

## Editorial

### *Why the U.S. cannot rebuild from within*

On May 1, the United States lowered interest rates by half a percent, in defiance of the international banking community. Outside of the United States, this was interpreted as a mark of desperation by a U.S. administration which is trying to export an out-of-control domestic economic collapse. Within the United States, President Bush's remarks to journalists on that day were quoted favorably. "I think we're going to be coming out of the recession, particularly with this drop in interest rates," Bush told the American people.

Yet, more than one month earlier, Bush had a secret Department of Commerce report which anticipates the loss of 40% of jobs in key U.S. industries, such as auto, textiles, and steel, if a free trade pact with Mexico is signed. Clearly, either Bush is lying or he defines a recovery in very different terms from the average citizen who is trying to support a family—most likely, both are the case.

The truth is that George Bush is attempting to manipulate the world's economy in order to keep American financial institutions afloat and the oligarchical, Anglo-American faction which he represents, in power. To accomplish his goal will mean that he succeeds in imposing a fascist regime upon the United States, and that that regime will dominate the world. Such a fascist United States will be far more vicious than the Nazi Third Reich. This is already measurable in the numbers of men, women, and children who have died prematurely because of the actions of George Bush and his associates.

Bush hopes to cannibalize the resources of the Third World. At home, his crew intends to create a "Third World" portion of the population which will be destined for the scrapheap. This may be called an economic recovery, but it will in practice mean that only a small core of the population will live in adequate conditions while the rest are consigned to slave labor-style camps such as the *maquiladoras* presently located on the U.S.-Mexican border, or simply left to die homeless.

The option of a defense-led recovery in the United States, centered around the Strategic Defense Initiative as the science-driver for an infusion of new technology

throughout the economy, is no longer a workable alternative to Bush's plan to establish an imperial fascism, as it was when first proposed by Lyndon LaRouche in 1982.

The depression of the 1930s was ended by the build-up for World War II, but this could not happen in the same way again, because the U.S. physical economy is now in incomparably worse shape. This is reflected in the collapse of the state and local budgets, which is going to become much more conspicuous over the course of this quarter. So the United States has reached a point of physical breakdown, which it never even approached during the 1930s.

In his 1980 and 1984 presidential campaigns, Lyndon LaRouche warned that this would happen, if the economic policies which he advocated were not adopted. His tax and credit policies, which would have created a capital flow into heavy industry and research and development, coupled with major infrastructure development projects (emphatically including the infrastructure needed in space), would—had he been elected—have given this country one last chance to work itself out of the depression on its own steam. This was America's last chance for a self-generated real recovery, one which would have reached out to meet the needs of *all the population*.

Today, a U.S. recovery depends upon the generation of an international climate of development, centered in Germany. If the LaRouche program for major infrastructural development reaching into Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union, and including particularly Italy and France, is realized, then there is hope for the United States. Ironically, the U.S. and Britain are doing everything in their power to sabotage such a turn of events.

A U.S. recovery is possible, but only on the basis of a global recovery. The political moral of this is obvious. It is long overdue that George Bush and Henry Kissinger are recognized as the political successors to Adolf Hitler, and stopped. It is about time that people take heed of Lyndon LaRouche's warnings. They have proven all too right in the past.