
Editorial

Nothing Works Without Impeachment

Evaluating the situation with the new Congress on Jan. 12, in the wake of President Bush's psychotic announcement of an escalation in Southwest Asia, clearly vectored toward war against Iran, and perhaps Syria, Lyndon LaRouche stressed: Nothing works without impeachment.

There is no question but that the situation in Washington, D.C. has dramatically changed for the better, he noted. Democrats and Republicans alike are pummeling the Cheney-Bush Administration for its lunatic war drive, and the potential for impeachment is being openly discussed. Even more significantly, Congressmen and their aides are showing a dramatic new openness to Lyndon LaRouche and his youth movement, and looking to them for the leadership and ideas to get the world out of the crisis.

But the deadline for action is very, very short. As LaRouche stressed in his webcast, the next 90 days are going to be decisive. Cheney and Bush are hell-bent on escalating the Iraq War, bombing Iran, and running roughshod over the U.S. Constitution and the views of the American population, clearly stated on Nov. 7, to get their way. Bush is a mental case, and Cheney is a sociopathic thug. Many people understand that reality—but one moment they will agree he's nuts, and then the next moment they will start discussing his actions as if he were a rational human being. Don't they realize you don't reason, or temporize, with a would-be Nero?

The situation really has reached the point where Congress has to be forced to act according to principle, and for posterity—not as little people fearful of public opinion, or the next election.

Compare the current state of affairs with that which prevailed before the Iraq War, for a minute. Then too, there was a massive outpouring of opposition, although considerably *less* among prominent institutions in the United States than is being exhibited today. But, even as they protested, many people—and especially the experienced “experts”—held on to the conviction that they would never be able to stop the war from going forward. That cynical attitude, which

the experts certainly able to buttress by “facts,” acted as a self-fulfilling prophecy. The war went ahead.

Then, some of these very same “experts” and influentials, some of them extremely well-meaning, chose to use the failure to stop the Iraq War, as a “proof” that the Cheney-Bush Administration cannot be stopped. And if you look behind the strident protests against the looming war against Iran today, you will find the same quarters “prophesying” once again that the expanded war is “inevitable.”

Worse yet, cynicism of this sort has also seized a significant portion of the American population, which has every reason to believe in and exercise its own potency in removing Cheney/Bush from power, and thus stopping a war which will put the world through a hell which very few, if any, can imagine. For lawful reasons, such pessimism is even greater (and more understandable) outside the United States.

Don't such cynics remember that the Democrats totally upset the apple cart and won a virtual landslide victory in the Nov. 7 midterm elections? Don't they remember the dramatic story about how seven organizers of the LaRouche Youth Movement, wielding the method of what Lyndon LaRouche has called the “New Politics,” turned what was considered an “inevitable” defeat of Democrat Ciro Rodriguez in the 23rd C.D. in Texas (San Antonio), into a smashing victory? Don't they see the change in the mood of the electorate, which can now hardly stomach the sight of President Bush, much less his wars?

It's time Americans, and patriots everywhere, took themselves, and their role in history, seriously. The LaRouche movement has now demonstrated a proven method of mobilization, and the crucial stratum of the population, between the ages of 18 and 35, has responded. There is *hope* on the horizon, where grumpy old Baby Boomer cynics can be pushed aside, or mobilized to join the youthful vanguard for victory.

Indeed, a total revolution in economic and foreign policy is possible under current conditions. But, as LaRouche said, nothing works without the first step, impeachment of Dick Cheney. Now.