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## From the Editors

**K**esha Rogers, shown on our cover campaigning for the runoff election in the Texas Democratic primary race for Senate, is fast emerging as a national spokeswoman for emergency action to reverse the drought that is devastating the western United States. In our *Political Economy* section, we publish presentations from her joint webcast with La-Rouche Democrat Michael Steger of San Francisco, who is running in the Democratic primary against Nancy Pelosi. As the two candidates elaborate, Texas and California are not only the largest American states by population, but also the largest agricultural producers—and both have been slammed by the worst drought on record. See *National* for an update on Rogers' campaign.

Joining in the webcast was Ben Deniston of the LaRouche Science Team, who documented that the drought is by no means the result of man-made global warming, but rather of solar cycles that likely signify future global *cooling*—and worsening drought. Rogers, Steger, and Deniston lay out the policy solutions required.

In *Economics*, we feature a fact sheet on "fracking"—which many people believe is a boon because it gives us cheap gas and oil, but which in fact is wrecking the water supply and agriculture.

Internationally, as Jeff Steinberg reports, the Geneva accord among the U.S., Russia, Ukraine's puppet government, and the EU has already broken down, and the danger of war that could spiral out of control remains great. See the statement by 27 Ukrainian political leaders on the threat of civil war. But opposition to the U.S.-EU policy is growing, with even the head of Britain's MI6 declaring that "it's not worth starting World War III over Ukraine."

From Helga Zepp-LaRouche's recent trip to China, we include an interview with her by the Chinese CCTV program "Dialogue," on the potential represented by President Xi Jinping's "New Silk Road."

Lyndon LaRouche contributes two features to this issue, a short discussion of the American System of political economy, originated by Alexander Hamilton; and an in-depth study of "The Incompetence of Twentieth-Century Science Education," The latter is a revised and expanded version of an article we ran in our April 4 issue.