in the application of new physical principles, are inherently depraved practices, practices whose effects are expressed as attritional declines in the potential relative population-density of the human species.

The attacks on the systematic features of the discoveries of universal physical principle, discoveries such as those from Nicholas of Cusa through Bernhard Riemann, and beyond, are attacks which have been introduced as a reflection of a defense-in-fact of a fraudulent argument in favor of a doctrine of universal entropy. Such promotions of entropy are chiefly an expression of the intrinsic incompetence of all mathematical systems customarily used in financial and related methods for application to modern economy, as from the practice of slave-trade booster John Locke, to the time of the presently onrushing current, global disaster today.

Also:

It has been made clear, by recent developments, that the post-FDR pattern of entropic decline of the world economy, has not been either a merely "frictional," or otherwise spontaneous development in any sense; it should now be clear, that the physicaleconomic decline itself reflects nothing less than a deliberate choice by certain malicious factions within mankind, factions which have employed an avowed intention to reduce the world's population from a presently estimated level of about 6.7 billions persons, to the two billions chosen as the goal of the genocidal, global population-reduction schemes of the World Wildlife Fund led by both the late Prince Bernhard and the still living, British Royal consort Prince Philip. This intended genocide, is the actual intention behind the actually British Royal and other authors of the present-day, so-called "Green Movement," and of the Hitler-modeled health-care (NICE: "National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence") policies of both the former Tony Blair government of Britain, and the British-modeled copies of Hitler-style health-care policies which are presently demanded by the U.S.A. Administration of a passionately shallow-minded President Barack Obama.

On this same point, it is true, of course, that the growth of the world's population has outrun the required increase of the means to sustain that population in a decent fashion. However, contrary to the neo-Luddite fanatics of today, that constraint has not been a natural one, but is the unnatural consequence of a combination of some stubbornly backward cultures and imperialistic designs which became influential in the aftermath of the neo-fascist, pro-malthusian frauds

^{1.} A presumption traced customarily to the argument of the fraudulent attacks on the work of Bernhard Riemann by such as Rudolf Clausius, Hermann Grassmann, et al. The dogma of Clausius, Grassmann, Karl Weierstrass, et al., is to be traced to the notion of the presumed "completeness" of a universe as defined by the formal failures of positivists such as David Hilbert.

crafted in the likeness of Aeschylus's figure of the imperial Olympian Zeus.

The Hitler-like population policies of the present British monarchy's World Wildlife Fund, are typical of the moral and economic depravity inhering in the intrinsically entropic effects of intentionally mass-murderous, so-called "green" policies.

The consequent intention by such contemporary influentials as the circles of the World Wildlife Fund, to reduce the world's population from a present level of about 6.7 billions, to about two billions, or less, as by

Prince Philip's World Wildlife Fund hoax, is an awful amount of genocide: it would be, if allowed, the greatest mass-murder, and therefore the most monstrous crime against humanity in all known human existence: "the great green crime" of Prince Philip and his Fund.

This "green movement," which is key to the Hitler-modeled health-care policies of the former Blair government and present Obama Presidency, is undoubtedly among the most shamelessly evil and fraudulent concoctions in policymaking in known human history, even worse in the implications of its depth and magnitude, than what is associated with the late Adolf Hitler; nevertheless, it must be added to that fact, that the idea of population-control through the stupefying effects of the suppression of scientific progress, was already older, in practice, than even the real-life, zero-technological-growth, oligarchical model identified by Aeschylus' Prometheus trilogy.

Presently:

In large part, it is clear, that the implicitly genocidal, currently British-led policies, toward post-1989 Germany, the failed Comecon system, and also toward China today, are policies which express a large part of the cult of that pro-genocidal, so-called "environmentalism" which is unloosed upon the planet today. Yet, at the same time, the possibility of carrying the present, Hitler-like, mass-murderous health-care policies of former British Prime Minister Tony Blair's NICE and the Obama administration thus far, also owes much to the bad economic policies of that monetarist world-



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The actual intention behind Prince Philip's World Wildlife Fund, and the broader "Green Movement," is genocide, on an unprecedented scale: They aim to reduce the world's population from nearly 6.8 billion to under 2 billion.

system of John Maynard Keynes which was brought into renewed power by the complicity of the proimperialist sympathizer of Winston Churchill, U.S. President Harry S Truman.

Therefore, we must proceed in this light in dealing with the problems of nations such as Russia today. Nothing of recent significant weight on the economy of the planet as a whole, has been more hideously stupid, and relatively more destructive for the world economy as a whole, than the chain-reaction effects of the combination of the conditionalities imposed on Germany by Thatcher, Mitterrand, and George H.W. Bush, with their delusory campaign for transforming Russia itself, by a decade of outright "carpet-bagging" which was masked by such nonsense-verbiage as "a change from a so-called 'command economy' to a 'market economy'."

What is being done to virtually all nations and peoples of this planet as a consequence of that change, is fairly described now as evil in its effects, if not, in each case, caused exactly according to that particular nation's intention. Whatever the intention of the spon-

sors of this predatory folly of proposing to improve an economy by a decade of looting it virtually to the ground, as was done since 1989 to Europe east of the France's border with Germany, the result has been, from case to case, that the effect itself has been monstrously evil, not only for those nations targeted by the scheme imposed by Thatcher, Mitterrand, and George H.W. Bush, but, in net effect, for the world as a whole.

In that sense, we can, and must treat the present causes of each nation's plight as a case-study in bad economic policies of practice.

The frankly evil, current economic policies of practice of the British monarchy and its followers in the U.S.A. today, must be studied in terms of their coincidence with the intended, demographic impact of the effects desired by the pro-genocidal practices of the British empire and its implicitly treasonous U.S. "Wall Street" accomplices today.

The Needed Point of View

Writing here as I do, in my function as one who has been repeatedly proven, as by proof of experiment, to have been, over many decades, a leading economic forecaster in the field of the actual science of physical-economy today, I insist that we must view the economic crises of the planet today, as being chiefly a combination of those two considerations of current policy-shaping. Name this bad policy-shaping as actions taken on behalf of "willfully evil physical-economic incompetence." E.g., those varieties of induced beliefs which are desired for the pleasure taken by the believer for sake of the pleasure in believing, often with reckless disregard for the consequences. Monetarism, such as that of the morally very complicated John Maynard Keynes, belongs to such a category.

The history of the present world crisis must be dated to the morning of April 13, 1945, after the day President Franklin Roosevelt had died, when the American System of political-economy of the founders of the United States, had been replaced by the same imperialist dogmas of the same John Maynard Keynes whom President Franklin Roosevelt had defeated in the celebrated Bretton Woods conference of 1944.

To understand the present world breakdown-crisis currently in progress, consider some typical among the known roots of monetarism. For this purpose, let us begin with ancient Sumer.

Economy Since Sumer

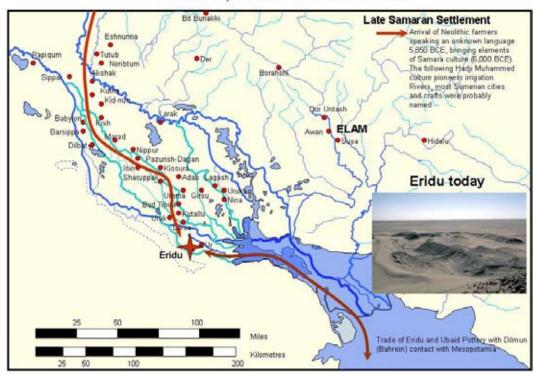
As this was illustrated by the decline and fall of the ancient culture of Sumer, and many other comparable cases, economies may appear to be still somewhat prosperous when their present policies, such as those of Sumer during its earlier phases, have set into motion such a long-term decline in capital factors as attrition in basic economic infrastructure, or a downshift in crucial features of production, such as a change from independent farmers, to hired labor, to virtual, or actually slave labor, as was the case in Sumer and other instances of so-called "hydraulic cultures." Such was, in a different case, the decline of the great, economically pro-genocidal wave of ruin of what had been the magnificent Baghdad Caliphate of Haroun al-Raschid and his immediate predecessors, that under an evil, imported government later. Or, in the alternative, the fall of a civilization today may begin simply as a trend toward a "zero technological growth" mode, as depicted by the "zero technological growth" model depicted by the playwright Aeschylus' Prometheus Bound: the suppression, or even simply neglect of the crucial importance which must be assigned to the general scientific and technological progress, respecting matters of universal physical principle, on which the continued existence of any economy ultimately depends absolutely.

A program of genocide which is an effect produced under the influence of some backward-leaning human cultures, already defines that culture as morally unfit to continue to exist over a longer time. When genocide caused by devotion to antipathy to qualitative scientific progress on a global scale, becomes the primary conscious intention expressed as practice, that moral condition is among the worst of all crimes against humanity, a crime which cries out for the ban against the corrupted culture which harbors such criminal propensities, such as much of what passes for "environmentalism" today.²

To bring the study of the implications of such wicked policies into modern times, consider the spread of the

^{2.} Take the case of the Roman imperial, public mass-murders of Christians under the Roman Empire. After the relevant succession of Roman emperors and like authorities is taken into account, this mass murder was a policy, like the practice of slavery, built into Roman imperial culture. It was Roman imperial culture itself which was the criminal in the case, just as the introduction of slavery into the U.S.A. was done by the British monarchy, which passed the franchise on slave-catching to its protected puppet, the Nineteenth-century Spanish monarchy.

SUMER, AKKAD AND ELAM



Sumer's civilization spanned 3,000 years, until the rise of Babylon in the early 2nd millennium B.C. An "hvdraulic culture," its cities practiced intensive, year-round agriculture: however. a shift toward attrition in infrastructure, and from independent farmers to slave labor. led to its decline and ruin. A similar process is taking place, worldwide, today.

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influence of the monstrously evil devotees of Bertrand Russell, such as the morally degenerate practice of "cybernetics" concocted by Professor Norbert Wiener, or, the perverse "economic game theory" of John von Neumann and Oskar Morgenstern. Such examples present us a most relevant example of such efficiently ruinous systems of moral degeneration, as typified by the practice of "financial derivatives" today. These pseudo-scientific gentlemen and their policies have been the chief cause, through their influence, of the spread of a cult of "zero economic growth" which has been, in turn, chiefly responsible for the spread of misery throughout most of the planet, over the course of time since the April 12, 1945 death of President Franklin Roosevelt.

I summarize the scientific view of this matter, as follows.

All great, recent improvements in man's knowledge of the principles of a physical science of human economy, are to be traced, chiefly, from the impact of the discoveries of two of the greatest scientific minds of the Twentieth-century followers of the great Nineteenth-century scientific revolutionary Bernhard Riemann: Albert Einstein and Academician V.I. Vernadsky. It is

the work of Vernadsky, in supplying an anti-entropic mode of physical-scientific definition of the respective domains of the Lithosphere, Biosphere, and Noösphere, which supplies us today the most direct approach to understanding the physical principles which underlie mankind's long-ranging, physical and moral successes and failures in political economies.

Mankind is the only living species which is not bounded by relatively fixed upper limits of the growth and survival of its variety among species. This distinction is located, experimentally, by archeologists in the distinction of man from apes, as shown by fire-places used by ancient mankind; no beast uses fire as an essential, willfully employed instrument of the continued existence and development of its species. In modern physical science, since the 1970s, competent scientists have come to employ the term "energy-flux density" to identify the rising concentration of what we regard as "heat energy," per square-centimeter cross-section of flow, as an expression of mankind's progress in the qualitative degrees of concentration of power.

We may say, therefore, that civilized mankind is "Promethean," whose enemy is, still today, the tyrannical oli-



Like the ancient hero
Prometheus, who stole
fire from the gods to
give to man, modern
man's use of "fire,"
represents the kind of
"up-shift," as from
nuclear fission, to
fusion, characteristic of
the human species.
Shown: a nuclear
power plant, in
Callaway County, Mo.

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garch typified by the oligarchical image of "pro-zero technological growth," the image of that Olympian Zeus who is echoed by the real-life Prince Philip of the World Wildlife Fund, today.

Man, The Fire-Bringer!

Any visitors from a distant planetary system, or galaxy, who were searching for a form of intelligent, man-like life, would seek out spots where men and women are, or had been assembled around fire-places. Whereas, creativity is the natural, universal state of the universe throughout, only mankind deploys creativity as a matter of a willfully chosen mode of characteristic action of our species. So, when we are searching among what appear to have been hominid-like ancestors, or cousins of humanity, we focus attention on those living creatures, or their fossil remains, which are associated with the cultural characteristic of fire-places then, or nuclear-fission power-plants now.

It is properly presumed, that any creature which does not employ the power of some forms of fire as an essential precondition for its own species' secured existence, is neither human, nor human-like in the character

of its adopted behavior. Such is the evil which the great Aeschylus portrayed as being the bestial nature of the Olympian Zeus.

Without such successive up-shifts, as to nuclear-fission power yesterday, or thermonuclear fusion tomorrow, man is impelled to loot those very resources on which human existence on our planet depends. If we suppress shifts to such higher forms of "energy-flux density" in modalities of generation and use of power, mankind were doomed to live in a mass-murderous system of cults of the brutishly half-witted, as we have reason to fear such outcomes of the influence of the so-called "green" ideologies of today.

This role of fire in all viable forms of human, or comparable cultures, identifies the principled distinction of moral forms of society, from essentially depraved ones. It is not fire itself, which is beautiful, but the forms of the use of fire which increase mankind's power to exist in the universe, as in not only our own planet, but, in the future life of some other planets in our galaxy. All competent teaching and practice of economy by societies must now meet that standard of creative intention.



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Winston Churchill accomplice Harry Truman's reversal of Franklin Roosevelt's economic recovery policies, in favor of the monetarism of FDR's opponent, John Maynard Keynes, was the beginning of the slide down the slippery slope, to today's economic catastrophe.

The Fire-Bringer's Role

The competent modern such views of a science of physical economy, recognize that the progress of the "fire-bringer," mankind, depends upon depleting those concentrations of mineral resources represented by the accumulated dead bodies of once-living plant and animal life. Thus, to increase, and even merely to defend, the potential relative population-density of our human species, we must proceed along an historical line of compensation for the relative loss of the richest ore-deposits left behind by living processes, by increasing what is termed "the energy-flux-density" of the quality of power employed by society, per capita and per square kilometer of territory. Thus, we proceed upward, from the burning of trash, into a realm beyond ordinary chemistry, into the domain of nuclear-fission and thermonuclear-fusion technologies, and look forward to better insight into a still higher order of power referred to as "matter/anti-matter" reactions.

Thus, the most evil periods of culture in known human existence, have been those consistent with the doctrine attributed to the Olympian Zeus in Aeschylus' fable, such as the fanatically incompetent dogma of the so-called "environmentalist movement" today.

Truman: Was It Treason?

As a consequence of the changes in direction of global policy-shaping which occurred through, chiefly, President Harry Truman's submission of the United States and also other nations to the neo-colonialist, implicitly "promalthusian" policies associated with Winston Churchill, John Maynard Keynes, and Bertrand Russell, the increase of the world's population to the level of about 6.7 billions persons, has proceeded under the unfortunately imposed conditions of aborted scientific development of the pre-conditions of extended human life, which the advocates of British imperialist policy today, such as the World Wildlife Fund of Britain's Prince Philip, then demand be the rapid reduction of the world's population to a level of about two billions persons, and that now, and rapidly. Under a practice influenced by such depraved, but recently increasing, even worse-than-Hitler, neo-Malthusian influences as those of Prince Philip today, the potential relative population-density of the planet has been willfully driven below the level of potential required

for a decent standard of human existence. It is that crime, by the co-thinkers of Prince Philip, which must be eradicated, not human progress.

This decline has been almost entirely an effect of the suppression of scientific-technological development, that aided very much by the spread of the pseudo-science of Bertrand Russell and such among his devotees as Norbert Wiener and John von Neumann, but, also, by aid of the British monarchy's luring the U.S.A. into a continuing pattern of self-destructive, needless warfare, as the lies of then-Prime Minister Tony Blair duped the government of the United States into a prolonged war in Iraq, and into its British-proposed sequel, a present, idiotic proposal for a long war in Afghanistan which would tend to destroy the nation of Pakistan, and, then, India.

Those neo-Malthusian policies of mass-murderous practices, such as those associated with not only Prince Philip, but also former U.K. Prime Minister Tony Blair, are specifically expressions of specifically oligarchical moral diseases, which are specifically intended to use popular indoctrination with forms of stupidity such as so-called "environmentalism," to create an empire over a greatly depopulated planet for an intended, pro-

Satanic eternity to come.

Such a movement of both economic and moral decline was set into motion in the U.S.A., as I have said above, on April 13, 1945, when an accomplice of Britain's Winston Churchill, President Harry S Truman, suddenly reversed the recovery policy of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, and adopted, instead, in April 1945, the monetarist policy of Roosevelt's Bretton Woods adversary, John Maynard Keynes, in specific opposition to the U.S. constitutional credit policy of Roosevelt.

The efforts to reverse the Keynesian error, that

as a direction of effort which had been launched by German scientists working to continue the Moon/Mars-landing mission in the U.S.A., as urged forward by President John F. Kennedy against the Wall Street steel bosses, was, itself reversed, in effect, by the turn back toward progressive brutishness which was effected by aid of the assassination of President Kennedy.

The consequent launching of the long, wasting U.S. 1964-1975 war in Indo-China, set into motion the beginning of that long-ranging present, net decline in crucial capital factors of the U.S. economy which became evident already in 1966-68. That wrecking of the U.S. economy became systemic under President Richard Nixon; but the wrecking program launched by David Rockefeller's Trilateral Commission, under his protégé President Jimmy Carter, was far worse: it essentially wrecked the structure of the U.S. physical economy.

A decade later, the policy launched by Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan carried the ruin of the U.S. and world economy to a present degree of ruin which is presently far beyond all earlier imagination of the U.S. citizenry in general.

Long-ranging patterns such as that, have been typical of what have usually been the multi-generational



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German rocket scientists, led by Dr. Wernher von Braun (center), worked on the U.S. Moon/Marslanding mission initiated by President Kennedy, which temporarily reversed the effects of the Keynesian sabotage of FDR's policies.

processes of moral decay in the intellectual processes of the shaping of economic policies of both nations and civilization as a whole, a form of decay which should have become familiar to all those professionals engaged in reasonably competent studies of the relevant known features of the intellectual-cultural history of mankind.

Thus, the conditions of the world economy, during 1968-2009, and, most notably, of Germany, Russia, and others among the British imperialists' most targeted victims during the more recent 1989-2009 past, included a state of decadence associated with conditions of physical-economic declines in rate of growth of physical productivity per capita and per square kilometer, a tendency which had been, already brought upon the post-World War II world, as a trend, by the joint, anti-Franklin Roosevelt initiatives and schemes of Winston Churchill, a newly-minted U.S. President Harry S Truman, and the monetarist-imperialist schemes of John Maynard Keynes, that from April 13, 1945 onward.

That change in principle, was away from President Franklin Roosevelt's 1944 design for a post-war, global credit-system, the only true Bretton Woods system, which President Roosevelt had based upon

the U.S. Federal Constitution's inherently systemic principle of a credit-system, in total opposition to the intrinsically imperialist, monetarist system of John Maynard Keynes, President Roosevelt's enemy at the 1944 Bretton Woods conference. So, the adoption of Keynes under the Truman Administration, has been the actual point of origin of the long wave of decline of the planet which has now engulfed all continents of our planet today.

It must not be overlooked, that a virtual state of war had been declared against the Soviet Union, both in the form of the change in policy effected by the Churchill-Truman *de facto* alliance beginning April 13, 1945, and the September 1946 announcement, by Bertrand Russell, of the avowed intention of Russell's Anglo-American accomplices, to launch "preventive" nuclear attacks against the Soviet Union, that for the purpose of establishing "world government." That is the goal of the former Prime Minister Tony Blair's new "Tower of Babel," the goal of creating a global "Tower of Babel" and of Hitler-echoing policies of genocide in the name of "health-care reform," which has been the motive of former British Prime Minister Tony Blair and Blair's puppet, President Barack Obama, at last report of late.

Those facts concerning the policies of the British empire, are not only true, but are as relevant for today as they were at the time that Churchill and Russell avowed them.

Only a cancellation of the rule over our planet by monetary systems traceable to the evil doctrines of such as the British imperialist Lord Shelburne's evil puppets, Adam Smith and Jeremy Bentham, offers any hope of now freeing the planet as a whole from a presently onrushing, planet-wide echo of the "new dark age" triggered by the relevant monetarist policies of Venice during the latter part of Europe's Fourteenth Century, the same, Venetian monetarist policies which are at the root of the presently world-wide crisis now.

To cure the patient, in such cases, it is necessary to treat the infection, not merely the recent symptoms. Therefore, in history of peoples and nations, it is usually necessary to look back decades earlier than the time an economic decline is recognized, to discover the origins of the earlier trends which had set what were, later, more visible problems, into motion. Often, the already sickened patient had assumed himself to be healthy, until the pain became alarming.

In history, it is virtually customary, that the simple

greed expressed in the looting and self-looting of the former Soviet Union, which was already set into progress during the 1980s, as an expression of pro-British monetarist policies of looting, brought about what became a systemic addiction to self-inflicted national disaster as a parallel pattern of destruction of the U.S.A. which was also in progress during the same decades.

The Present World Crisis

Despite the clear facts of the type to which I have just pointed, the custom has been, especially of late, to treat problems of a relevant type, as the flagrant hoaxster, Rene Descartes did, as matters which are each considered in relative isolation, or even utter disregard of the subsuming dynamics of that environment in which the choice of discussed topic is actually situated.

That perverse sort of attempted appreciation of certain problems inside Russia today, as viewed from outside Russia, or from the inside, must be recognized, clinically speaking, as tantamount to treating the crushing of a particular human organ, such as a foot, which had occurred in the course of a highway collision, as a problem caused by a propensity of the injured foot of a passenger who had been riding in the rear seat of the demolished automobile at the time of that event. Such is fairly described as "the method of statistical factors." Modern academic dialogues tend, thus, to be expressions of obsessions with often obscure, isolated factors.

The incompetence of much of what I have encountered as a discussion, from either inside, or outside of Russia today, has such a character, the same character, at root, which is typical of the dominant trends of policy-shaping among the majority of virtually all nations during more than sixty years since the death of U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt.³

^{3.} It must be emphasized, that there never was a justified motive for the U.S. adoption of Winston Churchill's post-Franklin Roosevelt plan for nuclear war against the Soviet Union which was already set into place, by the British Empire, as under President Harry S Truman before President Franklin Roosevelt was in his grave. In September 1946 Bertrand Russell publicly declared commitment to a "preventive nuclear attack" on the Soviet Union, an attack which Russell insisted was a necessary step toward the form of "world government" which Britain has foisted upon a hapless western and central Europe in the form of the European Union, virtually as soon as the collapse of the Soviet Union appeared to be assured.





René Descartes' (left) incompetence in physical science, as identified by Gottfried Leibniz (right), was typified by his dismissal of the dynamic characteristics of the process in which the actions in physical space-time must be considered as subsumed.

For an example of the deeper cultural motive behind such schemes, I have referred attention here to the relevant clinical case of the wretchedly incompetent Rene Descartes, whose fraudulent representations in physical science matters were successfully identified, still, to the present day, by Gottfried Leibniz, during the decade of the 1690s.

Descartes' systemic, worse-than-incompetence in physical science, was typified by his ignoring the role of the dynamic characteristics of the process in which the actions in physical space-time must be considered as subsumed. The claims associated with the Isaac Newton who had made no competent original discovery in science, were the fruit of an effort by the self-avowed Cartesian advocate, Abbe Antonio S. Conti, to create a synthetic Descartes who would be adopted, with the aid of his flunky, Voltaire, as the official basis for British pretenses adopted by them at the moment Conti had received news of the death of Leibniz.

This specific phenomenon in mass behavior, was addressed in a commendably clear and fundamental way by the great modern English poet Percy Bysshe Shelley's **A Defence of Poetry**. What Shelley sums up in the concluding paragraph of that writing, is to be recognized as having been also an exposition of that principle of Leibnizian dynamics which governs the way in which masses of people within society are gov-

erned by a quality of universalizing principles of which they, as individuals, are only rarely conscious.

The greater mass of the population of a society is not governed by what they have chosen to believe, but by a higher influence, a principled influence called dynamics by Gottfried Leibniz, but echoing such ancient Greek classicists as Archytas and Plato. As Shelley's relevant argument in his A Defence of Poetry clearly sets this forth, it is a sudden change from one dynamical principle to an-

other, which shapes the great changes in world-outlook which define revolutionary movements, in science and in politics, such as that identified by Shelley in his **A Defence of Poetry**.

In such instances, it is a change in the disposition to believe, rather than a change in ordinary belief itself, which is decisive, as this will be the case we have already witnessed as oncoming among the majority of the U.S. population since Summer 2009. It is typified by such cases as those described by Rosa Luxemburg as a "spontaneous mass strike" phenomenon, a rather sudden, spontaneous development such as the American Revolution, in the eruption of Autumn 1989 in Saxony, and in the just-recent eruption of a vast, "mass strike" phenomenon in the U.S.A. this past August.

It is, thus, as Friedrich Schiller and Percy Bysshe Shelley emphasized, the great poets, and comparable artistic minds of exceptional creative thinkers, who prepare the public mind for its seemingly infectious assimilation of the creation of a new world-outlook shaping its disposition for action.

Yet, most unfortunately, there are still avowed Cartesians in the schoolrooms and similar places in the world today. So, to treat the characteristic developments within the former Soviet system, or Russia of today, only an incompetent would fail to place the em-

phasis on the conditions under which the referenced pattern of behavior had been globally situated in the state of the process of the world at large.

Each and all cultures existing today, embody an embedded history which is less a matter of particular sets of beliefs, than the fact that each set of beliefs is subsumed by a dynamic principle, as Gottfried Leibniz presented the notion of dynamics, as in his relevant work of the 1690s and beyond; a specific principle of dynamics, which is more efficient, qualitatively, than any particular set of beliefs in shaping the direction of change within that culture during any relevant period of time.

The essential fact of the matter of Russia today, is the world which it inhabits, but also, in turn, a world whose global influence inhabits it, dynamically, infectiously, in the sense of dynamics summarized in the concluding paragraph of Shelley's **A Defence of Poetry**.

The Unique American Model

Take as a most relevant illustration, the case of the leading influence on all modern world history since, of the division in the world's English-speaking culture which erupted in Seventeenth-century New England prior to the crushing of that colony through the successive actions of crushing the character of that colony done by the repressive actions of England's James II and William of Orange. The history of European culture since that time has been shaped by shifting affinities, back and forth, from leaning toward association with the cause and model of the U.S.A., and more or less anti-U.S.A. leanings.

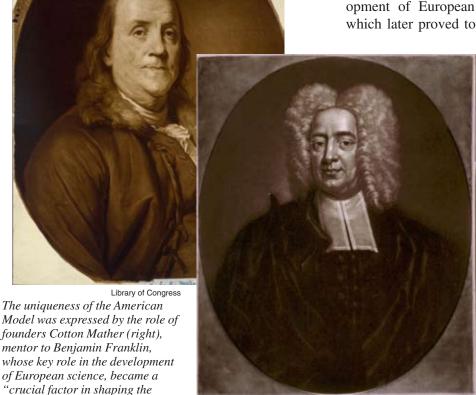
In his own autobiographical reflections, the justly revered, late Jawaharlal Nehru, implicitly asked himself whether the ability shown by imperial Britain's East India Company, in its subjugating the culture of India, did not reflect something relatively superior in the powers available within the British expression of modern European culture. In a certain manner of speaking, Pandit Nehru had struck upon the clue of some advantage which inhered in modern European civilization's Sixteenth-century rise, in fact, out of the earlier, Fifteenth-century resurrection of Europe, in a great Renaissance from a preceding new dark age, led by figures best typified by the great Nicholas of Cusa and those followers of Cusa's influence who launched a science-based modern European civilization.



Indian independence leader Jawaharlal Nehru considered whether there was something inherently superior in European culture that had allowed the British Empire to subjugate India. To the contrary, writes LaRouche, it was not British culture, "but, rather, the creative passion in [European] Classical art and physical science...." In fact, Western civilization owes a great deal to the much earlier Vedic culture of the Indian subcontinent.

The suspected European advantage to which Nehru pointed in his reflections, was not, actually, of a specifically British source, but, rather, the creative passion in Classical art and physical science which Gottfried Leibniz has come to typify, with such among his great successors in science and Classical culture as the great followers of Bernhard Riemann, Albert Einstein and Academician V.I. Vernadsky. This is not to mean an implicit nullification of Indian culture, but rather posed the challenge to India's leading best thinkers of enhancing their own insight into what were the roots of India's view for its own future, as to be recognized through the prism of credible European cultural achievements, as the means to be employed for securing India's own independence.

Contrary to the British trends set into motion under the depraved King Henry VIII, the launching of the intentional trans-Atlantic European settlements in the



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Americas, expressed a set of reforms which had been promoted by the Fifteenth-century policies of Cardinal Nicholas of Cusa, policies conveyed by Cusa's associates to the mariner Christopher Columbus, who, so advised directly by Cusa's surviving associates, launched the effort to secure the gems of European culture a place of safety for the true jewels of European culture in the future times in the Americas.

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the young American republic."

However, the Habsburg dynasty's and related influences over the 1492-1648 interval, prevented a net success of the efforts to colonize South and Central America to the intended effect of Columbus' venture. The first success toward the implicit goals of Nicholas of Cusa, came in the successive Mayflower settlement and the Massachusetts Bay Colony during the successful interval of 1620-1687. The continuation of that success in Massachusetts was temporarily ruined, at least in a significant degree, by the successive interventions of

England's James II and William of Orange during the last years of that century. However, Cotton Mather, in particular, sponsored Benjamin Franklin's movement toward Pennsylvania, and into a key role in the development of European science itself, a development which later proved to have been the crucial factor in

shaping the unique constitutional character of the young American republic.

The actual formation of the United States as a federal republic with what remains still a globally unique constitution, erupted as a rebuttal of the tyranny just established by a private imperialism, that of the British East India Company in the February 1763 Peace of Paris. Since that time when the establishing of the British East India Company as an empire, occurred, with that conclusion of the "Seven Years War," the reactions against the modelprecedent of that same British imperialism's strategic divisions of continental Europe, up to today, defined a tendency in Europe for sup-

port for the model of the American republic versus the British empire, as an Eighteenth-century dynamic, which has been echoed, repeatedly, from time to time, as the dominant characteristic of trends in global affairs throughout the world as a whole. All great achievements of globally extended, modern European civilization have coincided with continental European alliances, of the type of the League of Armed Neutrality, in common cause with the U.S. republic's patriots' fight against the predatory British empire of Lord Shelburne and his successors.⁴

However, the British empire was never essentially a colonial empire; it remains essentially, still today, as

^{4.} Do not presume that Napoleon Bonaparte was an efficient enemy of British imperialism. Napoleon was no Lazare Carnot, but, rather, a dupe of the British Empire, who launched, repeatedly, "a new Seven Years War," through which the British Empire consolidated its hold over Europe in the Congress of Vienna.

it was in the time of Lord Shelburne's tyranny, as the empire of a private financial company, a monetarist system which controlled most of what were otherwise called nations through their common subjugation to a supranational form of monetarist system which happens to locate its company headquarters, still presently, since Queen Victoria's coronation as Empress, in Threadneedle Street and Buckingham Palace, but whose essentially satanic soul resides in the same Venice in whom European imperialism has resided for more than a thousand present years to date.

For example: the development of the French Revolution through the induced follies of the misguided Louis XVI, his wife Marie Antoinette, and her brother the Habsburg Emperor Joseph II, resulted in the consolidation of the U.S. republic's great mortal adversary, the British Empire's reign over much of the subsequent history of Europe as a whole, in the notorious Congress of Vienna.⁵

Since those developments, "Old Europe" has been usually under the hegemonic role of what is loosely describable as the British Empire. If we except the leading role of the U.S.A. under President Franklin Roosevelt, and take fully into account the British East India Company's puppets of Boston and Manhattan, to the present day, the effort of the U.S. republic has been to defend itself against take-over by those Venetian monetarist interests usually represented by that British empire which has been the only true empire in the modern world of those centuries up to the present day.

Notably, this was never an empire of the United Kingdom itself. The United Kingdom itself has been a virtual colony of a monetarist system of empire for which the British monarch performs an ironically double function. The so-called British Empire is a somewhat modified expression of that Venetian monetarist tradition whose political direction was set according to the Anglo-Dutch Liberal form of a monetarist imperialism, a global form of the monetarist imperialism which has reigned from within Europe since the Peloponnesian War's set of competitor mari-

time-monetarist interests engaged in rivalry among the factions of Athens, Corinth, and Syracuse.

Nothing, perhaps, better demonstrates what I have just said as to the actual nature of the British empire and its predecessors, than a study of my "Triple Curve" treatment of the presently onrushing general breakdown-crisis of the world's economic system presently.

The essence of the empire resides in the monetarist system, as a system which makes fools of mighty nations by promoting that delusion known as "free trade," the same delusion underlying the hoax permeating the use of the formulation: "change from a command economy into a market economy:" actually a change from a sovereign nation to a colony of a global imperial power called a reigning monetary system.

There has been no globally significant expression of strategic folly on the planet today, since 1776, which has been more significant in shaping the overall direction of the evolution of modern world history since 1782-1789, than the post-Seven Years War phase of the conflict between the young U.S.A. and what is commonly known as the British Empire today.⁶

Modern Brutish Imperialism

If a careful reconsideration is made of the entire sweep of globally extended European civilization since the Peloponnesian War, there have been no important wars which were not the products of the intention of imperial forces, such as those of Ancient Rome, Byzantium, and the Venetian-controlled Normans, wars which were usually arranged to bring about an intended mutual weakening of a pair or more of gladiatorial forces, that to the intended effect of strengthening the relative, imperial power of the imperial overlord. These were wars which had been fomented among duped adversaries with the intent to bring about the mutual weakening the power of any and all nations which were regarded as a potential challenge to the intended, or reigning, monetarist form of supranationality's imperial authority.

The perfect modern example of empire, is that socalled Seven Years War, which established the Anglo-Dutch maritime interest as a global power imposed upon continental Europe, or the two so-called "World

^{5.} Napoleon was not a British agent, but, rather, a reagent, like many foolish figures, such as Edward Albert's silly nephews, Wilhelm II and Nicholas II, or the variously terrorized, or simply duped U.S. Presidents who succeeded the murdered President Kennedy, such as Lyndon Johnson, Richard Nixon, Jimmy Carter, Ronald Reagan, and George H.W. Bush.

^{6.} All of the evils of England and the British Isles since Henry VII must be traced to the Venice's toying with its pathetic fool Henry VIII.

Wars" which were, in fact, as Bismarck emphasized for the first case, as a "New Seven Years War." The Israeli-Arab conflict, for example, is nothing other than a ritual pattern of mutual bloodletting, among, chiefly, Arabs and Israelis, fought by Israeli and Arab fools in a modern Nero's arena, as ritual gladiatorial contests arranged for British imperial pleasure and profit.⁷

No recent U.S. President since John F. Kennedy, had understood this fact about British imperialism's world-dominating role as clearly as had past U.S. Presidents Washington, John Quincy Adams, Abraham Lincoln, William McKinley, and Franklin Roosevelt, and, no European leader has ever since understood British imperialism more clearly than the Chancellor Otto von Bismarck, who, after his ouster by Wilhelm II, characterized the coming world war being organized by the British Crown Prince Edward Albert as "a new Seven Years War," and, perhaps, the genius of France's Fifth Republic President Charles de Gaulle's initiative with Germany's Chancellor Adenauer.

The point to be emphasized, is as follows.

There exists a world system, which, as since Alexander the Great, has been integrated as a dynamic integrity, as a European system of culture, which has greatly extended itself to include, virtually, dynamically, the entire world of today.

Within this world today, there are different cultures, chiefly those defined by leading language-cultures. They have been naturally national cultures insofar as the economic and related features of the life of the nation are more or less thoroughly independent economically. At the same time, especially in these modern times, national cultures must be constituted as, respectively, perfectly sovereign nation-states, that out of respect for the reliance of essentially sovereign economic independence of all elements of such a form of organized society based on sovereign language-cultures. It is therefore urgent, that the relations among nation-states, must be respectively free, but also harmonious in respect, especially, to physical-economic inter-relations.

The case of Russia today must be examined from this vantage-point in viewing modern history.

I. Britain's Targets For Destruction

In general, there is no more insane and dangerous notion in modern world history than the notion of a nation-state as such as a permanent enemy.

For example: since the close of what has been called World War II, the most notorious case of such a folly, is the now traditional Arab-Israeli conflict, a conflict entirely created and continued by the British Empire over the period from the launching of the Anglo-French project for breaking up the Ottoman Empire, the London-Paris orchestrated "Young Turk" organization, and the British Empire's controlled Israel-Arab, and related "middle east" wars since the close of World War II.

The entire "Middle East," so-called, is a Roman arena like that of the Emperor Nero, in which Israelis and Arabs are ritually called into the arena, where they kill one another, ritually, for the advantage and amusement of the British Empire. Foolish people, instead of kicking the British Empire which controls this theater, out of the region, prate like foolish jesters about negotiating Arab-Israeli peace. The fact of the matter, is that Arabs and Israelis, are merely captive gladiators of a British arena, who kill one another when London either orders it, or may be amused to allow the spectacle to proceed. Why not simply remove the British influence from the region, before deluding oneself with the fantasy that it is possible to organize peace among fools who think of themselves as depraved into a status akin to that of Roman gladiators?

My own recognition that the Soviet Union had entered what I would fairly term "the worst, concluding phase" of the systemic self-ruin of the former Soviet economy, became apparent to me as I witnessed certain disastrous forms of systemic phase-changes introduced to the Soviet economy under Yuri Andropov. The shift which I observed thus, was not immediately as much quantitative, as qualitative. The worst phase, quantitatively, was that made apparent under the leadership of a Mikhail Gorbachov.

The fact of the matter, as both Stalin and Franklin Roosevelt had understood, is that there was never any permanent need for a militarized adversary relationship between the United States and Russia. The conflict existed, essentially, because the British Empire considered the weakening of the United States, and the destruction of both Germany and Russia, as essential

^{7.} The only way to bring about Middle East peace, is to shut down that British Empire of the lying Tony Blair and his like.



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"In general, there is no more insane and dangerous notion in modern world history than the notion of a nation-state as such as a permanent enemy." Consider the six-decades-long Mideast war. Shown: a hospital in Gaza, destroyed during the Israel-Gaza War of December 2008-January 2009.

imperialist goals; the conflict with Russia persisted for as long as a post-Franklin Roosevelt U.S.A. was duped into viewing Soviet Russia as being necessarily a permanent adversary of the U.S.

Rather, President Franklin Roosevelt had the good sense to know that our World War II alliance with the British Empire was an embarrassing, if avoidable fact caused by Britain's puppet Hitler running out of control of the British monarchy which had created him. It would be by cooperation with Russia, and, hopefully, also with China, that Franklin Roosevelt envisaged a new kind of post-war world organization, a world in which a U.S.A. under a President such as Franklin Roosevelt represented the organization of power in the world under which Roosevelt's intention for a post-war, imperialism-free set of United Nations, a world freed from all likeness of empires and colonialism, could be established through careful attention to the balancing of economic power which, at that moment, lay within U.S.A. hands.

In the meantime, the processes of subversion and destruction of the U.S.A. and its economy, since the death of President Franklin Roosevelt, have been the result of nothing other than the influence of Britain and its Wall Street baboonery over silly, London-controlled fools in key positions of advantage inside the U.S. establishment. The idea that all the world's ills might be

solved by destroying some targeted nation, is the passion of a typically British imperial, politically and financially criminal mind

Sometimes a war is forced upon us, but it is never an undertaking which a sane nation seeks, nor are there any nations which are intrinsically permanent enemies.

I insist that you hear from me, that even the British are not a permanent enemy of civilization, although they often come as close to that role as they are often suspected of intending to do so. The United Kingdom, in and of itself, divided or united, is not a threat. It is the Venetian style of desire for a globalizing new Tower of Babel, which all monetarism represents, which is the enemy. It is not a nation which causes war, but, as the experience of the 1648 Peace of Westphalia attests, globalization. A United Kingdom as a nation-state freed from monetarist ideology and practice,

would tend to be an asset, rather than an enemy of mankind.

National sovereignty is a goal which must be sought and defended. Without the development of a nation's people through the means of cultural and related economic development of the scientific-progress-driven development of the artistic and economic culture of a people, there can not be sustainable progress in the condition of life of the speakers of any language. The function of military capability in the world today, is to prevent both warfare, and, an even worse affliction, dionysiac anarchy.

It is no mere coincidence, that special projects within mankind's visible reach today, such as the development of the Moon as the launching-point for the habitation of Mars, are a conception which unites the nations of the world in a common cause for their cooperation in seeking mutual benefit.

The disaster suffered by Russia during the 1980s had been avoidable; but, the worst was yet to come, that as a result of 1989-1990 decisions imposed upon continental Europe under the intentionally vicious orders of British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, France's President François Mitterrand, and the assent of U.S. President George H.W. Bush. This decision by that three, was not only intended to destroy Germany, step

by step, but placed all of western and central Europe in the position of being the victim of London's policies, a development which was instrumental in the massive looting of Russia, and only less savagely, that of most of the rest of eastern Europe as well. London's intention, already, then, was to bring all of western and central, continental Europe under a British dictatorship of what is presently named the "Euro," and the accompanying destruction of Russia.

Imperialist London and its accomplices then "taught the captive bear to dance" for British amusement. The dance was called a shift from "a command economy, to a market economy." Russia was taught, step by step, to dance to the tune of that nonsense-phrase.

London knew exactly what it was doing. It taught "the bear" to dance to its tune, and ruined virtually every

other economy of Europe, including what had been the France of its duped asset, Mitterrand, all that under a virtual Anglo-Dutch monetarist dictatorship over all of western and central continental Europe, too.

Amid all this, one crucial fact bearing on the modern history of Russia since the 1812-15 Congress of Vienna, stands out: Karl Marx had not only been owned, trained and steered by the British Foreign Office of Lord Palmerston, but had passed on what Marx himself had certified as the dogma of the British Empire's Adam Smith, as the gospel of political-economy to be preached to the socialist parties of all Europe, including the Soviet Union. So, since the early 1890s under Prince Edward Albert, the British Labour Party became the popular imperialist party of the British Empire, certified in this role by an aging Frederick Engels, as in a Fabian-sponsored London meeting with Helphand-Parvus of "permanent war, permanent revolution" persuasion, and led thereafter by such as the Fabian H.G. Wells.

Ask, then: What remains, now, as Russia's, and all Europe's way out of that mess which the scientifically silly phrase, "from a command economy, to a market economy" actually represented? The answer comes as follows.



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The LaRouches joined leading Russian economists in Moscow, in April 1996, to participate in a Round Table on "Russia, the United States, and the Global Financial Crisis," at the Free Economic Society. An attempt to shift U.S.-Russia relations out from under British control was sabotaged by then-Vice President Al Gore.

In my own method, I follow Gottfried Leibniz's 1690s introduction of the modern use of the concept of *dynamics* to physical science and society, the same notion of dynamics which was emphasized for social processes by Percy Bysshe Shelley, as in his **A Defence of Poetry**. I apply that same conception, here, to the history of transition from the Soviet Union to contemporary Russia, that over the period since the still relatively viable phase of Leonid Brezhnev's leadership during the relatively earlier years of the 1970s.⁸

This poses a crucial intermediate question. How are great changes in governing opinion of nations actually brought about: from either bad to worse, or to better? Percy Bysshe Shelley explained the point in the conclusion of his justly celebrated **A Defence of Poetry**.

There was, for example, a qualitative shift in dynamics which separates Russia earlier from the new dynamic introduced by Andropov, and a shift which soon made everything apparently much worse, under Gorbachov and those hordes of British-trained carpetbaggers who looted their own Russia almost to the

^{8.} I refer to the time prior to Leonid Brezhnev's concluding years of incapacity in office, when surrogate arrangements were put into place.



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Since the time of Catherine the Great (1729-96), there had been a longstanding special relationship between the U.S. and Russia; during the U.S. Civil War, the Russian fleet (shown here in the harbor of Alexandria, Va., 1863) deployed to protect Lincoln's Union, by keeping the British from intervening on the side of the Confederacy.

bone during the 1990s, and still beyond. From the firing of the tank artillery, from across the river, on "the White House," under a Boris Yeltsin driven by Russia's new foreign masters, one disaster followed another, up to the changes which began to be brought about under the Putin Presidency. To me, it was apparent, the will of Russia had been, for the moment, broken by these developments, as I had the opportunity to observe such effects, on the ground, during my visits of the 1990s. U.S. Vice-President and British agent Albert Gore was not helpful for U.S.-Russia relations, in the least.

It was under the conditions of the virtual brainwashing of the Russian nation during the worst of the 1990s, that silly verbiage and sillier conceptions such as the characterization of an alleged shift "from a command economy into a market economy" took over the proverbial streets, and soaring rental charges of Moscow. That language, "from a command to a market economy," had no rational meaning, but it was the ritual sort of Orwellian chant demanded by the occupying powers. The induced use of that essentially scientifically meaningless verbiage, became a litany akin in spirit to that of the

faithful spoken in the legendary visit of Jonathan Swift's Lemuel Gulliver to Laputa. The words and phrases used in the adopted litanies of an almost post-Russian Russia, were essentially worse than meaningless, the liturgy of a London-prescribed religion which had no god of its own.

There came a moment, in Moscow, in 1996, when I participated in a celebrated, leading moment in Moscow, together with outstanding Russian economists of that time, when the momentary possibility of shifting of U.S.A. relations to Russia from those introduced under the virtual British agent, the U.S. President George H.W. Bush, to President Clinton was an open option; but, Clinton was not prepared to take up that option at that moment, and the silly, but also very bad-tempered, virtual British agent and former Armand Hammer asset, U.S. Vice-President Albert Gore, was already

on an insane and destructive rampage of Russia-hating, and, it appeared, Clinton-hating, too. That 1996 decision, by the Clinton Administration, was, as I knew relatively first-hand at that time, a fateful oversight, influenced by the surly ambitions of Vice-President Al Gore in respect to President Clinton's reelection-campaign, which made the international financial crisis of Summer 1998 almost inevitable. Simply, a crucial great moment of opportunity in history, became yet another lost opportunity.

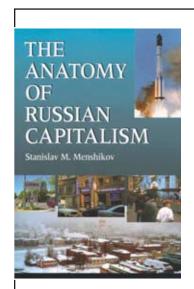
Notably, there had been a long-standing special relationship between the United States and Russia, since the time of the Empress Catherine, and again, as during the period of the U.S. Civil War when the Russian naval fleet mustered to protect the U.S.A. in New York City and on the West Coast. Relations among peoples do not always correspond, especially during the relative short-term, to the long-term common interest.

Russia, repeatedly an ally of the U.S. cause since Catherine, and since the Presidency of Abraham Lincoln, had never been a permanent enemy of the U.S.A., unless a very foolish U.S. government intended to make it so.

Consider the Roots of Modern History

The impetus for the glorious original scientific and related birth of the presently imperilled modern European civilization, is symbolized in stone by the role of Filippo Brunelleschi in using the anti-Euclidean, physical principle of the catenary for the successful crafting of the cupola of the Florence, Italy cathedral of **Santa Maria del Fiore**. Brunelleschi's genius overlapped the founding of a competent, more general form of modern physical science by the ecumenical Cardinal Nicholas of Cusa's efforts in composing his own **De Docta Ignorantia**. So, through the influence of Cardinal Nicholas of Cusa, the modern sovereign nation-state and the birth of modern science were brought forth as a single incident

The development of a general basis in political practice for the employment and development of Cusa's uniquely original founding of modern science, was soon centered politically in the emergence of modern France under that Louis XI who also inspired the overthrow of the evil Richard III of England, as done by that Henry VII who carried forward the science-driven eco-



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nomic reforms of France's Louis XI for England. By the close of the Sixteenth Century, it was clear, amid the frenzies of this or that meanwhile, that the leading scientific and economic power in Europe was the science-driver economy which was to emerge, during the Seventeenth Century, from the 1648 Peace of Westphalia, under the leadership of Cardinal Mazarin, and in the role in scientific and economic progress under the leadership of France's Jean-Baptiste Colbert, a Colbert who supplied the context for the continuation of the discoveries of Cusa followers Leonardo da Vinci, Johannes Kepler, and Pierre de Fermat, in providing, in turn, the context for the greatest genius, Gottfried Leibniz, of the opening decades of Europe's Eighteenth Century.

This successor of such scientific leaders of the early centuries of modern Europe, was the Leibniz who created the basis for the circles from which came, not only Carl F. Gauss, but Gauss's great successor, the Bernhard Riemann who emerged as that leading modern revolutionary in science who prepared the ground for the accomplishments of the greatest Riemannians, such as Albert Einstein and Russia's (and Ukraine's) Academician V.I. Vernadsky, during the first half of the Twentieth Century.

Meanwhile, through repeated references, in the glimmer of the future emergence of modern European civilization, by Dante Alighieri, to the importance of development of the natural language of Italy, the Italian language, into what was to become the model for the crafting of that modern nation-state later codified as to law by Nicholas of Cusa's Concordancia Catholica, the emerging modern European physical science sought out the links to the proper foundations for modern science, which were to be secured in roots found in such places as the work of the ancient Pythagoreans and Plato. The echo of these steps forward in ancient science from the time of Thales, Heraclitus, Archytas, Plato, and Eratosthenes, which we meet now in the modern developments in Classical modes of Classical artistic and scientific progress, have thus provided the foundations for all of the genuine cultural and political accomplishments which have occurred under the auspices of what we call modern European civilization

In the process of this emergence of modern European civilization, Russia and Ukraine have a special role in modern history, a role typified by the fact that Russian culture is a Eurasian culture, rather than merely European. Thus, the role of Czar Peter the Great, in

linking the development of Eighteenth-century science in Russia, to such Leibniz-related locations as the mining district of Saxon miners' Freiberg, can be said to have given Russia and Ukraine their modern role, as representing a Eurasian scientific basis for the developments of modern science which are best traced, retrospectively, today, to Academician V.I. Vernadsky.

The special, stunningly ironical cooperation which developed between Academician Vernadsky and Josef Stalin, is, in itself, a crucial lesson-page in understanding the principle of history.⁹

However, let us consider the economic implications first, before turning on to the matter of Vernadsky and Stalin on a later occasion.

Palmerston's & Mazzini's Karl Marx

Since the leading position in the British Foreign Office occupied by, first, Jeremy Bentham and, later, his protégé Lord Palmerston, the four principal nations targeted, since 1815, for subversive infiltration, looting, and ultimate destruction by the British Empire, have been the United States, Germany, Russia, and China.

The preferred methods employed by that Foreign Office for such ventures, are reflections of the same Venetian methods used to precipitate both the Venice-manipulated bankers of Northern Italy and their European clients into a Fourteenth-century New Dark Age. The typical ruse employed for this purpose, was to set the intended victims into long wasting wars, preferably against one another, as, in modern times, the case of every war fought by the United States, through British manipulation, since the death of U.S. President Franklin Roosevelt, through the present time's insane folly of the U.S. President Obama's attachment to the notion of an extended war in Afghanistan now.

Apart from responses to actual aggression, or a desire to loot another nation of part of its territory, or other cheating, there is no decent justification for warfare except defense where no other remedy is available. The essential sovereign, and natural interest of any nation-state, is development of the role of its own specific culture in increasing the longevity and creative in-

tellectual powers of its population over the course of its successive generations. The success of such an intended, peaceful relationship among sovereigns, depends upon contribution of a culture dedicated to service of that common cause of humanity, a cause which is the use of scientific and related culture to increase the potential relative population-density of the population of the planet as a whole. Successful performance in that commitment expresses a commonality of interest of each part of mankind in the commonly shared aims of increasing the potential productivity of every part of the human race, that realized through a constructive partnership among all mankind.

Presently, unfortunately, there is a British Empire, despite every credulous fool's effort to deny that. The unfortunate misunderstanding of the term "British Empire," is that it is employed to connote the notion, that the root of that imperialism lies within characteristics of the population of that United Kingdom, rather than, as is the truth of the matter, that the population of those Isles is as much a victim of the empire, if in its own way of subjugation to the silly Windsors, as any foreigner to Britain, as is shown by the example of the Hitler-like health-care policies practiced against Britons, under former Prime Minister Tony Blair's NICE policy: a Blair concoction which subjects Britons to the kind of pro-genocidal treatments which Adolf Hitler prescribed for Germans and others from September-October 1939 onwards.

All true empires, like the British empire of today, do not find their identity in the population of a particular nation, such as the United Kingdom, but, like any mercenary, which the monetarist interest of the United Kingdom is, not in the population, nor a properly defined actual social class internal to a particular nation, but, in a form of international monetarist interest traced, in medieval through present times, from the Venetian monetarist oligarchy.

Observe! The very term "free trade," connotes an impassioned devotion to the belief that money and price should reign over many nations, in independence from control by national governments. Hence: *free trade*, as another name for slavery to imperial monetary power. Hence the demand that Russia degrade itself by the adoption of the silly notion of a shift "from a command to a market economy." Consider that effect of that evil belief. Examine the data corresponding, since about 1989, to what I have presented as the pedagogical image of a "Triple Curve:" as a universal physical principle of

^{9.} Tilak's treatment of the equinoctial precessional cycle of 23,000 years, has special significance for reason of his tracking this cycle down to ancient Vedic calendars dated from central Asia. In general, the coincidence of the implication of that precessional cycle with the cycles of ice ages such as that menacing our planet's foreseeable future now, provides us a sense of historical processes in ideas, rather than merely chronological ones.

economy, which is to be contrasted, today, among monetary, financial, and physical assets.

"The Science of The Triple Curve"

The pedagogy of the "Triple Curve" was a heuristic device created and used by me, since January 1996, to illustrate a crucial principle of practiced modern economy in the simplest and most accurate way possible: a "Triple Curve" which I crafted for presentation in January 1996, intended to serve, then, as the keynote image for my candidacy for the Democratic Party's U.S. Presidential nomination for that year. The "Triple Curve" contrasts the combination of a rising monetary emission, as relative to the coincident financial throughput, to the relative physical output per capita and per square kilometer. All of my forecasts since that time, have utilized that comparison as a way of showing the accelerating approach of the world system toward the kind of general, global breakdown-crisis which might be compared with Europe's Fourteenth-century "New Dark Age."

Now the verge of that virtual "New Dark Age," as seen in a local case, in 1923 Germany under French occupation, has been reached, that throughout the planet today. Without cancelling the monetary "curve," thus reducing the economy's organization to a dedication to scientific progress in terms of a financial credit-system and net physical progress per capita and per square kilometer, no recovery of the U.S. economy is now possible.

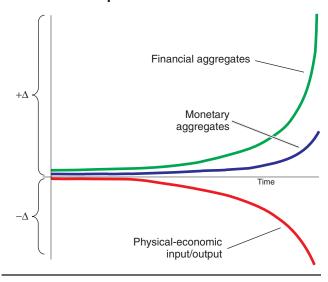
This requirement is in no sense an arbitrary, or capricious one. It is the fundamental principle embedded in the U.S. Federal Constitution.

By coincidence, the same pattern of today's great folly among nations, is to be recognized in the famous collapse of the Weimar Germany, hyper-inflationary breakdown-crisis of 1923. The difference is that Germany's 1923 crisis occurred under specially imposed Versailles conditionalities which the victors in World War I limited to a region within the borders of Germany. The representation of the presently onrushing global breakdown-crisis, is now depicted as a "Triple Curve" phenomenon, by showing its characteristics as showing the essential characteristics of a global process of a now very early threat of a general breakdown of the economy of every nation of the world.

For example: during the approach to the Summer of 2007, I pointed out in that July, that the rate of increase of monetary aggregate in the U.S.A. exceeded the rate of increase of financial throughput, both at the same

FIGURE 1

LaRouche's Triple Curve



time, as there was a complementary, rapidly accelerated decline in the real net output of production, and of physically productive modes of employment. I forecast the immediate onset of a breakdown crisis, on the basis of that evidence, in an international webcast delivered on July 25, 2007.

Since the time of the webcast, the rate of emission of monetary aggregate, relative to the ongoing, relative financial contraction, has zoomed to a degree comparable to the pattern of the case of 1923 Weimar Germany, while the financial throughput has collapsed, and the levels of employment in essential production are at breakdown levels, all at the same time that the rate of monetary effusion surpasses that of all financial bubbles known from earlier European history. A similar pattern exists in most parts of the world, but, most notably, in the Americas and western Europe today.

As in the case of a 1923 Germany whose principal industrial region was occupied by French troops then, the occupation triggered a qualitative change in the ratio of reparations debt to productive output in Germany, which resulted in the hyper-inflationary spiral of a general breakdown-crisis. That case now serves as a model of reference for understanding the onrushing, world-wide monetary-financial-economic situation today.

A Marxian version of Adam Smith's dogma had no relevance for the situation in Weimar Germany, then, or the worldwide crisis of today. However, that was never really a surprise for me in the series of successful forecasts I have presented since my Summer 1956 forecast



The famous hyperinflation of Weimar Germany of 1923, as seen in this photo of German children playing with stacks of worthless currency, threatens us, worldwide, today, unless the monetary "curve" is cancelled.

of a deep recession to be expected by February-March 1957. Notably, I have made less than a dozen forecasts

10. Foolish people, even among some of my associates, have yet to understand the difference in physical principle which separates a "forecast" from a "prediction." They are to be pitied, if not forgiven, for their show of utter incompetence in the subject of history, economics, and physical science generally, on this account. I have never made an economic "prediction." What can be forecast is the approach to a definite moment of a critical point for making a decision. Therefore, only failed economists ever argue for a statistical-trend point of decision; what can be forecast is the arrival at a condition, akin to a phase-shift, a point which occurs during the time a choice of decisions is available, and what were likely to ensue if the relevant decision were not delivered effectively at about that time it should be visible. For example: President Clinton first recognized the nature of the 1998 crisis in August of that year, and was preparing to act in a more or less appropriate way, until a scandal was used to destroy his power to proceed with the needed reform, a fact which has cursed the U.S. economy from that moment to the present stage of the world crisis.

of such critical developments through the present time, and all have been successful as forecasts go.

U.S.A. Or The European Model

The economy and related political characteristics of the U.S.A. are unique among nations, still today. This distinction may be summed up in purely economic terms, as the fact that what the U.S. Constitution prescribes is a credit system, rather than a monetary system.

This fact has much to do with the reality that the English-language-led colonization of North America was not organized by refugees, but by those who endeavored to rescue the viable aspects of European cultures from the grip of pro-oligarchical rule over monetarist systems which were modelled on the Venetian system of supra-national monetary imperialism. The notion of "free trade," is a notion of a monetary system, such as that of the imperialist John Maynard Keynes, as being above the control of sovereign nation-state governments; that is the essentially imperialist character and the essence in practice of every national European political system still today. The U.S.A.'s origins and Federal Constitution are premised on outlawing a monetary system, by adoption of a constitutional creditsystem, instead.

The paradigm on which this character of the future United States depended, was set into motion by the development of the 1620-1687 interval of the development of both the initial Plymouth colony and the Massachusetts Bay Colony, prior to the crushing of Massachusetts from England by the succession of Kings James II and William of Orange. However, by aid of the leading role of Gottfried Leibniz in England, during a crucial part of the reign of Queen Anne, the anti-monetarist model of 1620-1687 Massachusetts was revived by circles inside the North American colonies around what became consolidated as the leadership of the scientist and international political figure Benjamin Franklin.¹¹

The character of this specific distinction, and systemic advantage, of the U.S.A. Constitution from that of all other nations of the world, lies in the constitutional, anti-monetarist exclusion of any semblance of a European monetarist system by the constitutional specification of a protectionist form of national credit-

^{11.} Cf. H. Graham Lowry, **How the Nation Was Won: America's Untold Story**, (Washington, D.C.: Executive Intelligence Review, 1988).

system, a feature which was already characteristic of the pre-1688-1689 practices in the Massachusetts Bay Colony. The core of the U.S. Constitution's realization of its own Preamble was the concept of national banking under a credit-system which was militantly opposed to European forms of monetary systems.

II. The American System As a Remedy

My associate Anton Chaitkin developed a chronicle, entitled **Treason in America**, in successively amplified editions, tracing the history of the British conflict with the United States from, essentially, the run-up to the effects of the February 1763 establishment of the British empire as a private-owned imperial power under the leadership of the British East India Company's Lord Shelburne. The crucial role of Gottfried Leibniz, then operating from inside England, was elaborated by the historian H. Graham Lowry in his **How the Nation Was Won: America's Untold Story, Vol. I.** 13

Virtually no relevant sort of notable figure in Eurasia, living today, has shown me any competent knowledge, beyond a dimly perceived view of the names and some crucial facts concerning Abraham Lincoln and Franklin Roosevelt, of the origins, internal history, or essential distinctions of character of the United States and its systemically superior quality of unique constitution.

Europeans today, even most scholarly professionals, view the history of the United States through the prism of British Liberalism, rather than appreciating the principled fact of the American Revolution, the fact that we of the U.S.A., and Britain are deeply divided by

the sharing of a common language. This presently general ignorance of the U.S.A.'s essential characteristics in Europe today, is a product of the dominant influence of British Liberalism throughout Europe since the rise of the existentialism of the "68ers" throughout the leading circles of Europe, generally, still today.

Peel away the influence of London's allies and virtual puppets among the Wall Street predators, and you are confronted with a character of the U.S. citizenry which is currently expressed by the August-October outbreak of a "mass strike," in Rosa Luxemburg's sense of that term, a sense of the term comparable to that of late 1989 Saxony which brought down the DDR regime with the cries of "Wir sind das Volk!" 14 The irony of that development in Saxony, then, reflected the fact that Saxony, during its incarnation under the East Germany regime, did not suffer the demoralizing effects of the depraved, post-World War II Congress for Cultural Freedom (CCF), a CCF which had undermined the morals and culture of post-World War II western Europe, especially in the matter of art, a moral degeneration respecting trends in artistic principles which spilled over into a degeneration within mathematical-physical practice, especially among the presently reigning adult generation.

In western Europe, as, to a large degree, inside the United States, what became the so-called "white collar," typically university-educated generation born after the close of the 1939-1945 "Second World War," was massively indoctrinated with a Liberal, essentially anti-Franklin Roosevelt ideology, one echoing what patriotic generations of Americans had, earlier, despised as British Liberalism, often despised as Liberalism's Wall Street and kindred expressions inside the U.S. itself. Although the same species of Liberal corruption was spread against Classical European culture in the continental Europe of France's Charles de Gaulle and Germany's Konrad Adenauer, the traditionally patriotic U.S. citizen's deeply embedded, patriotic contempt for European liberalism, has remained, despite the "Baby Boomer" generation, a stubborn factor of lurking opposition to what became, since 1968, the deep moralcultural corruption represented by the leading strata of the trans-Atlantic "68er" generation itself gained relative ascendancy under "the 68ers."

The characteristics of the mass-strike eruption

^{12.} Anton Chaitkin, **Treason in America: From Aaron Burr to Averell Harriman** (New Benjamin Franklin House, 1985).

^{13.} Op. cit. Graham came to me in 1983, outlining the key for the crucial role of Leibniz in England during the crucial interval in the monarchy of Queen Anne, in establishing the foundations for Leibniz's intention of assuring the success of the patriotic faction in England of that time, and showing the essential role of Leibniz in creating the international links between the 1620-1687 interval of the independent Massachusetts led by the Winthrops and Mathers, and the later role of Benjamin Franklin in the crafting of what became the United States and both its Declaration of Independence and Federal Constitution. Graham's death later deprived the United States of one among the last of the practicing true academically trained historians of the United States' own history.

^{14.} A slogan from Ferdinand Freiligrath's famous **Trotz alledem** of June 1848, as recalled in the Saxony demonstrations of 1989.



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Beneath the influence of London's treacherous allies among the Wall Street predators and their lackeys in Washington, you will find something quite different among the U.S. citizenry, as expressed in the August-October "mass strike" against the policies of the White House and Congress. Here, the mass rally in Washington Sept. 12, 2009.

which presently threatens to bring about the nearextinction of the Democratic Party in the U.S. Congress during the next general election of 2010, is, in significant degree, a sign that the so-called Liberal, middleclass-born, "68er" generation is nearing the terminal moment of its political-cultural ebb-tide in control over the American psyche. Unfortunately, the moral-cultural damage left behind by that generation's own style in Liberalism is also leaving a great deal of moral wreckage behind, globally, in its passing.

The case of the intellectual carnage spread among the various nationalities of the former Soviet Union, while not an exact copy of the "Baby Boomer generation" of western Europe and the Americas, is comparable in other respects.

The principal evil afflicting the world presently, is what is customarily defined as Anglo-Dutch "Liberalism," a system of belief which was introduced at the close of the Sixteenth Century as a system of neo-Aristotelean belief introduced by the Venetian Paolo Sarpi, and premised, by Sarpi on his own and his lackey's (Galileo Galilei's) version of a resurrection of the dogma of the medieval William of Ockham.

It has been the spread of such strains of Liberalism within what had been component parts of the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe, which are the principal ex-

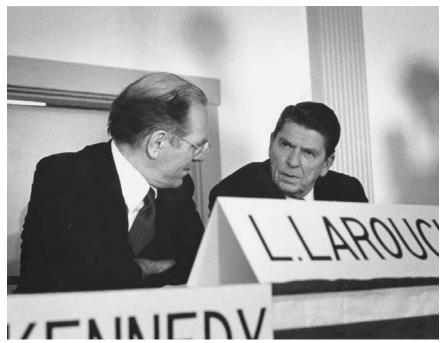
pressions of the strategically relevant forms of moral corruption in high places within the region of what had been the Soviet Union and its Warsaw Pact associates, prior to the developments of 1989.

How The SDI Was Born

In 1976, a copy of a letter written by an associate of the team of David Rockefeller's Trilateral Commission protégé Zbigniew Brzezinski, fell into my hands.

That letter specified an intended launching of a nuclear confrontation with the Soviet Union once a Democratic candidate were to be elected to supersede President Gerald Ford. What that letter outlined, was a virtual copy of Bertrand Russell's own published September 1946 announcement of a plan for a "preventive nuclear attack" on a Soviet Union which Russell believed would not be able to match U.S. nuclear capability in the available time.

Since I was a candidate for U.S. President at that point in 1976, I decided that it was my obligation to react to this knowledge which I gained in investigation of the matter of that letter, to blow the lid off that Trilateral Commission-brewed scheme. My first action was to blow the story in two nation-wide television broadcasts. Blowing the cover on the plot succeeded, and also resulted in death-threats against me from relevant



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LaRouche's proposal to develop a science-driver technology to prevent a preemptive nuclear strike, was presented as part of his 1980 campaign for the Democratic nomination for President. This became Reagan's Strategic Defense Initiative. The two are shown at a campaign event in Concord, N.H.

high-level circles after Brzezinski's Carter Administration entered office.

My parallel action was to follow through on indications of means in development by which a pre-emptive nuclear assault of the intended type could be deprived of its intended result. This latter aspect of my work, which President Ronald Reagan named the SDI, became a featured element within my own 1979-1980 campaign for the U.S. Democratic Presidential nomination.

Since I had access to relevant scientific capabilities, I had crafted an intended approach by the U.S. government to the Soviet government for joint action to preclude any renewal of the Trilateral Commission's intended revival of an echo of Bertrand Russell's 1946 "preventive nuclear strike" scheme. There were also warnings that some circles in the Soviet Union might be less resistant to a revival of something akin to Russell's 1946 scheme.

The initial reaction to my proposal from within relevant 1981 post-election circles of the new Reagan Administration, from relevant sections of both the Soviet Union and the new U.S. Administration, was encouraging, until Yuri Andropov became Soviet General Secretary, even when President Reagan himself had made the

first of his public offers to the Soviet government. The foolish rejection of the proffer by Andropov was disastrous for all parties concerned—except London-controlled circles on both sides of the U.S.A.-Soviet equation; the later reaction from London's preferred choice, London-leaning Mikhail Gorbachov, was a strategically insane posture which led directly into the disintegration of the Soviet Union, and into the general mess which the entire world has experienced, chain-reaction-style, over the subsequent decade.

The object of the SDI had not been to deploy such a system in any sense of "full" at that time, or for some time to come. The agreement to cooperate in developing a scientific capability was intended to be the commitment which would establish an effective barrier against any relevant party's inclination to launch something like Bertrand Russell's

1946 proposal of establishing world government through nuclear terrorism.

As reformed "war hawk" Edward Teller came over to the cause of SDI, his characterization of the prospect uttered by him in the conclusion of the relevant Erice conference, was cooperation with the Soviet government on behalf of "the common aims of mankind." No one of importance but some British imperialist hardheads and their anglophile sympathizers disagreed.

Today, the same goal as expressed in considerably changed circumstances, is keynoted by the prospect of re-launching the goals of the space-program which had withered away under and after President Richard Nixon. Now, as for the principal authors who shared my initiative for what become the SDI, the same spirit of building constructive relations out of a setting of conflicts through transformation of conflicts into causes for the mutually advantageous expressions of cooperation among respectively sovereign nation-state republics, remains. Such a general remedy for relations upon this planet now, depends, chiefly, for the coming century or two, on the principle expressed by today's insurgent intention to mobilize around the mission of a future Mars landing.

Appendix: The Science Of The Triple Curve

The author's uniquely successful method of forecasting, since 1956, has been restated in the form of what was first presented by him publicly in January 1996, as the summation of the long-range forecast of that year's U.S. Presidential Election Campaign.

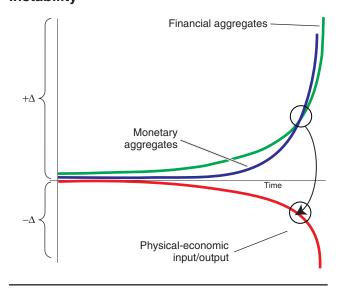
The fundamental difference between a credit-system of the type prescribed by the U.S. Federal Constitution and European monetarist systems, still today, is to be recognized in the fact that monetarist systems have three principal parameters: monetary, financial, and physical; whereas, the U.S. system under its Federal Constitution (when not violated by wrong-doers in high places in government) has but two, financial and physical, as the Franklin Roosevelt era's Glass-Steagall law for commercial banking affirmed this implicit feature of the U.S. Federal Constitution. This distinction expresses the constitutional character, and inherent superiority of the U.S. economy, when it is operating according to its Federal Constitution, the distinction from the present design of all economies of Europe since no later than the period of that infamously ruinous Peloponnesian War orchestrated by the Cult of Delphi, among the maritime principalities of Athens, Corinth, and Syracuse.

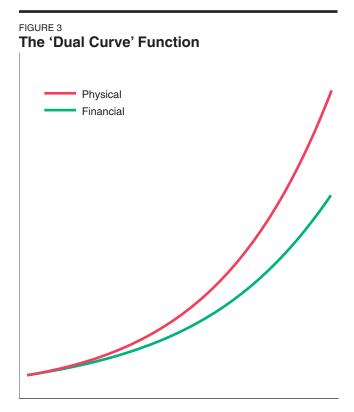
The crucial distinction lies in the anti-oligarchical feature of the American System of political economy which sets the traditions of ancient, medieval and modern Europe, generally, apart from the American System, as if instinctively, still today. It used to be said, in the U.S.A., and among its European admirers, that. in the U.S.A. every man is, relatively speaking, a king.

Such is the essential root of the difference of the U.S. Constitutional system from the parliamentary models typical of Europe still today. This difference is made clear for any competent practice of economic science, by the contrast of a corrupted form of the U.S. constitutional economic system, as illustrated by the case of the "Triple Curve," as contrasted with the "Dual Curve" defined by the U.S. Constitutional credit system:

Since all relevant times, all among the principal political systems of Europe have been controlled, as from above, by monetary systems of an intrinsically supranational quality, such as the intrinsically imperialist "free

The Collapse Reaches a Critical Point of Instability





trade" systems. Since the February 1763 Peace of Paris, when a private company, the British East India Company of Lord Shelburne, was established as a private monetarist empire with traditionally Venetian monetarist characteristics, it operated with relative independence of the

power of the British monarchy, until the British imperial monarchy of Queen Victoria assumed personal custody over the bankrupted East India Company. This notion of a privately controlled, intrinsically imperialist, "free trade" system, degraded the power of the British kingdom itself to that of a mere appendage of a Venetian style of monetarist power centered in the imperial City of London.

That February 1763 accession of the British East India Company to a Venetian-style imperial power, was the cause of a break between the patriots of what was to become the United States and its great adversary, the imperial powers assumed by the Company, a 1763 break leading into the 1776-1783 U.S.A. War of Independence.

The cornerstone of that U.S. government's Federal Constitution lies in the establishment of a monopoly on the uttering of any lawful currency for circulation within, or otherwise imposed upon the United States, which was subordinated to any international monetary power.¹⁵

Thus, presently, the implicitly unconstitutional actions of former U.S. Secretary of the Treasury Larry Summers, in his earlier destroying that Glass-Steagall



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A Four-Power agreement among the U.S.A., Russia, China, and India, can establish a global "Glass-Steagall" standard, to provide the credit to finance great infrastructure projects. Here, the Qinghai-Tibet railway.

law which had been erected in defense against the unlawful practices used to loot the commercial banking system of the U.S.A., opened the gates for the full unleashing, under Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan, of the intentionally subversive and virtually treasonous uttering of the fraudulent monetarist creations known as "financial derivatives," a swindle which Greenspan had set into implicitly treasonous motion with his accession to the position of Chairman of the Federal Reserve System.

Under the liberties thus gained by Alan Greenspan's *defacto* superiors in London, the world has been flooded with virtually worthless money in the guise of "financial derivatives." The world-wide claims denoted in such "financial derivatives," now vastly exceed, as pretended claims, an amount in the equivalent of quadrillions of dollars, a sum vastly greater than all of the presumed future wealth of the entire planet. We have lately entered, thus, a present situation in which the nations of the world at large have reached a state of global monetary affairs comparable to occupied Weimar Germany during Spring-Autumn 1923.

There is no present hope of avoiding a very early general, globally genocidal, hyper-inflationary breakdown crisis of the world, except by actions summarily cancelling all debts which do not conform to the same

^{15.} As the U.S.A. gained its freedom from the imperial reign of Lord Shelburne's British East India Company of that time, since about the time of Shelburne's crafting of the 1782, imperialist Foreign Office, the realization of what was soon to become the U.S. Federal Constitution was expressed by the principle of national banking. With the destruction of the Second Bank of the United States, under the direction of traitor Aaron Burr's heir and President Andrew Jackson's virtual owner, the later President, Martin van Buren, the re-establishment of national banking under the principle of the U.S. Federal Constitution, waited until President Abraham Lincoln's adoption of the "Greenback" policies which expressed the great Federal constitutional principle. Efforts to revive that "greenback" policy were halted by the implicitly treasonous Federal Reserve Act rammed through by two sons of the Confederacy, Theodore Roosevelt and Ku Klux Klan re-founder Woodrow Wilson. The Federal Reserve System itself was rendered bankrupt through the continuation of the great swindle unloosed by Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan under Chairman Ben "Helicopter Money" Bernanke today. (Theodore Roosevelt had been trained for politics by his uncle, who had served as head of the London-based intelligence service of the Confederacy during the U.S. Civil War.)

standard for commercial banking set under President Franklin Roosevelt in 1933 as the Glass-Steagall Act, a Glass-Steagall Act which did nothing different than affirm the most solemn of the relevant, intended features of the U.S. Federal Constitution.

Under the equivalent of a global "Glass-Steagall" standard for commercial banking world-wide, a return to a global fixed-exchange-rate system under a set of leading nations, including the U.S.A., Russia, China, and India, would create a framework under which all nations participating in such an initiative, would be capable of uttering credit used for a needed recapitalization of the increase of the science-technology-driven productive powers of labor of the nations of the world. This would represent a change from the presently disastrous directions, a change which would emphasize the need to shift from the presently disastrous patterns of already virtually genocidal collapse of physical productivity per capita throughout the planet as a whole, through aid of modes of relatively very-high-energy-flux-density, such as nuclear fission and thermonuclear fusion, and yet higher order technologies, and the colonization of Mars within the scope of later developments within the presently young century of this planet's existence.

This change would, of course, virtually eradicate that reign over European civilization, which has governed and oppressed the participants in globally extended European civilization since the time of that Peloponnesian War which gave birth to the system of maritime forms of monetarist empires which has reigned within, and through European civilization since that time.

The Contrast

Consider the effect of a process of corruption which was, implicitly, launched as a conspiracy against the just deceased U.S. President Franklin Roosevelt, on April 13, 1945, the day after that President's succession by President Harry S Truman. Truman, and his accomplices from among President Roosevelt's leading international political enemies, such as Winston Churchill and John Maynard Keynes, opened the cracks in the world system through which imperialist monetarist interest largely halted, and even sometimes reversed the liberation of peoples and nations from British and related imperialist forms of colonialism.

Instead of uniting nations in common cause against British and comparable forms of imperial colonialist power, the post-Franklin Roosevelt cabal centered in Truman, Churchill, and Keynes, returned nations, such as Indo-China at that time, to captivity, and substantially reversed what had been President Roosevelt's intention to break up all colonialist power throughout the planet, that in favor of developing a United Nations Organization (UNO) composed of respectively, truly sovereign, and developing nation-state republics freed from all vestiges of the status of colonial dependencies, such as those of the British Commonwealth today.

The U.S.A.'s 1964-1975 war in Indo-China was brought about through the breaking of the will of the assassinated President John F. Kennedy's successor, Vice-President Lyndon B. Johnson, by the terrifying success of the assassination of the opponent of launching a general war in Indo-China, President John F. Kennedy. President Kennedy's policies had opposed any extended "land-war in Asia," Kennedy policies which were prompted and supported by the advice of U.S. Generals of the Armies Douglas MacArthur and Dwight D. Eisenhower, contrary to the impulse of a failed President Barack Obama in the matter of war in Afghanistan today.

The war in Indo-China was thus brought about, by means of an assassination of President John F. Kennedy, a murder whose authorship had been concealed by aid of a concert of those leading elements in the U.S. system who then proceeded, through terrorizing their colleagues, to unleash the new Indo-China war. In this way, the independence of the U.S. government was destroyed by enemy forces centered not only in London, but in their accomplice, London's agent, Wall Street.

Thus, as a matter of record today, the permanent decline of the U.S.A. economy began during 1966-1967, a decline which has not only continued, but has been willfully accelerated by London-loving financier interests among us inside the U.S.A., since 1966, especially since the elections of Richard M. Nixon and of David Rockefeller's "Trilateral Commission" and the latter's virtual puppet-President of that time, Jimmy Carter.

An Issue of Natural Law

The root of all of the truly great evils which have preyed upon the human species, once more, since the death of U.S. President Franklin Roosevelt, has been, chiefly, the imposition of the *unnatural form of law*, called "contract law," to effects which are contrary to the essential distinction of the life of the human indi-

vidual, as a species, from all lower, animal and plant forms of life.

Russians, and others today, must take into account the reality, that U.S. constitutional law is predicated upon the knowledge of a body of natural law, which is not, in itself, subject to negotiation by human will, but is, rather, adduced as a natural law built into the universe, a law which mankind must discover, but does not otherwise create. Such is the natural law, as defined by Gottfried Leibniz, and adopted by the United States as the principle of law presented in the 1776 U.S. Declaration of Independence and the fundamental principle of law presented as the Preamble of the U.S. Federal Constitution.

As a matter of natural law, rather than merely negotiable law of a particular nation, it is acknowledged that, speaking in demographic terms of reference, mankind has the superficially apparent characteristics of a higher ape; yet, man has the conscious form of creative powers which no form of animal or planet life possesses. Plants and animals are creative in their evolutionary development; man is creative, far, far beyond any other form of life, despite his lack of any supposed advantages from biological evolution within the known bounds of the human species.

Indeed, the very notion, that mankind must be ruled, demographically, according to some morally depraved sort of opinion such as a pro-genocidal, Malthusianism dogma, such as that of the so-called "Club of Rome," and the World Wildlife Fund, such as the fraudulent "environmentalist" dogmas of today, is degrading. Those utterly fraudulent, neo-Malthusian dogmas of today are a product of governing forces which have oppressed and destroyed mankind in ways brutishly contrary to the actual distinctions of the creative powers of the human mind.

Modern European Science

The anti-humanist notion, that mankind is operating within the limits of some fixed set of "natural resources," is a product of stated, or otherwise clearly implied prooligarchical policies of Asiatic and other backward-looking forms of pro-oligarchical cultures, such as those Aristotelean and related dogmas within European civilization which the great dramatist-historian Aeschylus exposed in his **Prometheus Trilogy**. These oligarchical traditions were overturned with the Fifteenth-century European Renaissance, but have persisted in European cultures wherever oppressive, pro-oligarchical cultures

in the Habsburg or kindred influences, or such as those of the British Empire have been prevalent.

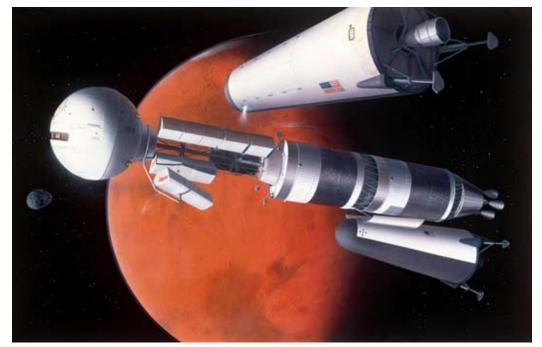
The point is aptly illustrated by comparison of the population policies of progressive human societies with the characteristics of the higher apes. Forms of life other than human, have relatively fixed population-limits over any long-term period; whereas, mankind's creative powers, when employed, tolerate no limits on either the human population, or the well-being of the typical individual.

That principle has been recently emphasized for today's and future practice, by the successful manned landing on the Moon. It has been demonstrated that the failure, since the initial manned landings, to develop industries on the Moon for enabling space-travel, was only a result of a process of general moral degeneration in Earth's policies since the time of the assassination of U.S. President John F. Kennedy. In the meantime, every effort to put limits on the progress of the human population, whether intentionally, or by implication of certain cultures and practices, has tended to push the relevant cultures into either subjugation or a self-inflicted, relative "new dark age." Man is not limited to Earth, but has the essential characteristics of a truly universal species, a species made in the likeness of the Creator, with an implied mission to match.

By the time of the outbreak of developments in modern, relativistic expressions of Riemannian physics, such as those of Academician V.I. Vernadsky and Albert Einstein, mankind had finally passed over from a creature bounded by life on the surface of the Earth, to access to a practicable notion of mankind as a species in and of the universe.

This point has been made most clearly by the proximity of the means for development of controlled thermonuclear fusion. The nearness of the development of Helium-3 isotope as a fuel found on the surface of the Moon, has defined the feasibility-in-sight of constant rates of acceleration approximating those of a 1-gravity impulse, which bring the possibility of travel to and from the relatively nearby planet Mars to a matter of days. Beyond that lies the issue of man within this galaxy. The achievement of an actual manned Mars

^{16.} The feasibility of relativistic, fusion-powered accelerated flight within as brief a time as six days or so, is established. What remains to be explored is the electromagnetic/gravitational effect on a human being in that mode of flight. This can not be considered as an insuperable risk, but it is one among the many considerations to be considered and treated.



The "notion of man as in the universe, rather than limited to Earth, is correlated with the spiritual nature of that power of scientific and Classical-artistic creativity specific to the human individual." In this artist's rendering, a nuclear thermal transfer vehicle refuels in Mars orbit near the Martian moon Phobos.

NASA/Pat Rawlings

landing may still be several generations distant, but, if the will is there, it could be achieved within this presently young century.

This notion of man as in the universe, rather than limited to Earth, is correlated with the spiritual nature of that power of scientific and Classical-artistic creativity specific to the human individual. The creative powers which are innate to the human individual's potential, free each human personality, potentially, from the bounds of an animal body, to the efficiently permanent influence of the creative potentials of the human individual mind, or, what theologians may term the notion of "a simultaneity of eternity." So, the individual's discovery and perpetuation of the great principles of physical-scientific and Classical artistic progress, afford that individual a quality of immortality extended beyond the brief span of life of the mortal human body. We become thus, man or woman made in the likeness of the Creator of the universe.

If we are truly wise, it is for that purpose that we devote the spending of our mortal existence within this universe. It is the prospect of the attainment of the future goals posed to coming generations which defines the proper sense of purpose for man's existence in each generation. It is the process of increasing man's power to overcome the impediments to reaching such future goals that, ultimately, defines the essence of the moral difference between beast and man, between man and ape.

To understand the essential principle of a valid notion of economy, we must proceed from the implications of such an immortally extended purpose in the notion of the future of human progress. For this purpose, put the notion of monetary value aside for the moment. Treat the best possible estimate of a notion of a monetary value as merely a shadow cast by a universal principle of human progress.

Hence, the contrast between a credit-system, in which only financial and physical values need be considered, in contrast to an intrinsically imperialist system which operates under a third, monetarist consideration.

The Principle of Progress

As soon as that Venetian master-manipulator, Abbé Antonio S. Conti, had confirmed the death of his intended victim, Gottfried Leibniz, Conti, complemented by the despicable Voltaire, set out to eradicate the notion of a universal principle of creativity from existing modern European science. For that purpose, during the remainder of his life, until 1749, Conti mustered a network of hoaxsters which came to include those typified by such cases as Jean le Rond D'Alembert, Abraham de Moivre, Leonhard Euler, et al. throughout Eighteenth-century Europe, and beyond, as to the British assets Pierre-Simon Laplace and Augustin Cauchy who, as proteges of the Duke of Wellington, wrecked the program of the Ecole Polytechnique developed under the

leadership of Gaspard Monge and Lazare Carnot.¹⁷ Under the influence of rabid reductionists such as Cauchy, Rudolf Clausius, and the mathematician Hermann Grassmann, the modern reductionist thermodynamics associated with Kelvin was cooked up. In this fashion, the essential principle of the Leibniz calculus was buried under a rabidly reductionist insurgency of modernist forms of neo-Euclidean positivism. David Hilbert's famous failures in geometry typify the result. The result of this corruption has been the contemporary, anti-science cult of "zero growth," a throw-back to the image of the Olympian Zeus as portrayed by Aeschylus' **Prometheus** Trilogy.

Already, despite the successful, later, manned Moon landings, the technologies developed for the space program under the fresh initiative of President John F. Kennedy, had already been in retreat during the 1967-68 interval. This wrecking of the space program complemented the effects of the rise of that renewal of the zerogrowth cult of "environmentalism" which had been in progress, under the influence of Bertrand Russell et al., since the close of the 1930s and beginning of the 1940s.

After ancient Greek Classical culture had virtually destroyed itself in the processes leading into the Peloponnesian War, the ideologues of Philip's Macedon and the Achaemenid empire, had launched what was intended to be a global empire divided into the two parts of an oligarchical form of imperial system, a design associated with the adversary of Alexander the Great, Aristotle, and the monetarist Delphi Apollo cult.

All imperial systems relevant to Europe and to globally extended forms of monetarist maritime culture have been premised on what became the roots of the Roman Empire and its sequels throughout the monetarist world, to the present day.

The "Double Curve"

In the history of trade under monetarist conditions, there are three primary factors: from the top, on the one side, the cost of goods produced, and the price of the financial yield on the circulation of the money, or its surrogate, employed for, in the middle, the use of money in purchases and sales of products which are tantamount, in function, to, third, consumable goods, especially useful ones, as distinct from merely speculative forms of trade.

Since Summer 2007, there was a continuing, soaring rise of the price of money in monetary, as distinct from already declining, regular financial markets, while net physical incomes for physical and related consumption spun into a collapse. The result was a chain-reaction expressed by a collapse of the market for the products of production and circulation of that production, which sent purchases of real goods, and, thus, of employment, spinning downward, while the volume of monetary aggregate in circulation soared at accelerating rates, contrary to financial transactions within the real economy. The effort to sustain the monetary market at the expense of the real economy, sent the entire world market careening into a general breakdown-crisis of the world economy, for as long as the effort to prop up the monetary cycle was continued. The result was a 2007-2009 process, this time on a global scale, with effects similar to those of the 1923 Weimar hyper-inflationary bubble.

The critical feature in what has been the 2007-2009, global breakdown-crisis in process now, has been the hysterical efforts mobilized by the international monetarist interests to rescue the monetary bubble as such, at the expense of the real economy. The inevitable result has been what can be best identified as a "classical" breakdown-crisis of the existing world monetary-financial system. This demonstrates what should have been clear to any competent economist: Adam Smith was never really as much a person, as he has been a disease. It has been, essentially, the relatively widespread belief in an authority attributed to the worse than worthless Adam Smith and the so-called "free market economy" which bears the entire blame for the present world-wide breakdown-crisis. Hence, the collapse of the former Soviet economy under the influence of the dogma of Adam Smith.

The experience of what had become the Federal Republic of the U.S.A., had been, constitutionally, a protectionist system which rightly despised, and was defended against the Adam Smith whose work was essentially nothing but a worthless design for an imperialist (e.g., behaviorist) model of the British East India Company system under Lord Shelburne and his succes-

^{17.} Even after the Vienna Congress, Alexander von Humboldt had continued a practice as a member of the Ecole Polytechnique, until the 1827-28 shift to fuller emphasis on Berlin, where he brought his protégé Lejeune Dirichlet. In the meantime, Lazare Carnot had died in Magdeburg, Germany, where he had been living and working under Prussian sponsorship, in 1823. The late 1820s had seen the launching of the great network of scientific journals which led in bringing together the scientific work of leading figures of Europe generally.



Our global civilization is now headed into the kind of self-inflicted destruction that ruined ancient Greece in the Peloponnesian War. "The sovereign nation-state economy is the only morally tolerable form of organization of the economy of our Solar system now, and in the foreseeable future," LaRouche writes. Shown: an ancient Greek vase painting of a Peloponnesian War-era hoplite (citizen-soldier).

sors. The object of all sane economic policy-making of the U.S.A. had been consistent with what was later to be recognized as the protectionist model under President Franklin D. Roosevelt, or what sane and competent economists will agree to describe as "a command economy," as opposed to the system of virtual imperialist slavery known as a British "free trade," or the British, so-called "Adam Smith" model.

Under the "free trade model" traced today to the British monetarist system, the controlling function of the world market and its subsumed nation-state components, is the monetarist system itself, rather than the inherently protectionist form of a successful organization of financial or physical form of a national economy. Under the U.S. Federal Constitution admired by competent U.S. patriots, for example, the U.S. economy is a protectionist economy, and never a "free trade" economy.

What is "protected" under the Constitutional design of the U.S. economy, is its primary dedication to the increase of the physical-productive powers of labor, as roughly measured per capita and per square kilometer of total territory. Now, consider the effect of eliminating the monetary curve entirely, leaving only the interaction of the financial and physical curves. The result of that change is that it is the rate of net increase of the potential relative population-density of the society—the net increase of the productive powers of labor, as roughly measured per capita and per square kilometer, which becomes the primary measure of economic value.

The factor of time in the function so defined, is defined by the rates of attrition of productivity, per capita and per square kilometer, attributable to, chiefly, increase of the relative population-density and of the relative attrition traceable to depletion of the relatively richest concentrations of natural resources required.

These factors of relative attrition are correlated with the requirement for an increase in both capital intensity of production and of basic economic infrastructure, and a related requirement for qualitative advances in supply of increasing energy-flux-density of sources of applied power.

In this way, the factor of economic clock-time, is superseded by physical time measured in terms of a function stated in terms of a required ratio of increase of relative energy-flux density, relative to effects of depletion caused by the economic function itself.

Thus, the world has moved beyond the conditions for successful reliance on the standard of petroleum and natural gas as fuels, to the higher energy-flux densities of the nuclear and thermonuclear power which is now the required physical-time standard for measuring the potential rates of net progress in the conditions of life of the human species.

In today's world, this implies a fairly estimated zero-net-inflation standard of 2% or less annual cost charged on account of investment in basic economic infrastructure and related growth. This does not threaten the proper function of profit; it merely shows that profit-rates must be earned, or, otherwise, brought down to rational levels by corrective action of taxation.

There is no room, in a sanely composed planetary economy, for the predatory role inherent in any monetarist system, nor, similarly, can there be any toleration for policies of practice akin to those of Prince Philip's pro-genocidal World Wildlife Fund. The sovereign nation-state economy is the only morally tolerable form of organization of the economy of our Solar system now, and in the foreseeable future.

INCLIPATION AL

LAROUCHE ON RUSSIA-CHINA COOPERATION

'A Potential Stepping Stone To a Four-Power Agreement'

by Rachel Douglas

Oct. 19—A large package of bilateral agreements was signed on Oct. 13, during Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin's official visit to China, most of them covering key areas of economic cooperation. In discussions with associates yesterday, Lyndon LaRouche termed the agreements "very significant," and a "smart move" on the part of both the Chinese and the Russians, in the setting of the global systemic economic crisis.

"What happened is that Russia and China, with Putin being key in this thing, with [President Dmitri] Medvedev agreeing," said LaRouche, "is that they have agreed on long-term development contracts, which would be bi-national in certain projects within eastern Russia. So, that's quite an interesting development."

LaRouche said that he "had a foretaste of what the issues were, that were going to be discussed in that diplomatic meeting," during his participation at the World Public Forum—Dialogue of Civilizations, which was wrapping up in Rhodes, Greece, just as the Beijing talks got underway, according to the report. In his own presentation at the Rhodes Forum, LaRouche noted, he had warned about the impact on China of a cheapening of the U.S. dollar (see last week's EIR). At the same time, he added, China faces high unemployment, in the face of which, "the tendency on the part of China is to say, well, we'll just move in and take territory in Russia; we'll just take our poor and send them over there, and they'll become farmers in Russia or something." With the new package of agreements, oriented to bilateral infrastructure development, LaRouche said, "that was not done. What was done by this agreement was quite different."

LaRouche continued, "And what this means is, that now you have a stepping stone towards what I've proposed as the four-power agreement to launch a new world financial, a new credit system. And so this is extremely important. It is not all the way, yet—you know what's going on in the United States." The four powers, urged by LaRouche to become the initiators of a new world credit system, are the United States, Russia, China, and India.

LaRouche underscored that the Chinese-Russian agreements mean that China's U.S. dollar reserves are now worth something real, because they are being invested in infrastructure and other physical production. If the new Russia-China economic cooperation goes forward on an expanded scale, he pointed out, it creates the opportunity for the United States to join in the arrangements, advancing the four-powers prospect.

Not Just Raw Materials

Speaking Oct. 14 to Russian journalists in Beijing, Putin chastised them for focussing almost exclusively on the price structure of Russian natural gas sales to China, which were discussed in connection with new gas field and pipeline develoment. Russia's participation in China's nuclear energy development is extremely important, Putin admonished the press. Signed in Beijing were agreements for Russia to help expand the Tianwan nuclear power plant in Lianyungang, and a more advanced technology: the first-ever Russian export of two sodium-cooled breeder reactors to China. In an interview to Chinese media the previous day,

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Putin said that facing the current economic crisis requires "economic development, above all, the innovation component of that development," citing infrastructure development in particular.

People's Daily reported Oct. 13, that 5 of the 12 agreements, whose signing Putin and Chinese Prime Minister Wen Jiabao witnessed, are in the energy sphere—on oil and gas, but also nuclear power cooperation. Other key areas are transportation and aerospace. (Nearly two dozen more agreements were signed by Russian and Chinese companies at a simultaneous Business Forum.) In Putin's delegation were Russian Railways CEO Vladimir Yakunin and Andrei Perminov, head of the Russian space agency Roskosmos.

As had been announced in September, by Russian Minister of Transportation Igor Levitin, Yakunin and Chinese Minister of Railways Liu signed a memorandum of understanding on "organizing and developing high-speed rail service on the territory of the Russian Federation." According to AK&M news, the routes specified for cooperation on high-speed rail are Khabarovsk-Vladivostok (in the Far East), Moscow-Sochi, and Moscow-Nizhny Novgorod (the latter two

are in European Russia). They were already planned in the Strategy for the Development of Rail Transport in the Russian Federation to the Year 2030, which was adopted in 2007-08, and which includes a rail line to the Bering Strait and a potential tunnel to Alaska; its implementation has been thrown into question by the crisis. Now, a joint Chinese-Russian working group of specialists is to be set up by Dec. 1 of this year. "The two sides intend to use the most advanced international experience to achieve maximum efficiency and profitability in passenger transport and the production of high-speed rolling stock and technologies in the Russian Federation," including technologies which China has perfected under contract from the German company Siemens, according to the report.

As highlighted by the Russian business paper *Vedomosti*, on the eve of Putin's visit to China, Presidents Medvedev and Hu Jintao approved a comprehensive "Russia-China 2018 Cooperation Program" for building 205 joint projects in the Russian Far East, Siberia, and northeast China, when they met on the sidelines of the UN General Assembly in September. Replying to a question from the Chinese press about these bilateral

Yakunin: LaRouche Warnings Were Crucial for Us

Oct. 18—Vladimir Yakunin, the CEO of Russian Railways, and a longtime associate of Prime Minister Vladimir Putin, said in an Oct. 16 interview with the Baltic Information Agency (BaltInfo), that Lyndon LaRouche's warnings of a systemic global crisis prepared him and his company for what has happened during the past three years.

Yakunin was asked, "How does Russian Railways view the world crisis—as an annoying event, or as an incentive to make bold decisions and an economic and technological breakthrough?"

He replied: "In 2006, already, the American economist Lyndon LaRouche, who uses non-traditional systems in analyzing the economic situation, warned that the crisis had already begun. Few people listened to him, but we were among those few. Now we are trying to keep our hand on the pulse. Last year Russian



Presidential Press & Information Office Russian Railways CEO Vladimir Yakunin

Railways set up an anticrisis committee, which monitors the situation in the carriage market and inside our company on a daily basis."

One year ago already, in an Oct. 2, 2008, interview in the business daily *Kommersant*, Yakunin said he had known of the coming crisis years in ad-

vance, because of the warning he received from La-Rouche. In February of this year, Yakunin took the same message to a conference at the London School of Economics, where he again named LaRouche as the "very rare" economist who predicted the collapse of the world financial bubble.

Yakunin is co-founder of the World Public Forum "Dialogue of Civilizations," known as the Rhodes Forum. LaRouche and his wife, Schiller Institute founder Helga Zepp-LaRouche, were speakers at the Seventh annual Rhodes Forum, held Oct. 8-12.

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development programs, Putin said that "the most important areas are those involving cooperation in high technologies and trade in highly processed products."

Vladivostok: Gateway to the Pacific

En route to Beijing, Putin, Levitin, Yakunin, and First Deputy Prime Minister Igor Shuvalov stopped in the Russian Pacific port city of Vladivostok. They visited the huge dig site, underway for the past four months, for the bridge being constructed between the mainland and Russky Island, where Russia will host the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) summit in 2012. On Oct. 12, the Prime Minister and his entourage held a conference on APEC 2012, reviewing the 41 infrastructure projects related to it that are ongoing, and 26 more which are in various phases of feasibility study and design work.

Putin stressed that this construction of a new airport, port upgrades, roads, and bridges must not be slowed, despite the crisis. Hosting APEC "will allow Russia to strengthen its international position and develop additional contacts with our partners in the region," he said, and it provides an opportunity to "position Vladivostok as Russia's Pacific gateway and a prospective center of international cooperation." Some had opposed funding the development, Putin said, but, "it was decided that this unique opportunity for the city could not be let slip by, and that a large-scale construction program in the Far East could also be seen as an important anti-crisis measure—a way to create tens of thousands of new jobs in construction and related sectors, not only in the Far East, but essentially nationwide."

After their bilateral talks, Putin and Wen attended the Oct. 14 summit of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO), in which China and Russia are joined by major Central Asian nations. Addressing the session, Putin advocated an increased role for the SCO in "reforming the world financial architecture." The meeting adopted a Joint Initiative on Overcoming the Consequences of the Global Financial Crisis, under which Putin said a set of SCO anti-crisis staffs would be set up. One such area of greater cooperation will be infrastructure, Putin said: "Trade and economic cooperation cannot develop successfully without adequate infrastructure, without stable transport corridors, the construction and renovation of new border crossings, and the coordination of border crossing procedures and solution of transit issues." There will be an SCO transport ministers meeting, in November, in Beijing.

LaRouche Sends Greetings

Vernadsky Museum Marks 250th Anniversary

Oct. 17—One of the oldest science museums in Russia, the V.I. Vernadsky State Geological Museum (SGM) of the Russian Academy of Sciences, celebrated its 250th anniversary this week with a conference on "Contemporary Geology: History, Theory, and Practice."

Lyndon LaRouche's greeting to the Oct. 14-16 conference was transmitted in English and in Russian. Its text follows.

"To Dr. Sergei Cherkasov, Prof. G.B. Naumov, Academician D.V. Rundqvist; Vernadsky State Geological Museum of the Russian Academy of Sciences

"My congratulations to the Museum on this occasion of the 250th anniversary of its founding. My own work, and that of relevant associates of mine, places special emphasis on the need for opening up broader dimensions of the implications of the work of Academician V.I. Vernadsky in the field of physical economy, both on Earth, and as expressed in the extended field of work on manned travel to and from Mars.

"The present, global economic breakdown-crisis forces us to re-examine what had been formerly considered fundamental questions of physical economy, for the same motives which caused the putting aside of such crucial important matters, during the recent period of the 1968-2009 shift into the anti-scientific trends toward utopian pursuits of "post-industrial" notions of monetarist utopianism.

"Now, if we can presume that the presently onrushing global physical-economic breakdown-crisis does not bring on a planetary 'new dark age' on our planet, the postponed scientific questions of physical economy will be returning to the head of the agenda, both for life on our planet itself, and the broader issues of the conditions of life bearing on human life, and life itself, in nearby regions of our Solar system."

"With best regards, Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr. October 7, 2009"

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In 2001, Lyndon LaRouche and Helga Zepp-LaRouche toured the Vernadsky State Geological Museum as the guests of its deputy director, Prof. Georgi Naumov (left).

Positive Factors in Russia

The SGM is the institution, whose work LaRouche has often cited as crucial for advancing the frontiers of Eurasian development. In May 2007, a correspondent from KM.ru web TV asked LaRouche during an interview in Moscow, what he would "identify as genuinely positive factors in Russia, that the West lacks?" LaRouche replied:

"[Vladimir] Vernadsky. [Dmitri] Mendeleyev and Vernadsky. Look at the area of what was formerly the Soviet Union in Siberia. Look at the Arctic, the sub-Arctic region of Siberia. Under the tundra, you have vast valuable resources. You have to have the knowledge that the Vernadsky [State Geological Museum], for example, in Moscow typifies, in its archives. In the Academy of Science, you have buried talent and knowledge. Nobody, no other country but Russia, knows how to develop that area in a rational way. And with the most populous areas of the world typified by China and India, 2.5 billion people, who are hungry for technology and for raw materials. Without a cultural revolution toward high-technology in China and India, the world can not survive. You can not have this area looted, you have to have it developed. You have nations like Russia, Kazakstan, and so forth, which have this territory.

"You have knowledge in Russia, that goes from Peter the Great, with the development of mineralogy, to the end of the Soviet period. The other parts of the world would go into that territory and loot it, which would be a catastrophe for all Eurasia, if they did that. You can't go in the area to loot it, you must develop it."

In 2001, Lyndon LaRouche and Helga Zepp-LaRouche toured the Vernadsky State Geological Museum as the guests of its deputy director, Prof. Georgi Naumov. In April 2004, La-Rouche took part in the conference "Science and the Future: Ideas Which Will Change the World," held at the Museum. Director Academician Dmitri Rundqvist and SGM geologist Dr. Sergei Cherkasov contributed a paper on "Raw Materials and Russian Infrastructure" for the September 2007 Kiedrich conference of the Schiller Institute, "The Eurasian Land-Bridge Becomes Reality." It was published in EIR of Sept. 28, 2007, and their complete slide show is available on the Schiller Institute website.

The Circles of Benjamin Franklin

The year 1759 is considered to be when the future Vernadsky SGM was founded. In the context of the start-up of mining and industrialization of the Ural Mountains, and after his own studies of mining in Germany, the Russian scientist Mikhail Lomonosov—who also founded Moscow University, and who was a correspondent of the American circles of Benjamin Franklin—called for establishing a collection of minerals, to allow the "study of natural objects," not only books. The core of the collection was a large donation from the Demidov family, leading industrialists in the Urals. After the Museum and much of its collection were destroyed during the burning of Moscow in the War of 1812, although some key objects were evacuated to Nizhny Novgorod, another Demidov helped to reconstitute it with more donations.

"Full-fledged systematization" of the holdings, a press release for the conference noted, occurred only when the future founder of biogeochemistry, V.I. Vernadsky, arrived at the Museum in 1892, as curator of the mineralogy section. "The idea of using minerals not only as museum exhibits, but for scientific and pedagogical purposes, belongs to him." Today, the Museum contains exhibits on the relationship of Earth to the Solar system and the Universe.

In 1988, this main collection was unified with others into a single State Geological Museum under the Academy of Sciences, and the Museum was named after Vernadsky.

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Obama White House Unravels In Face of Depression Reality

by Debra Hanania-Freeman

Oct. 24—In his Sept. 8 webcast, Lyndon LaRouche warned that at the end of the fiscal year (Sept. 30), the month of October would bring a dramatic phase-shift downward in the state of the U.S. and world economy. And, the painful accuracy of LaRouche's forecast, as reflected in the rapid acceleration of the collapse of the conditions of life for the majority of Americans, has left both the Congress and the Obama Administration in a state of unprecedented disarray.

Last week was characterized by a seemingly endless stream of "emergency" meetings as the White House scrambled to salvage "Obamacare." Because many interest groups, most notably, organized labor, warned that their support, both of Obamacare and of individual members of Congress, hinged on the inclusion of the so-called "public option," positions changed so many times, that daily status reports began to resemble a political Kama Sutra. By week's end, however, it should have been apparent, that all the position changes in the world were not going to bring satisfaction. With or without a "public option," polls universally reported that 72% of voters *opposed* Obamacare. For many, the reason for their opposition was a basic distrust that anyone in Washington had their interests at heart.

And, it is undoubtedly that same distrust and sense of betrayal that is responsible for the fact that Obama's popularity has undergone a more dramatic decline, during these last nine months, than any U.S. President in more than 50 years. Back in January, with promises of a return to the ideals and principles of Franklin

Delano Roosevelt, Obama enjoyed a soaring 78% approval rating. Today, that approval has plummeted to 49%. It isn't difficult to understand why.

A newly inaugurated Obama promised Americans that his economic stimulus package would create millions of new jobs as part of an unprecedented effort to rebuild the nation's crumbling infrastructure. In fact, as far as anyone can tell, the multi-billion dollar package did little more than channel funds through budget-strapped state treasuries into the coffers of big banks. The total number of jobs created? According to the last Bureau of Labor Statistics report: approximately 13,000.

The Truth About Jobs

In reality, unemployment is not only at an all-time high, but unfulfilled promises of an emergency extension of unemployment benefits means that a little more than 2,000 Americans per day, who currently receive benefits, will join the 1 million who have been kicked off the unemployment rolls during the last month. A closer look at the numbers reveals an even more dire situation, as the real economy suffers utter devastation, and production grinds to a halt.

For instance, in the city of Wichita, Kansas, 20,000 highly skilled machine-tool jobs have been lost in the last year, as the collapse of the American auto sector spread to aerospace. A report on U.S. manufacturing technology consumption, i.e., machine-tool purchases, released last week, shows a one-year collapse of 67.7%.

One cannot help but be reminded that, had Congress

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not failed to heed LaRouche's warnings, back in 2005, of precisely this sort of catastrophe, it could have been avoided. But, despite Congress's failure, the fact is, that Obama came into office with a sufficient mandate to allow the kind of sweeping overhaul that LaRouche had proposed. Not only did Obama fail to do that, but, instead, his Administration, along with the Federal Reserve, is best known for choosing to dole out unprecedented, and seemingly unlimited, funds to big banks.

And, today, with no visible end to the skyrocketing unemployment numbers, with the rate of home foreclosures continuing to accelerate, leading to a shocking increase in homelessness, and with state and municipal services literally shutting down across the nation, although both Congress and the President are feeling the wrath of the American people, almost no relief has been offered.

On Oct. 22, Obama's Council of Economic Advisors chair Christina Romer told Congress that the Administration's stimulus plan had given a boost to the economy, but would diminish in impact over the next year. She left the panel utterly stunned when she said spending so far had created 600,000 to 1.5 million jobs, but warned that unemployment will remain high at least through the end of 2010. Every report issued by the Obama Administration thus far has admitted that it can only account for 13,000 new jobs. When pressed, Romer backtracked, admitting that she was including jobs that "had been saved!"

Obama himself has jumped into the fray by blustering about taking on Wall Street and the big banks. On Oct. 21, the White House, in a lame attempt to stem growing public anger over the massive salaries and bonuses being paid to Wall Street's bankers, leaked a plan to the *New York Times*, from "pay czar" Ken Feinberg, that orders massive pay cuts for top executives at seven financial firms that still hold billions in U.S. government bailout funds. Financial press inside and outside the U.S. screamed "White House Slashes Pay for Wall Street Execs."

But that night, Administration officials were forced to admit that the President didn't have all that much to do with Feinberg's plan. A senior Administration official told *Politico* that Obama had not signed off on the decision. In fact, Feinberg didn't even brief the White House on it, the official said.

The real intention of the leak was to bury the news of an extremely unflattering report by the TARP inspector general, Neil Barofsky, concluding that the TARP has made the "too big to fail" problem much worse, and destroyed government credibility.

Biden Spills the Beans

Earlier in the week, just before leaving Washington for a European tour, Vice President Joe Biden said that, contrary to talk of an economic recovery, for the millions of Americans without a job, "It's a depression."

The White House was furious and went into a mad scramble to put a lid on the story, and to portray Biden's statements as merely a case of typical Biden "misspeak." But, the very next day, Biden's economic policy advisor Jared Bernstein told reporters that the Vice President was "very accurate" in his statement; that, "in an economy with over 15 million people unemployed, there's a lot of folks out there that are facing deep economic struggles."

The incident was just one of several indications of what has been described as a brawl in the institution of the Presidency over the destruction being wrought by Obama and his inner circle (specifically, the Chicago mob of Rahm Emanuel, David Axelrod, and Valerie Jarrett, plus the Larry Summers-Tim Geithner nexus). The split on foreign policy and national security matters came to a head last weekend, when Jarrett, Axelrod, and Emanuel took to the airwaves on Sunday morning, waxing on about Administration policy on Afghanistan. The statements were made without any consultation with the national security team of Secretary of Defense Robert Gates, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, and National Security Advisor Gen. Jim Jones. And, a growing number of economic advisors, including former Federal Reserve chair Paul Volcker and former Secretary of Labor Robert Reich, are countering Summers and Geithner, with strong calls for a return to Glass-Steagall (see article, p. 48).

In his recently released LaRouche Plan, LaRouche demands that all non-productive elements tied to the nation's commercial banks, that do not qualify under a strict Glass-Steagall standard, be wiped off the books so that we may save what is essential.

While Volcker and company are pushing for a Glass-Steagall restructuring of the banking system, they are not yet prepared to do what is actually required. La-Rouche has stepped forward and declared that our people have run out of patience, and our nation has run out of time. "Set the priorities, determine what things are vital to a physical economic recovery and what can be thrown to the wolves." And, with a grin, LaRouche said, "We know already that we can start by throwing Larry Summers to the wolves."

Exercise Economics

Forget Speculators; We Need Machine-Tool Operators

by John Hoefle

Oct. 24—The world has far too many speculators, and not nearly enough machine-tool operators. We need producers, not parasites, if we are to reverse the current collapse into a New Dark Age.

At this late stage, anyone who is fixated on money is missing the point. The global monetary system is dead, and the attempts to revive it through hyperinflationary money-pumping are destroying not only the value of the dollar, but the chain of production upon which human life depends.

It is this chain of production, which is of immediate, crucial concern. As the productive base of the world disintegrates, in the wake of the monetary collapse, the level of population that that economy can support—what Lyndon LaRouche calls relative potential population density—falls with it. When that potential falls below the level of the existing population, as it has today, people begin to die.

The policies of the Anglo-Venetian imperial elite, and the attempts to save its collapsed system through the bailout swindle, are, in effect, killing people, and doing so deliberately. The overriding policy, as Britain's Prince Philip has openly boasted, is to reduce world population by two-thirds. That is genocide—deliberate genocide.

The only way to stop this genocide is to launch a global emergency recovery program, one based on rebuilding the world's productive capacity. That means The LaRouche Plan (see *EIR* Oct. 16, 2009), to shut down the parasites, restore financial sanity, and recommit humanity to scientific and technological progress. It means a return to the American System, not only for the United States, but for the world as a whole.

Machine Tools

Machine tools fabricate the machines which turn scientific concepts into real-world products. They make science real, and without a vibrant machine-tool capability, there is no progress. In 2004, LaRouche proposed to take the excess machine-tool capacity in the U.S. auto sector, and put it to use rebuilding the nation's infrastructure and manufacturing capacity. That program was defeated by the oligarchy and its stooges in Washington, and as a result, much of the nation's auto-related machine-tool capability has been lost.

With auto on the way out, the last bastion of the machine-tool sector is the aerospace industry, and it is fading fast there, too. Nowhere is that more evident than in Wichita, Kansas, the self-described "Air Capital of the World," where much of the nation's aerospace equipment is produced.

Aviation Week, in its Oct. 16 issue, called Wichita "a potent symbol of industrial decline," and wondered if it were becoming the "next Detroit." In mid-2008, the aircraft industry had record backlogs and global orders, the magazine said, but then, "it all came crashing down,

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with a suddenness and severity that no executives had foreseen, even in their worst-case models.... In less than a year, Wichita's three business jet producers—Cessna, Hawker Beechcraft and Bombardier's Lear-jet—have shed about 12,000 jobs, or nearly 30% of the local aerospace workforce, and watched billions of dollars of backlog vanish."

"It is as bad as I've ever seen it for that industry, and I've been doing this for 34 years," International Association of Machinists president Tom Buffenbarger told the magazine. "In September 2008 we had 9,000 openings in Wichita for machinists, aircraft-certified welders, avionics electricians and aircraft sheet-metal people. And today we have 11,000 [union member] layoffs. That's a shift of 20,000 jobs right there."

Sales of machine tools and related technologies plunged 68% during the first eight months of this year, compared to the same period of last year, according to a report by the Association for Manufacturing Technology and the American Machine Tool Distributor's Association. What sales there are, are mainly of foreignmade equipment, as American production of machine tools has all but died.

The issue is not only the tools themselves, but the existence of a skilled workforce that knows how to make the tools work. When these workers lose their jobs, even if they take other jobs, the nation loses skills which are vital to the recovery effort. That is true not only for machine-tool operators, but for all sorts of skilled, blue-collar, work. We are rapidly losing the skills necessary to save ourselves and our fellow man from the horrors which are already upon us.

This devastation of a key component of physical production can be laid directly at the feet of the Brutish Empire, the parasitic financial policies of which have blown up the world economy. It can also be laid at the feet of the fascist financiers of the Obama Administration, and its deadly bailout scheme.

The world is falling apart, and the suffering of the people of the planet is growing rapidly. The shrinkage of the machine-tool sector is a harbinger of further collapse, reflecting yet another downshift in manufacturing overall. It is similar in effect to the cutbacks in world shipping, especially the decline in raw materials and semi-finished products. The whole world economy is winding down, and the result will be measured not only in declining levels of goods and services, but in the loss of jobs, the loss of human potential, and in death. A disaster of world-historic

proportions is playing out before our eyes.

If we are to survive, we must change the way we approach our work. White-collar jobs, whose numbers zoomed with the rise of the post-industrial society, are for the most part not productive, in the economic sense. We have far too high a percentage of our population employed as lawyers, financiers, clerks, and paperpushers, and far too low a percentage employed in building infrastructure, manufacturing, and the like. What we need is more blue-collar workers, who know how to build things, who know how to make the machinery of civilization work. We need more scientists and engineers, to discover new physical principles and turn those discoveries into technologies to benefit all of mankind. We need to return to working for a living, instead of manipulating money and shuffling papers.

The LaRouche Plan

In these circumstances, the only subject worth discussing is the physical-economic collapse, its implications, and what can be done to reverse it. And the only solution for that collapse, is the plan developed by La-Rouche.

That solution begins by admitting that the financialization and globalization of the planet has not only been a failure, but is the disease which must be eradicated if we are to survive. We must return to the principles upon which the United States was founded, which represented then—and still do today—the high-water mark of Western civilization. The concept that all men are created equal; that all men are born with the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; that the role of government should be to protect the general welfare of all the people, rather than some self-appointed elite.

The U.S. was founded as the antidote to the disease of oligarchism which infects much of the world today, including many within its own ranks. We in the U.S. must return to that conception, so that we may lead the world away from a New Dark Age and into a new Renaissance. We have it within us, as part of our culture, and it tends to surface in times of crisis. We must draw upon the strength it provides, to see us through these dark times.

The argument of the empire's financiers is that we must save them, in order to save ourselves. This is plantation economics. We do not live off the crumbs from the tables of the elite; it is they who are living off us. No more. We need production, not parasites.

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The LaRouche Plan Can Get Us Out Of California Water/Food Crisis

by Marcia Merry Baker

Oct. 24—Today's California water scarcity crisis is, in scope, a crisis of national food supply, mass unemployment, and farm ruination. There are trade-offs being manipulated between the Central Valley Project agriculture use, and non-farm town and so-called wild fish-life use, because of contrived shortages resulting from decades of deliberate anti-development of potentially plentiful state and continental water resources.

Infrastructure improvements—dams, conveyances, power systems—in land and water, which were all planned, have been blocked due to the subversion of popular opinion and government policies by British imperial financial networks using such bogus concepts and environmental campaigns as: resources are fixed, population is excessive, infrastructure damages "nature," etc. The overall impact has been to undermine not only California—home to 37 million people, 12% of the nation, and a world center of food production—but the nation itself.

Within that anti-development framework, the California legislature is now taking up a new draft law for water policy. Governator Arnold Schwarzenegger is grandstanding as the champion of "infrastructure" in the same way that Il Duce Mussolini did: Talk about it, and implement fascism.

The provisions of the 150-page draft law released late Oct. 23, include a mandatory "conservation" cut of 20% in the rate of water usage by 2020; a \$3 billion-plus state bond authorization for more water storage, and various environmental rubrics. But it's all a no-go.

In reality, the entire monetary and banking system is blowing out, state and local government functions are shutting down nationwide, as Californians know full well. The only program that will succeed is intervention internationally for a new world credit system, with stable currencies; plus intervention domestically for a kind of Chapter 11 bankruptcy-reorganization, and start-up of economy-building projects in the national interest. High on the list come water projects for California and the entire "Great American Desert" region, as it once was called (**Figure 1**).

Since at least July 2007, Lyndon LaRouche has put forward specific measures for such emergency national and international policy initiatives. Taken together, they are known as the "LaRouche Plan," now under discussion in many world capitals. It is in this context that the facts, principles, and solutions to the "California water crisis" can be understood.

Immediate Crisis

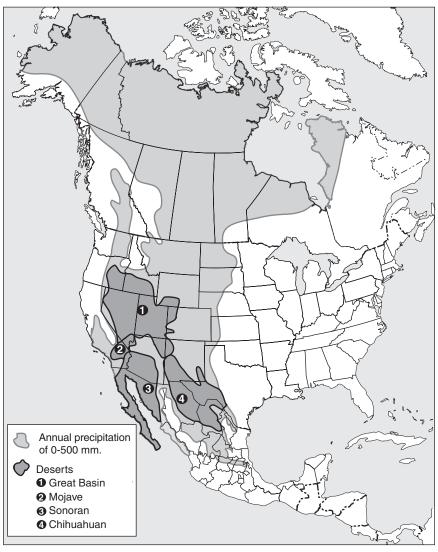
The specifics of the immediate crisis are simple. This year is the third consecutive drought, in an episode of aridity that is characteristic of this part of the Great American Desert. In particular, the drought has limited the run-off in the watersheds of the Sacramento and San Joaquin River systems. The largest reservoirs (Shasta, San Luis, Folsom Lakes, and others), in their basins, are now, at best, two-thirds full, compared to historic averages. Therefore, the flow running into the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, in the San Francisco Bay estuary, is far lower. This is water that is drawn off for Central Valley Project farming, for all non-farm purposes and locations in the region.

This Spring, state and Federal pumping from the San Francisco Bay Delta for use in the Central Valley Project and for southern California, was drastically reduced from the average pumping volume of recent years.

Then in August, U.S. District Court Judge Oliver A. Wanger ordered more cuts to protect the delta smelt, a small fish on the endangered list. This decision was egregious in itself, but actually follows from the Endangered Species Act, which mandates such actions. Counter-appeals have been made. The state Depart-

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FIGURE 1
The Great American Desert



Source: EIR.

ment of Water Resources said that the judge's order could cause 35% less water to be delivered from the Delta than usual.

All told, the damage is huge. Thousands of acres of farmland lie fallow. Orchards and tree stands are being triaged. Sweeping layoffs of farmworkers have created desperation overnight. Water use for towns is also cut. Some 25 million people rely on the Delta for drinking water. In San Jose, for example, residential use must be reduced by 15%.

California, in particular the Central Valley, accounts for some 40% of the fruits and vegetables con-

sumed in the United States, with the exact percentage varying by type of product. Thus, California water scarcity is an automatic national threat.

Moreover, the disaster is not a simple linear loss of a volume of seasonal crops. For irrigated agriculture, biomass output per unit area is on average 4.5 times higher than for non-irrigated farming. In recent decades, California came to lead the nation in techniques and area irrigated, accounting for some 8 million out of the national total of 40 million acres irrigated. In some counties of the San Joaquin Basin, 40% of all the farmland is irrigated. Having this region disrupted and dismantled is a vast loss in capacity.

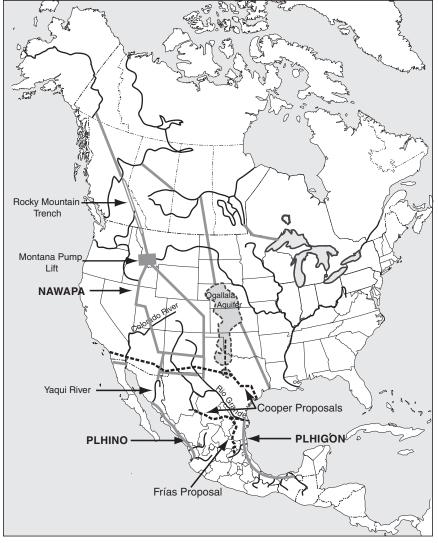
The damage to the national and for-export food chain does not come simply from the "physical" side of lack of water infrastructure itself, but from the simultaneous chaos of currencies, hyperinflation in agriculture inputs, and deflation in what the farmer gets for his output. This combined impact is devastating. "Our Katrina" is how one California farm leader describes it this month.

The dairy sector of California, the top U.S. milk-producing state, as well as internationally, is especially hard hit, since it is the most high-

tech, high-skilled, highly capitalized part of the animal protein food chain. A top producing milk herd takes years to develop (through selective breeding and proper care). The lactating cows must have good nutrition, vigilant care, and be milked twice or more a day, no matter what. Yet, since Fall 2008, the price to the farmer has fallen by half, and is now below the farmer's costs of maintaining his herd. Dairymen are quitting, and/or being ruined. Many have committed suicide. By year's end, the U.S. may have 20-25% fewer dairy farms. Washington has refused to intervene with anything except pretense.

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FIGURE 2
North America: Great Water Projects



Sources: Parsons Company, North American Water and Power Alliance Conceptual Study, Dec. 7, 1964; Hal Cooper; Manuel Frías Alcaraz; EIR.

None of this devastation is due to limitations of "natural resources" or "overpopulation." It is all the result of cumulatively bad policies, and lack of emergency intervention in the current breakdown-crash.

Relevant History: The Build-Up

After World War II, the water and land surveys done in the United States showed that, for an expanding population and healthy economy in North America, more water would have to be supplied to the arid western regions, or else, growth of population and economic activity would have to be concentrated in the existing, well rain-fed regions of eastern Canada and the United States, as well as southern Mexico. The hydrological patterns of the western lands, once known as the Great American Desert, do not have the potential to support expanded water withdrawals for industry, agriculture, residential, and other uses, unless their flows can be augmented "from the outside."

In the 1950s and early 1960s, very effective designs were drawn up for the technological and geographical engineering to provide additional water. If these proposals had been implemented fully, the ecological degradation and water-use tradeoffs now worsening in the West, would not have occurred.

The 1957 California Water Plan laid out the projects required for the state, which even then was the most populous, water-short area of the United States. Based on a thorough 1947-57 survey of state resources, projects were begun of various dams, canals, and aqueducts, to collect and store water from abundant regions, and deliver to water-scarce regions.

At the same time, the Federal Bureau of Reclamation began what eventually became the Central Valley Project of channelling water flow.

On a continental scale, the North American Water and Power Alliance

(NAWAPA) was conceived, to divert a portion of the MacKenzie and Yukon River flows from the far Northwest of the continent, southward into the dry western states, and even as far as northern Mexico (**Figure 2**). The Pasadena-based Ralph M. Parsons Co. did the engineering-concept work-up for NAWAPA. In 1966, U. S. Senate hearings were held on its feasibility, chaired by Sen. Frank Moss (D-Utah), chairman of the Special Subcommittee on Western Water Development of the Senate Interior Committee. Senator Moss said that with the expected success of putting a man on the Moon, the

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U.S. public and policymakers had reason to look forward to the completion of NAWAPA. Though large in scale, the NAWAPA water diversion tasks were not inherently complicated. Moreover, the postwar development of the technology of peaceful nuclear explosives (PNEs) promised to greatly cut construction times, and revolutionize methods for large-scale earth-moving projects around the globe.

In Mexico, matching water diversion projects were drawn up by the College of Civil Engineers to move water through canals, existing river beds, and tunnels from the rainy South and Sierra Nevada slopes, northward to the dry northern states of Sonora, Sinaloa, and Tamoulipas. The proposed Hydraulic Project for the Northwest (PLHINO) and the Hydraulic Project for the Gulf of the Northeast (PLIGON) would have made best use of the disparity in national precipitation.

At the same time as these geo-engineering plans were made for North America, President Dwight Eisenhower initiated work on advanced methods for large-scale de-salting of seawater, under the 1953 Water Desalination Act. Joint U.S. and Mexico projects were begun. President John Kennedy put special emphasis on this R&D. (One focus was on potential applications in the Jordan River Basin, for strife-torn Palestine.)

Relevant History: Takedown

However, by the mid-1970s, NAWAPA and PLHINO-PLIGON were politically all but dead and buried. In 1982, President Reagan discontinued all Federal funding for desalination work. The projects called for under the California Water Plan fell behind schedule, then were drastically scaled down. Work was shelved on building several new dams in northern California to capture the plentiful run-off there, and to expand existing dams in the region. In tandem with that, the "Peripheral Canal" was never built, around the Delta, to better channel the flow, and allow pumping for the Central Valley Project.

To be sure, significant water supplies in the West continued to come from the pre-World War II, FDR grand-scale projects of the Colorado and Columbia River systems, and others. But there were no "new" water resources lined up for economic growth for the future.

In this context, the periodic multi-year droughts hit hard. California has had vast agriculture losses and other damage in 1976-77, in 1991-92, at other times,

and now today.

Moreover, the drought and its effects are not at all "cyclical"—i.e., rising and falling. They have been cumulatively damaging. The lack of internal improvements in water management, to bring on new ample supplies, has caused a degradation of the landscape, in terms of lowering of the water table, subsidence of the ground, dislocation of farming communities.

The spearhead for all this discontinuation of preplanned water infrastructure, was the international antidevelopment movement, and anti-nation state financial interests behind it. They supported intense counterculture campaigns against dams, modern farming, and technology of all kinds, especially nuclear power.

A series of Federal laws allowed intervention, or the threat of intervention, against large-scale water and land projects: chiefly the National Environmental Policy Act (1969) and the Species Protection Act (1973).

A special piece of evil has been put into play against water projects: the campaign against "inter-basin transfers" of water from one river watershed system to another. The rationale? The public reason given is that mixing up ecosystems will have unknown hazards, plus it's just "too costly." The true reason, is to undercut nations, economies, and population.

In 1968, shortly after NAWAPA was heard in Congress, and California was continuing construction on its northern river basin diversion projects, Sen. Henry "Scoop" Jackson (D-Wash.), pushed through the creation of a Federal Water Commission, to outlaw *any work on inter-basin water transfers* without its express approval. He then appointed Russell Train, an arch neocon environmentalist who opposed all such projects, as commissioner. This line came directly out of Jackson's controllers in London, from the globalist financial circles, and the allied nexus of genocidalist "environmentalists" such as Prince Philip's Worldwide Fund for Nature (WWF).

The latest bald expression of this viewpoint comes from the WWF, in a report in its series, "For a Living Planet," titled, "Interbasin Water Transfers and Water Scarcity in a Changing World—A Solution or a Pipedream?" (WWF, Germany, August 2009)

LaRouche Battles For Economic Principle

Over the decades, LaRouche has fought the evil anti-technology movement head on.

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- In 1982, a mass-circulation report, "Won't Your Please Let Your Grandchildren Have a Drink of Fresh Water," was issued by his National Democratic Policy Committee, to revive and publicize NAWAPA, and the principle of "creating" new resources through infrastructure and technology.
- In 1992, in the midst of a severe California drought, another mass circulation report titled, "America Is Running Dry—Build Great Water Projects Now!" was issued by the "LaRouche in '92; Democrats for Economic Recovery."
- In 2002, LaRouche visited Saltillo, Coahuila, Mexico, to call for cross-border collaboration for a "NAWAPA-Plus" economic development driver to develop the Great American Desert.
- In 2003, as an intervention into California's gubernatorial recall election against Gray Davis, La-Rouche opposed Schwarzenegger with many mass pamphlets, including two programmatic reports, "The Sovereign States of the Americas—LaRouche's Program for Continental Development," and "Return to Sanity: Make California a Pilot Project for the Nation" (from the LaRouche in 2004 Committee).

The latter report summed up the requirements for nuclear energy and water projects in California, including launching NAWAPA, and moving ahead with the unfinished California Water Plan dams, levees, and all other in-state water management programs.

Momentum Grows for New Glass-Steagall

by Franklin Bell

Oct. 24—These are not happy days for Larry Summers, the Obama Administration's chief of the National Economic Council, who, in the late 1990s, was largely responsible for the U.S. abandoning the Franklin Roosevelt-era Glass-Steagall standards, that protected commercial banking from the speculative looting practices of the so-called "investment" banks. Since Lyndon LaRouche, in September, renewed his call for an immediate new Glass-Steagall Act, the drumbeat

has been getting louder—and closer to Summers' ear.

Former Federal Reserve Board chairman Paul Volcker, now a White House economic advisor—one of the few not in the pay of Wall Street and the City of London—has been known within policy circles for his support for a return to Glass-Steagall. On Oct. 21, his perspective was given play in the New York Times, which reported that Volcker "wants the nation's banks to be prohibited from owning and trading risky securities, the very practice that got the biggest ones into deep trouble in 2008. And the administration is saying no, it will not separate commercial banking from investment operations." Or as the *Huffington Post* headlined the same day, "Obama Administation Determined To Usher in New Great Depression." The Post noted, "Summers' and Geithner's various connections to the banking industry have been well documented, but what's outrageous is that they are now shooting down Paul Volcker's correct assessment that only a new Glass-Steagall will prevent future economic catastrophe."

Kansas City Federal Reserve President Thomas Hoenig, in an Oct. 6 speech, attacked the repeal of the Glass-Steagall Act, as narrowing competition, by allowing "the accelerated growth of the largest U.S. financial firms in the United States, and turning them into institutions that were thought to be 'too big to fail....'"

'The Banks Are There To Serve the Public'

Volcker told the *Times*, "The banks are there to serve the public and that is what they should concentrate on. These other activities create conflicts of interest. They create risks, and if you try to control the risks with supervision, that just creates friction and difficulties," and ultimately, fails.

Volcker is a monetarist, and as such, does not agree with the LaRouche Plan's call to put the entire financial system, including the Federal Reserve, through orderly bankruptcy, and have the nation reestablish a sovereign credit system, as provided for in the U.S. Constitution. But he's serious about Glass-Steagall.

EIR's John Hoefle commented Oct. 21: "Commercial banks, which take deposits from the public and are supposed to loan that money back into the economy for productive purposes, have a fiduciary duty to

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Paul Volcker agrees with LaRouche, that it's past time for the U.S. to return to the Glass-Steagall standard in banking.

not only protect the public's money, but to do so in ways that protect their customers and the public at large. It was largely because of the predatory actions of banks like J.P. Morgan and National City Bank that Franklin Roosevelt had Glass-Steagall passed. With Glass-Steagall gone, the crooks are up to their old tricks.

"J.P. Morgan Chase, a bank that traces its roots back to Morgan despite several buy-outs, was reported [Oct. 20] by Bloomberg to be moving into physical commodities in a big way. Among other things, the parasites at JPMC are buying and storing oil—physical oil, not just futures—and holding it in the hopes that they can jack up the prices and turn a big profit. According to Andrew Kelleher, head of the bank's physical oil business, the bank owns storage tanks in Canada, Denmark, South Korea and Singapore, and has supertankers filled with oil in the Mediterranean and off the coast of northwest Europe. Kelleher said that the bank 'made over a billion [dollars] last year' in commodities.

"Citigroup, whose main banking unit grew out of National City Bank, recently announced the sale of its highly profitable commodities unit, Phibro, to Occidental Petroleum. Citi, a ward of the Federal government, had been under significant pressure to avoid paying Phibro head Andrew Hall the \$100 million bonus called for in his contract.

"When a bank makes enough speculating in commodities to pay one person \$100 million, something is seriously wrong. When banks are hoarding oil in the hopes of gouging the public, the system is seriously broken. It is high time that we put a stop to this criminal activity, by putting the banks back under a Glass-Steagall standard, and cracking down on the speculation that is ripping us all off."

Calls for Glass-Steagall-like measures are even coming from London. The *Daily Mail* reported Oct. 21 that the governor of the Bank of England, Mervyn King, "put himself on a collision course with the Government over its handling of the economy.... He stunned ministers by suggesting their refusal to hive off the 'casino' invest-

ment arms from High Street [commercial] banks could lead to a crisis 'even worse than the one we have experienced.'"

The *Mail* concluded, "There are increasing calls for reforms to create a 'firewall' between High Street banking, such as savings accounts and mortgages, and riskier internationally-traded services. It would prevent the kind of 'casino banking' that put savings at risk and brought the economy to its knees."

'Glass-Steagall on Steriods'

Calls are also coming from Canada. The editor-atlarge of that country's *National Post* wrote in the paper's Oct. 24 edition, "The world desperately needs Glass-Steagall on steroids."

The *National Post* was joined by the *Dallas Morning News* Oct. 24, which headlined its editorial "On financial reform, listen to Paul Volcker." The *News*, after taking note of Volcker's and King's calls, wrote, "given how wrong Summers, Geithner, and other high priests of 1990s deregulation were to trust Wall Street's self-control, an experienced gray eminence like Volcker deserves a wider hearing."

For a full discussion of a new Glass-Steagall Act's role in rebuilding the ecomony, see the half-hour video interview with LaRouche movement leader Phil Rubenstein at http://www.larouchepac.com/node/12020, or the transcript in *EIR*'s Oct. 23 edition.

Vitrenko Briefs LaRouche Movement On Crisis and Hope in Ukraine

by Our Wiesbaden Bureau

Oct. 19—During a visit to Wiesbaden, Germany, Dr. Natalia Vitrenko and Vladimir Marchenko, national chairwoman and deputy chairman of the Progressive Socialist Party of Ukraine, and signers of Helga Zepp-LaRouche's "Call for a New Bretton Woods" more than ten years ago, gave a seminar yesterday to members and friends of the LaRouche movement. Vitrenko had brought a poster from her 1999 Presidential campaign in Ukraine, depicting her against a background that showed Lyndon LaRouche's "Triple Curve" diagram of a typical collapse function. She reported that during that campaign, in which she presented the LaRouche method as the only one leading out of the crisis, poll ratings several weeks before the election gave her 32%, which meant that "these people would have voted for LaRouche." Vitrenko's increasing popularity has apparently scared the monetarist cabal which had other plans for Ukraine, and, on Oct. 2, 1999, someone threw bombs into a campaign rally of Vitrenko's party, which wounded her, Marchenko, and 42 others.

Vitrenko, who has a PhD in economics, described how, while studying under the Soviet system, she became convinced that something had gone very wrong in the way economic policy was being carried out. In 1994, she met Lyndon and Helga LaRouche, and in 1995, she attended a Schiller Institute conference in Germany. The result was that the program of her new party, the Progressive Socialist Party of Ukraine, called for a fundamental economic reform, a paradigm shift, based on the LaRouche method.

Since then, she and her movement have campaigned against the monetarist colonization of Ukraine—which not only served the purpose of looting Ukraine, but also of turning it into a platform for neo-fascist attacks on Russia. The revival of the fascist traditions of the anti-Soviet period of the Nazi era in Ukraine has taken a boost, Vitrenko reported, from the Orange Revolution coup that put Viktor Yushchenko into the Presidential

seat, without being elected, at the end of 2004. The revival of these Nazi traditions is coordinated with similar developments in the three Baltic republics, which are being fomented by imperialist factions in London, Brussels (NATO and the EU), the IMF, and Wall Street. Her movement has repeatedly staged big rallies protesting against this conspiracy against Ukraine—in Odessa, Sevastopol, Charkov, Lugansk, Donestk, and Kiev, among other cities.

A Crashing Economy

Ever since Ukraine's elite surrendered to the IMF's austerity conditionalities in 1992, the situation in the country has worsened, to the point that now 70% of working people receive wages at or below the official minimum wage level; that life expectancy is down to 66 years; that 50% of male workers never reach retirement age; and that the population, which was 52 million in 1990 and expected to increase to 59 million by 2009, is down to 46 million, with 7 million living and working abroad. This 13-million-person reduction means that Ukraine lost 25% of its population—a genocidal result which was intended by the monetarist institutions and elites of the West.

The average income of a Ukrainian is 10% of what his or her colleague would earn in Germany, but, as Vitrenko and Marchenko personally saw in Wiesbaden, the prices in Ukraine are 2-3 times those in Germany. Ukraine's new state debt (\$35 billion) is almost equal to the entire fiscal year budget (\$38 billion), and the total foreign debt is \$120 billion, or 85% of annual GDP—a GDP which will shrink by 15% in 2010, experts warn; in 2011, most of this foreign debt of Ukraine will come due, and cannot be repaid. The result is, that the financial interests want to maneuver Ukraine into a position desperate enough to sell out to its creditors, especially to sell out the famous, highly fertile "black soil" which has always made Ukraine a breadbasket.

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Natalia Vitrenko, chairwoman of the Progressive Socialist Party of Ukraine, in Wiesbaden, Germany on Oct. 18. Behind her is the poster she used during her 1999 Presidential election campaign, which features LaRouche's "Triple Curve" function of a collapsing economy.

Ukraine was once the number two industrialized republic inside the Soviet Union, after Russia, but its production is now only 20% of what it was in 1990, and GDP is only 60%. The loans that Ukraine is taking from the IMF and Western banks, all flow into the Ukrainian banking sector, and not one single dollar is going into the maintenance or new construction of crucial transport, energy and water supply infrastructure, housing, and the like. A class of *nouveaux riches*—traitors—are working with the creditors. Nearly all Members of the Parliament take their own financial cut, through speculation; therefore, it is no big surprise that they don't want changes in this policy. The younger generation has no future in this kind of system, and is falling victim to alcohol and drugs.

Vitrenko's party, which, in the last national elections, in 2007, mysteriously failed to re-enter Parliament by a few hundred votes, was denied a recount, evidently because certain people did not want her and her party in the national Parliament. But the party is strong in several regions, and has more than 1,000 deputies in local and regional parliaments that are highly respected for their role in organizing the defense of Ukraine, its economy, and its population against the imperial monetarists. LaRouche's Triple Curve has become known to many Ukrainians, through her party's work.

Vitrenko also elaborated that her movement is based on science, especially on the work of the great Ukrainian-Russian scientist V.I. Vernadsky, and the latter's view that, to have policies that benefit mankind, reason and science must be at the center of society. That is diametrically opposed to the antihuman policies of the present system.

Press Coverage

Dr. Vitrenko was interviewed by Voice of Russia radio on Oct. 22, and said that, because LaRouche has been right about the global crisis, his proposal for a four-power recovery initiative by the United States, Russia, China, and India should be listened to. The Russian interviewer asked for her impressions of the Wiesbaden seminar and her discussion with LaRouche.

Vitrenko replied: "For me, it was very important that there are any thinking people at all on our planet. This is the only venue, which

would bring together specialists in economics, people who understand what's going on, and people who understand how to save the planet. I would like to underscore that the forecasts of Lyndon LaRouche, the American scholar, and my own forecasts, that precisely this kind of global financial and economic crisis would inevitably occur, proved to be correct. Therefore, we have the moral right to condemn those who caused this crisis, and to propose what needs to be done to save the planet."

Vitrenko urged her listeners to understand that a \$1.4 quadrillion speculative bubble cannot be bailed out, even with the \$20 trillion, or more, thrown in to save the banks to date. She denounced as "nonsense" the current claims that a recovery is underway, warning that "today, the world's leading governments—the U.S.A., Russia, China, India—are not doing what is needed to get out of the crisis." Still, Vitrenko said, in accordance with LaRouche's "four powers" perspective, the "main hope" of the world lies with action by those four leading countries, to join efforts to reform the world financial system. This means to "liquidate the financial bubble, and liquidate speculative capital," which these powerful nations can do, together.

"Mankind has little time," before being hit with a global catastophe, Vitrenko concluded, but there is hope—as long as human beings are alive.

THE LaRouche Show

GENERAL MCCHRYSTAL'S FOLLY

Britain's Afghanistan Game: Historical Cockpit of War

EIR Counterintelligence Director Jeffrey Steinberg and South Asia specialist Ramtanu Maitra were interviewed on the Oct. 17 edition of The LaRouche Show web radio, aired every Saturday at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time (www. larouchepub.com/radio). The program was hosted by Marcia Merry Baker.

Baker: Our topic for today, "General McChrystal's Folly," refers to the title of a paper written recently by Lyndon LaRouche. Of course, it's referring to Afghanistan, and the drumbeat for the United States to go along this route, of getting yet further completely involved in an insane kind of British imperial policy in this region of the world....

I mentioned the focus about this insane policy that's being pursued, that the United States should have what some people call another Vietnam—but actually the world is different. It *is* much worse today.

Let me refer to the context of our discussion. The crash is on: You could call it the October crash, referring to how Mr. LaRouche, in recent weeks, and months, pointed out that there are phase shifts underway, and we are seeing a physical-economic downshift. We don't just have financial chaos; we have real disintegration of physical conditions of life.

In the midst of that, it's critical for us to discuss strategic realities, not any one issue, not any one campaign, but the strategic reality of what's inducing the United States onto these terrible foreign policy paths, which we see in the Afghanistan question. That this has to be faced, and has to be stopped.

Now, I want to point out one thing. Lyndon La-Rouche, and his wife, Helga Zepp-LaRouche, were recently in an international policy dialogue. This was on Oct. 9-10 on the Isle of Rhodes, and Mr. LaRouche has been in Europe, meeting with people. He himself will give an international webcast Nov. 11 (that will be available at www.larouchepac.com). And before that, Helga Zepp-LaRouche will also give a webcast, based out of Europe, on Oct. 29 (http://bueso.de).

What our focus is today, is that there is a drumbeat for an increased U.S. troop presence, by the thousands, NATO troop presence, in Afghanistan, and this for an extended period of time. This whole thing is the kind of continuation of Great Game politics that you don't want at all. You certainly don't want it continued—you want it cancelled.

Jeff, maybe you want to open up the discussion, about what we're saying when Mr. LaRouche says Gen. Stanley McChrystal's folly is what we have to face.

Steinberg: Well, I think it's important to go back to March of this year, when the Administration supposedly completed a strategic review of U.S. policy on Af-

^{1.} *EIR*, Oct. 9, 2009, http://larouchepub.com/eiw/public/2009/2009_30-39/2009-39/pdf/16-27_3639.pdf



A Taliban militant (right, with AK-47 rifle), oversees farmers harvesting opium poppy in Afghanistan's Helmand province, 2008. Afghanistan lacks natural resources, so from the standpoint of the British, it is only good for two things: as a strategic pawn in the global chess game, and as a cash cow—the world's largest opium producer.

ghanistan. Of course, as a Presidential candidate, Obama had made the terrible mistake of saying that, while he was critical of the invasion of Iraq, the overthrow of Saddam Hussein, the process of getting bogged down in a war in Iraq for five years, he defined Afghanistan as a war of necessity. So, he had already put his foot in his mouth in a bad way during the campaign. And supposedly, this strategic review in March was going to devise some kind of a policy way forward.

Unfortunately, it did no such thing. The review, which some people may remember was presented with a great big ego drum roll, as the first serious reconsideration of the Afghan war policy in a long time, after the Bush Administration dropped the ball, and got fixated on Iraq. But it really didn't present anything new. There was no consideration of how to deal with the fact that the Karzai government was terribly corrupt; that you had a completely out-of-control narco-economy building up—95% of the world's opium and heroin supply coming out of Afghanistan; and there was no decision made on any of the issues that had to be addressed, before you could even take up the question of how to deal with the military aspects of the situation.

So, not surprisingly, a number of months later, after Obama had fired the previous U.S. and NATO commander, Gen. David McKiernan, and replaced him with General McChrystal, they started all over again, and or-

dered McChrystal to do a review and to come up with a commander's set of recommendations.

The outcome was a foregone conclusion. Someone made a comment the other day that if you've got a land-scaping problem, and you go to a gardener, and ask him to come up with a solution, he's going to say you're going to have to reseed, and plant a whole new garden, and he'll give you an estimate of what it would cost to do it. If you went to a cement-mason, with the same problem, he'd tell you to dig up the garden, and put in a cement patio.

So, the mere fact that they put McChrystal in the position of coming up with a military strategy, while they were waiting on the outcome of the elections, before deciding on what would be possible from a political or

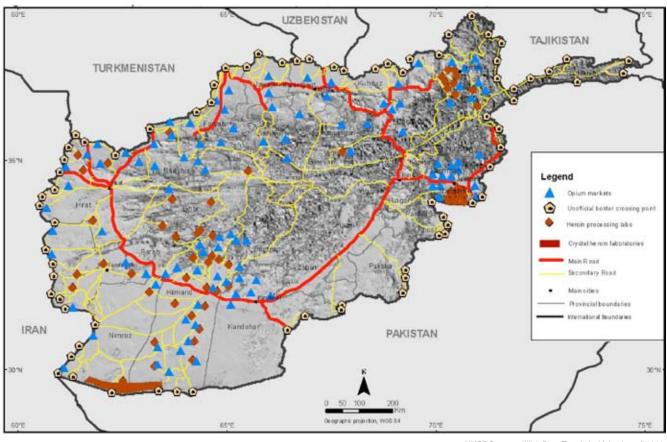
economic standpoint, what could be done in terms of regional stability—it was a guaranteed recipe for disaster. And of course, McChrystal walked right into it, by simply coming back and saying we need—now we know the number!—80,000 more troops, immediately, in 2010.

We don't even come close to having 80,000 troops available, in the rotation. We've still got 140,000, or so, in Iraq, presumably starting to come home, and that won't be completed until the end of 2011.

So, the whole thing was a great big lesson in incompetence. And McChrystal compounded things by concluding that he was expected to be the international sales representative for this expansion, and change, to a full blown Vietnam-style counterinsurgency war. So, he went off to London, and gave a public speech, a very highly publicized speech, at the International Institute for Strategic Studies, and basically said that there is no alternative to his plan for a gigantic troop expansion, and a shift from counterterror to full-blown "hearts and minds" counterinsurgency operations, like a Vietnam in the mountains. And so, it finally reached a point of embarrassment, that this thing was really handled like Amateur Hour, that the President was dispatched to Copenhagen—he was on his way back from that whole Olympic fiasco that we won't even talk about—but he was essentially ordered that he had to discipline McChrystal, and tell him to keep his mouth shut.

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FIGURE 1
Locations of Opium Markets, Heroin Processing Labs, and Unofficial Border Crossings in Afghanistan



UNODC report, "Illicit Drug Trends in Afghanistan," 2008.

But in the meantime, if there's a silver lining in the whole fiasco, it's that now, very belatedly, there is actually some kind of policy deliberation being forced, and there are at least two alternatives to the McChrystal folly that are on the table. A lot of this is out there in the news, so I can summarize it really quickly: Vice President Biden is basically saying that the McChrystal plan should be flat-out rejected; that we should greatly narrow the mission to a limited counterterror mission, targetting primarily al-Qaeda, and also targetting, in a more limited way, the Taliban. And he's talking about a plan that could result in an immediate drawdown of American troops, and preparation for an exit strategy. He's also been emphasizing more focus on Pakistan, than Afghanistan.

And then, you've got a kind of middle ground, far less than what McChrystal is demanding, but kind of a healthy center, involving Secretary of State Clinton, Secretary of Defense Gates, and National Security Advisor General Jones, who are insisting that a strategy has to be devised first, before any decision can be made on military deployment. And they're adamant against a big troop buildup, as per what's been requested by McChrystal.

So, they're going to take another week or so to bat these things around. It's probably a very valuable educational process for the President, who doesn't know much about anything, to be sitting around and participating in discussion among some adults, who, whether you agree with their positions or not, are actually trying to come up with some way out of a mess that's been going on for eight years, and gets worse by the hour.

I think that's pretty much where things stand in terms of the Administration deliberations, and I would just caution people, that 99% of what's coming out in the media, is total rubbish and propaganda, and is probably, more than anything, aimed at trying to force a *fait accompli* on the President and his national security advisors, to try to jam them, to force a decision. And the

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people most actively trying to do that, are in the McChrystal camp.

No Strategic Policy Is Defined

Baker: Well, there are many things to draw out from what you said. One thing is the pedigree of continuing this kind of presence anyway, since 2001, that's actually creating chaos in the region. Maybe, Tanu, you want to address that. Mr. LaRouche was stressing just a few hours ago, that what you really want to do, is just solve problems, not once and for all, but contribute to order and peace in the greater region at large. Instead of this!

Maitra: Yes, I think that what is missing in all these deliberations, going back to President Obama's March announcement of the policy: Nothing has been defined very clearly as to when we plan to withdraw from that place, or whether we have a plan to withdraw from that place. The two major problems that we have created over these

eight years of stay, which is that 44,000 tons of opium has been produced during these eight years—which is about 20,000 more than what the world consumes! And this opium has been converted into heroin, and in addition to that, there is marijuana, hashish, and all that.

Now, where is that, in this Afghanistan policy that we are trying to resolve by killing Taliban, or killing al-Qaeda? How do you deal with this thing? Because this definitely has created a very serious problem in Iran, which is next door, and then, as far up north as Russia, a very important nation, and a nation like that should not be undermined by opium and heroin. But that has been done. Nowhere has it been addressed by the President, or the President's advisors, how to stop this degeneration of the region, caused by these eight years of continued war.

The second thing, is that there are many reasons why Pakistan is involved in this warfare. But the process has also degenerated Pakistan's situation in a very big way, and one must remember that Pakistan perhaps still has the best army of all the Islamic nations. Whenever the Islamic nations in the Middle East get into problems, they bring in the Pakistan Army for protection and security.

Now, the process may have started years before, but



U.S. Government Photo

Starting in the 1950s, the United States was engaged in building infrastructure in Afghanistan; Americans who were involved in the projects saw the country as rich with potential for development. Shown here is the Grishk Dam in Helmand Province, built by the U.S. before the Soviet invasion in 1979. All this infrastructure has been destroyed.

really, during these eight years, the Pakistan Army has taken a very heavy beating. Pakistan, as a country, has taken an enormous beating, and its economic condition has gone down steeply. And we are not talking about a nation of 15 million people, or 20 million—this is a nation of 150 million people, which borders not only the Muslim nations, but also Central Asia, China, and also India.

All the effects of these things—the regional instability—are spreading like spokes of a wheel, in all directions. And we have no way of controlling it. There's nothing in our Afghan policy which addresses the fact that through these issues, the much bigger harm has been done, and this bigger harm can get the whole region into much bigger trouble; and we must take measures, through deliberations with these regional powers, and regional nations, to stop the rot that has begun.

That, I think, is one of the major shortcomings in the deliberations that are taking place at this time.

Legacy of a 30-Year War

Baker: Regarding increased opium production, in the early '90s there might have been 2,000 tons, but then it went up to 4,000, 7,000, 8,000 tons a year, so the trend

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is clear. And in agriculture, during the same time, you have a tremendous degradation of an already tricky system for 35 million people in Afghanistan. But, there was a system in the past that functioned.

Maitra: Yes, I think that the agricultural difficulties that the Afghans face today, cannot be fully attributed to this eight-year war. I think that the 30 years of war that they've been going through, which began in 1979, with the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan: The huge bombing, then the mining, and all this kind of thing that was done, basically destroyed the Helmand River Valley, which is a huge wheat-production area in the South.

Then, one should go back and look at the 1950s, when the U.S. was building all this. Most of the Helmand River dams, and the barrages for agricultural purposes, were built by the Americans.

And, at one point in time, the capital of Helmand, which is today also the capital of opium, probably, is known as Lashkar-ga. The *ga* means fort, and *lashkar* means soldiers. So, a fort for the soldiers. But the Lashkar-ga, once upon a time, in the 1950s, I have gone through articles which said that Lashkar-ga was going to be the New York of Afghanistan—that's what the Americans were saying. That it will be the most dazzling city, in the middle of the desert, and all that kind of thing.

All that is gone. The bombing, the incessant war for 30 years, civil war, then the foreign troops, and the Taliban, and everything that Afghanistan has gone through so far, has destroyed everything. All the infrastructure is gone, excepting the railroad that surrounds Afghanistan, which is a good thing, but in the present context, is also a bad thing, because it takes the opium and heroin all over the place.

British Imperial Influence

Steinberg: Let me jump in, because I think what Tanu just went through gets to a very fundamental thing here, which is that we're talking about a Thirty Years War, and we're talking about an Opium War. These are two hallmarks of the British Empire, and the British have historically looked at this whole area, as an area of their colonial sphere of influence. And I think it's important to remember that we have two situations globally, which stand out above all others, as the running sores that just become more and more entrenched, more and more difficult to conceive of a way out of. One is this situation in South Asia, and other is the Arab-Israeli conflict.

In both cases, you had areas of British imperial control—a British mandate in the case of Palestine. And

when the British, at the end of World War II, were forced to face a regroupment moment, where they could no longer maintain their colonial empire in the previous form, in both South Asia, and in the Middle East, what they did on their way out the door, was set up partitions that were aimed at creating permanent conflict.

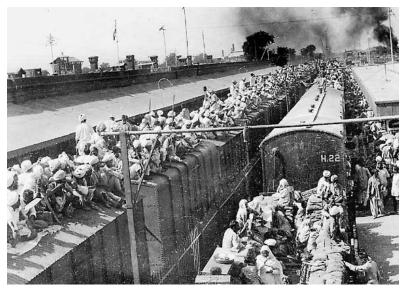
And in fact, some of the Americans whom I've spoken with, senior retired military people, some of the people directly involved in this belated, serious attempt to do a policy review, have said that you have to look at the situation in Afghanistan and Pakistan, from the standpoint that there are two overlapping, simultaneous wars going on: an American-commanded NATO war, a coalition war, against al-Qaeda and Taliban, and then elements of the continuing India-Pakistan conflict, which overlay this situation. And if you don't take that into account, instead of the conventional way it's presented, as NATO vs. the terrorists, you really miss the boat.

Because Pakistan, especially the Pakistani military, looks at Afghanistan as their strategic depth. India has been heavily involved historically in backing the Northern Alliance against the Taliban; throughout much of the 1990s, you had that phase of the civil war in Afghanistan, in which, really, you had a surrogate war between India, backing the Northern Alliance, and the Pakistani ISI [Inter-Intelligence Services], backing the Taliban. There are elements of the current situation, particularly with the dilemma of how to deal with the Karzai government, and what kind of new government is going to exist, once the electoral mess gets sorted out-you've got this other dimension. And in a certain sense, just as the Middle East is plagued by the legacy and the continuation of the Sykes-Picot imperial division of that region, you've got a similar process in South Asia.

Tanu, you've written about this in great depth, and your articles from *EIR* are being picked up all over the place, as food for thought for people within the region, coming to grips with this. Do you want to say something more on what I just went through?

Maitra: Yes, I just want to add one more thing: that when the British Raj left the Indian subcontinent, they broke it into two. They were there for almost 200 years, and the entire elite of India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh, a third nation, were developed by the British. When they left, there were two nations, and the mindset that they created would not allow the conflicts that they left behind, to be resolved.

One of the hallmarks of the British Empire is that; and the way you build your empire with a small number



Millennium Photo

The British-orchestrated partition of India in 1947 resulted in the greatest migration of people in history, as 14.5 million people sought safety in either Muslim Pakistan or predominantly Hindu India. Catastrophic sectarian violence ensued: Estimates of deaths range from 500,000 to 1 million. Here, refugees are crammed into a train in East Punjab, India.



One face of the British Empire in India: Viceroy Lord Curzon and Lady Curzon, after a tiger hunt in 1903.

of people, is that you always create conflicts between adjacent groups. This is often been called divide-and-rule policy. But, when you are brought up with that ide-ology, with that education, it the only system that you are aware of; but you are now heading an independent nation—as it happened in Africa all over, so Africa broke up into small nations, hundreds of nations.

In India-Pakistan, a similar kind of thing exists, that they do not know how to resolve the conflict, because the British Empire *never* resolves any conflict. They *create* conflicts. It is through the creation of conflict that they get hold of the land mass, and therefore the looting and the tax collection, and that was the basic, fundamental of empire-building.

So, when the British left, the existing conflicts between the Indians and the Pakistanis just festered, and now the Subcontinent is broken up into three nations—now Bangladesh has been created, because Pakistan couldn't resolve its own conflict with its eastern wing.

And now, a similar kind of thing is developing in Pakistan. Pakistan's western part, which is the tribal area and Balochistan, has not been taken care of, has not undergone any development. So, it has become criminalized, drugs, smuggling, etc., and all the other things, the criminalization, have alienated the population of that area from mainstream Pakistanis. And Pakistan couldn't resolve that conflict.

And then you come to Jammu and Kashmir. Now, Jammu and Kashmir not only involves India and Pakistan, but it borders China as well. And they couldn't resolve this one.

This mindset that the British have created, is very a very important thing.

The Financial Dimension

Now, one other thing that I want to add to what Jeff was addressing on Afghanistan, is that Afghanistan doesn't have oil, doesn't have gas, doesn't have anything. Afghanistan is kind of a buffer. If you go south of Afghanistan, you'll find oil and gas all over. If you go west of it, you will find oil and gas. If you go north of it, the same. So, the British considered that this area is not important for anybody, but, for the Empire, it's a very important area. From here you control Central Asia, you control the Middle East, you control the area west of Afghanistan—that is, Azerbaijan, and all that area.

So, for the British, Afghanistan is extremely important, but Afghanistan cannot generate any cash. The only cash it can generate is out of opium. So, when they came in here—this is the first time they've had a long stay, an eight-year stay—other times they got kicked out—they used opium to fund the war to a large extent. And one of things that must be pointed out, is that now that the global financial system has collapsed, one thing



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British intelligence hand Dr. Bernard Lewis (left) sold the Carter Administration on his idea that the West should back the spread of Islamic fundamentalism as a "crescent of crisis" on the southern flank of the U.S.S.R. Then-National Security Advisor Zbigniew Brzezinski (right) was one of his principal instruments. Now, the chickens have come home to roost.

that has *not* collapsed is this criminal source of money generation. This money is something in the order of \$400-500 billion, in street value, and this is going to the criminal elements, going into offshore banking, going into the City of London, coming into Wall Street, and this is how many of these "respectable banks" are surviving.

The British-Saudi Connection

Baker: Do you want to say anything more, Jeff, on the pedigree of this? You're describing this specific world-class opium producing center, but this gets us into the international Dope, Inc. Go back 100 and more years, to the China dope trade and so forth. But also, allied with networks very active in this, you have exposed some of the British-Saudi collaboration to keep this all going.

Steinberg: Yes, let me say a few things about it, and then, again, I think Tanu should pick up on this, because he's written some really extraordinarily important, and very in-depth articles on this.²

But, to set the larger framework: It's broadly known that, going all the way back to the 1970s, when King Fahd was the monarch of Saudi Arabia, that he began a program of funding the export of Wahhabi fundamentalism. South Asia was a very, very important target of this. There's an earlier history of this kind of spread of fundamentalist Islam into that part of the world, but I would say that the modern period began in the mid-'70s, when King Fahd went on the offensive against communism. Particularly when Jimmy Carter was elected President of the United States, it was no secret that the Saudis thought that the U.S. would wimp out on the Cold War, and so, undoubtedly with an enormous amount of British prodding, they began building up massive numbers of madrassas (religious schools), and began spreading fundamentalism throughout this whole area.

At the same time, there was a strategic deployment to the United States, of a senior British intelligence official named Dr. Bernard Lewis, who came out of the old British Arab Bureau, and who came to Princeton University, became an advisor first to Henry Kissinger, and then was much more actively involved as an advisor to the Carter Administration. He promoted the idea that the West should encourage the spread of Islamic fundamentalism across the southern tier of the Soviet Union. They call this the "crescent of crisis." And so, with heavy Saudi involvement, with the British prodding Brzezinski and others who were profiled as being obsessively anti-Russian, anti-Soviet, they spread the idea that Islamic fundamentalism was a powerful weapon to be used against the Soviet Union, because godless communism is the enemy of Islamic fundamentalism.

And so, you had this alliance between the Saudi and British monarchies, to promote fundamentalism.

And by the mid-1980s, we'd already seen the Islamic Revolution in Iran, other developments, the simultaneous beginning of pretty massive Anglo-American-French-Israeli funding with the Saudis, of the recruitment of what came to be known as the Afghan mujahideen freedom fighters. They were being recruited even before the Soviet Red Army invaded Afghanistan, on Christmas Eve of 1979. So, in other words, with a major role by the Saudis, a major role by the British, and a major amount of stupidity on the part

^{2. &}quot;China-Russia-India Accord: Now, More Than Ever," *EIR*, Oct. 23, 2009, http://larouchepub.com/eiw/private/2009/2009_40-49/2009-41/pdf/eirv36n41.pdf, "The British Plan: Send More Troops, To Parti-

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of the United States (the Carter Administration), we were off and running. And this was picked up with even greater enthusiasm during the Reagan period.

I remember being up on Capitol Hill, and seeing people who would later reincarnate as the neoconservatives during the George W. Bush period, being the tour guides for the people we are now denouncing as the Taliban, or as narco-lords, opium lords, touring them around Capitol Hill as freedom fighters—the identical people! People used to praise Osama bin Laden as the Tom Marriott of Peshawar. He ran a hospitality operation for the incoming mujahideen fighters recruited from the Arab world and North Africa. They basi-

cally emptied out their jails and sent people in to fight in Afghanistan.

But, in 1985, a much more durable deal was struck between Saudi Arabia and Britain, which was ostensibly an arms-for-oil deal, called al-Yamamah. But EIR's own unique investigation has shown that what actually happened is, that yes, there was military equipment manufactured by the Brits, sold to the Saudi Air Force; yes, there were shipments of oil that were used to pay for this. But, within this transaction, enormous amounts of oil were basically sold on the spot market at tremendous markup, and those funds were set aside into an offshore, Anglo-Saudi covert slush fund, for conducting clandestine intelligence operations. At the time it was all vectored against the Soviet Union-kind of a continuation of King Fahd's jihad against "Godless communism." But now, you had a mechanism where hundreds of billions of dollars was sloshing around, available to provide weapons for the mujahideen, to do all kinds of things.

These funds continue to exist. The al-Yamamah program under which this was launched, still exists to this day, hundreds of billions of dollars later. So, you actually have a structure of this Anglo-Saudi cooperation, and unfortunately, successive U.S. governments have liked the idea of being in on the game, and having access to these funds for various purposes.

That's one aspect of understanding how this South Asia crisis is a product of other elements of the Anglo-



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Iranian Prime Minister Mohammed Mossadegh (with cane) at a 1952 court case, United Kingdom v. Iran, which upheld Iran's nationalization of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company. Mossadegh (who was ousted in a coup a year later) understood the evil duplicity of the British Empire.

Saudi cooperation. Clearly, intellectually, the British were driving this, and the Saudis were the piggy bank; they had this kind of uneasy coexistence between Aramco and the Wahhabi religious beliefs, that still defines tension points inside Saudi culture today.

Tanu, you may want to say more.

How the British Play the Game

Maitra: I want to add one other thing, throw it into the discussion.

Britain had long been exploiting Iran, and had been in trouble with Iran going back to the Anglo-Iranian Oil days, during the time of Mohammed Mossadegh [Iranian Prime Minister, 1951-53, removed in a coup by the CIA]. Systemically, Iran had come to understand that Britain was one of their worst enemies, and they have said it, and Mossadegh had said it very clearly. In an interview, when the Iranian oil privatization was coming up, in 1953, President Truman sent Averell Harriman to Mossadegh, to cool it down. And this was reported: Vernon Walters—he's long gone—was an aide to Averell Harriman at the time, and he was in a meeting in which Mossadegh was telling Averell Harriman: You do not know them [the British], they are evil, and whatever they touch, they sully it.

Harriman himself was a bit of an Anglophile, no question about it, and he thought that Mossadegh was accusing *all* the Britons of being evil. And he said of the Britons—there are good people, there are bad people,



Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser in Cairo, after announcing the nationalization of the Suez Canal, Aug. 1, 1956. He was a nation builder—maybe not a perfect nation builder, but a nation builder just the same; and the British-steered financial oligarchy wanted him out.

like among others. But Mossadegh was not addressing an individual Briton; he was talking about the British Empire.

Now, for the Saudis, who preach the most orthodox, medieval variety of Islam, which is called Wahhabism—to them, an Iranian Shi'ite is as much of an enemy as a Hindu, or a Christian, or a Jew. So, one of the things that the British picked up, was that in order to fight Iran, in order to keep Iran under its thumb, it must use Saudi Arabia. Saudi Arabia was used in this particular case, after the Soviets were defeated, and Afghanistan fell into a civil war. At that point, there was no hope for anybody coming to power in Kabul, so the British-Saudi plan said: Let's create something that no Afghan mujahideen leader can fight, which is the Islamic flag. So, they put up the Islamic flag, and created the Taliban.

The Taliban was created in 1994-95, and they put up the Islamic flag. All the mujahideen leaders who had been fighting with each other before, couldn't fight any more, and at the same time, they sucked the Pakistanis in, because Pakistanis saw that if we have a virulently anti-Hindu, anti-Christian, anti-everything, anti-Shi'a, anti-Jew, government in Afghanistan, it will be very anti-India as well. So, from Pakistan's point of view, in order to develop strategy in depth, and to make that a solid bastion, they supported this. They were not anti-

Iran, per se; they had nothing else. They had no intent other than using Afghanistan as their strategic depth.

The only way the British could come into Afghanistan at that point in time, and have any influence, was riding on the shoulders of Saudi Arabia. The necessity was for them to have control over Central Asia, keep Iran down, and have control over Middle East oil.

So this was the way this Saudi-British operation worked for quite a long time. And one of the things that Jeff pointed out, is that we exposed the corruption and all that, which is involved in all this, the monetary side. But to understand the British-Saudi stuff, you have to remember T.H. Lawrence "of Arabia"; they brought in the Bedouins from Saudi Arabia to rule Iraq, because Iraq is one of the most civilized Islamic

states. And then, Syria, which is the other most civilized—Syria and Lebanon at the time. So they put two Bedouins in the two most civilized countries, in order to control and destroy the Islamic countries.

So, the British game in this is very, very old, and has a long root. If we don't understand that, then we will never be able to fight it.

Baker: If you go back to cover the sweep that you two have been talking about, since the Second World War, on the physical economy side, any development there might have been, was suppressed.

Take Egypt, for example, where you had a development decade, with the building of the Aswan Dam, with other intentions, but all of this was beaten back, and suppressed, and so you had an actual degradation of what could have been development in the region.

Maitra: This is a bit general, but the fact is that Egypt did have quite a well-established leader, Gamal Abdel Nasser. But at that time, our main enemy was the Soviet Union, and anybody who had any shade of red, or anybody who had any connection to the Soviet Union, was immediately attacked as a socialist, and a potential communist. But Nasser was also a nation-builder at the time—I'm not saying he was the greatest nation-builder, but he was a nation-builder. (Saddam Hussein, in a cer-

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tain way, was too, and we fought a war against Saddam Hussein—actually, two.)

But Nasser and all these people were dismantled, or forced to leave, because they had their socialist connections. And in a country like Iraq, or a country like Egypt, when you remove these people, it's like a big tree falls in a forest. And then you move in with your Muslim fundamentalists, your Muslim Brotherhood, and this kind of thing, in order to gain control of the place. I actually think that the rise of the Muslim Brotherhood in Egypt, or what direction Iraq will go in the coming years—hopefully not, but there's a strong possibility that it will be again the British-run Muslim Brotherhood. It could be of Shi'a variety, could be of Sunni variety, but the fact of the matter is, [the British would use them] to pull these countries back again, from developing themselves and taking leadership in the area.



Inter Services Public Relations (ISPR)

The Pakistan Army is taking a dimmer view of the Taliban and al-Qaeda, now that its own facilities and personnel are being attacked by suicide bombers. A possible phase-shift?

Pakistan's Dilemma

Baker: Do you want to say something about Pakistan, Jeff? And also, before the hour is out, the opposite approach, or the higher level, of Mr. LaRouche, talking about four leading powers in the world, leading the way out of this British divide, conquer, and ruin.

Steinberg: I think it's also important to underscore that the British make mistakes; they miscalculate. And very often, the miscalculation comes up when you get some effort on the part of leading circles in the United States to sort things out, and figure out how to get out of a mess. We're in a total mess in South Asia, and there's no light at the end of the tunnel, whatsoever. There's the Afghanistan situation, which suffers from the fact that there's really no credible government at this point—we're waiting to hear today whether they're going to actually insist on a second round of elections. The first round was so tarnished by fraud that they're now saying that President Karzai did not get the 50% plus one vote needed to avoid a runoff.

But in Pakistan, there's been an attempt on the part of some of the people in the Obama Administration, not necessarily with any great input from the President himself, but the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Adm. Mullen, is in constant contact with the head of the Pakistani military, General Kiyani, and with the head of the ISI, the intelligence service, the military intelligence ser-

vice, General Pasha. And we [the United States] have been providing a certain amount of assistance. We've been trying to make sure that the very weak President Zardari, the widower of Benazir Bhutto, is able to hold on to power. We're trying to do some things to help them out economically. And right now, we're at a very telling moment.

Historically, the ISI has supported these various fundamentalist groups. Really, the Taliban, as Tanu was saying a few minutes ago, are kind of "the new kids on the block." They have only existed since the mid-1990s. But you have other groups, like Lashkar, which was involved in the Mumbai attacks, and a number of other organizations that have a much longer history, much deeper roots, ties to London, ties to Saudi Arabia through financing. And those groups, I think, have made a significant tactical mistake.

In the last two weeks, you've had a whole series of car bombings, suicide bombings, many of them either targetting civilian populations, or targetting military facilities themselves. And so, you've got a situation now where the Taliban inside Pakistan is a different phenomenon than the Taliban next door in Afghanistan, making sure that the Pakistanis have strategic depth, and that they don't have a quasi-surrogate Indian government in power in Kabul. But the embarrassment to the Pakistani military, of these recent attacks, I think may represent a phase-shift. That's what I'm hearing

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Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov and U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, in Geneva on March 6, 2009. If the commission the two set up for U.S.-Russian cooperation makes progress, this would be very helpful for creation of positive alliances in Eurasia.

from some people in Washington, just in the last 24 hours: that the Pakistani Army is building up between 50,000 and 75,000 troops, and as of today, is moving into one of these tribal area strongholds in Waziristan. And it looks to be one of the most serious actual attempts to break the back of these people, whereas always before, there's been a little bit of military action, and then a ceasefire negotiated, where the net effect is that a safe haven, under the protection of the Pakistani military, has been maintained.

What I'm hearing from people in Washington, is that, with a lot of encouragement from the United States, the Pakistanis are now dead serious about moving in and wiping out this fundamentalist infrastructure, including those elements of Taliban and al-Qaeda that everyone knows are in Pakistan, and not in Afghanistan right now, including Mullah Omar. And as to whether bin-Laden and Zawahiri are still alive, they're in that Pakistan area, if they are alive.

Prospects for Regional Cooperation

So, the prospect now, is that you could see a significant blow delivered to this Anglo-Saudi-sponsored fundamentalist apparatus, if this military operation is successful—and we're not going to know that for months, probably. But if it proceeds seriously, and it is successful, then it creates a very different situation in Afghanistan as well, and opens up the possibility of some kind of stabilization, and the ability to develop a solution

that has a political, economic, and security dimension. If the U.S. negotiations, as part of the P5+1 [the UN Security Council Permanent Five plus Germany], successfully go forward with Iran, that's another big plus.

If the Hillary Clinton-Sergei Lavrov commission for U.S.-Russian cooperation gets some real traction, that's a very big plus. You could potentially have key elements of a regional alliance, where the real interest for stability is there. If you think of this as a NATO mission, you get into all the complications of the Brits, the Scandinavians, the Dutch. You know, there's a very strong appetite in a number of these European countries for the dope money coming out of the opium and heroin sales from Afghanistan. They run Dubai as their sort of latter-day equivalent of what Hong Kong was during the 19th-Century opium wars.

And so, if you can get cooperation among the regional powers, with the United States; get Russia and China in on that, because they have strong vested interests in that; and if the Pakistanis are encouraged, and are successful in cracking down on this apparatus on the Pakistani side of the border, then you can start to see the shape of an exit strategy for the United States from Afghanistan, and no big U.S. troop buildup, but the development of a regional strategy that has stability, economic development, and cooperation among neighbors at the core of it. And it starts getting at some of the underlying British games, in pitting India against Pakistan, which is the thing that's got to be solved for this ever to be stabilized.

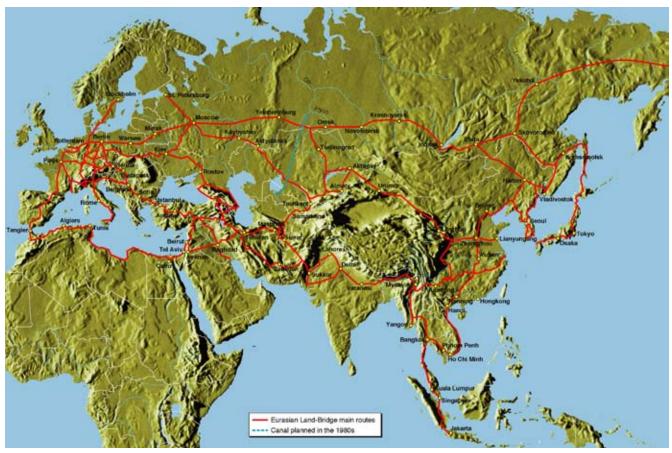
Maitra: I'm fully confident that the Pakistan Army, if allowed to carry out a campaign fully, is now in a mindset in which they will be wiping out this al-Qaeda-Pakistan Taliban network. But the real way to defeat the British is, basically, you have to integrate people. Conflicts are where the British move in. Once you have a conflict, even within the country ... like what exists today between Pakistan's tribal areas, Baloch, and the Pakistani Punjabis, and Sindis, etc., etc.—as long as those groupos are not integrated through a long-term policy of development, this will definitely create a crisis.

At the same time, it is also very important for the leaders of these major nations—like China, India, Russia, and Pakistan as well—to recognize that by resolving this conflict, they will be able to open up the entirety of the Eurasian land mass for the development of the people whom they serve. You know, they are not leaders by themselves. They are leaders because people

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FIGURE 2

Main Routes of the Eurasian Land-Bridge



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The LaRouche movement's plan for a Eurasian Land-Bridge, and eventually a World Land-Bridge, can only be fully realized by defeating the British, and thereby their endless manipulation of regional conflicts.

made them leaders, and they are supposed to serve them. By maintaining this conflict, they are depriving the people of the benefits they could get, if India-Pakistan, India-China, had huge rail networks, huge infrastructural development: water coming from here, going there, power coming from here, and going there—this entire infrastructure development which is quite possible.... All it needs, is that you have to defeat the British by overcoming these conflicts, and taking a developmental mindset.

Everybody benefits from the integration process, and everybody suffers because of the conflicts. So, why hold on to this British empire-building method? We are not building any empire any more. We are trying to serve our people the very best way; we have enough problems to begin with. And so, I think that's what is necessary for the leaders to understand.

This is what Mr. LaRouche has been saying for years and years....

From time to time, political leaders have emerged in South Asia who were moving in the direction of resolving the conflicts: Pakistan's Zulkifar Ali Bhutto—he was killed: Sheikh Mujibur Rahman in Bangladesh—he was assassinated; Rajiv Gandhi and Indira Gandhi in India were assassinated. These leaders were trying to outmaneuver the Brits by abandoning that conflict-generation game, and trying to integrate things. Not that they have succeeded enormously, but long before they could, they were removed. So that is always the threat....

Baker: We've had terrible evil carried out against these nations, but we can reverse it. And this is the opportunity we have now. We conclude on that note: that we can make this the end phase of these failures and evil.

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Editorial

Listen to the Wise Words of LaRouche!

The Schiller Institute, led by chairwoman Helga Zepp-LaRouche, issued the petition excerpted here on Oct. 21, under the title, "Put the LaRouche Plan To Save the World Economy on the Agenda!"

The hour of truth has come. The same zombie banks that have driven the world economy to the brink of total chaos, and deprived hundreds of millions of people of the means of existence, that have shifted the costs of the destruction onto taxpayers, and saddled the public budgets with astronomical debt, are at it again, engaging in high-risk operations and paying mega-bonuses to their managers.

The real economy is in a free fall, internationally, massive layoffs are throwing people into despair, and the number of hungry people has gone over the 1 billion mark for the first time....

And, the most incredible of all, is that no analysis of the causes of this crisis has been made, even though it threatens to become the greatest challenge in the history of mankind. Rather than facing the fact that the entire caste of economists has failed miserably, the various experts are making the absurd claim that no one could have forecast the crisis, and that everyone was taken by surprise. Or, alternatively, all kinds of investment advisors and so-called gold bugs now claim they had long warned of the crisis.

The truth is, that many people in high-placed positions, as well as ordinary citizens in many countries, know that there is one man who foresaw the crisis a long time ago: Lyndon LaRouche. To cite just one example among many, Massimo Pini, a former member of the Board of Directors of the Italian state company IRI ... wrote in the January 2008 issue of the Italian monthly *Area* that La-Rouche was the only economist who had in fact forecast the catastrophe ... when no one else sus-

pected such a thing.

As anyone interested in the truth can verify for himself, LaRouche has warned of the systemic crisis since 1971, and at every branching point where decisions were made to strengthen the monetarist system, he warned of the dangers involved and, especially since the beginning of the '90s, of the coming systemic crisis.

Over 12 years ago, the Ukrainian economist Natalia Vitrenko, and the President of the Schiller Institute, Helga Zepp-LaRouche, released a call for the New Bretton Woods System proposed by LaRouche, which has since been signed by many thousands of people in important institutions on five continents.

It is now of existential importance to grapple with the economic method that allowed LaRouche to recognize the systemic errors of monetarism, because this method is a reliable guarantee for finding a way out of the crisis. In this crisis, we should definitely not listen to those who were surprised by the crisis, and who have learned nothing in the meantime.

One basis for optimism that the Four-Power Agreement among the U.S.A., Russia, China, and India, which LaRouche has proposed, can be realized, lies in the recent comprehensive agreements for cooperation between Russia and China, which represent an important step in the direction of a new credit system, and the realization of the Eurasian Land-Bridge, as the principal project for the reconstruction of the world economy.

The fate of humanity is hanging by a thread. What we urgently need is an open discussion on the forecasts and solutions of LaRouche. As the former President of Mexico, José López Portillo, put it already in 1998: It is time to listen to the wise words of Lyndon LaRouche!

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- TW Ch.99: Thu 8 or 9 pm PENFIELD TW Ch.15: Irregular
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- **QUEENSBURY** TW Ch.71: Mon 7 pm
- ROCHESTER
- TW Ch.15: Sun 9 pm; Thu 8 pm
- ROCKLAND CV Ch.76: Tue 5 pm SCHENECTADY

TW Ch.34: Sat 8 am

- TW Ch.16: Fri 1 pm; Sat 1:30 am STATEN ISLAND TW Ch.35: Mon & Thu Midnite.
- TOMPKINS COUNTY TW Ch.13: Sun 12:30 pm; Sat 6 pm

- TRI-LAKES
- TW Ch.2: Sun 7 am, 1 pm, 8 pm
- WEBSTER TW Ch.12: Wed 9 pm
- WEST SENECA TW Ch.20: Thu 10:35 pm

NORTH CAROLINA

- HICKORY CH Ch.6: Tue 10 pm
- MECKLENBURG COUNTY TW Ch.22: Sat/Sun 11 pm

OHIO

- AMHERST TW Ch.95: 3X Daily
- **CUYAHOGA COUNTY** TW Ch.21: Wed 3:30 pm
- OBERLIN Cable Co-Op Ch.9: Thu 8 pm

OKLAHOMA

NORMAN CX Ch.20: Wed 9 pm

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PITTSBURGH CC Ch.21: Thu 6 am

RHODE ISLAND

- BRISTOL, BARRINGTON, WARREN
- Full Channel Ch.49: Tue: 10 am EAST PROVIDENCE
- CX Ch.18; FIOS Ch.25: Tue: 6 pm STATEWIDE RI INTERCONNECT

CX Ch.13; FIOS Ch.32 Tue 10 am

- HOUSTON CC Ch.17 & TV Max Ch.95: Wed 5:30 pm; Sat 9 am
- KINGWOOD CB Ch.98:

Wed 5:30 pm; Sat 9 am VERMONT

- BRATTLEBORO CC Ch.8: Mon 6 pm, Tue 4:30 pm, Wed 8 pm
- GREATER FALLS CC Ch.10: Mon/Wed/Fri 1 pm
- MONTPELIER CC Ch.15: Tue 10 pm; Wed 3 am & 4 pm

- ALBEMARLE COUNTY
- CC Ch.13: Sun 4 am; Fri 3 pm ARLINGTON CC Ch.69 & FIOS Ch.38: Tue 9 am
- CHESTERFIELD COUNTY CC Ch.17; FIOS Ch.28: Mon 1 pm
- FAIRFAX CX & FIOS Ch.10: 1st & 2nd Wed 1 pm; Sun 4 am.
- FIOS Ch.41: Wed 6 pm LOUDOUN COUNTY CC Ch.98 & FIOS Ch.41: Wed 6 pm
- ROANOKE COUNTY CX Ch.78: Tue 7 pm; Thu 2 pm

WASHINGTON KING COUNTY CC Ch.77: Mon 11 am, Wed 7 am

BS Ch.23: Mon 11 am, Wed 7 am

- TRI CITIES CH Ch.13/99: Mon 7 pm; Thu 9 pm
- MARATHON CH Ch.10: Thu 9:30
- pm; Fri 12 Noon MUSKEGO TW Ch.14: Sat 4 pm; Sun 7 am
- WYOMING GILLETTE BR Ch.31: Tue 7

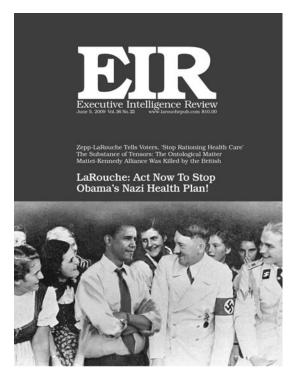
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