

## Editorial

### *To Save the U.S.A: Glass-Steagall, NAWAPA*

As Lyndon LaRouche has repeatedly emphasized, *this Summer* is the time when the American people have to act to take their country back. The economic-financial system has reached a point of breakdown, where the rate of increase of speculative, worthless debts is so rapid, and the collapse of the physical economy so steep, that there will be a point of no return. And it will come in the period between July and September, *unless* patriots act to change the policy, and the President.

In this context, there are two policies which represent the immediate “way out” for the American population, and whose enactment is, in LaRouche’s words, a matter of life or death for the United States: Glass-Steagall, and the North American Water and Power Alliance (NAWAPA).

There is no knowledgeable and honest banker or policymaker who does not agree with the need to reimpose Franklin Roosevelt’s Glass-Steagall separation between commercial and investment banking. The restriction of government protection for currency to monies authorized for productive purposes, not speculation, is an integral concept within our Constitution itself, which Glass-Steagall codified, and thus successfully protected the U.S. banking system from disaster, until it was undermined, and then repealed in 1999.

To save our economy from being bankrupted by thieving speculators and financiers, trillions of dollars of illegitimate debts have to be written off the books, and the banks restored to their function as conduits for government-backed credit for production, especially infrastructure. And that means Glass-Steagall must not be “updated,” but restored, just as it was.

The second policy is even more dramatic. La-

Rouche has called for launching NAWAPA, a 1960s project to bring water from Alaska, through the Western United States, to Mexico, immediately, as the infrastructure project that fits the unique qualifications for transforming the U.S. territory and economy, in the interest of upgrading the Biosphere as a whole.

The NAWAPA project is far beyond a water project, *per se*, LaRouche emphasized. It is an intervention to shift the functioning of the Biosphere itself, by bringing in water that will permit the expansion of plant life, and through that measure, change the weather patterns over the Western United States. The environmentalist thrust which began with Teddy Roosevelt—to leave “wilderness” alone—will be overturned, and the intentions reflected by John Quincy Adams, Abraham Lincoln, and FDR put into effect instead.

Domestically, this huge endeavor will provide the basis for rescuing the world economy, putting millions of Americans into productive work—a kind of TVA for the 21st Century.

The implications of this transformation are global as well, LaRouche said. Once we launch NAWAPA, the Bering Strait project, which would link the Americas with Asia, will gain in political feasibility, and with it, a global railway development corridor project linking the Americas. The project will also serve as a precursor to the colonization of space, as it will involve *creating* environments for flourishing human civilization, where there is now virtually nothing.

Like the restoration of Glass-Steagall, NAWAPA could be taken off the shelf, and begun to be put into effect immediately. There is only one major obstacle—the British Empire’s puppet Obama. Get him out, and let the recovery begin!