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With Obama Still in Power, It Can Happen Here

by the Editors

In 1935, as the Hitler-Mussolini terror rampaged across Europe, American author Sinclair Lewis looked around at his fellow citizens, and decided he had to act. The result was It Can't Happen Here, an ironical novel about how Americans, in their determination to be "realistic," let a dimwitted President preside over a fascist coup in the U.S. Today, we face an eerily similar, but much more serious threat.

Oct. 18—The 1932 election of Franklin Delano Roosevelt as President of the United States drove the leading factions of Wall Street and the City of London into a killer frenzy. The failure of JP Morgan banker and Democratic National Committee chairman Jacob Raskob to block FDR's nomination, and the failed assassination attempt against the President-elect during an appearance at a rally in Florida, just weeks after his landslide victory, set the United States on a collision course with Wall Street and London's chosen European fascist leaders, Benito Mussolini and Adolf Hitler.

London and Wall Street went on to sponsor a full-blown military coup d'état attempt against Roosevelt, an attempt that was exposed by the patriot, Gen. Smedley Butler, and subsequently crushed. The American Liberty League, a Morgan-DuPont financed cabal of pro-fascist bankers and industrialists, waged war against Roosevelt throughout the 1930s, right up to the attack on Pearl Harbor.

As Lyndon LaRouche recently observed, FDR took his oath of office in early March 1933—just weeks after the Reichstag fire had propelled Hitler onto the path to become dictator for life. Europe was on the path to war, and the gas ovens and death camps of the Third Reich were but months and years away. It was only the election of FDR that blocked London and Wall Street from imposing the same fascism, sweeping across the European continent, upon the United States.

It was a lesson not lost on the financial oligarchs of then and now. Today, the same conditions of global financial and monetary breakdown that brought European Fascism/Nazism/Synarchy into power on behalf of a caste of desperately bankrupt financiers and oligarchs, exist once again—this time, on a far more desperate, and global scale. Today, even more so, this financial oligarchy is focused on destroying the United States, and the republican tradition it represents, as the crucial stumbling block in its global imperial plan. Hence their drive for a fascist coup in the United States, *now*.

FDR vs. Obama

The biggest difference between 1933 and 2011 is that, in 1933, we had Franklin Roosevelt in the White House; today, we have Barack Obama. Since taking office in January 2009, with an unambiguous and vast popular mandate to take up and revive the American System mission of FDR, Obama has followed the

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The election of Franklin Roosevelt as President in 1932 triggered paroxysms of fear and rage among of the denizens of Wall Street and London. They reacted by attempting to eliminate the source of their terror. Here, FDR campaigns in Seattle, 1932.

London/Wall Street script in every detail. This time around, the oligarchs do not intend to lose their chance to impose dictatorship and fascism on the United States. Just as Hitler was ridiculed by the average German on the eve of the Reichstag fire, President Obama is today ridiculed by a vast majority of Americans, who despise him for his broken promises, but see him, increasingly, as a pathetic figure.

But the failure to see beyond the personality of Obama, to grasp the fact that he is, like Hitler, a pawn of London-centered financier circles, is a deadly blunder. It can mean the destruction of the United States in the coming days and weeks. The failure to stop Hitler had deadly consequences for all of mankind. The failure to remove Obama from office, before we experience a new Reichstag fire, and a sudden dictatorship, will have even more deadly consequences than the failure to oust Hitler before it was too late.

The danger emanating from the Obama White House is not incompetence. The danger is a drive for dictatorship. The danger comes from a desperado faction in London and on Wall Street—not from anyone working in the White House or the Old Executive Office Building. Obama is the pawn, not the master in this drive to eliminate the United States, as we have known it for the past 200-plus years, as a factor in world history.

The heart of the issue is that the entire global finan-

cial and monetary system is already hopelessly bankrupt, and there is nothing, within the parameters of that system, that can be done to reverse the catastrophe. The only alternative—the alternative put forward by LaRouche—is to go beyond even the measures taken by FDR, beginning with the Constitutionally-mandated removal of President Barack Obama from office, and the immediate reinstatement of FDR's own June 1933 Glass-Steagall Act, which broke up the too-big-to-fail banks of the Great Depression era, and established a regulated and insured commercial banking system to facilitate the economic recovery that followed.

Unless and until Obama is removed from office—by impeachment, resignation, or the invoking of Section 4 of the 25th Amendment—the United States is doomed to the same fate that fell upon the "good Germans" of 1933, who failed to see the danger lurking in the shadows behind their buffoon Chancellor Hitler.

The evidence is there in plain sight. The assault upon the Constitution, begun under George H.W. Bush as Vice President and then President, from 1981 to 1993, and continued, eight years later, under his son George W. Bush, has been fully carried forward by President Obama. The very unconstitutional measures imposed, in the aftermath of the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks, by President Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney, have been carried forward, amplified, and expanded by President Obama.

These dictatorial structures have been put in place for a reason. The moment has arrived when the slightest trigger incident will activate the full power of the dictatorship-in-the-wings that has been meticulously put in place, brick by brick, for the past decade.

We have arrived at the moment of truth, when the question will be posed and answered: Do the American people have the moral fitness to survive?

In the pages that follow, we shall document the step-by-step measures that have been put in place to launch a drive for full dictatorship. Those measures were, for the most part, initiated during the Bush-Cheney period, although their roots can be traced back to the Bush 41 Administration, when then-Defense Secretary Cheney pushed through the privatization of national security. Obama has carried all of these dictatorial measures forward, banking on the belief that Americans, who adopted the image of Obama in 2008 as the anti-Bush, would be too bamboozled to catch on in time.

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