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From the Managing Editor

Are you a member of the "Cult of Sense-Deception"? One litmus test is whether you think the televised U.S. Presidential debates had anything to do with reality. With less than two weeks before the election, we bring you coverage of what lies behind the screen.

We start with Lyndon LaRouche's *Feature* on how scientific discoveries, like those of the magnificent Johannes Kepler (1571-1630), part ways with the Cult of Sense-Deception. This analysis is complemented by LaRouche's "The Second Friday Begins," his Friday webcast of Oct. 19, and by Megan Beets' pedagogical presentation to LPAC-TV on Kepler's "vicarious hypothesis."

Our news sections bring you up to date on the forced march toward thermonuclear war, Obama's "Benghazi-gate" crimes, the slide toward dictatorship and the disintegration of nations in Europe.

LaRouche underlines once again that the main reason we have allowed the British oligarchy and Obama to bring us to the brink of ruinous hyperinflation and World War III, is the tendency of most people to "go along to get along." We see this most especially at election time, when citizens sigh, but vote by party line, fearing to step outside the box where they think "everybody else" is standing. Today, Democrats who are disgusted with Obama can be heard mumbling, "Well, he's not that bad. We have to stop the Republicans." But what if another alternative, a non-party option, could have been forged, had more brave souls stepped forward to support LaRouche's effort? And what if such an alternative could still emerge?

Friedrich Schiller, Germany's poet of freedom, had it right, when he wrote in his unfinished play *Demetrius* (1804-05):

"Majority? Majority is rubbish.
Clear thought prevaileth only in a few.
Who cares about the whole, if he has naught?
Does the beggar have his freedom or his choice?
For bread and boots he has to sell his vote
To men of power who will pay the price.
Votes should be weighed, not counted.
Soon or late the state will perish where
Majority wins and incomprehension decides."

Ironically, the issue in *Demetrius* was a drumbeat for war against Russia—like that today, coming from Obama and the British.

Susan Welsh

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Kepler's "vicarious hypothesis": the "shadow" of a universal organization of our known universe. Statue of Johannes Kepler in the gardens at the Linzer Schloss in Linz, Austria.

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THE FUTURE IN SCIENCE:

The Coming of the End of The Cult of Sense-Deception

by Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.

October 14, 2012

It is now a presently urgent subject of study for mankind, that we must examine, most critically, certain presumptions which have been continued to have been rather widely mistaken for a suitable quality of basis for a contemporary "science." I emphasize, thus, the cases of those presumptions which have been intended by their proponents to serve as reflecting the mistakenly presumed "realities" of what is merely the outcome of an aggregation of what is presumed, in turn, to be an axiomatic authority of what are merely raw sense-perceptions.

By that statement, presented in high regard for the genius of Bernhard Riemann, I mean to include a certain degree of respect for persons who have been induced to limit themselves, to the extent that they are assured, that nothing proceeds explicitly further in evil, than the reductionist mathematician's presumptions of what have been, essentially, the misconceived "principles" of sense-perception itself.

The possibility of an actual science fit for today's needs now requires something much better than persons afflicted with outworn, pragmatic limitations. The experimentally truthful knowledge traced from roots in the principles of Nicholas of Cusa and his follower Johannes Kepler, which is typified by emphasis on what has remained, in fact, as the true foundations of all competent modern science, is in opposition to all reductionist novelties uttered since that time.

That presumes, again, that the foundations of principle associated with the discoveries of Nicholas of Cusa, and Johannes Kepler's uniquely original discovery of the universal physical principle of ***Vicarious Hypothesis****, is the principle on which the original discovery, by Johannes Kepler, of the true physical principle of gravitation, had depended. I mean to emphasize such discoveries' crucial correlative: that which will be, for many, the seemingly shadowy, ontological principle of* ***metaphor.*** *It is that principle of* ***metaphor,*** *which actually supplies the true foundations of any serious degree of scientific knowledge for today.*

Metaphor *is a principle which, for example, grips the relevant, subject person whose actually compelling passions will, like those of Johann Sebastian Bach's* ***Preludes and Fugues****; represent a powerful force of influence on the mind, but a force which could not be captured by the notions of merely either hand, bowl, or net.*

All among those passions which members of our societies treat as merely the subject of "sense- perceptions," or the like forces experienced by man within society or effects of "nature," must inevitably fall captive to the overriding authority of the net of that same notion of ***vicarious hypothesis*** *whose correlative is the principle of* ***metaphor****. It has been the fraudulent speculations of Isaac Newton, and his dupes, or their cheating*

accomplices, which are to be blamed in significant part for the loss of scientific insight into the meaning of the common experience of both ***physical principles*** *of* ***vicarious hypothesis****, and of the impassioned drama sensed as the force of* ***metaphor*** *on both Shakespeare's tragic stage, and Johann Sebastian Bach's conceptions of the "common law" of mankind's presently known universe.*

Thus, it were indispensable, to simply put to one side such outright hoaxsters as the bearers of Aristotle's and the swindler Euclid's a-priorist concoctions. Oust the essential incompetence which still permeates the virtual "blab-school rhetoric" in the popular education of presently customary forms of contemporary modern science, and the comparable opinion of the credulous generally. Abandon the folly which adopts those false "foundations" which are typical of the unfortunate students, and of others, which are to be associated with a virtually "axiomatic" adherence to the deluded perception of those "sense-certainties" which are the inherent modern expression of the popularized follies of scientific incompetence.

Look back to Paolo dal Pozzo Toscanelli, Cardinal Nicholas of Cusa, and the founders of the foundations of a competent modern science among the followers of Cusa, through the succession of Leibniz, his school, of the great Carl Friedrich Gauss, Lejeune Dirichlet, and Bernhard Riemann, and, thence, into the revolution led by Max Planck, and Albert Einstein, and into the conception of mind consistent with the foundations of a physical science coherent with the specific definition of "mind," which Planck shared with what has become presently, the rarely understood Wolfgang Köhler. A competent contemporary and future science brings us now, to a time when we must sort out that history of the flows and ebbs leading into that modern global civilization launched by Brunelleschi and Cusa, which has led us, in turn, into the present time for which a forceful reckoning on the outcome of science this far, must be conducted.

Francisco Goya, "Might not the pupil know more?" from Los Caprichos (1797-98). "The possibility of an actual science fit for today's needs," LaRouche writes, "now requires something much better than persons afflicted with outworn, pragmatic limitations."

Begin with the setting of Nicholas of Cusa and the outstanding giants among his successors, and, thence into the subsequent, modern celestial physical science and its civilization, of Johannes Kepler and Gottfried Leibniz.

*What shall confront your attention most forcefully in this following report, will be Kepler's most crucial discovery, his contribution to the single principle of modern science itself. That is the principle which has been, uniquely, the universal physical principle which Kepler had expressed in his argument for "****vicarious hypothesis****." What we should "see" in this, is merely a shadow cast by the efficiency of a universal reality, as Kepler presented this: as the "shadow" of a universal organization of our known universe. What we regard as that "physical universe" casts a shadow which expresses its presence as in the nature of* ***metaphor****, a shadow which human sense-perception perceives as akin to a force of "****vicarious hypothesis,****" which is felt as "effects" of some "shadowy" cause, as by* ***metaphor****, of some universal action.*

So, for now, "we see as through a glass, darkly; but then, face to face; now I know in part; but, then I shall know even as I am known."

A Capital Fallacy!

The commonly shared, great fallacy, which is spread among specialists in the designated category of "physical science," is the misleading presumption, that "physical science," and also "mere mathematics," share what should be considered as at the root of the appropriate foundations for actually human knowledge. That fallacy of a presumed categorical distinction of "arts" from "sciences," has been presently, a commonly crucial root of the systematic fallacies of public and higher education, alike. What has actually been the root of mere "mysticism," is a mathematics of what is merely sense-perception.

It is mankind, which makes science, not the other way around. The worst of the common expressions of human culture, is the attempt to reduce the underlying quality of principled existence of the human mind, to mere mathematics. When this folly of "merely mathematics," or the like, is complemented by mere deductions rooted in the passions of sense-perception, then the worst result is to be mistaken for expressions of the universal principles underlying man's "practical" role within the universe.

*The fallacies which I have, thus, just stated, can be sensed from the vantage-points of both Cusa, and of his great student of actually physical science, Johannes Kepler. The warning of the systemic importance of this set of distinctions, is obtained from the work of Cusa, in the realization of the implications of the cross-connections experienced between the notions of "**vicarious hypothesis**" and "**metaphor**."*

*Human behavior is what moves it! It is Kepler's adducing of those two higher principles of human knowledge, "**vicarious hypothesis**" and "**metaphor**," which locates the actuality of observed human action. Mathematics and so-called physics, are merely the servants of the principles whose expression is located in the passions which are subsumed by the meaning of the roles of what Kepler identified as the tools of "vicarious hypothesis" and "metaphor." It is the rejection of the higher authority carried in the action of the verities subsumed by the notion of "vicarious hypothesis" and "metaphor" which defines, and must properly define the true meaning of the consequences expressed by society.*

Our power of the imagination is thus caught in such a fashion as that: between two imagined categories of objects, which, in their guise as sense-perceptions (in the imagined very large, as in the imagined very small), are essentially "shadows" of some likeness to a quality of "vicarious hypothesis," thus a reality which exists only as if projected from the screens of the unseen. These are efficient realities, as estimable scientists such as Bernhard Riemann and his followers, had lain the foundations of the relatively best insight of such followers of his own work, as among the discoveries of Max Planck and Wolfgang Köhler respecting the notion of a universality of the concept of "mind."[1]

In both examples, both in the very large, and in the relatively very small, we are confronted, as the work of Riemann also represents this challenge: that with the inherent quality of systemic qualities of error represented by mere, naked sense-perception. Yet, despite all that, there is a knowable universe which can be adduced from appropriate insights into the folly of reliance on sense-perception as such.

Let us, therefore, place the emphasis of our attention here, on the need to expose the hoax which is the fantasy whose consequence is fairly identified, as being the sense-certainty constituted by those delusions which constitute the domain of popularly misconceived, actually "sense-deception," as follows.

Some among you might not pleased by this fact, but, never doubt that it is, nonetheless, ruthlessly true.

I. The Objects, and Objectives of Scientific Knowing

Since this present report incorporates, and does that in an essential mode sculpted in the closing part of the preceding introduction above, that which the usually expected readers would consider an unusual choice of assigned task-orientation, we are obliged, on their account as follows. Instead of such commonplace opinion, I concentrate here on "pedagogical" illustrations of ongoing processes of types which had either not been known, or had been known only as most rarely considered cases of that form, heretofore. When matters are re-considered, they are to be "seen," as being within the bounds of that opinion-making which my subject here now demands.

1. To attempt to comprehend the distinction between "mind" and "brain," think of the distinction of a virtually "squatting" transmitter-receiver unit, from the effect expressed by the "messages" broadcast, among such units, across a part of Solar space at "the speed of light." That example points toward mankind's great future within our Solar system. Locate the distinction of "mind" in the "architecture" of the process.

For example, the prevalent opinion respecting the role of the human individual, when considered within the bounds of the presently ongoing, recent new century, presumes the notion of a society to be viewed as if it were a collection among "percussively interacting" individual objects among an array of particular, if interacting "objects," which are to be expressed in a certain likeness to the conception of Kepler's "vicarious hypothesis." The likely reading, by our readers, of that process of interactions, were clearly erroneous as a matter of opinions, whose fault includes the fact that such views are implicitly "percussive," rather than actually rational, both as "horizontally" in time, in forcefulness, and in attributed space. The necessary, corrected view of this matter, is reflected as in Classical drama such as the presentation of Friedrich Schiller's **Wallenstein** tragedy, or Shakespeare's **Hamlet**, or in Shakespeare's **Macbeth**. Or, in the set of **Preludes and Fugues** of Bach, or of Wilhelm Furtwängler's post-World War II direction of Franz Schubert's **Ninth Symphony**.[2]

The problematic quality of the subject I have just suggested, lies, essentially, in an inherently, profoundly pathological direction, a direction which has been a characteristic expression of the oligarchical principle, as the oligarchical principle is conveniently defined, and also illustrated by the root and history of the Roman empire. The most notable feature of the cases of that and similar cultures, is the systemic quality of the viciously induced, general stupidity of the general population of such empires: a vicious trait, which has been, heretofore, inherent in the percussive characteristics, rather than competently cognitive processes, among the populations generally.

This same, relevant subject, is to be recognized otherwise in that depravity which I have pointed out as having been typical of the social system of the Roman Empire; it is, similarly, to be recognized in the inherently depraved characteristics imposed upon the mass-behavior of many of the citizenry of our United States. The surge of the "Greenie" infestations polluting that part of our population, is the relatively most extremely debased characteristic, intellectually and morally, of that population generally today; a similar echo of the

Johannes Kepler, statue in Weil der Stadt, Germany. His work created the foundation of all competent modern science "in opposition to all reductionist novelties uttered since that time," LaRouche writes.

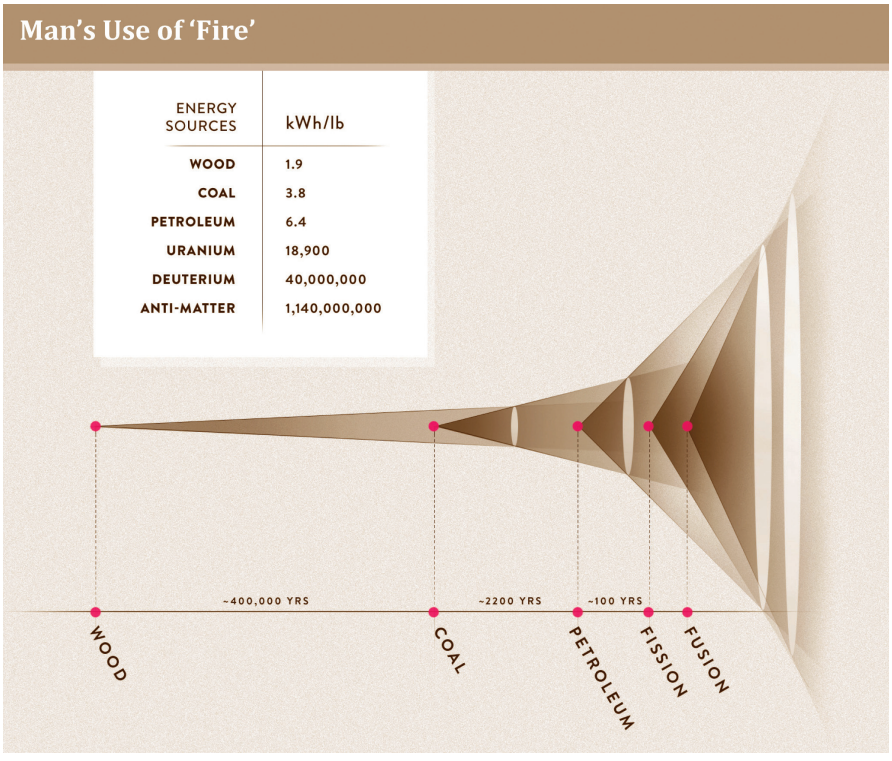
characteristics of the depraved ancient Roman Empire, has also been characteristic of the governing principle among leaders within the present European Union, and, therefore, also the mood-swings in existential outlook of the populations generally.

The heritage of a typical expression of this pathological tendency among national clusters within and among populations presently, is demonstrated by the popular statistical economic forecasting, as in the prevailing political and other social trends among the population of the United States presently. Such behavior as that, is an expression of induced stupidity. For example, consider the "virtual" plunge into a prolonged "new dark age" implied in any continuation of the hyper-inflationary "QE" which is now ruining and running the Federal Reserve System currently, or, the catastrophically hyper-inflationary ruin of Europe under any attempted continuation of the present "Euro" system.

The point to be stressed in connection with the case I am outlining here, shows that much of the behavior of the government and of most of the population of the United States itself, is both dulled, largely by its own embedded sense of rage, and that, not surprisingly, more and more stubbornly so. To wit: the generally accepted method of "economic forecasting" in the United

2. The method of composition of Bach, and of the work of Arthur Nikisch, and of Wilhelm Furtwängler, partakes of the intimations of a creation and performance which come in from "outside" the presented score, as Furtwängler accounts for this method and effect.

FIGURE 1



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States presently, as also in Europe generally, is systemically anti-human, in the sense that truly systemic expressions of creativity are not permitted under the continuation of the reign of such systems as those.

The proximate cause for the current threat of an immediately global thermonuclear warfare, with its implied threat of an extinction of the human species, is a reflection of the specific quality of degeneration under the influence of a U.S. participation in the present, British-Saudi empire's grip over, most emphatically, the trans-Atlantic regions.

To understand those present implications and their motivation, we are obliged, if we wish civilization to survive, to reset the programmatic approach to the fostering of what might become an actually durable form of true civilization, and, with that effect, also the included devotion to defeating the threat to Earth from such ongoing processes as a myriad of menacing asteroids, and the haunting terror of the strike of Earth by a comet.

The essence of the same point which I have just been presenting here this far, is that the distinction of man from ape, is that the healthy human mind's essential distinction, is based on a quality of forecasting directed toward scientific revolutions in the practice of the leadership and following of the nation's population—absolutely contrary to everything associated with that horrid, inherently homicidal fraud called "environmentalism."

All known living processes evolve in a direction which is to be recognized as expressing an increase of the typical energy-flux density per-capita of the living species. The unique specific quality of the human being, in contrast to lower forms of life, is that mankind is the only species which has a systemic qualification for willfully formed qualitative leaps in physical progress in the use of the notion of qualitatively willful advances in mankind's use of fire, now surging beyond nuclear fission, and controlled thermo-nuclear fusion, into the prospective reign of matter-antimatter reactions implicit in the achievements at the beginning of the Twentieth Century prior to the "First World War," from the leading achievements of such as Max Planck and Albert Einstein.

The point I have been illustrating in the immediately foregoing paragraphs, is that mankind is designed to rely on the future of revolutionary progress, as measurable per-capita in intensity of fire-equivalents. These advances, when they are in a systemic mode of upward-driven, qualitatively higher energy-flux densities, are the basis in human creativity for the absolute distinction of the potential inherent in the nature of the human species, as in contrast to every other species presently known to us.

The ugly fact, to which I must now call attention here, is that the general condition of nations and the like, for most of what actual history records as civilization or pre-civilization of mankind this far, has been, and presently tends to continue to be consistent with what is named "the oligarchical principle."

That is the same principle expressed by the evil worship of the Olympian Zeus which perpetrated the genocide against the people and even their land, of Troy. This known legacy of the destruction of Troy, has been continually expressed throughout most of the planet now as being the model for what had once

become the Roman Empire, a tradition re-incarnated in the imperial system of Byzantium, in the "Dark Age" under the original form of the Venetian tyranny, and under what became named as The New Venetian system of such as the likes of William of Orange. Thus came the nominal "British empire" which is actually the reigning system, traceable in origins to the "Siege of Troy," and, also, to all of the oligarchical systems of economy and government in what is known as "European" civilization in particular.

The correlative of that part of the history which I am addressing immediately here, is the "dumbing down" of nations, as that is illustrated by most of the recent history of the United States since the implicitly condoned assassinations of President John F. Kennedy and his brother Robert. The alternating spurts of progress, and then brutal regression, a pattern which has recurred throughout most of the notably leading cultures of the planet, has been accompanied by alternate surges and regressions in the inherent qualities among cultures. Within those processes, a period of growth over several or more generations, may turn, as since the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, into an accelerating shift downwards, which has never really ceased to be in progress since that steep and accelerating decline of the U.S. economy, which has persisted as a trend in economy and government since the closing interval of the Presidency of Bill Clinton, when the U.S. had been precipitated at a steeply accelerating rate, and most of the world, too, especially the trans-Atlantic regions, at a stunning rate of slide into a threatened very, very dark new age—perhaps even a thermonuclear holocaust, planet-wide, in the very near future.

Now, to My Leading Point Here

There have been, and remain two, intermingled trends of the most presently outstanding historical, and of a potentially disastrous, immediate significance. This is the presently, steeply proceeding trend, in the downward-shifting status of our planet at this presently very short-term historical instant. The calamitously downward trend of the present time, has been marked in finely detailed expression of ruin throughout the terms of the policies and practices of the British empire since its birth, in A.D. February 1763 as by its current Queen.

Without the needed historical framework, since the assassination of U.S. President John F. Kennedy, there has been a trend downward toward absolute ruin, in the United States, and also abroad, especially in Europe, all since the concluding years of the U.S. Presidency of Ronald Reagan. Measured in physical-economic terms, the U.S.A. has been accelerating in what has become a hyper-inflationary "dive," into a dive in the direction which the Queen herself has demanded: a presently accelerating plunge of the planet's human population, and its conditions of life and its welfare, per-capita, as notable for its global effect especially in what had been the relatively more fruitful nations, with a specific target for genocide of the Earth's population, from seven billions persons, to about one billion, or perhaps, much less.

The decline to which I have just pointed, the relatively higher rate of decline in western Europe and North America, has been the intended effect which the British empire and its Saudi extension has deliberately introduced there. This selective feature of the global situation has been selected, by the globally extended, British empire, as a strategically selected emphasis on the Queen's stated goal of reducing the world population, rather rapidly, from seven billions of human population, toward one billions, all as a product of the inherently genocidal intend of the pro-genocidal "green movement."

History, notably that of Europe and the Mediterranean regions presently, has repeatedly taken similarly steep declines, as, for example, in the genocide against ancient Troy, in the fall of Rome, in the collapse of Byzantium, in the collapse of Charlemagne's system following his death, and the Fourteenth-century "New Dark Age" in Europe.

Now, since the coordinated collapse of the Soviet Union, and the since concurrent, hyper-inflationary death-rattle of the "Euro system," a U.S. Presidency which is fully a captive of the actually, presently global reach of the British empire, including its Saudi component, under the Queen's own U.S. President, Barack Obama, has recommended a vast and rapid genocide against the entirety of the human population of the planet, not only by a planned acceleration of general warfare, but even the immediate threat of global thermonuclear warfare.

Up to this point, in this account, what I have actually been doing, is to point out the general systemic principles which both indicate the source and means of the presently onrushing destruction of civilization—perhaps even its self-extinction in the burgeoning threat of global thermonuclear warfare. What is presently ongoing, in that respect, mimics the doom of the dinosaurs,

as a species no longer considered fit to exist, according to the trends under Her Royal Majesty currently. The difference here and now, is that there is no "natural" justification for such an extinction to occur to the human species. The motive for this criminality against mankind, is nothing other than a continuation of the ancient "oligarchical principle." The threat is there, here and now, and the danger is immediate.

Let us, with the true nature of known science in mind, both prescribe and implement the urgently needed remedy for this royal atrocity.

II. Now, the Needed Renaissance

My associates of the so-called "Basement Team," had already contributed a most practically useful sort of critical re-examination of the history of Earth-bounded systems of living species, including the birth of each particular category as representing a species, its evolutionary successions by categories, their extinctions, and the cardinal features of the process of evolutionary transitions, that up to recent times and their species. The net product of that study, is documented here in individually significant parts, and on record, chiefly in the categories of the relevant, so-called "Basement" records. Relevant commentary on this "history" and its implications, is continued here now; both in a sweeping overview of general trends, and the relatively great emphasis on "the human story."

Consequently, subsuming all other general references, the principal considerations taken implicitly into account this far, have been subsumed by the conception of the deeper distinctions among the characteristics of the internal development of all life-forms as contrasted to the case of the history of the human species itself. This means our own species, as contrasted to any merely mathematical mistreatment of the bare shadows of human behaviorisms as a category unto itself.

That thus-indicated intention, had been prefaced in a goodly part, but only within the scope of the given summary presentation, and that which is circumscribed within the preceding Preface and chapters of the report, this far. It is the practical implications of those preconditions which I have already outlined within the scope of the preceding section here, and of the present chapter, which now comprise the matters presented for your urgent consideration in this publication as a whole.

The first problem to be addressed here and now, is the lack of a specifically human, general degree of competent awareness of the implications of alternating progress and regression respecting the facts set forth in the preceding parts of this report's subject-matter in general. Therefore, the issue confronting us in this concluding chapter, is the general lack of awareness of the fact that the specific solution which I have emphasized for deliberation this far, actually exists for the consideration of nations and their varying language, and other cultural characteristics more widely.

If the two principal subjects identified in the two concluding chapters, represent the concluding treatments of our principal subject, mankind, in this present location, all other cases for mankind taken together, would then be sufficient to compose the completion of the body of this present report.

The Role of Mankind's Future

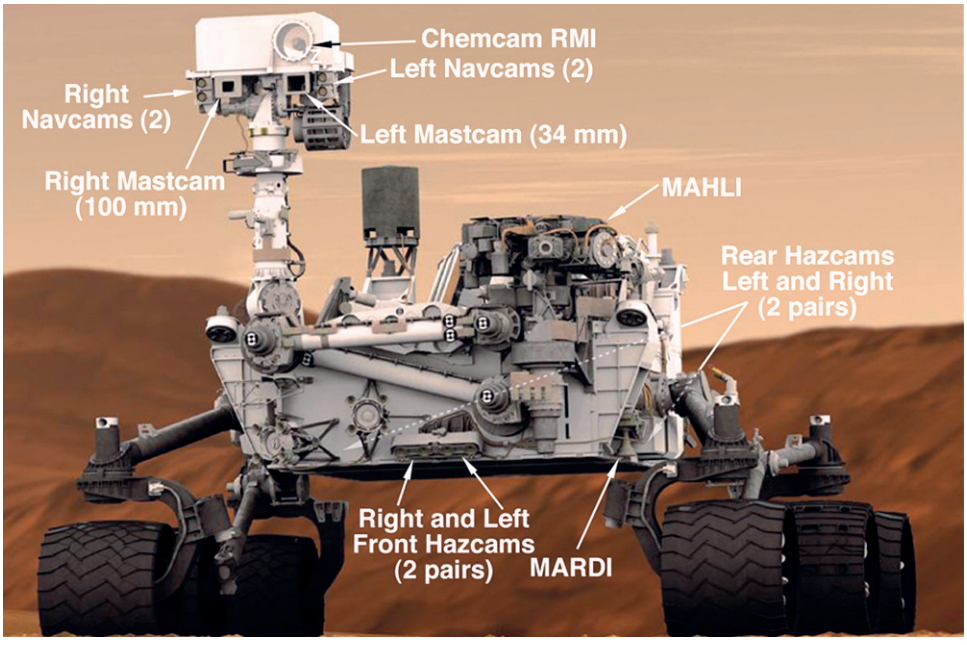
There is, for example, the fact of the categorical distinction of the human species from all known others: only the human species is able to act willfully to change the inherent characteristics of a qualitatively categorical change of its own future, that in a qualitatively original and unique mode. However, despite the unique significance of the implied generality of the implied range of living species, the fact of the matter of the human species for itself, is unique among all known categories of life.

That much now said:

The commonplace, but valid measure of the distinction of the human species from all others, is its characteristically voluntary use of expressions of "fire-in-general." In other words: "relative energy-flux-density." This includes what had long been the distinction among the various qualities of fire and its applications, reaching from the relatively higher categorical distinctions beyond nuclear fission, and into fusion, the higher-ordering of humanly- and higher categories of thermonuclear fusion as such, and "matter-antimatter" thresholds defined by the work of Max Planck and Albert Einstein. Thus, "the first instance" of any known fireplace which is qualified as being defined negatively as characteristically human in itself, establishes a crucial distinction of effect, which first appears as sufficiently efficient to separate the categories of the mere animals from that of mankind.

However, while such a conclusion would not be entirely invalid, it would miss a most conclusive quality of fact. The implied margin of categorically qualitative

error within such an argument, is that it misses the crucial fact that man's willful change in the "usable" power gained by mankind, changes (e.g., increases) mankind not only in relative power to act, but also changes man's qualitative characteristics as a species, and that in a qualitative, rather than merely quantitative manner and degree. Hence, the alleged distinction of "superior" from relatively "inferior species" of human beings. This distinction actually corresponds to such categories of social phenomena as the economic and social-political power of owners over slaves, over men regarded as merely beasts, and of oligarchies over merely individual owners. These latter distinctions correlate relatively with the "relative energy-flux-density" of man per-capita, as measured against a relative line of development measured in the standard of relative existence, measured in "energy-flux density" of the standard of the societal culture as a whole, and, also, its rate of progress in terms of relative energy-flux densities. The case of the Saugus Iron Works in the independent phase of the Seventeenth-century Massachusetts Bay Colony, is typical of suitable rough forms of the quality of existence within a society and also within each sub-category of that society.



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The Curiosity rover points the way to a renaissance of scientific and technological discovery. This graphic shows the location of Curiosity's 17 cameras, which are already sending back to Earth images that are transforming our understanding of Mars.

The included conclusion to be reached, is, therefore, that a "green culture" is intrinsically a culture of relatively mass-extinctions of human beings, precisely as the current Queen of England has specified a relatively rapid lowering of the current human population of the planet, from seven billions, to approximately one billion, at a currently energized accelerating pace. Thus, a regime of President Barack Obama would be, inherently, a program of human mass-extinctions as we begin to see most clearly today.

For "Curiosity's Sake"

The successful landing of the most recent design for operations on the planet Mars, already bespeaks a level of a U.S. which is already far, far above the quality of levels, as measured in human terms, far above the direction sought out during the first term of President Bill Clinton, and back to below the range of the level of technology at the time of President Ronald Reagan's initially expressed support for the "Strategic Defense Initiative," and prior to the decay which had set in economically during the set-backs instituted by the President's principal advisors into his second term, and the still greater rate of decline under successive Presidents since, measured in terms of the changing range of national relative physical energy-flux.

The achievement of "Curiosity's" landing is a part of the residue still remaining under the utterly ruinous regime under the mentally Nero-like British puppet, President Barack Obama. Despite the residual drawback in the capabilities of "space developments" which had been accumulated since the first President Reagan administration, two points of positive implications still exist, provided the policy-trends of the Obama administration are decisively reversed in manners which I have specified for the incoming new Presidential administration, to replace the mass-murderously brutish austerity of the intended, utterly bestial, British puppet-style, Obama regime.

IT IS THE TIME TO REALLY BEGIN TO THINK!

The Second Friday Begins

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The National Executive Committee meeting of yesterday, (Saturday, October 6th, 2012), was devoted, chiefly, to a presentation and discussion of the most notable origins and causes for the typical lack of competence in the methods expressed by the presently operating, political party systems, both here and abroad. Here, I intend to emphasize, as a particular fact, the existential menaces now confronting the U.S., Western European, and other systems of government. The specific purpose of emphasizing that topic's introduction on this occasion, has been to warn against the means by which the electorate of the U.S.A. has been driven, increasingly, into a relative state of intellectual confusion, and, also, virtual impotence respecting the monstrous challenges which now threaten the continued existence of our species.

That indicated short-coming of our planet has been expressed through a process of seduction into silliness, into which the electorate has been customarily duped, both periodically, heretofore, and more or less frequently: that population has been duped, so, through the mechanisms of the corrupting effects which democratic partisanship plays in "intellectually numbing" both the collective, and individual's mental processes. The threat which that implies, may be expressed by means of the unsuspecting general body of any electorate which has been numbed by the manipulations of partisanship within the electoral processes of any typical, leading trans-Atlantic nation-state, in particular.

The purpose of this present report of mine, is to present measures, by means of which, some important thinkers from among our citizens might gain an urgently needed insight into the means to liberate themselves presently from the particular, wild-eyed swindles inherent in a post-Glass-Steagall (e.g., Dodd-Frank) period, in the 2007-2012 interval most emphatically.

The practical point of this moment, is the fact that if we do not ***now*** *reverse the trend represented by the effects created by the recent three terms of the U.S. Presidency, two under Bush, and this under Obama, there will be no real United States, and, probably, even no United States, nor even a western Europe (for example) at all, and that very soon.*

The leading point of this week's presently new report, is to show how the "spectator-sports" character of customary practices of trans-Atlantic political-party electoral systems, is customarily used, and, also, used most effectively to strip the members of the general electorate of not only their freedom, but of their ability to discover how the traditionally oligarchical characteristics of the present party-systems, work toward promoting our nation's self-destruction, as now. The duped citizens will borrow the populist's characteristic influence, under which the current practices of the leading political parties, breed. The duped ones, in turn, act according to such influences as those which tend to strip the citizen of his or her ability to think about the economy with any actual clarity and competence.

Take the historically exemplary case, of the way in which a pack of swindlers used the candidacy of the dubious, "rage-ball"-President, Andrew Jackson, to loot what had been the wonderful progress toward prosperity of the U.S.A. during the preceding Presidency of John Quincy Adams. The looters deployed by the Jackson administration, had used eight presidential years of "flat bottomed" drive into national bankruptcy of the United States of that time. I point to that resulting state of national bankruptcy which is known as the "Panic of 1837." That same kind of bankruptcy, then, has now been put into effect again, now, by the Federal Reserve System under Ben Bernanke and by his associ-

"It is the time to really begin to think!" "St. Paul in Prison," Rembrandt, 1627.

ated pack of both slick Wall Street and foreign swindlers operating in that light.

Actually, the chronic "rage-ball" President, Andrew Jackson, was a mere tool of what were clearly "captive" British agents and traitors, such as Aaron Burr and Martin van Buren, both of whom operated overtly as agents of the British Empire's London, in driving the United States into that bankruptcy over the course of those intervening terms in office. That same operation made possible the effort to carve out a new, insurrectional, British puppet-slave-owners' nation from a large part of the United States, using that treasonous effort made directly through such then well-known identities as agencies operating through offices in New York City (and, also, Boston), which operated on the behalf of the British imperial monarchy and its forcing both slavery and then the U.S. Civil War down the throats of our republic.

But … That much said, we have the following. The Panic of 1837 demonstrates the fact, that the Jackson Presidency, and all Presidencies like his, such as the recent three terms of the elected "young Bush" and the Obama administrations, now typify the most murderously ascending pattern of swindles against the United States, and its people, of the present century. Those swindlers represent the outcome of an inherent tendency toward corruption in what has been foolishly praised by the dupes as "the Jacksonian tradition." The manifest evil of that tradition itself does not, yet reveal the deeper and deadlier role of institutions of the global reach of both the current British-Saudi monarchy's reign traditionally, and also their original, and present, Obama-linked versions, of what had been originally known as "9-11."

I shall now make the crucial point very, very clear, to those who are both willing and otherwise enabled in the ability to actually think.

I. The Historical Basis

"As on the Playing Fields of Eton'

At first careful consideration, amid the means by which most of our electorate have sometimes been induced to behave as if they were even as dumb as marbles, we find that the mean dirty trick used to confuse them, is to play the same sort of political game which Roman emperors had played by putting a captive people in a situation similar to that of the Roman gladiators: to "live or die" one more time in the torture of one kind of arena, or the mother of another. There is, admittedly, a slight, technical difference between those persons who are creatures of the vapid qualities which are typical of the U.S., British, or continental-European sports-field, and those creatures, those persons whose nature tends to represent the same, deeply debased intellectual level of a cross between recent U.S. general elections, and a session in an ill-kept locker room. So those same two reign, whether in the polling booths, or the stink of that locker-room!

I do not intend to deride athletic sports as such, at least not for as long as the theory of that matter is confined to reasonably beneficial choices of a sport and its honest behavior;[1] but, when election-campaigns take on the competitive attributes of the playing-field of sports, the electoral campaign converges on a kind of depraved intellectual irrelevance, which fits the Hellishness of the depravity of the bloody ancient Roman gladiatorial competitions in the arena. The politics of the arena is the place where "victories" are measured in the notions of the virtual counting of "penalties" adopted from the fields of mere bodily-contact sports, instead of the honor of the real science, upon which the continuation of the human species now so urgently depends.

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"When election-campaigns take on the competitive attributes of the playing-field of sports, the electoral campaign converges on a kind of depraved intellectual irrelevance, which fits the Hellishness of the depravity of the bloody ancient Roman gladiatorial competitions in the arena." Shown: a Navy/Rams football game.

For example, the possibility for the continued existence of the human species, depends on a social process which is typified by mankind's role in sustaining a continued basis of relationship which, in turn, depends upon human progress in expressing human qualities of relative "energy-flux density," per-capita. That being the case, what, then, must we consider has been the recurring source, historically, of that more or less deadly insanity of such evils as the threat to humanity which is typified by the current spread of what has been the deadly mass-insanity of "environmentalism"?

Over the course of the known history of the human species, there have been recurring periods of mass death, and related effects, which have been caused, chiefly, by the imposition of policies which have had an effect similar to those since the repeal of Glass-Steagall, the effects which came to the surface, especially, since 2007, and the most ruinous effects since late 2008. That is to think back to the howls of those who, more and more, have been shunted into the direction of mass deaths, and into kindred net effects on entire human cultures, including the actual extinctions of some branches of humanity. The spread of the tortured mass-insanity of contemporary so-called "environmentalism," is not only a case of sheer, mass-murderous evil; it is the essence of the very worst crimes of contemporary public behavior against both contemporary and future society as a whole.

The usual apology which has been made in the attempt to "rationalize" the actually mass-murderous evils of "environmentalism," are traceable to the currently avowed policies of the British Queen. Her existential argument on that account, has been, that such a savage reduction of population is considered to be "convenient" among those who share the predatory forms of cult-beliefs of a certain part of both the British oligarchy and of kindred cultures.

One must recall the fact, that the Earth has experienced lesser or greater mass-extinctions of species, as also from the occasional impact of some satellites on the planet. The fact is, that the lesser satellites are also deadly, in similar, but more limited destructions, often enough for some occasionally large-scale effects. Otherwise, the Solar System and the galaxy are constantly in evolution. In the resulting state of current affairs, it is the case, that if man does not progress to the effect of achieving man-made progress of the kind traced from the evolutionary succession of living species, who could yet know what else might, otherwise,

1. I confess that I use, and praise twenty minutes on a treadmill-like bicycle. I would not have lived this long without it. Twenty minutes gives the quickest and best result. It is permitted, and highly recommended to do some serious thinking in the meantime.

threaten our species with its own extinction? And, yet, there are also presently threatened other catastrophes which are not of such a dramatically conclusive degree, but which are threatening to our species, nonetheless.

The Rule We Must Adopt

The general rule of policy needed for mankind, is, therefore, a coherent and progressively anti-entropic evolution of our species, a process of upward development of mankind and its culture, a development of increased "energy-flux density" per-capita which must be sought, and also earned, within civilization's life-processes when considered in their entirety.

Now, Queen Elizabeth II and her like, are committed to reducing the population of the Earth, that with now increasing brutality, from seven billions persons presently, toward about one, or even fewer. This is intended to be brought about by means of a forced acceleration of death-rates induced among certain categories of the human population, as Adolf Hitler did, as by starvation, or, by withholding of needed food and water, and by other, more drastic means and their devices. That was done already against many varieties of targetted victims, under even the early stages of the Adolf Hitler regime, and has nbow been in progress under the current Queen and her accomplices, done currently in British institutions, while the same trend has been escalating since the inauguration of U.S. President Barack Obama, an escalating rate of murder conducted explicitly by that President, effected by aid of means underway as in the disguise of a health-care policy in a United States under that President Barack Obama.

These facts, are only a beginning of threats of some things new and very awful. There are other issues of very great importance, but, for the present layman, a bit more than too complex.

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Queen Elizabeth II and her imperial ilk are committed to reducing the human population to something like 1 billion people, aided by the radical greenie movement.

II. The Human Versus the Bestial Mind: Real Science

The knowledge-form of both human communication and related experience, is to be viewed as embodied in two notable components. The first, is that of what is classed as the differing components of what is identified as sense-perception, or its surrogates. The second, is the effect of the discovery of those adducibly universal principles of knowledge, the which are presently known to exist only within the bounds of sets of universal principles which are not sense-perceptions themselves, but which are nonetheless also typified by universal physical principles and those comparable physically efficient principles which are not located within ordinary sense-perception as such.

At the Foundations of Human Progress

Among the most important of the modern insights into precisely such qualitative distinctions, are those expressed as being "outside direct powers of sense-perception," but which are like the concept of what Johannes Kepler had defined as "**vicarious hypothesis,**" the concept which is otherwise also known as the ontological domain of "**metaphor**." Both aspects of this conception were drawn by Kepler from the work of Cardinal Nicholas of Cusa, as in his **De Docta Ignorantia**.

The notion of "vicarious hypothesis," or, the same thing, "metaphor," implies that the real universe exists essentially, systemically "outside" the domain of what may be classed as ordinary human sense-perception. So, all actually truthful notions in science recognize, that the essential quality of physical reality lies, essentially, outside the domain of sense-perception as such. This, for example, illustrates the actually physical meaning

of a reflection of the results of the collaboration respecting the concept of "mind" as reflected in usages shared between Max Planck and Wolfgang Köhler, which are thus outside the domain of the banalities of statistical techniques as such.

The related, incompetent reading of evidence within the ostensibly same bounds, is an essentially statistical reading which is based on sense-perceptual experiences, which are not exactly universal physical principles. The currently prevalent, but incompetent classroom and related education programs, argue that the implicitly "statistical" treatment of the data associated with sense-perceptual experience-as-such, leads toward a statistical kind of convergence on what are claimed to be universal physical principles; that is an incompetent but commonplace option, one which is flatly contrary to the knowledge of such relevant authorities as the great Bernhard Riemann and such of his followers-in-fact as Planck, Köhler, and Einstein.

For a broader insight into what is implied in my own expertise in the matter of the physical principle of metaphor, it is necessary to examine the same difference between competent science and statistical methods, as that contradiction is presented by the original discoverer of the principle of gravitation, created by Johannes Kepler, and also by the contributions of such relevant scientific authorities as, specifically, Riemann, Planck, Einstein, and Köhler.

That is to emphasize that universal physical principles and statistical mathematics, do not actually occupy the same universe "ontologically." Good statistical experimental physics will tend to converge on values which seem, for a time, to conform to "physical principles," but, which do not actually conform to merely statistical methods.

There are several orders of magnitude of difference between the methods derived from the mere "nitty-gritty" of mere sense-perception, and those actually rigorous methods expressed, typically, by Johannes Kepler, as by the term "vicarious hypothesis." *All competent notions of the actually universal principles which exist in knowledge, are known only from something located outside that of vicarious hypothesis, as Kepler himself had emphasized. The rest of the subject is, for most of us, merely shadows: that precisely because our experimental knowledge of true principles, is based merely on an attempt to approximate what sense-perception itself can not actually tell us.*

That fact, as so just stated, points toward the exact same method by means of which my own economic forecasts have succeeded, when otherwise known, and otherwise leading economists had consistently failed repeatedly on this specific account. They have failed precisely because of their habituated obsession with what are the intrinsically most incompetent methods: statistical methods. That is the problem which occupies the central place of reference during the remainder of this present chapter of the report.

That, by the way, is the reason that virtually all of the leading institutions of commerce of the United States and other nations, have adopted the intrinsically incompetent methods cohering with post-hoc forms, which have never worked, and never will: the intrinsically incompetent method of "statistical forecasting."

What are fairly identified as "universal physical principles," are not derived from statistical evidence, but exactly the contrary.

Therefore, take the case of Classical musical composition, as opposed to popular "junk music," as a means for illustrating the point. Also, take into account some high points of the experimental investigations in the work of Johann Sebastian Bach, Arthur Nikisch, and Wilhelm Furtwängler, as bench-marks.

Classical Music: The Only Real Music

Start with the case of Wilhelm Furtwängler's defense of the essential, Bach-rooted reflection of a universal principle of Classical musical composition and its intended form of performance. Take the actually physical principles of not only Bach, Nikisch, and Furtwängler, but all of the leading "Classical composers and performers" from the period of Bach, through Brahms, as contrasted to the foolish fantasies of those composers and performers to be known as those so-called "Romantics" whose pathetic influence culminated in the twisted sort of strained influence promoted by the post-World War II influence of Britain's late and (I think) intentionally, and destructively awkward, Gerald Moore.

It happened, at the close of what was called "World War II," that what had been Classical musical composition and much of performance, were viciously and savagely ruined to a degree of what seemed to be the extent of the maximum intellectual mayhem possible at that time. This was what needed to be recognized, and that most emphatically, with the 1950 introduction of vi-

Against the prevailing exitentialist trends of the postwar period, Wilhelm Furtwängler, "the greatest intellect of the concert-hall of his time," passionately upheld the Classical tradition in music. He is shown here conducting in Berlin, 1938.

ciously existentialist tones of the "Congress for Cultural Freedom."

Furtwängler, who had become and remained the still-living, greatest intellect of the concert-hall of his time, was a giant of music who had become also a leading target of those against the Classical principles of composition and performance which Furtwängler had represented. His post-war influence struggled against the outright, and widespread sheer lies against him of an alleged "anti-Semitism" which has been and persists as known to be directly contrary to his personal and professional nature. The motive for those lies is to be located in the roots of the hooligans of the Congress for Cultural Freedom. Despite all that, the best of the leading musicians of that time, knew the depth of his deeply rooted mastery of the principles of the Classical musical tradition, as they had also known of his risks in his special measures for attempted defense of the Jewish musicians of those times in the then person-to-person mode.

For example, on this matter: during the 1970s and 1980s, I came into much more immediate knowledge, sometimes close personal knowledge of that generation of leading musicians who were, for the most part, either of older generations than my own, or notably of approximately the same generation. At my present age of 90 years, most of those leading personalities from among the professionals of those past times, are deceased, or have been incapacitated within the span of a decade or more ago. To my great regret at that time, I now also recall what creatures such as the late Gerald Moore did in the aftermath of World War II, toward forcing the capitulation to destruction of crucial elements of the standard of practice of those essential principles of composition and their performance which had been previously standard for the greatest voices of such times.

Soon, the method of then recorded performances which Gerald Moore's guidance imposed, had thus been crafted in a manner explicitly aimed at destroying the essential principles of Bach and other greatest composers and performing artists who had previously been relied on as being intended, and rightly so, as a voice of the legacy of Johann Sebastian Bach. The foremost emphasis on the targeting leading German performers for this certain kind of post-World War II victimization, is particularly notable on this account.

Truth be told, it was the British monarchy, and representatives of that same "Wall Street gang" associated with the attempt of replacing President Franklin Roosevelt with a Hitler-like regime inside the U.S.A., which had actually brought Adolf Hitler and his regime into power in the first place. Facts such as that must not be hidden.[2]

If one knows the principle of composition of Bach, the savagery which Moore imposed, as sometimes within my hearing, or sight (at a time when both of my

2. All truly competent scholars in such matters, know that the British empire is, essentially, an empire in the model set by ancient Rome. In the matters of warfare, for example, the common practice of such an empire as that of ancient Rome, or modern Britain, customarily reserves its own battle-forces to the duty of the nations and the like which serve as merely "toys" which the British empire plays, like toys on a **Kriegsspiel** chess-board: you and you fight to the death, so that we, the British masters play warfare from a distance, as in the case of the original "9-11" even, directed by a coalition of British and Saudi masters, as all true empires have acted like this. So, the British and Saudi imperialists play their games against the other nations of Eurasia, and against the United States itself, currently.

abilities were still on sturdier legs), was brutal, and totally a savagery against the principles of the Bachian tradition of composition from the **Preludes and Fugues** onward. Classical musical principle was, thus, displaced, during the post-war years, by the opportunism of the bawdy stage of the Congress for Cultural Freedom. I need not identify the worst cases; their identities since that time have been very, very obvious, and chiefly very noisy.

The point about all that which is emphatically relevant to the matter of physical scientific method, is located most conveniently for us today, in adducing the principles of performance which are essential to the great Classical tradition of Bach, as that has been expressed by the leading composers and related musicians of the Eighteenth Century and the Nineteenth. Johannes Brahms' **Vier Ernste Gesänge** was, in certain meaningful ways, the appropriate requiem to be remembered for the musical aftermath of the Nineteenth Century.

It is for this reason, that some of the recorded performances of certain exceptional, leading Classical musicians since the beginning of the Twentieth Century, are of such great importance for studying the intrinsically Bachian root and relationship of the great Classical musical traditions, such as the work of Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert, Schumann, and Brahms. The work of these Classical composers and performers of that time, as distinct from the Romantic varieties, represents a quality of frankly scientific capability which is still indispensable at this time, for providing the setting needed for the progress of physical science.

Those of that Classical tradition, embody a deep power of creative insight and crafting justly envied, or even despised among the relatively brutish others. Those of the Classical tradition typify not merely the skills, but also the creative artist's and scientist's generative capabilities, abilities which typify the deeply scientific, creative principles of Classical composition, such as Bach's **Preludes and Fugues**, and that great **St. Matthew Passion**. Johann Sebastian Bach had set into motion exactly those necessary principles of physical science which are coincident with the conducting which such as Wilhelm Furtwängler embodied.

Furtwängler typified those who continued to embody these achievements after World War II, as such, that done with more greatly insightful and impassioned effect even more than before and during that war. This ability, as shared by such exemplary composers as Bach, Nikisch, and Furtwängler, leads the truly serious physical scientist into an essential insight, born of the spirit of the principles of Classical musical excellence, and carried from thence into the mysteries of those remnants of seemingly lost knowledge of the principles of physical science which lie still beyond the reach of merely mathematical descriptions of sense-certainties.

Science was never merely mathematics. Science expresses the passion which must come before the role of mere mathematics, the passion of the discovery of those true principles which are lodged in what Kepler defined as the higher realm within which created discoveries of universal physical principles are lodged, principles which remain outside merely mathematical roles of physical science as such.

Think so of Max Planck; see Albert Einstein's violin. Note the following. Then, examine the method which Furtwängler employed for his discovery of the great principle, that originally of Bach, which destroys the monotony of the literal score, and which marks the intention of the greatest musical composers and performers of all known great Classical musical composition in the Bach tradition. Then, hear what the greatest performers have done in ordering the manner in which the identified marks of composition have been adapted to the insights presented in the work of Bach and his tradition, We have, thus, entered into new dimensions of physical science, into the domain marked out by the principle of Nicholas of Cusa, and the notion of "vicarious hypothesis," that which is the same as the principle of metaphor.

This brings us to the continuing topics carried over into the following new chapter of this report.

III. The Definition of Physical Science

When one thinks seriously about the functions associated with the processes of sense-perception, has done as much work in depth in examining such and related matters and their functions as I have done, and when creative personalities have also experienced the waning perfections of the sensory functions, as I have done, the thought proceeds: "Actually, knowing what science has forewarned us, as during all of these accu-

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The extension of mankind's sensory appataus through extra-terrestrial science is exemplified in the brilliant success of Curiosity's Mars mission, and by the vast amount of invaluable information about the universe provided by the Hubble telescope. Here, NASA astronaut John Grunsfeld services the Hubble, May 2009.

mulated decades as I have done, one might suggest that, perhaps it is God who knows much more about the world of sense-perception than we mere mortals do." As a matter of fact, when some among us grow old enough, and also wise enough, we will never tolerate blind faith in what is worshipped as sense-certainty, ever again.

That, which I have just stated thus, points to a very serious, and very powerful means for overcoming the failures which sense-perception alone could never competently resolve. Even the human brain can not be readily trusted on that account. What, then, is my particular advantage in this matter? I suggest the following.

I do not know, yet, and perhaps never will, how and why this indicated problem, can be overcome in a full degree. But, there is one fact on this account of which I am fully and rightly certain. Sometimes, as in the case which I have just brought up here, we may become really blinded by loss of insight, if we do not proceed, early and often, to let the powers of mind do the work which mere sense-perception could never empower us to master.

Indeed, the secret of what some people might consider to be "genius," is to become adeptly familiar with those powers of the human mind which do not depend directly on sense-perception alone. Fantasy? If you believe that, you are really no scientist.

Among the most significant of the accomplishments of physical science is presented to us by the implications of what become famous as mankind's entry into the direct and indirect functions of extra-terrestrial science, in which we struggle to craft both direct and indirect means for establishing what can be fairly considered as "artificial" sensory and related "synthetic" connections between those persons without means of direct senses, who can nonetheless communicate with man and the stars, and that without the help of impaired, or critically delimited use of sense-perception, The success of some famous personalities, who had lost control of essentially functioning sense-functions, would be enabled to connect the person inhabiting the living carcass to the means of guiding the stars, or tasks of a comparable complexity.

It were still more interesting, to focus emphasis on synthetic means for repairing lost sense-capabilities. The derivatives of that mission are most richly rewarding. precisely because the challenge compels conquest of the unexpected.

Thus, the development of space-exploration, turns the table around. We now require the development and use of the kinds of "sense-perceptual functions" which man had never needed for the earlier times' notions of the normal functions of life, Now, space-exploration and related subjects have their own new types of growing demands.

For example, the launching of a higher rank of intra-space communication, "Curiosity," represents a quality of development which impels us to change our thinking about the significance of communications within and beyond the confines of the Solar system. The need to deal with what we would presently consider, primarily, as very naughty and dangerous asteroids, directs us to build up a two-way system between Mars-base and Earth-base, which, by employing

speed-of-light communications between Mars and Earth—and on certain things between, might well prove to become a prospective means of preventing the threatened extinction, as by the actions of errant asteroids and comets, of human life on Earth.

What we have, in that same general context, is the more general challenge of (hypothetically) relying only on synthetic successors to such synthetic creatures as "Curiosity," to defend life on Earth by means of synthetic arrays deployed as installations operating on Mars: the defense of Earth (as against actually dangerous asteroids) from electronic bases on Mars, by aid of a command based on Earth.

What, then, given such a direction of development within the range of "cooperation" between Earth and Mars, is the functional system of a likeness to a noëtically imagined electronic mind-system, which, by basing its work on the actual noëtic capabilities unique to the human mind, encompasses virtually all of the capabilities needed, excepting those noëtic functions themselves, which we must choose to reference as an attribution to the individual human mind.

Now, having stated that much on the hypothesis so identified, what does this impart to us as proffering a fresh view of the actual functions and potential of the individual human mind? Let us ask of the systems of intra-space control which man on Earth develops as I have broadly suggested here: What is the change this extended development implies?

The noëtic power of the individual human mind (as distinct from the mere brain—as Max Planck and Wolfgang Köhler shared their notion of a principle of mind) is a relative constant factor in the scheme. It is the extension of an intra-spatial system which is augmented by the network of connections arrayed by aid of the speed of light among the points of reference. It is that noëtic "element," within, which is the constant throughout; it is the greatly increased "computerized" and comparable augmentation of the power supplied to the noëtic "element," which is thus left remaining to our living biological selves, which defines the prospective future of mankind's destiny.

However, that is only a first step, albeit a giant step.

Consider the next capital challenge to be attacked.

The View of Man from the Side of the Universe Itself

The leading objective of this approach, and its challenge, is to see the universe, Earth within, and our selves on Earth, from the side of that view, virtually by the universe "himself," now viewing man's existence within man's living body, experiencing, thus, the noëtic expressions of the objects called sense-perceptions, which are to become the subject to be understood. We must build the pathway of escape from man's imprisonment in the character of the customary scientific achievements, of continuing to be the virtual "stumblebums of the Universe," stumbling across merely scented-out realities which we could never really understand.

What our usual economists, and persons of related talent have failed terribly to understand, is the essential difference between the human and all other known living species.

The intrinsic incompetence of our professional economists is exhibited, principally, in their religious-like devotion to the worship of the piece of folly called "statistical forecasting." The only competent forecasting is that of the developments which exist only in the future, which must be something intrinsically unknown to anyone relying upon statistical forecasting. The virtual insanity of Ben Bernanke and similar hyperinflation "freaks" from both sides of the Atlantic Ocean, is typical of the majority of our nation's and Europe's hyper-inflationary fantasy-life from whose grip we must now escape.

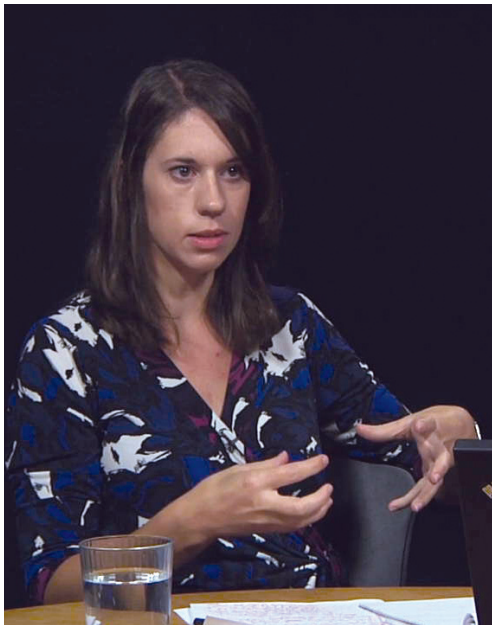
As a result of all this, there is no hope for the United States, unless all of the conventional, post-John F. Kennedy practices of useless prolonged wars and other hyperinflationary long roads toward national hyperinflationary breakdown-crisis, are overturned and massive, Franklin Roosevelt-style, high-technology production and basic major science-driver projects such as NAWAPA are pushed through immediately, instead.

You might choose to reject what I say, but you can not refute what will happen to all of us, unless you adopt a recovery policy of exactly the type I have specified. Otherwise, the United States, the trans-Atlantic regions, and most of everything else is now immediately threatened with a greater collapse of life on this planet as a whole, that in a very rapid order during the weeks and months immediately ahead. The other short-term option presented to the world at this time, is global thermonuclear warfare, which signals a long, long nuclear winter beginning a relatively short time ahead. Check the record carefully; in these matters, I have not made important mistakes.

An 'Eerie Quality of the Future': Kepler's Vicarious Hypothesis

by Megan Beets

Megan Beets presented this discussion of Kepler's "vicarious hypothesis," during the LPAC Weekly Report (www.larouchepac.com), Oct. 17. It has been edited for publication in EIR. We encourage readers to watch the video to get the full impact of the animations, which we can reproduce here only as still photos.



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Megan Beets discusses Kepler's "vicarious hypothesis," as an approach to answering the question, "What is the human mind, per se?"

What I want to get into, is zeroing in on this question of mind, per se. Because if we're saying that the senses are inherently failed, flawed systems, then the question is, how do we actually go about sensing what's real? If our senses don't have access to what's real about the universe, what does, and in what way?

So, what I want to do, is go through, in a little bit more detail, the example of the vicarious hypothesis of Kepler. To do that, I want to address the state of astronomy before Kepler. We're talking about the end of the 16th Century, and the beginning of the 17th Century.

In Kepler's time, astronomy was not a branch of physics, it had no concern with physics; it was a branch of geometry and of modelling appearances. So the concern of the astronomer was to come up with some kind of geometrical map, or apparatus of calculation, by which he could predict, accurately, where a particular planet or a particular star would be seen on a particular night. The physics behind that model was of no concern to the astronomer—whether or not this was a realistic, viable idea of what was actually occurring in the physical universe, or represented some kind of knowable principle.

In Kepler's time, you had three predominant such models, or apparatuses of calculation: that of Copernicus, of Ptolemy, and of Tycho Brahe. And what we see here, with this beautiful animation (**Figures 1, 2, and 3**), is the system of Copernicus, with the Sun in the center, or close to the center; the Earth and all the planets orbiting around the Sun, in perfect circles. You have the older system of Ptolemy, with the Earth at the center, not spinning at all, completely stationary, the Sun moving around the Earth, and all of the planets moving around a mathematical point which is moving around the Earth. And then, you have the system of Tycho Brahe, which is a bit of a mix between the two, where you have the Earth somewhere close to the center; the Sun orbiting around that, and then all the rest of the planets orbiting around the Sun.

So, three systems which seem contradictory; but what Kepler shows, in his *New Astronomy*, is that the relative positions and relationships of the planetary bodies don't change at all. What this means is, if you are on the Earth observing the sky, you would have no way of knowing whether Ptolemy's system, Copernicus' system, or Tycho's system were true! All of them model the appearances in the sky, exactly the same.

And so, in the *New Astronomy*, the first thing that Kepler does, is make the shocking statement to the world, that all of these systems, over which there had

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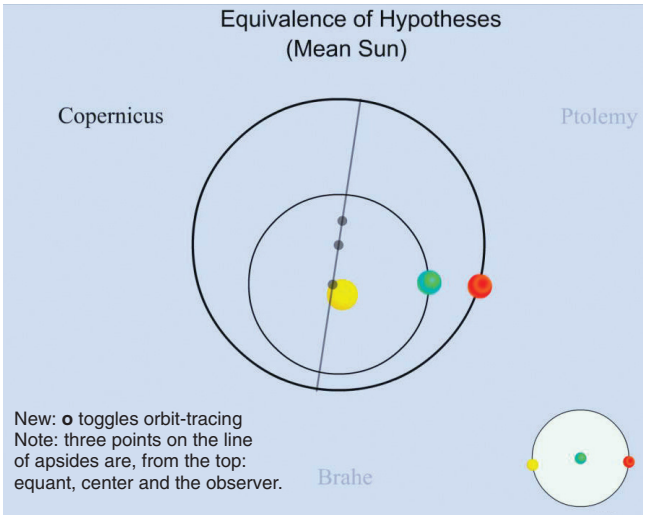

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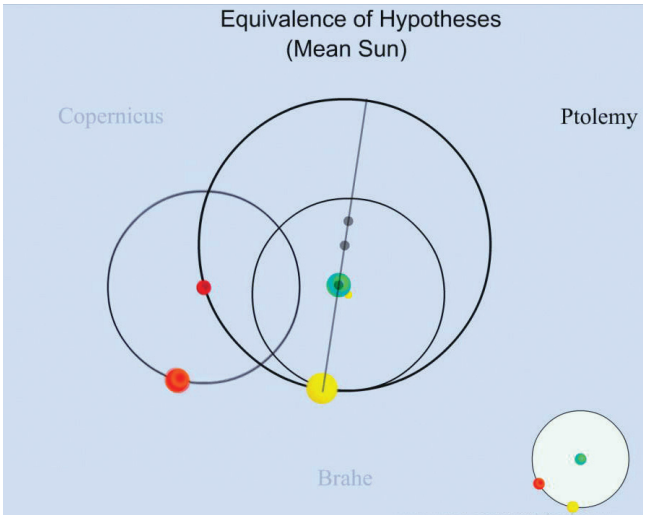

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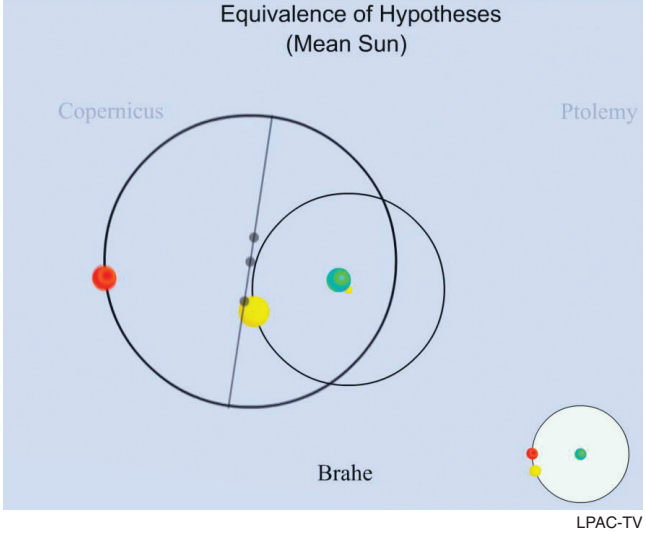

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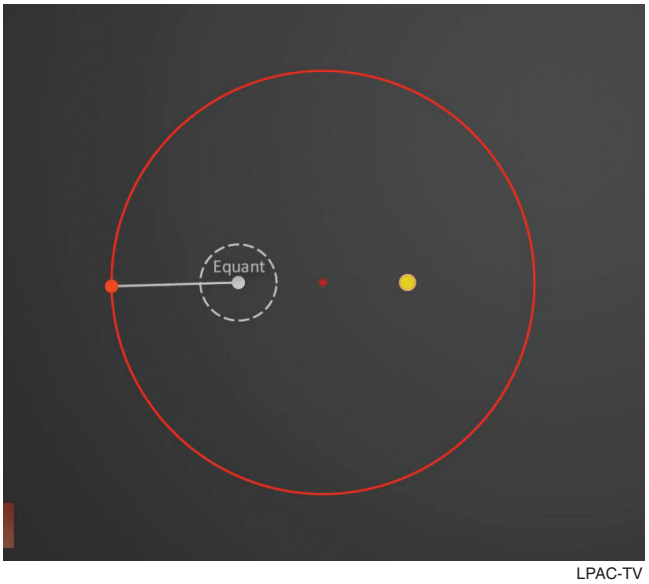

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been scientific fights for centuries, were the same: They're of exactly the same quality!

Kepler's Model

Now, once he's done that, he does something quite ironic, which is that Kepler goes about to create a model, which appears to be a mathematical model—and that's his vicarious hypothesis—and I'll qualify in a minute what I mean by that.

Kepler takes a few basic assumptions about the nature of the orbits. One of them is that the orbits are perfect circles. The second one is that the rate of motion of the planet is determined by a point called the equant, which you see represented here with this white point (**Figure 4**), which is a mathematical point—there's no physical body there, but it's a point in space, around which the planet would move an equal distance in an equal time; an equal angle in an equal time. So, regular motion determining the rate of motion of the planet in its orbit.

The third main component of the model—and this is where Kepler differs from the others, slightly—is that he takes the *physical Sun*, when he's using his observations. He takes where the Sun was physically observed on that day. Now, the others had taken something called the "mean Sun," which is a certain mathematical ap-

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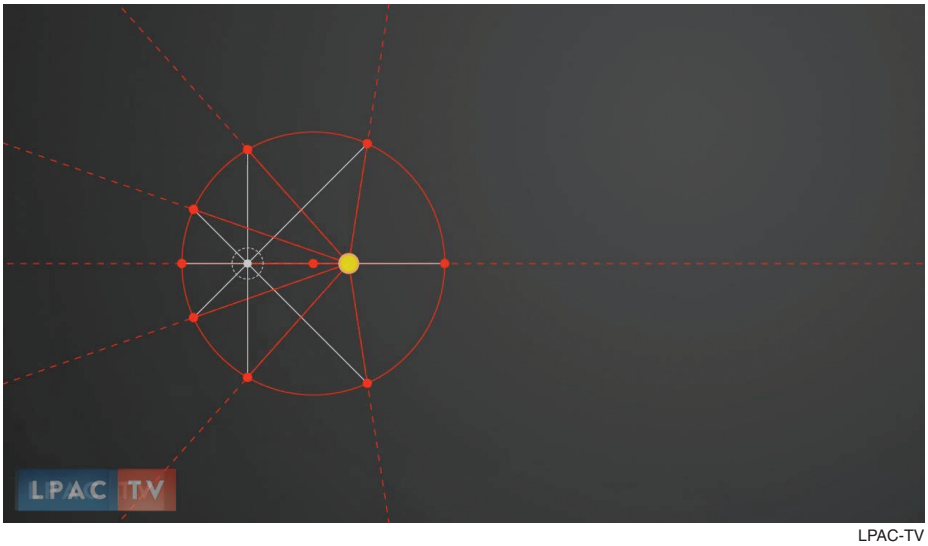

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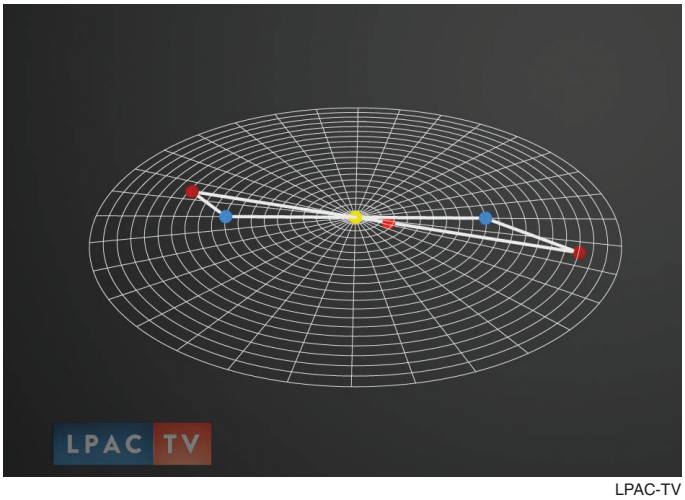

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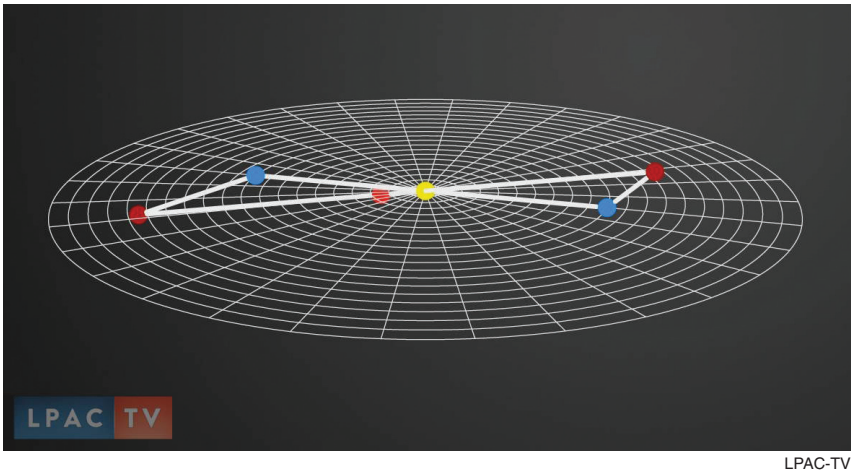

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proximation, which didn't actually exist.

So, with this, through a long, long, years-long process, Kepler is able to construct his vicarious hypothesis, which you see here (**Figure 5**): He's able to show more accurately than anybody before, with this model; he's able to forecast where the position of a planet would be on a given night, in something called its "longitude," which is how far along the yearly orbit the planet has traveled. So, using the vicarious hypothesis as the model to calculate the longitudes, Kepler's model is more accurate than anything that had ever been created.

Now, from this model of the vicarious hypothesis, Kepler is able to conclude what the distances of the planet Mars must be from the Sun: He concludes what all the distances must be of the center of Mars' orbit from both the Sun and the equant, which would then tell you the distance of the planet from the Sun. So that's important.

Now he does something else, which is very purposeful: He takes the model of the vicarious hypothesis, and he looks at it from the side. So now, we're getting a second view of the same idea, and that is, he looks at the "latitudes." Now, when we say "latitude," what we're talking about is the fact that the orbit of Mars is not in a perfect plane with the orbit of the Earth, but it's tilted. So we're going to see the planet Mars, not perfectly on the ecliptic; we're going to see it somewhere above, or somewhere below.

So, we take the model of the vicarious hypothesis to look at the latitudes, and that's what we see here, in this video. So you have a top-down view (**Figure 6**), and now, we're turning it, to get the side view (**Figure 7**).

Here we see the planet Mars, both above and below the ecliptic, on its tilted orbit; we see the Sun, we see two positions of the Earth, observing Mars. Now, what Kepler discovers, is that when he applies the distances that he

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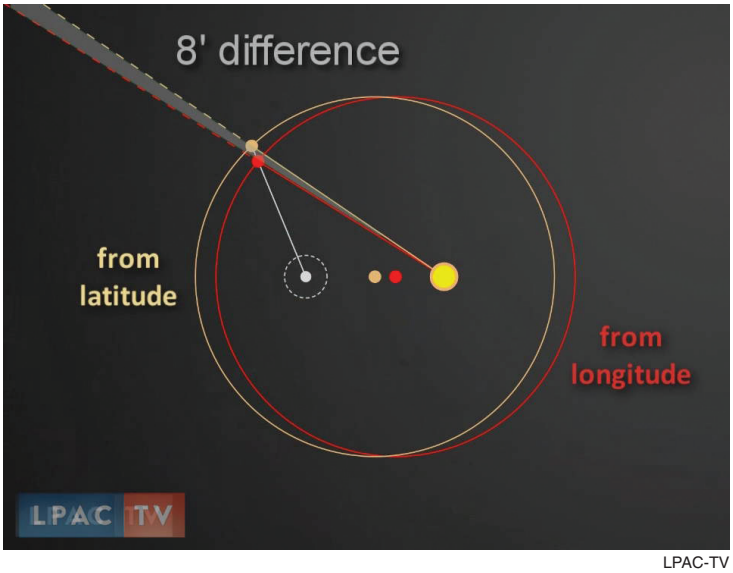

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calculated from the longitudes, to the latitudes, the model is off. What he calculates for the latitudes, given those distances, does not match up with the observations! So, he makes a correction, and he moves the center of Mars' orbit a little bit closer to the Sun, and he corrects it, and now, the latitudes *do* match up.

Now, he takes those distances back to the original view of the longitudes, and he applies these new, corrected distances from the latitudes, to the longitudes, and he finds that it doesn't work. And what he finds is this famous error of eight minutes of an arc difference. So you can see that here (**Figure 8**), that the lighter, orangish color orbit is the orbit with the distances from the latitudes; the darker red orbit is the original orbit that made the longitudes correct, and you see that there's crack, there's a discrepancy. But both are coming from the same set of data, both are coming from the same assumptions, the same model. But according to this, one way you could say it, is that the planet would have to be at two different distances at the same time, to make the appearances work.

The other way you could say it, and this gets a little bit more to the point, is, how do you resolve these two components? Both seem to be true, and yet, both can't be true. And yet, both are supposed to be explaining the same creature. And this is what Kepler was aiming for the whole time in the design of the vicarious hypothesis in the first place: Is that, no matter how many little adjustments you would make, there is no set of distances, which would make both the latitudes true *and* the longitudes true. It's impossible. There's no compromise to be made here.

A Leap of the Mind

Now, this confirms, for Kepler, that the orbit that we're modeling here, the orbit that you could draw on a piece of paper, is a shadow of something else. And this is what he uses as the—I don't want to say "excuse," that's not quite the right word—but to give him the authority to bring in something completely different, which is a leap of the mind, a hunch about an acting power, which his model is not detecting.

Now, what he brings in is something which he calls the "physical hypothesis." And this is interesting, because this is an idea that did not just "occur" to him after the year 1601, when he's working on the orbit of Mars. This is a certain conception, a certain hunch he had about the physical mode of power of the Sun, going all the way back to the 1590s, when he was publishing his first major work, *Mysterium Cosmgraphicum*. So this is not something which some kind of model indicated to him existed; he had had a hunch since he was a very young man.

Now, the idea of the physical power is that the science of astronomy is not a science of geometry, it's a science of physics. And Kepler hypothesized the existence of a motive power, seated in the Sun. And then he goes about, in the later chapters of the work, trying to tease the reader into thinking about what the nature of this could be.

And so first, he proposes that the physical power in the Sun is like magnetism, and he goes about describing the behavior of the Sun as if it were a magnet, and how that would move the planets. But, he says, it's not quite like magnetism.

And then, he goes about describing it as light: What if the Sun were a point-source of light, and it was moving the planet like light? How would that work? And he says, it's not quite like that.

And then he proposes, it's like a river, with a current of water in the river, and—you get the point.

So, again, he's using a method to tease your mind into hypothesizing what the quality of this power of the Sun would be, where it's like light, it's like magnetism, it's like water, in such a way that it's not like any of them.

An Eerie Sense of an Acting Principle

Now, this zeroes in on what I want to get at, which is: What is this power of the mind, which has the ability to detect something, to feel something with such certainty, which is completely inaccessible to the senses? And I just think this example of Kepler is wonderful, because it completely defies the kind of stultified formal environment of science, today, which is based on mathematical proof and mathematical certainty.

The way Kepler discovered gravitation, and the way he went on to solidify that in his *Harmony of the World*, is with a *hunch*, is with a certain *conviction*, a certain kind of an *eerie sense of an acting principle,* in his mind. And thinking that, I just want to return to the idea of the model, for a minute, and the relationship between the model and the principle. Because on the one hand, you can ask: Well, did the idea, did the physical hypothesis in this case come from the model? Well, clearly not! Was the model necessary? Yes. The model was necessary, but not for what the model could show you: The model was necessary, for what it *could not* show you. Kepler had to confirm to himself the particularity of something which the model *did not* have the power to show. And this was the leaping off point for the hypothesis.

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"What is this eerie quality of being able to know something, in such a way that you don't know it, but you know it?" As with a string quartet rehearsing a piece: "They're pursuing something which they've never experienced." Shown: the Teatro de Estada Cuarteto Ensamble Clasico, October 1998, Mexicali, Baja California.

Classical Music

And one more point I want to raise about this, which I think is quite provocative: I think this raises the question of what is this quality that we call "the human mind, per se"? What is the nature of this quality? For me, this quality of the mind is most accessible in the example of Classical music, and the kind of feeling of "rightness," that comes in the process of rehearsal and performance of Classical music. And I find this quite delightful.

Take a string quartet, or take a small ensemble, or even take an orchestra: But take a group of musicians who are working on a piece. Now, they've never experienced the correct presentation of this piece of music before. And yet, in the rehearsal process, it's clear to everybody that they haven't achieved it, yet. Now, they're playing all of the right notes at the right time, with each other, but it's clear in the process of rehearsal that, "We haven't gotten it yet! It's not right. It's not right." And they're pursuing something which they've never experienced.

And so, what is this eerie quality of being able to know something, in such a way that you don't know it, but you know it? And then, when you do achieve it, everybody knows it! You've got a recognition of that thing which you were pursuing all along.

So, I think it's this quality of mind that we need to discuss, that we need to explore, because what you're dealing with is a quality in the human being which can experience the future. It has a positive experience of something which hasn't yet occurred, in what we call "the present." And I think it's no coincidence, that this eerie quality of the future was what Kepler pursued. I think it's no coincidence that his conviction about the kinship of the human mind and the Creator's mind, was his mooring point, for his entire scientific process, and that this is what unleashed a complete revolution.

Vassals of Europe, Unite: Leave the EU Dictatorship!

by Helga Zepp-LaRouche

Oct. 19—Europe is confronting a social explosion, and the euro system is waiting for the Big Bang, one way or another. German Chancellor Angela Merkel and Finance Minister Wolfgang Schäuble are rushing to hand over the very last shred of sovereignty to the Brussels bureaucracy, while, according to the London *Guardian*, Greek families do not even have enough money to bury their dead—and there are more dead to bury than there were before, because of the life-shortening impact of the austerity policies demanded by the Troika (the European Central Bank, European Commission, and IMF). In Portugal, the veterans' associations have called for a demonstration on Nov. 10, charging that the government's austerity program is unconstitutional and has led Portugal to the abyss, while former President Gen. António Ramalho Eanes fears for the unity of the country. Separatism also threatens to tear Spain apart. On Nov. 14, there will be general strikes in Greece, Spain, and Portugal, and protests across Europe.

Not since 1945 has there been such a huge gap in Europe between what people in the so-called peripheral countries and a growing number of those in the so-called core countries perceive as life-threatening policies, and the almost somnambulistic apparent self-assurance with which Mrs. Merkel keeps demanding "more Europe"—despite the dire social consequences of this policy. "We must not disappoint the markets," is one of her favorite nostrums; obviously "Europe" and "the markets" have long been synonymous in her mind. And that's where the problem lies.

'System M'

What have we come to, when some 98% of citizens think, "There's nothing we can do anyway," when the Supreme Court rules that Members of Parliament acted unconstitutionally by surrendering national sovereignty to the EU in Brussels without batting an eyelash, or when everyone seems to be accustomed to the fact that the "EU democracy deficit" has become so big that it has replaced democracy altogether? And when even the *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung* fears that the European Union is in such a furor of self-remodeling, "that one can only hope that all these architects can keep track of what they are doing and not make a new mess of things." At least they admit that there was an "old" mess.

When old wine is sold in new bottles, most people notice it only when they wake up the next morning with a hangover. If old recipes for snake oil are marketed with new packaging, most people fall for it and buy the same brew that had poisoned them once before. And if certain historical processes are repeated, but in a new guise, then the masses of the population, trusting their sense perception, are convinced that what they are seeing are wonderful new clothes. And there are, unfortunately, usually only a very few thoughtful individuals who understand the principles on which these historical processes are based.

Gertrud Höhler, in her book *The Godmother: How Angela Merkel Is Remodeling Germany*, characterized the Chancellor's political style as "System M." This is a "soft variant of authoritarian display of power," which

Germany has not previously experienced in this form, but which, although different in style from the dictatorships of the 20th Century, nevertheless echoes them, with respect to Merkel's "nonchalance in dealing with Parliament, constitutional guarantees, legal norms, and ethical standards." As expected, this book created a huge uproar in the "Europe lobby."

It probably also has something to do with the dramatic escalation of the crisis, that now there is an extremely positive response to an excellent article by Ludwig Poullain [see box] on Oct. 8, in which he called for a clean break with the euro bailout policy and pointed to another parallel to the 1930s. He wrote that when the Nazis were driven from power, he, as a young man, felt that the liberation from censorship, from the prohibition against independent thinking, was the very best achievement of those years. "Then it took a long time before it dawned on me that elected rulers of a democratic republic also tend to tell their subjects what to think and what not to think, the better to leave such things to the higher-ups."

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Poullain's metaphor of Chancellor Merkel's "terracotta soldiers" in Parliament is a reference to the terracotta sculptures of the armies of the first emperor of China (third century B.C.). The sculptures, discovered only in 1974, are exquisitely crafted to show individuality in the features of the estimated 8,000 soldiers—perhaps more individuality than the members of today's Bundestag, where meaningful debate is now taboo.

The culture of debate had died in this country, he continued; real discussions are taboo. Mrs. Merkel and her finance minister just follow the dictates of the markets in order to save the "euro homunculus," and this euro lies like a shroud over Spain, Italy, and France. Mrs. Merkel, with "blind terracotta soldiers" marching behind her—and not just from her own party—will comply with requests for aid until Germany is finished, he wrote.

The external manifestations of the policy today are different, and in this respect, the photo montages in Greece, Portugal, and Spain that

Poullain: Leave the Euro!

Ludwig Poullain (92), the former CEO of Germany's Westdeutsche Landesbank (West LB), wrote in *Cicero* magazine on Oct. 8, that the euro system does not have the slightest chance of survival. His article (in German) is titled "Time for a Clean Break with Euro Bailouts." Helga Zepp-LaRouche's article here gives the gist of it, but many other features are worthy of note, including the following:

"All the rescue packages so far have proved useless, and they will continue to be so. The money paid out is gone, and the euro rescue is one big fiasco," he writes.

"Even before there is a rescue action for Italy, we will experience a giant blowout, something like a currency-policy Big Bang, which will let the euro house of cards implode. But to the great surprise of everybody, a closer look at the shambles will show that the values and substances deposited in the safe are preserved, and that a sound new system can be created from them."

Poullain analyzes the reasons for Europe's crisis, including that with the introduction of the euro, France, Italy, and Spain "consciously neglected their industry. Instead of a vigorous industrial society, they took the easier route of the service sector." This eliminated millions of industrial jobs, and "as a further consequence of this deindustrialization, the GDP of these countries will not be able to grow significantly in the future, and therefore the state debt will have to rise. All the Fiscal Pacts in the world can do nothing to change this."

But Germany is in a stronger position, in part because under the Bretton Woods System of fixed exchange rates, it had been forced to devalue its currency against the dollar. The result was that German industry had to improve its products and its productivity, and its exports became more and more competitive. "The foundation of [our] high standards today was laid in those years."

have portrayed Merkel in an SS uniform are inappropriate. But people in these countries feel that the consequences of the Troika's policies are life threatening, and even Peer Steinbrück[1] has now figured out that the austerity policies of the Troika are the same as those of Chancellor Brüning [which paved the way for Hitler]. What Steinbrück obviously did not understand, is that there is no solution within this EU system.

A Financial Dictatorship

The parliamentary debate before the EU summit last week once again demonstrated with startling clarity, that it is the blind terracotta soldiers of all parties that have occupied our Parliament. Ultimately, it makes no substantive difference whether a dictatorial Monetary Affairs Commissioner decides how much needs to be cut from the budgets, or whether there is a bank union or eurobonds or a pooling of debt. Nor is it a question of whether saving or spending will resolve the dilemma; the fundamental problem remains the design flaw of the euro; and now that the horse is already out of the barn, all the mandates for the four so-called presidents of the European Union to work out a far-reaching restructuring of the monetary union are completely absurd. Whoever still believes he can force the traumatized and divided peoples of Europe under the yoke of a United States of Europe—in other words, a financial oligarchy—is hallucinating.

Anyone who does not see that all of civilization is about to hit the wall, and that there is an urgent need to change the entire paradigm of politics, is not in living in the real world. Last but not least, the problem of the terracotta soldiers involves the parliamentary system we have in Europe, and naturally, also in Germany. The deputies, who under Article 38 of the German Constitution are supposed to be responsible only to their consciences, instead bow to the party whip, because they want to run for re-election in their districts or keep their places on the slate. "Of course, I am committed to the common good, but not so much that it will cost me my re-election," is their motto. "You've got to be capable of reaching consensus if you want to get ahead politically; that's just how it is with democracy."

The current policy in Europe demonstrates once again how right Thucydides and Plato were, when they discovered 2,500 years ago that dictatorship is the flip side of democracy. When a policy can only be enforced through incessant subterfuge, through systematic deception of the population, and if lack of transparency and obscurantism are required for a government to impose its real intentions, then this is no democracy, and certainly not a republic, but rather a dictatorship. And if that dictatorship can be obtained only at the expense of human life, then this is a new form of fascism.

There Are Alternatives

So we need a new culture of debate in this country, and there are alternatives: to the EU, to Merkel, to the parties now represented in the Bundestag, to the austerity policy, to the bankers' dictatorship, and not least to the risk of escalation of the situation in the Middle East into thermonuclear world war.

We must essentially do what President Franklin Roosevelt did in the 1930s, when he lifted America out of the Depression with a two-tier banking system, the Glass-Steagall system (and not the "ring-fencing" of the Vickers Commission in Britain today); we must also regain the sovereignty of nations over their own monetary and economic policy, terminating the EU treaties from Maastricht to Lisbon, creating a credit system in the tradition of the Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau [the Reconstruction Finance Agency] after the Second World War, and launching an economic development program for Southern Europe, the Mediterranean, Africa, and the Middle East—plans that we have elaborated for quite some time.

In the 1930s, before Hitler came to power, there were programs for Germany, similar to the ones that Roosevelt implemented in the U.S., namely the Lautenbach Plan and the jobs creation program of the General German Trade Union Federation. If these programs had been implemented at the time they were proposed, in 1931, then the social conditions could have been eliminated which enabled Hitler to seize power two years later. We would do well to prove that we have learned something from history.

If most people who are thinking, "There's nothing we can do anyway," and who also think that they are vassals or subjects, begin to think for themselves and fight for these alternatives, then we can liberate ourselves from this terrible mental bell jar which currently sits over Germany. And then everything is possible.

It would definitely be better than having Mr. Schäuble become the super-Monetary Affairs Commissioner of his dreams.

Translated from German by Daniel Platt and Susan Welsh

1. Social Democratic parliamentarian and candidate to oppose Merkel in the 2013 elections; former Finance Minister (2005-09).

Russians Reiterate Danger of World War III

by Jeffrey Steinberg

Oct. 21—The Kremlin announced yesterday the conclusion of the most comprehensive testing of Russia's nuclear triad since the collapse of the Soviet Union, an exercise commanded personally by Russian President Vladimir Putin. The testing of Russia's air-, land-, and sea-based strategic nuclear weapons' command and control came in the context of a new round of warnings from top Russian officials that the Obama Administration's policies of promoting regime change, and deploying a unilateral missile defense system in Europe and the Middle East, are driving the world towards a global showdown.

Russian prime-time TV highlighted the exercises, showing footage of the three different modes of launch: the land-based mobile Topol-M ICBM from Plesetsk in the north to a target in Kamchatka, the submarine-launched ballistic missile (SLBM) fired from the Sea of Okhotsk, and cruise missiles fired from strategic bombers. This demonstration followed early September command staff exercises, involving scenarios for "nuclear deterrence in the setting of a threatened armed conflict with Russia's participation, or during such a conflict."

While the strategic triad exercises were underway, and following the U.S.-announced deployment of four Aegis destroyers into the Spanish port of Rota, Deputy Prime Minister Dmitri Rogozin, the former Russian ambassador to NATO, told a visiting delegation of NATO parliamentarians on Oct. 18 that the continued deployment of U.S. ballistic-missile defense systems all along the southern tier of Russia was driving Russia to take "technical" actions to preserve its strategic deterrents.

Rogozin noted that the Rota-based American destroyers, equipped with the advanced Aegis ABM

Russian Ministry of Defense

Russian strategic missile-carrying submarine on maneuvers off Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky, Oct. 22, 2012. The maneuvers were part of the first testing of the nuclear triad since the collapse of the Soviet Union.

system, posed a direct threat to the global nuclear balance. Those destroyers, he charged, could be easily moved to the North Atlantic in proximity to Russian territory, to intercept Russian strategic missiles armed with thermonuclear weapons launched in retaliation for a U.S. first strike. This, he warned, alters the entire system of strategic deterrents and poses an existential threat to Russia—a threat that will not go unchallenged.

Combined with the escalation by London and the Obama Administration for military intervention against the Syrian government, the strategic impasse between Russia and the United States puts the question of a thermonuclear war directly on the world agenda—

Putin Hopes for More Cooperation with U.S.

Oct. 19—Russian President Vladimir Putin today sent greetings to participants in a Russian-American meeting celebrating the 200th anniversary of Fort Ross (named for "Rossiya," or "Russia"), site of the southernmost Russian settlement on the West Coast of North America, and now a public park in California's Sonoma Valley. Russian media coverage of the telegram stressed that the President was extending a hand of peace and cooperation to the United States, at a time of increasing strains between the two nations.

Putin's message, as translated on the Kremlin website, reads, in part:

"The 200th anniversary of Fort Ross is a major event in the cultural and social life of Russia and the US, a milestone in our common history. The founding of the first Russian settlement on the North Californian shore did more than just open a path to exploring vast territories, developing trade, agriculture and businesses. What is particularly important is that it also brought the people of our two continents closer, helping them establish friendly, fruitful contacts.

"Until now Fort Ross is a bright example of the joint efforts of Russian and American citizens, representatives of the indigenous population of North America, business and civic communities. The exhibitions of the museum complex allow visitors to discover the lesser-known facts of the American continent settlement during the first half of the 19th century and provide an opportunity to learn more about Russian traditions and customs of that time. In this regard, they play an enormous educational and humanitarian role.

"I would like to express my sincere gratitude to everyone who has been helping preserve this unique monument in its original state, as well as those participating in establishing the Russian American Cultural Heritage Center. The significance of this work of preserving our common patrimony for our descendants can not be overrated.

"I am confident that this memorable anniversary of Fort Ross, which has brought together representatives of Russia and the United States, will become a symbol of spiritual ties, friendship and trust between our countries and our peoples."

Twenty-five Russians and 90 Aleuts established the settlement in 1812, and developed a community which housed 260 inhabitants at its height. It was the first settlement in California to have windmills, orchards, and vineyards, and was guarded, at one point, by 12 cannons that were veterans of Russia's successful defensive war against Napoleon in 1812-13. In 1841-42 the settlement was sold to an American. Russian-American cooperation around the Pacific Rim remained important throughout the 19th Century, including for purposes of restricting the British Empire's presence in the region, and it is still a crucial area for cooperation today.

In 2009, when California, under then-Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, sought to slash $24 billion from the state budget, Fort Ross was among 100 California state parks on the chopping block. In New York for the UN General Assembly that year, Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov called for Fort Ross to be preserved, as a reminder of longstanding good relations between the U.S.A. and Russia, for nearly two centuries before the Cold War. He called on Russian-American businessmen to raise money to save Fort Ross, and pledged Russian government support. The effort, together with some funding restored by California, succeeded.

although most leading political figures are trying to deny it.

'A Global Fire, Unleashing a World War'

A leading member of the Russian State Duma from Putin's party, Yevgeny Fyodorov, issued a stark warning in early October—which is now being picked up in a range of Russia media—that the U.S. policy of promoting wars of regime change around the world is leading toward a world war. He accused the Obama Administration of pursuing policies leading the world to "slide into a complete destabilization that will inevitably end in a World War."

Starting with the Anglo-American backing for Osama bin Laden in Afghanistan during the 1980s, Fyodorov went on to the present: "The next act in the script is launching a global fire, unleashing a world war, in a sense combining all the local conflicts into a single system of instability. For this purpose, there is a dramatic increase in funding for terrorism. Currently, the U.S.A. has dramatically increased funding for terrorism worldwide. The Americans will now act indiscriminately, that is, without consideration of whether they are giving to allies or not allies, friends or not friends."

Fyodorov is clear on the process, but he is not explicit on the true orchestrator, the British Empire. The British monarchy, and its Saudi junior partners, are the creators of the jihadi terrorists Fyodorov is referencing, but the crucial aspect of the British-Saudi game is to have Washington as the frontman for the confrontation. And the British are counting on their control over Obama to further their strategic objective of preserving their bankrupt empire, in a world rapidly depopulated either by their anti-human Green agenda, or, as some extremists around the royal family are willing to risk, by thermonuclear war.

Leave it to the mouthpiece of the British financial establishment, the London *Economist*, to make the British sponsorship explicit. In its Oct. 22 issue, the *Economist* called for NATO, led by the United States, to directly intervene in the border conflict between Syria and Turkey by establishing a no-fly zone over northern Syria, thus creating a safe haven from which anti-Assad rebels can operate freely. And what of the Russian (and Chinese) opposition at the United Nations Security Council? "But an American-led coalition could invoke the world's responsibility to protect citizens against their own abusive governments through a vote in the UN General Assembly—which would provide diplomatic cover, if not legal cover."

Such an intervention, of course, would greatly escalate NATO tensions with Russia, as shown by the fact that Russia has begun deploying new batteries of the S-400 advanced anti-aircraft system to the southern border—pointed at Turkey. Meanwhile, over the past week, cross-border exchanges of artillery fire have resumed between Turkey and Syria, with Turkish heavy artillery blasting Syrian military positions.

The *Economist*'s call for the U.S. to immediately impose a no-fly zone over northern Syria was seconded by *Washington Post* syndicated columnist David Ignatius last week, who called for the United States to intervene to end the Assad regime, before extremist jihadis fully hijack the anti-Assad "revolution."

October Surprise?

So far, with the intensive opposition of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and former Defense Secretary Robert Gates, the Obama Administration has refrained from escalating the Syria surrogate war into a second Libya invasion for regime change. However, President Obama has made clear to close advisors that if he is reelected on Nov. 6, he will rapidly move to escalate the confrontation over Syria, regardless of the larger strategic consequences.

For the time being, Team Obama is focusing on plans to stage an "October Surprise" attack on targets in Libya who were behind the Sept. 11, 2012 attack on the U.S. Consulate in Benghazi, which led to the death of U.S. Ambassador Christoper Stevens and three other Americans. A senior U.S. intelligence official told *EIR* on Oct. 20 that the Obama "kill team," chaired by the President himself, has already selected a target for retaliation. The only thing standing in the way of military action is the concern that such a flagrantly political action on the eve of the election might cause a blow-back that would prove more damaging than beneficial to the President. The source expects that the President and his top aides at the White House and at campaign headquarters will make a decision on the Libya strike within a matter of days, or a week at the most.

Civil libertarian columnist Glenn Greenwald, writing for the London *Guardian*, warned in a column Oct. 20, that the President is prepared to kill "without a whiff of due process" to benefit his re-election chances.

'Dumping the Euro and Returning to National Currencies Is Very Easy'

Helga Zepp-LaRouche was interviewed by Daniel Estulin of Spain on Oct. 17 for his weekly Spanish-language "Russia Today" TV program, "From the Shadows." The interview was conducted in English, and dubbed into Spanish for the broadcast.[1] Here is an edited transcript.

In her interview with Daniel Estulin, Helga Zepp-LaRouche said, "We can no longer solve the problems on this planet with geopolitical means and war." A renewed commitment to develop the economic and cultural potential of every nation must replace the drive toward World War III.

Daniel Estulin: All of the nations of Europe, all of their citizens, today face a double existential crisis. The euro system and the entire trans-Atlantic financial system have entered a process of total economic disintegration. It's not a crisis; nor is it a recession; nor is it even a depression. It is, rather, disintegration. The question is, can we stop it?

In the last ten years, the European Union has become a super-state. However, it lacks all the characteristics that a state should have, including caring for the common good. Nor does the European Constitution even have the consent or the support of the citizens. What we do have in Europe is an enormous bureaucracy, a whole series of overlapping institutions that don't answer to anybody. The collapse of the trans-Atlantic monetary system would mean a chain-reaction collapse through the destruction of the assets of Europe and North America, or a hyperinflationary explosion such as that of 1923 Germany.

In a few minutes, we will speak with Helga Zepp[-LaRouche], the founder of the BüSo [Civil Rights Solidarity] political movement in Germany, and also the founder of the Schiller Institute. . . .

Helga, why do you say that the only two options within the existing trans-Atlantic system are collapse and default, or a hyperinflationary blowout?

Helga Zepp-LaRouche: Well, the point is, that the five years since this financial crisis has been going on, since July 2007, all that has happened is that the financial institutions have turned private speculative debt into public state debt. And now they are trying to have more bailouts and impose brutal austerity on countries like Greece, Spain, Italy, Portugal, but also the so-called northern countries of Europe. And if you stop that, then you have an instant collapse of the banking system. The Eurozone needs a minimum of about EU8 trillion this year; and if you start printing that amount of money to prevent a banking collapse, you will have a hyperinflationary explosion in the very short term.

A Return to Feudalism

Estulin: Let's look at Greece. What they are trying to do is to break up the system, because by not allowing Greece to reorganize its system, they are converting Greece into an instrument, asking for the Greek debt to be bailed out by Europe.

But that debt is worthless! It's a waste—"Monopoly" money. Although of course asking Europe, which itself is undergoing its own financial collapse, to absorb that unpayable debt, which the Greeks, in fact, will never be able to pay, means the certain destruction of Europe. And this is

1. The interview in Spanish is available at the RT website.

being done on purpose, because no one, not even European Commission President Barroso, thinks that Greece, Portugal, and Spain can be saved.

What is absolutely certain is that we are in a process of total economic disintegration. Now, is this disintegration accidental, the results of bad planning, or is it being done on purpose? If yes, by whom and why?

Zepp-LaRouche: Well, it's a combination. I would say that there are different groups having different interests. Just look at what [prominent French economist] Jacques Attali admitted in public interviews. He said that the whole euro project was conceived as a deliberate mechanism to enforce the political union which nobody would have agreed to otherwise. In other words, they made a birth mistake in the creation of the euro in order to, then, at the first crisis, impose a political dictatorship in the form we see right now with the ESM [European Stabilty Mechanism]. So I think the intention was deindustrialization of Europe.

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The creation of the euro, Zepp-LaRouche stated, was a "birth mistake," aimed at imposing a political dictatorship to carry out the deindustrialization of Europe. Shown: a recent mass demonstration in Barcelona, Spain, against cuts in social spending.

You look at the policies of the EU Commission towards Spain, for example, where they cut out all the programs which would allow for a recovery—like 25% of the science budget. I think it's very clear that nobody in the EU has the intention that Spain should recover. And therefore I think the real aim, given the fact that the EU is the regional expression of the British Empire, is population reduction and to go back to some kind of feudal structure.

The Synarchy

Estulin: What we mean by "globalization" is in reality the British Empire. If we take the entirety of the central banks, the investment banks, the hedge funds, the shadow banks, the re-insurance companies, and the way these financial institutions control not only the financial system but also governments; and then you add to that the Commonwealth, the private mercenary arrangements today with which wars are fought, you have the British Empire in a new form. But it is the British Empire.

Helga, this crisis is five years old, and in this period, the G20 governments have been unable to do the slightest thing to regulate the banking system. Why do you think this is—that the governments seem to be less powerful than the financial institutions of nation-states?

Zepp-LaRouche: Well if you go back to the 1930s and 1940s in France, there existed a phenomenon called the Synarchy. And there is even a Synarchy charter, which stated that the financial institutions would make sure that no politician would ever come into a position of high office, if they did not serve the banking interests, especially in a moment of crisis, and be absolutely sure that they would not be for the common good.

Now if you look at that today, why is it that certain politicians, the majority, follow the principle of "go along to get along"? But there are also some cases where you have to prove you have a dead body in your closet to make a career. I just want to remind you that certain people who became ministers, were street fighters in their youth, and they are now posing as great statesmen, and running the European Council on Foreign Relations, together with George Soros. So here you have a classical case where people have to prove that they are totally with the system, before they

make a career. And their previous crimes or misdeeds are the guarantee that they will never leave the system.

Estulin: The synarchist movement was created as the counterattack of the oligarchy against the American Revolution and the principles of the new sovereign state. It really arose during the period of the French Revolution, and the consequence of the Jacobin terror was the emergence of the first modern fascist movement, that of Napoleon Bonaparte. And synarchism was conceived as the ideological basis of Bonaparte's fascist dictatorial system.

During the 20th Century, synarchism was a kind of general swamp from which Italian fascism and German national-socialism emerged, and it then spread throughout all Europe: in France, in Great Britain, in Germany, Holland, and Belgium. Its members were the European elite, people like Hjalmar Schacht, Hitler's banker; the leaders of Banque Worms, the bank which controlled the French government in the fall of 1941; Lazard bank; Montagu Norman, the governor of the Bank of England. The descendents of the synarchists are people like Milton Friedman and George Shultz, the gray eminence behind the Presidency of George W. Bush. Synarchism seeks to take the power of the nation-state and return it to the world aristocracy.

National Currencies; Glass-Steagall

Helga, you have called for dumping the euro and returning to national currencies, with fixed exchange rates among them. Could you please explain that?

Zepp-LaRouche: It would be very easy. In the same way as it was possible to go from national currencies to the euro, it would be very easy to go back to national currencies. All you have to do is, on the grounds of national existence and national interest of each participating country in the Eurozone, you cancel the treaties from Maastricht to Lisbon. Then you go back to sovereignty over your own currency and economy. You declare a banking holiday, like [Franklin] Roosevelt did; you find out what assets are in the accounts in the banks at that time. You stamp the currencies with a kind of magnetic ink. You impose exchange controls for a short period of time. And then you go to the new currency. And that way you could re-launch the real economy. It has, however, to be combined with fixed exchange rates and a credit system.

Estulin: One of the dangers of the whole European Union framework is the Lisbon Treaty, which replaced the [unratified] European Constitution. One sophisticated trick used to make the Lisbon monster seem more attractive, is to present it as a needed basis for European identity, to stop the aggressive and negative American influence on other continents. However, this is just a swindle with intentional bait. At the same time that a fusion between the EU and NATO, and their expansion eastwards, is clearly being defined, it's evident that we have an imperialist strategy of confrontation with China and Russia, which these two countries have well understood for a long time.

Helga, you have been a tireless crusader for the enactment of Glass-Steagall. What exactly is Glass-Steagall, and why is it so important?

Zepp-LaRouche: Well, this is what Franklin D. Roosevelt did in response to the crisis of 1929-1933, by simple separating commercial banks and investment banks. So what we have to do today is to do exactly, without change, what Roosevelt did in 1933. The state must guarantee the commercial banks, so that they can issue credit to the real economy. The investment banks have to bring their books in order, without taxpayer bailout packages, and without having access to the assets of savings in the commercial banks. If they have to bring their books in order and it turns out they are insolvent, well, that's too bad: Then they have to declare bankruptcy. And that way we get rid of this entire volume of quadrillions of toxic waste, in the form of derivative contracts, which is why this system is about to blow out.

Estulin: How would an FDR Glass-Steagall approach look in the European context? What precedents are there for this?

Zepp-LaRouche: I think the best example of precedents was the reconstruction of Germany in the postwar period. Remember that Germany in 1945 was completely bombed to a rubblefield; and then the Marshall Plan, which was administered by the German state bank, the Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau, using the model of Roosevelt's Reconstruction Finance Corporation, channeled state credits into well-defined projects. Now, everybody knows that Germany turned from a rubblefield into the famous German economic miracle, in a few years, with that method. So that is exactly the same method which has to be applied in every European country today. And if there is a willingness on the side of the institutions and the populations to do this, it is absolutely possible in every country, not only in Germany.

Estulin: Secretary of State George Marshall pro-

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The Marshall Plan, working through Germany's Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau, channeled state credits into well-defined projects, after the war. This photo from 1946 shows Berlin's bombed out buildings.

posed a solution to the economic disintegration facing the nations of Europe after the Second World War. That's where the name of the Marshall Plan came from. The U.S. committed itself to provide help for the economic reconstruction of Europe. In exchange, the U.S. demanded the liberalization of trade and the European market, which guaranteed the Americanization of Europe. The Marshall Plan, in addition to helping lift Europe up, led to the 1950 Schuman Plan, which led in turn to the European Coal and Steel Community, and finally to the Common Market—the cornerstone in the construction of an empire, World Business, Inc.

Economic Miracle for the Mediterranean

Helga, you have presented a program for an economic miracle for Southern Europe and the Mediterranean.[2] Could you summarize its central points, please?

Zepp-LaRouche: We took the Transport Ministers conference of the EU of 1994, where they decided on ten priority transport corridor projects. These have never been built—almost no part of them. So we would put this on the agenda. We would connect the European waterways of the Rhine-Main-Danube canal, through a system of rivers and canals, to the Mediterranean. It would include building high-speed railway connections into the Balkans, into Greece, into southern Italy, where it would have tunnels from Sicily to Tunisia, and naturally the famous tunnel under the Strait of Gibraltar, where a feasibility study was done in 2006, and a state contract was concluded between Spain and Morocco in 2009. These are all projects which are completely traditional; there is nothing spectacular about them.

Estulin: They just have not been built under the EU austerity regime. All of these projects could be started tomorrow. They would increase productivity of the labor force; unlike tourism and unlike the real estate bubble, they would really develop the labor force in Spain, in Portugal, and all the other countries. And it would create physical wealth and it would increase the standard of living of the population, because progress and development of society is directly proportional to population density.

Helga, these are very ambitious projects. Where will the money come from?

Zepp-LaRouche: That question is moot, since trillions have been used for bailouts. In the U.S. alone they used I think $25-29 *trillion* to bail out the banking system. I calculated that to build a maglev rail line from Siberia to Lisbon would cost approximately EU450 *billion*; so that's sort of peanuts. And you would have an entire maglev connection from Siberia to southern Europe. So the financing, in that sense, is not what people say it is.

Estulin: Bailouts are money paid to past obligations, past debt—dead money, money which has no value. If you issue a credit for future production where you create real development, productive jobs which create real wealth, that money is not inflationary, and it's an investment into the future.

Speaking of the future, what is the significance of the recent landing of Curiosity for your program?

Zepp-LaRouche: Oh, that's very, very important, because for the last 40 years, the reason we are in this existential disintegration crisis is because the paradigm-shift of the last 40-45 years—which was away from production to speculation, the whole counterculture, the whole Greenie wrong way—was a mistake. And we have to re-connect to the optimism of the

2. Helga Zepp-LaRouche, "There Is Life After the Euro! An Economic Miracle for South Europe and the Mediterranean!" *EIR*, June 8, 2012.

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"An Economic Miracle for the Mediterranean"—the LaRouche movement plan to build great projects in rail, energy, water, tranportation, etc.—throughout the North Africa-Southern Europe region, can be implemented immediately with a shift away from the current EU policies. Shown: an artist's concept of the Strait of Messina Bridge, linking the Italian mainland with Sicily.

Apollo project, where everybody thought that you can go into space, you can colonize space, that there is no limit to human ability to conquer scientific challenges. So we have to re-connect from the Apollo Moon landing project, to the question of the Curiosity project.

Toward a Europe of the Fatherlands

Estulin: Helga, you are the founder of the BüSo party in Germany and an active political leader in that country. Many people in southern Europe blame Germany for their problem. What is your message to these people?

Zepp-LaRouche: Well, first of all, don't mix up Germany with Mrs. [Chancellor Angela] Merkel. Because fortunately these are two different things. Mrs. Merkel is a politician who is driven by these financial markets, who has no compassion for the common good of the people, neither those of Spain nor those of Germany. The German people are suffering in the same way. So, my message is, let's concentrate on these joint development projects, and unite our countries as sovereign fatherlands for a joint mission of these sovereign republics of Europe. And then I think we will have a beautiful future, and all of this terrible EU bureaucracy period will soon be forgotten.

Estulin: I have a suggestion. Let's get rid of the Brussels bureaucracy. Let's fire them all! They are bums. They are inept. They are people who haven't done anything useful in life. Let's get [European Council president Herman] Van Rompuy off our back, not because he is a useless obstacle, but because he is evil and very dangerous. This is not the first time that a short, unlikable guy with bad intentions manages to open a space for himself in the intestines of power.

Helga, what do you suggest as the steps that Europe should take to overcome the crisis?

Zepp-LaRouche: I think the most important thing right now is to address the fact that we are on the verge of World War III. What is happening in Syria, in particular, is the biggest lie I have ever seen in my whole life. This "opposition" doesn't exist. There is a real opposition, but they are peaceful people. What is happening right now is that the rebels are being financed and orchestrated in a military fashion by foreign countries, by the United States, several NATO countries, and they are threatening potential thermonuclear war with Russia and China. We have to absolutely recognize that we need to have a paradigm shift. We can no longer solve the problems on this planet with geopolitical means and war. What we have to replace this with, is the common aims of mankind.

Estulin: Our time has run out. Thank you for being with us.

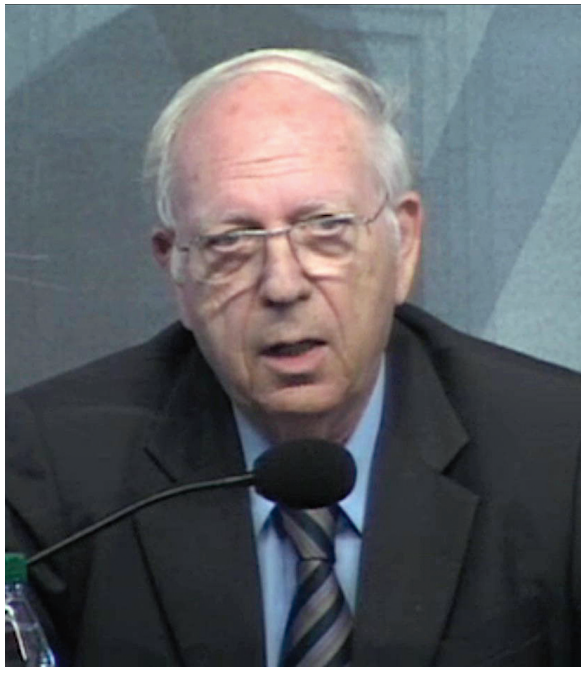
Zepp-LaRouche: Thank you so much for having me on your show.

Former Mossad Head: Dialogue, Not War

by Matthew Ogden

Oct. 23—In a sober and statesmanlike appearance, Efraim Halevy took the podium at the Woodrow Wilson Center in Washington, D.C. on Oct. 18, at an event titled "Iran, Palestine, & the Arab Spring: The View from Israel," to issue an impassioned argument for war avoidance in the Middle East.

Halevy, who began his work for Israeli intelligence in 1961, rising to become director of the Mossad from 1998-2002, was a close collaborator of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin before Rabin's assassination, working with him to negotiate the Israel-Jordan peace treaty. Following his tenure as head of the Mossad, he became the chief of the National Security Council. In September of this year, in an interview with the Israeli daily *Ha'aretz*, Halevy spoke out strongly against a full-scale confrontation with Iran, effectively calling for a Peace of Westphalia approach. Halevy concluded that interview stating, "It's always worth remembering that the greatest victory in war is the victory that is achieved without firing a shot"—a theme which he repeated during his appearance in Washington last week.



Woodrow Wilson Center

Efraim Halevy

Halevy was introduced first by Jane Harman, director of the Woodrow Wilson Center, and by Aaron David Miller, a scholar at the Wilson Center.

Unprecedented Instability

Halevy began his speech by enumerating three reasons why, as he said, we are living in a time of unprecedented instability, "when individual events, which cannot be foreseen, can have an enormous effect on the course of history," setting off conflicts and wars on many fronts which can quickly spin out of control. Those three reasons are: the loss of sovereignty of almost every government in the region, the decline of the secular state, and the development over the past year of the Middle East becoming a zone of international conflict between major global players including the United States and Russia.

Halevy reviewed the way in which virtually every country in the region—Egypt, Syria, Iraq, Lebanon, and even Saudi Arabia—is being forced to fight "for their capability to govern their countries."

He then discussed the "clear upsurge of religion as a major factor in the governance of countries," where secularism is in decline, and—he put it mildly—"I don't think we have found the ways and means of dealing with religion as a political factor in determining international relations."

Finally, he turned to the way in which the Middle East has now been turned into an arena for potential superpower conflict. "We have also other aspects of the situation which we have to be very clear about. First of all, I'd like to mention the fact that Russia is returning to be a serious actor in the Middle East. For over a decade and more, after the dissolution of the Soviet Union, Russia did not play a major role. But this is beginning to change. It began to change after the events in Libya. We're now witnessing the beginning of a Russian comeback in the Middle East. . . . So, once again, the Middle East is beginning to become, again, a scene of international conflict. And this is something that cannot be ignored and cannot be denied."

Diplomacy with Iran Is 'Doable'

After this thorough analysis of elements which have caused the Middle East to become the tinderbox for world war—what Lyndon LaRouche has referred to as

the "New Balkans"—Halevy concluded his opening remarks by discussing his views on Iran, quipping that, if he *didn't* mention Iran, people would say that he is "derelict in his duty as an Israeli."

He stressed that Iran is finding itself increasingly isolated, standing in defiance against practically the entire world. He stressed that the P5+1 (UN Security Council Permanent Five plus Germany) *includes* Russia and China, and that on the question of preventing Iran from obtaining military nuclear capability, these nations actually agree with the United States. The disagreement is on how to obtain this objective. Halevy said: "The distance between Tehran and Moscow is more or less like the distance between Tehran and Jerusalem. And so there is room here for a very professional effort to get the Iranians off the hook, and thereby get us all off the hook. How to do this, is a major test for international diplomacy. How to bring it about is a major test for the capability of minds and brains here in Washington and elsewhere around the world. I think that it is doable, because in the end the Iranians have shown, on many occasions in the past, that when they realize that it's not in their national interest to continue with the level of confrontation which they have developed over the years, they have found ways and means of backing down....

"The relations between the Middle East and the entire world have gone through a lot of problems in the last couple centuries, and the peoples of the Middle East have had various types of relationships with the powers from without. Besides their basic interests, economic and geopolitical, there have been three other interests which have been very important for peoples of the Middle East.

"One has been to try and preserve their way of life, and their way of life was not the Western democratic system. It was not having parliaments who are elected the way they are elected here.... So, it's a question of culture, basic culture, and we have not found the ways and means of how to engage in an intercultural dialogue. I'd like to recall, a few years ago, there were efforts by the United States to bring democracy to the Middle East, by a Republican administration by the way, of the previous President. And it didn't work! Because it *does* not work in that part of the world in that way. And therefore, it's not a question of how to bring democracy to the Middle East. It's a question of how to liaise with a system which is a *different* system, for better or for worse.

"Number two, there is the basic problem in the Middle East, for the Arab nations, and especially the Iranian nation, of dignity. They feel deeply, that they do not enjoy dignity. I do not know how to describe what is dignity, I cannot give you a recipe of what are the components of dignity, but dignity has figured very high on the list of elements which are troubling countries in the Middle East....

"And that is the third thing: atmosphere. There is in the Middle East currently an atmosphere of despondency. People don't believe that anything good can come of what is happening—nothing good can come of what's happening in Syria, nothing good can come of even what's happening in Egypt. Ultimately, there are no easy solutions, there are no solutions whatsoever in reasonable distance from today.

"How do you feed 80 million mouths in Egypt? Nobody really knows how to do it; how to feed 80 million mouths in [Iran]? Nobody really knows how to do it. And very often when you know not how to do things, you prefer not to deal with them and you hope that they will go away or something will happen to remove them."

Before opening up for questions, Halevy stressed that the reason he began his opening remarks as he had, was that rather than getting into the mechanics of every single issue, he wished to put things in perspective. "One of the things we have lacked in recent years," he said, "has been perspective. We have dealt with problems as they came along. But we have to now, I think, raise the level of the way we look at things, because we are going to have to live with this situation for quite some time to come."

'We Have To Talk To Them'

Halevy took several questions, some of which addressed the Iran issue. He reiterated his previous statements that Iran's achieving a nuclear capacity does *not* constitute an existential threat to the state of Israel. The solution lies in dialogue: "We have to talk to them. We have to dialogue with them. And I am a great believer in dialogue—talking to people.... You have to dialogue. You have to talk to people! You have to speak to their minds, speak to their thoughts, speak to their feelings, and so forth, and not just hammer them on the head."

The final question came from a reporter for Fox News, who asked what his estimation was of the current relationship between the present U.S. administra-

tion and Israel; and whether there would be support for a unilateral strike on Iran's nuclear facilities. He was very brief on the first question, but then took up the question of a possible strike on Iran.

"I'm on record as saying that I think a strike not only should be a last resort, but that we should realize what would be the possible results of a strike. There's also a morning after. Not only in terms of how far this strike will achieve the desired aim. Let's imagine, for argument's purposes, that we will strike and we will obliterate the entire Iranian capability, okay? What does this mean the morning after? That suddenly the Sun will shine and everybody will be happy, and the Iranians will say, 'Well, we got the message; now we're going to go sit in peace and drink Iranian tea together'? No, I don't think so. So I believe a strike is the last resort.

"Now, the greatest achievement in any war—as an ancient Chinese strategist Sun Tzu said—is a war which is won without firing one shot. And I think our aim should be to win the war without firing a shot."

Halevy concluded the event with a reference to the miracle of strategy and diplomacy which President John F. Kennedy achieved during the Cuban Missile Crisis, the 50th anniversary of which was being observed as he spoke. He stated:

"I don't believe ultimately that, whatever is going to happen in the end, it will be a clear-cut decision which will emerge. It will be a blurred situation for a little while. Just as after the Cuban Missile Crisis—and I've been reading about this in recent weeks: The exact contours of what actually was agreed to resolve the crisis only emerged after some time. Key elements of this story have only just begun to emerge in the past 30 or 40 years. And I would settle for all kinds of arrangements in which the ultimate *denouement*, the ultimate solution, was a solution which was reached, but will only emerge after some time.

"There are ways of doing this. If you did it with the Cuban Missile Crisis, maybe you could do it here as well. I'm not saying you can; I'm saying it should be tried. I think there are many things which are not being tried yet. That is my contention. I believe that in the months to come, this has to be tried, and has to be tried with an immense, immense investment of good will, for trying and getting the solution. I think it has to be done. And it has to be done by people who are solution-oriented, and not war-oriented."

Separatist Victory Puts Belgium on the Chopping Block

by Karel Vereycken

Oct. 19—On Sept. 22, the *New York Times* presented its vision of the "New World." Included in a list of nations, such as Mali and Syria, which are targeted for breakup by al-Qaeda terrorists, the *Times* headlined its article, "Belgium (Finally) Splits Up," since, if it weren't for Brussels, "Belgium would have split up long ago."[1]

"Strangely," adds the paper, "it is "Brussels" [Belgium's capital city]—shorthand for its role as headquarters for the European Union—that could facilitate a divorce—"As Europe integrates, national borders will become less important than cultural and ethnic lines" (see box).

Less than three weeks later, with the Oct. 14 election victory of the New Flemish Alliance (N-VA), the separatist party whose program starts with the breakup of Belgium, the prospect of a breakup is again in the forefront. The party's victory was the largest landslide of the entire post-World War II period, at both municipal and provincial council levels. And if these voting trends are continued into the 2014 general elections, a breakup will become deadly real.

Ungovernable

Before the Oct. 14 elections, Belgium had gone without a national government from June 2010, when the N-VA become the largest party in Flanders, and the Socialist Party (SP.a), the largest in Wallonia, until December 2011. During that time, Belgium was governed by a caretaker government, while negotiations were dead-

1. The current shape of Belgium, a densely populated (11 million, in about 30,500 square miles), and economically active area, at the geographical center of Western Europe, resulted from several wars and conflicts. Until the Revolt of the Low Countries in 1572, against the imperial rule of the Spanish Habsburgs, what is now called Belgium, together with an area of Northern France, was the southern part of the Burgundian Low Countries. As a result, the country has two major national languages: Flemish (identical to Dutch) and French, spoken by the "Walloons" living in the South.

locked over formation of a new government. Finally, in December, the current government, led by Walloon socialist Prime Minister Elio Di Rupo, was sworn in.

In the municipal elections in Flanders (the northern part of Belgium, inhabited by 6 million Dutch-speaking Flemings) municipal elections, the N-VA, with 1,600 city councilors, came close to the vote received by the Christian Democrats (CD&V). N-VA leads in the number of votes in 48 Flemish cities and municipalities, 35 of which will have an N-VA mayor. Some larger cities such as Ghent, Bruges, and Ostende remain under Socialist Party mayoral rule, but the N-VA now becomes the leading force in the opposition.

Belgian Prime Minister Elio Di Rupo has called for breaking up the banks, Glass-Steagall style, in contrast to the British-orchestrated calls by the New Flemish Alliance, for breaking up the country into North (Flanders) and South (Wallonia).

In the five Flemish provinces (West Flanders, East Flanders, Antwerp, Limburg, and Flemish Brabant), the N-VA garnered 1.16 million votes at the provincial councils, resulting in 104 council members of a total of 351.

While nobody is contesting the election results, or calling for a recount, irregularities were widespread, with the use of electronic voting machines, and officials from both Flanders and Wallonia have called for a return to paper-ballot voting.

Fight for Glass-Steagall

In early September, Prime Minister Di Rupo, aware of the calls for a Glass-Steagall-style solution to the financial crisis emanating from high-level quarters in the U.K. and the U.S. (as communicated by the Belgian LaRouche movement, known as Agora Erasmus—see box with leaflet), called for banking separation. In the leading Belgian daily *La Libre Belgique*, Di Rupo was asked on Sept. 1, what kind of banking reform he was considering; he answered:

"We have to exit the financial system's own logic of privatizing profits and socializing losses. The financial assets circulating in the financial world are no longer sufficiently dedicated to the real economy. . . .

The Breakup of Nations: New Plot, Old Policy

As early as 1957, the Austrian-born Leopold Kohr, steered by the British, using the model of the Swiss cantons, wrote a program to break up the European nation-states into a mosaic of some 50 ethnic- and language-based principalities, all under the rule of a single European federal superstate. Promoted by the Dutch beer magnate Freddy Heineken as a Eurotopia, this policy resurfaced in 2005, in a book titled *The Size of Nations,* written by Alberto Alesina and Enrico Spolaore.

Not by accident, both "economists" are pupils of Robert Mundell, officially the "father" of the euro. "Economic integration," they argue, "favors the political disintegration" of nation-states. Two of the main obstacles facing a "nation" (e.g., Catalonia, Corsica, Padania, Scotland, Bavaria) wishing "to leave" a nation-state, disappeared with the creation of the euro: the need to have one's own currency and a market for one's trade. Therefore, the creation of the euro, they observe, is, by its very nature, "vaporizing" the legitimacy of national borders and the very existence of large states themselves.

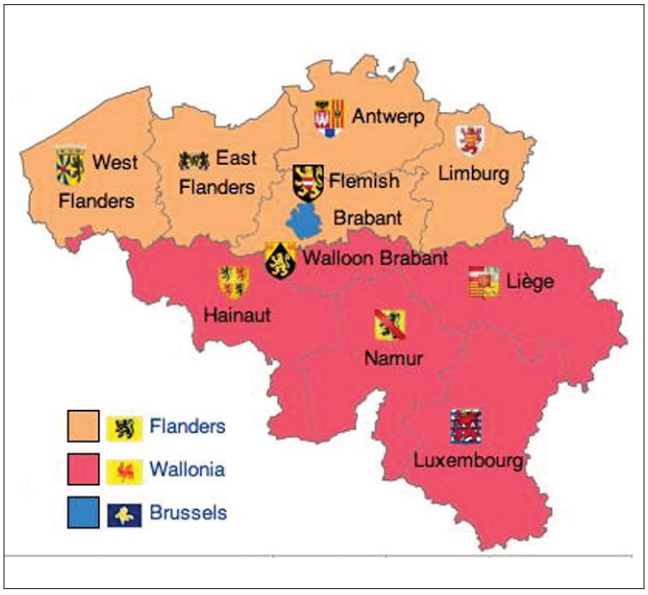
Today, as soon as Spain began to refuse to submit fully to the Troika (the European Commission, European Central Bank, and the IMF), both Catalonia and the Basque regions decided to go ahead, without the green light of Madrid, with popular referenda on independence. In Belgium, of course, the Flemish "nationalists" of the N-VA are the strongest supporters of the EU dictatorship.

—Karel Vereycken

"My conviction is that we have to break up the banks, to reduce their size and protect the assets of the citizens in a way we can avoid having states intervene. Legislation has to be adopted such that the consequences of all risky behavior goes to those involved. . . ."

In response to the Prime Minister's call for a Glass-Steagall-style banking reform, the conservative employers unions immediately branded Di Rupo "a Marxist." It is worth noting that in Bruges, the N-VA campaign headquarters operated out of the Unizo employers union building. Historically, the N-VA has been close to a group of Flemish neo-conservatives centered around a think tank, In de Warande, headed by the former CEO of KBC Bank Remi Vermeiren. Johan van Gompel, a KBC economist, and Jacques Stockx, of KBC's research department, who ran a "simulation" of a breakup of Belgium as long ago as 1979, are top members of In de Warande. Economist Jan Jambon, also a member of the think tank, was elected as a mayor in Brasschaat for the N-VA last weekend.

FIGURE 1
Belgium's Northern and Southern Provinces



Agora Erasmus: Di Rupo Is Right on Glass-Steagall

The Belgian LaRouche movement, Agora Erasmus, issued the following leaflet following the Oct. 14 election:

On October 14, the Belgians rejected en masse the political class in power since the end of World War II. They are calling to end the impunity of those who take personal advantage of the policies that are leading the nation to disaster, policies that deprive us of skilled jobs and decent wages, affordable housing, health care, and education, and, much more important, our ability to offer a future for our children. Of course, we mean the large Franco-Belgian banks, which in the name of European "solidarity" are demanding brutal austerity for all except themselves, and which impose their rule over Greece, Ireland, Portugal, and Spain, in order to loot the money they lost in their financial casino.

Our Prime Minister, Elio Di Rupo (whatever his political coloration), seems to have a sense of the challenge of our epoch: Does one have to continue sacrificing the people on the altar of the "Golden Calf," or does one have to restrain the banking lobby to channel credit back to the real economy and social progress? The Prime Minister happens to be the only government leader in Europe who, with courage, and perhaps at the risk of his life, has publicly identified the unique solution to the current crisis: break up the banks as was done with the Glass-Steagall Act, a law promulgated by Franklin Roosevelt in 1933 (and in Belgium starting from 1934).

In an interview with *La Libre Belgique*, the Prime Minister clearly indicated the problem: "One of the big problems is the size of the banks. In the UK, banks represent 600% of GDP; in Denmark, 500%; in the Netherlands, in France, in Belgium, they represent between 360 and 400%. As soon as these banks have a problem, the impact on countries is gigantic. One has to exit the proper logic of the financial system which is to privatize profits and to socialize (mutualize) losses. Vast amounts of money circulate in the financial world and are no longer sufficiently dedicated to the real economy. That isn't normal. There exists a demand, in Belgium as well as in other countries—in the USA for example—to break up the banks: on the one side the deposit banks, on the other the investment banks."

—Karel Vereycken

New Flemish Alliance (N-VA) boss Bart De Wever won a big victory in Antwerp mayoral elections, but downplayed the party's number one aim: the breakup of the Belgian nation into two separate countries.

The Fall of Antwerp

In the city of Antwerp, the second-largest port in Europe, and the economic heart of Belgium, the N-VA, running its native strongman and party president Bart De Wever, won big, with 37.7% in the municipal elections. While citizens may be fined for not voting, 15% of eligible voters stayed away from the polls. Another 2% voted "white" or "invalid" to show disinterest or discontent.

While the N-VA siphoned a big chunk of its votes from the openly xenophobic Flemish Interest (formerly, Flemish Block) party, Socialist Mayor Patrick Janssens lost votes on the left that went to the Green Party (8%) and the Pvda+, a far-left party that did door-to-door campaigning on single issues, such as the right to affordable housing and health care.

The N-VA's huge victory is, in part, explained by the fact that it did not run on its real program! While breaking up Belgium remains point one of the party program, in order to exploit the growing anger of people who have lost jobs, lack adequate housing, and are suffering under EU austerity, which has slashed social welfare, the N-VA campaign concentrated on opposing a "high-tax government," and postured, Obama-style, on the slogan, "the power of change." Implicit, but unspoken, in this demand is the need to get rid of the "expensive" national government and even more expensive social welfare given to legal and illegal immigrants.

In Belgium, and in Antwerp in particular, the economic crisis is hitting hard. In September, bankruptcies increased by 13% as compared to last year. Official figures indicate that in 2011, one out of seven Belgians is in risk of descending into poverty (15.3%); that's over 1.6 million Belgians. In Wallonia, the rate reaches 19.2%, while it is "only" 9.8% in Flanders. In Brussels, a metro driver died of tuberculosis, and now all the employees of the firm are being tested for the disease. While Belgium has an extensive rail network, going back to the days of Friedrich List (1789-1846), now budget cuts will lead to the closing down of 170 rail lines. Prices for a ticket from Antwerp to Rotterdam will increase by 200%.

While the current monetarist system breeds a caste of obscenely rich, in Antwerp, many Turkish and Moroccan immigrants, but also Belgians, live below the official poverty rate. While the average poverty rate is over 20%, some neigborhoods score between 30 and 50% of inhabitants living in poverty.

De Wever, a Small-Time Mussolini?

N-VA's strongman is Bart De Wever, who, as an historian, claims to follow the ideology of the 19th-Century Irish conservative philosopher Edmund Burke. But more precisely, De Wever admires and is in contact with the British psychiatrist and columnist Anthony Daniels, a.k.a. Theodore Dalrymple, a theorist of "compassionate conservatism." Dalrymple says that granting rights to people via a welfare state makes them irresponsible. Not addressing this problem, he says, is tantamount to indifference. Erosion of personal responsibility makes people dependent on institutions and favors the existence of a threatening and vulnerable "underclass," according to De Wever.

Full of "compassion," De Wever pleads for cutting welfare entitlements to the poor, for their own good, in order to "incite" them to actively look for jobs, especially if those concerned are Walloons or immigrants. Of course, this ideology is ideal for the London-centered financial oligarchy, which is determined to take down the welfare state, to save the banks and break up the nation-states.

On Oct. 14, De Wever gathered his followers at a Hotel in Antwerp for a march on City Hall, with people

Agora Erasmus/Karel Vereycken

Agora Erasmus, the Belgian arm of the LaRouche movement, shown here organizing in Brussels in July 2011, is campaigning for a Glass-Steagall solution to the crisis. The sign says, "Split Up the Banks, Not Belgium."

carrying huge posters emblazoned with his image. De Wever went to "*het schoon verdiep*" (the top floor of the beautiful floor of Antwerp's 16th-Century City Hall, where the mayor's office is located). He spoke from the balcony to the crowd gathered on the square, as if he were the Pope. Although only the mayor-elect of Amsterdam, he called on the prime minister to open discussions for a breakup of Belgium, clearly indicating that for him, becoming mayor of Antwerp is only considered a stepping stone to grab power in Brussels. About economy, trade, navigation, and infrastructure, he knows *zilch*. Of Roman emperors, everything.

To crown it all, on Oct. 18, Mayor-elect De Wever met, as if he were a head of state, with British Prime Minister David Cameron. Cameron has allowed Scotland to organize a referendum on "independence," in a situation quite unlike that of Belgium. Yet, ironically, the U.K. might be split up, and become a "model" for the breakup of the other European nation-states that might oppose the City of London.

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LAROUCHE WEBCAST

Countdown to Obama's Removal

Lyndon LaRouche presented the third in a series of Friday evening webcasts, leading up to the Presidential election on Nov. 6. We publish here an edited transcript of his keynote address. The complete webcast is archived at http://larouchepac.com/webcasts2012.

What I shall do, given the circumstances, is not only to address what the problems are that confront the Presidency of the United States and the nation now, but give you a picture of when it began, how it happened, and how it developed, so that you understand not that we have problems—I think many of you, most of you, know we have serious problems.

We have, for example, 27 million people in the United States, who are of working age, who are desperately unemployed. They have no resources whatsoever. And this has been one of the products of what the policy has been of the United States, in its process of degeneration into this absolute low point of Obama running for re-election. This is the lowest point in all American history, the entire history of the United States; this is the very worst.

So, let's look at this, and just the highlights of the recent history, when the current problems really began. Of course they began with the death of Franklin Roosevelt, and that was the background of this whole story. Franklin Roosevelt died a worn-out man, with a war that had been protracted by Winston Churchill, for at least a year more than needed, and he died worn-out. And we had a Vice President who came in, who was qualified for vice, Harry Truman. And he made a real mess of this thing.

But we got rid of Truman, largely due to Dwight Eisenhower, who got us out of a fraudulent war, at the beginning of the 1950s, and we went on, under Eisenhower, to do a little bit better, but the problem was not essentially solved.

FDR to JFK

What happened then, we had a new President, a new President who was actually sponsored, and guided, in a certain way, by Eleanor Roosevelt, the widow of Franklin Roosevelt. This was Kennedy, John Fitzgerald Kennedy. And Kennedy, in close association with his brother in this enterprise, his brother Robert, carried us into a great surge of economic, political, and moral revival—based largely on what Eisenhower had done, and what MacArthur had done, and what people in Europe of the same nature had done.

So we went into a crisis at the time that the issue was two things: First of all, the British Empire was trying to consolidate its position as the ruling empire of the planet, and was gobbling us up, if it could. What happened is, that was stopped for a time, by Kennedy, by President Kennedy and his brother. They handled the crisis, the thermonuclear crisis, very well, and went on from that to make magnificent initiatives, including the organization of the space program, and a plan for ma-

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In his third "Friday" webcast, LaRouche called on Americans to "remember what we were": that we created a new nation, whose intent was to end injustice, end slavery, etc., and bring humanity to a higher level than ever before."That was our mission," and we must return to it today.

chine-tool development to enhance the whole economy of the United States.

But then, Jack Kennedy was assassinated, and nobody wanted to know why, or who done it. It was just shut down. There was never an investigation of why and how Jack Kennedy was killed. But some of the issues involved were well known. Why would anyone want to kill Jack Kennedy? Well, some people wanted to have a *war*. They wanted a long war, in Indochina, and Jack said no. They wanted to cut out the machine-tool design work, and they said no to Jack—after he was dead. And they launched the war which really was about 10 years long, in Indochina, in Vietnam and in the adjoining area.

Then we had the assassination of Kennedy—we had *many* assassinations of key figures. The result was, Robert Kennedy was nominated to run for the Presidency to replace his brother. And he was assassinated on the eve of his being nominated for the position. And that [assassination] was covered up, also.

Then we went into a period where the economy began to spiral downward. We went into 1971. One of my great notable effects was, I was the one who had forecast, three years earlier, the 1971 depression—which was a *depression.* And I was the only one who did that, and I got into trouble for being a success on that one.

But what happened after that, for the entire period of the 1970s, was a disaster, an economic disaster, a disaster for the lifestyle and everything of our people. We were on the way down.

A Decision To Run for President

But in the middle of that decade, I ran for President. Why did I want to run for President?

Well, I certainly had a certain amount of backing for doing that at the time, but what was my reason for doing so? I was aware, and said, and campaigned for President, with television and the usual stuff, and warned exactly what the reason was for the problem. *There was the intention to get the United States into a thermonuclear war.*

So, therefore, I ran a Presidential campaign, not because I expected to win the Presidency—that certainly was way beyond possibility at that point—but in order to put before the people, before a national public, the election issue, the Presidential issue, which is, we must not get into a thermonuclear war.

Now, that had repercussions, both in Europe and in the United States. And people, as a result of that election and its issues, began to come around me, influential people, some very influential people. Leading military figures in Europe: in France, the Gaullists; in Germany, same kind of thing; from Italy, from Argentina, and other places. And what began to happen during that period, is, there was a buildup of what became known as the SDI.

The actual initiation of the SDI was by me; it was done by people who had been part of the OSS, who came to me and said, "Let's play." They came to leading people in Germany, leading people, especially the military, in France, places like that; then some of our scientific community, typified by these same kind of people. So, what happened is, up to 1983, I had been working on this issue. I had drawn in some leading fig-

ures of the Soviet Union into this operation. I had drawn other people around, and we began to build a plan for what became known as the SDI, and build it around Ronald Reagan. He was fully supporting of it, but *we* did it, and this meant people from the Soviet Union, who were participating. It meant people throughout our institutions. It meant support from the German military, German leaders—they were officially retired types, but they were leaders. French—the Gaullists. Leaders in Italy. And we had organized that.

So we decided, and we agreed, in 1983, that we were going to launch a Strategic Defense Initiative, because the continuing issue, all through this process, since Khrushchov's great bomb back in the 1950s, was that the capability of thermonuclear weapons had increased to the point that this was a real tangible danger of extinction of the human species.

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President Kennedy's association with Eleanor Roosevelt established a direct line from FDR to the Kennedy Administration. JFK "carried us into a great surge of economic, political, and moral revival."

And Reagan supported that. He was defeated on that issue. He went with the same issue in his second term and thereafter; he said, it's going to come, it has to come. Well, this was the thinking, really, which reflected people like Douglas MacArthur, who had been a key advisor for Jack Kennedy.

But then the opposition came in. Reagan was shut down essentially—not fully shut down, but what he intended to do in this direction was shut down. And from that point on, except for a tickle from Bill Clinton, there has been no initiative, no leadership, from the U.S. Presidency to avoid a thermonuclear war.

We are now at a point where the official estimate of leading people in Europe and elsewhere, is that the United States is now about to become involved in a worldwide thermonuclear war, in which the British, the United States under Obama—and Obama is very key in this thing—and others are moving toward a thermonuclear war. The credibility that it could happen now is great. It could happen in November, one day, and the thing is well known if you pay attention to what's going with our Joint Chiefs of Staff and people like that around the world.

One bright day, a fulmination in the Middle East, together with another 9/11 question—but a fulmination in the Middle East would start with a U.S. launch, or threatened launch of thermonuclear attack on Russia, China, India, and so forth. This would come chiefly from the United States, from the Ohio-class submarine fleet, but also from other kinds of capability. The British would be involved, officially. NATO would be involved, or a good deal of it. And all within about one hour and a half, the entirety of the planet would be engulfed in a thermonuclear war, which would be a virtual extermination of most of the population on the planet.

And the aftermath would be that. *That* is where we are now. That's exactly where we are. And if Obama were re-elected as President, *that would happen*, or probably happen, and everybody of any intelligence, serious political intelligence, in the world today, knows that we're on the edge of the launching of a thermonuclear war. In one and a half hours or less, two large surges, the degree of weaponry put into motion would actually cause a virtual extermination of humanity.

The planet would be transformed. And that little joke that Khrushchov ran, with his "mighty midget" back there in the 1950s, was nothing. It was just a warning of what's going to come. And the threat of an actual launching of thermonuclear war, was already on the table in the United States and some circles within the United States system, in the Presidency, back then in the 1970s, when I was concerned about it.

So, this is the real issue.

Why Thermonuclear War?

So, what does this war mean? Why thermonuclear war? Why go for, even threaten, the capability to go to

thermonuclear war? Who would want to do that?

Well, you have a queen in England, for example. She's not the only problem, but the queen in England is the one that wants to reduce the human population. She has recently, in the last year or so, organized a mad movement, publicly, with great public furor, inside England itself, but elsewhere as well, for the reduction of the human population, from its presently estimated population of 7 billion persons living on this planet, to about the approximate rate of 1 billion.

In other words, what's intended is the greatest genocide every considered against the human species. And that is the policy of the Queen of England. And presumably the policy of her thug [Tony Blair], who operates now, I believe, in Chicago, advising Obama.

So, the point is, all other issues are forgotten. We've got two threats. One, if nothing like thermonuclear war actually happens, the threat is the greatest poverty you ever saw, the greatest rate of death. And the Green movement is actually the instrument of death. Because if we do not develop the productive forces of the total population of the planet, we are going to have death, as you have never seen it, or thought of it before.

If Obama is the President, elected again, it is probable that as early as November, or sometime after that, that Obama as President would launch thermonuclear war. Because he would override the Joint Chiefs of Staff, who warned against this, that it must not be done, and people throughout the world who know this cannot be allowed to happen. What's the argument?

Well, Obama was created by the British monarchy. Those are the people that backed it, got all the fraudulent funds, and all the things that enabled him to get elected. It was one of the greatest swindles, and the most dubious pieces of victory, ever conceived of, at least by a larger nation. And that's what he's here for.

The evidence is there. What happened to your health care, with Obama? He did exactly the first thing that Adolf Hitler did when he got into power: cut the health care. And his initial program was a carbon copy of what Hitler put into effect, in the first period of his administration; same thing.

What's the point? The British queen says—and she has a wide backing, with what are called the Greenies. Now the Greenies are not all the same thing, but they come yellow-green, blue-green, Nile green, all these kinds of green. But the ideology is, we must not have high technology, high energy-flux-density technology in this world. We must reduce the world's population from 7 billion people, down to 1, or thereabouts. That's her policy. That is the policy behind Obama. That is the policy that we're up against in various parts of the world. Europe is about to die, the whole system of Europe, the European system, the so-called euro system, is about to disintegrate. It's now in hyperinflation. Obama has now put the United States into an actual state of hyperinflation with his bailout system. All of these things are there.

However, if we take the appropriate actions, none of these things need to happen. There is a powerful movement, among major and other nations throughout the world, not to have thermonuclear war, not to allow it to happen, not to excuse it, not to tolerate it. There's an impulse around the world, to be able to feed the world. Our own people in the United States are not being fed. And, by the end of this year, the effect of the policies, in particular of the Obama Administration, will mean large-scale death from shortages of food and other things, inside the United States itself.

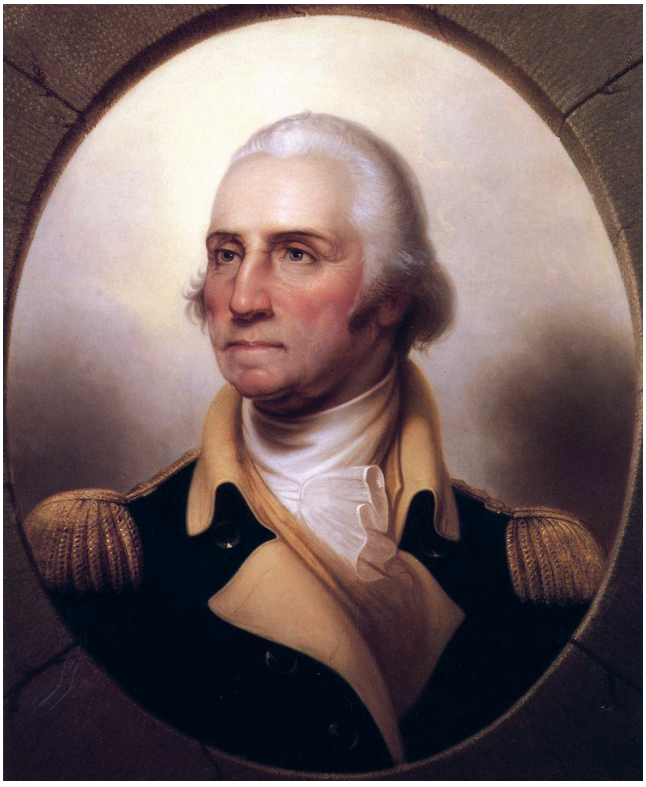
So all these issues come down to one thing: When you talk about a Presidency, and you talk about issues: "He's good because of this issue; he's bad because of that issue. This is stuff that's done all the time"—it's absolute nonsense.

Look: What happened? We have a policy in the United States, a bad policy, a bad food policy. We are not producing enough food to sustain the population of the United States. We have done nothing about the shortage of water in the Central Plains in the United States. Things of that sort. You are getting nothing but disaster from what this President Obama represents.

What Can We Do?

Now, I can say more on this, but let's come to a crucial point or conclusion of what this is all about. What do we do? Well, the answer is obviously, someone says, "Well, we have a Republican, don't we?" But a lot of people would say, "Look at the Republican slate." And, you know, the candidate is not so bad, but you've got some really tough birds out there in the Republican ranks, and something's got to be done about that.

Right now, Obama is not popular, despite all the boolah boolah about this, with the American population of voters. He's not really that popular. Many key Democrats are going to stay Democrats, but they're going to stay Democrats by not voting. And this is where a good part of the potential for a Republican victory is to come about. Many Democrats, in their conscience, are dis-



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President and Founding Father George Washington was dead set against the party system, as he made clear in his "Farewell Address." It's past time to junk it, LaRouche said.

gusted by the idea of voting for this Obama. And that's Obama's biggest problem. He counts all the Democrats, but fails to notice the number that ain't votin' for him.

So, therefore, as I said, the Republican Party is not a proposition that I would recommend.

But, suppose we have to choose between Obama and Romney? And we do have to get rid of Obama. Only stupid people or insane people or blinded people could ever vote for Obama. Or, they're blackmailed, or threatened, or something like that. No one honestly, knowing all the issues, would want him. But the problem, is, as I say, "But, the Republicans. . . ." Well, this is a problem, isn't it? And, that's what a lot of people out there are wrestling about. They say, "Yes, but. . . . Yes, but. . . . It ain't that bad. It's bad, but it's not *that* bad that we have to vote for the Republican." That's the real slogan of the Democratic Party, isn't it, right now?

But, there's a solution for that. You see, if we could induce the Democratic Party leadership and others to dump Obama, what would happen is that the Democrats, and certain kinds of Republicans, would immediately come over and vote on that side. But they would find themselves voting for the Republican candidate. Well, that in itself is not so bad. But I know something about the Republican Party. And I know a number of real horror stories out there that any President, elected to be a Republican President, is going to have a *hell* of a problem with his constituency. They are going to go to cut your throat. So you'll eat less. Things like that. They've got very bad ideas, some of them. The Presidential candidate's not that kind of a problem.

But, how do we manage the country, if we have a potential victory of a nominally Republican candidate, and the impotence of the Democrats, who haven't got the guts to vote for a sane man? And, the Republican is a sane man. He may have many drawbacks. Many people have drawbacks; they inherit them, or something. But the question is, how can we do two things: have a stable country, a stable government, without some of the things we want to avoid; and also have a stable society, economically? That's our challenge.

A lot of Republicans want to solve all problems by cutting everything" "Starve every one to death except us." Guess who? George Washington saw it. George Washington was dead set against the party system. Now there's a difference between the Constitution of the United States as created initially, and what is done under the party system. The party system came in to *destroy* the United States. It opened the gates for the destruction of the United States. Because people began to play partisan games.

What Washington's conception was, and mine is, as well: "Get rid of this party system!" We should elect directly, elect a government, but the government itself. And then let people have party organizations *outside* the actual voting process, which is what Washington wanted to do. Because what happens when you get this voting process, you have compromises based on partisanship. And these compromises result in the lack of measures and votes and programs which are essential for the existence of the nation.

For example, the general performance of the party system since 1971, has been to make everything worse. And how is it made worse? By compromise, on the principle of compromise. We can trade off everything. We no longer operate on the basis of principle.

Start with Glass-Steagall

What I've made clear in this election campaign, is that there are three things which have to be done now, simply to save the United States, to keep it from crum-

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Three things must be now to save the United States: Revive Glass-Steagall; establish a Federal credit system; build NAWAPA XXI. Shown: The LaRouche movement organizes in Houston, July 2012.

bling. One thing: we have to actually have a Glass-Steagall law. And that's a law for Republicans and Democrats, because if we don't get Glass-Steagall, even we don't have thermonuclear World War III, the economy is going to disintegrate. What we have now going is hyperinflation, which makes 1923 German hyperinflation a simple joke. The worst hyperinflation in the world is now generating its odors in Europe and in the United States and elsewhere. We don't have a chance, as long as we continue with the economy—unless we change the policy. So we cannot *have* this kind of thing any more. We have to have a Glass-Steagall law. People in Europe, the people in England, leading people, say "No, we need Glass-Steagall. You cannot survive without Glass-Steagall." And everybody has to vote for it, because it's an affirmation of morality by doing so.

There's another thing we require: Suppose we do this Glass-Steagall. What's going to be our situation? Our situation is going to be, "We're in *real deep kimchee*." Because, we are not going to have left over, after all this worthless crap has been taken off the books of the Federal government, we're not going to have much left with which to support the growth of the U.S. economy.

There's a solution! And it's a solution which was founded with the United States. It's a solution which goes back as far as the 1660s. You know the solution? The Massachusetts [Bay Colony] economy, the Massachusetts system. So you have a system, which is of that type. What you need is more money. We've done this before in the United States.

Lincoln did it when it came to the Civil War. It's been done otherwise. You simply have to have the Federal government utter credit, but make sure where the credit goes. We've got people who are starving on the streets. Twenty-seven million people, working age, starving on the streets, or elsewhere. What are we going to do? We're going to employ them, aren't we? We're going to create the employment for them. We're going to create the opportunities to rebuild the economy. Our banking system will not have real money to support that. Aahh! We'll go back to what we started with: a credit system. Restore the American credit system! That's how Lincoln got us through the mess in the Civil War—the credit system.

The point is, that you've got to make sure that what you create credit *for*, is redeemable. And that's what we have to do. We put through Glass-Steagall. That eliminates a lot of junk, but it doesn't give you enough capital inserted into the system, to cause the kind of growth to deal with this problem, like 27 million Americans, who are eligible for employment *don't have it!* They're starving! So we need 27 million jobs, and we need 'em fast. We can do that.

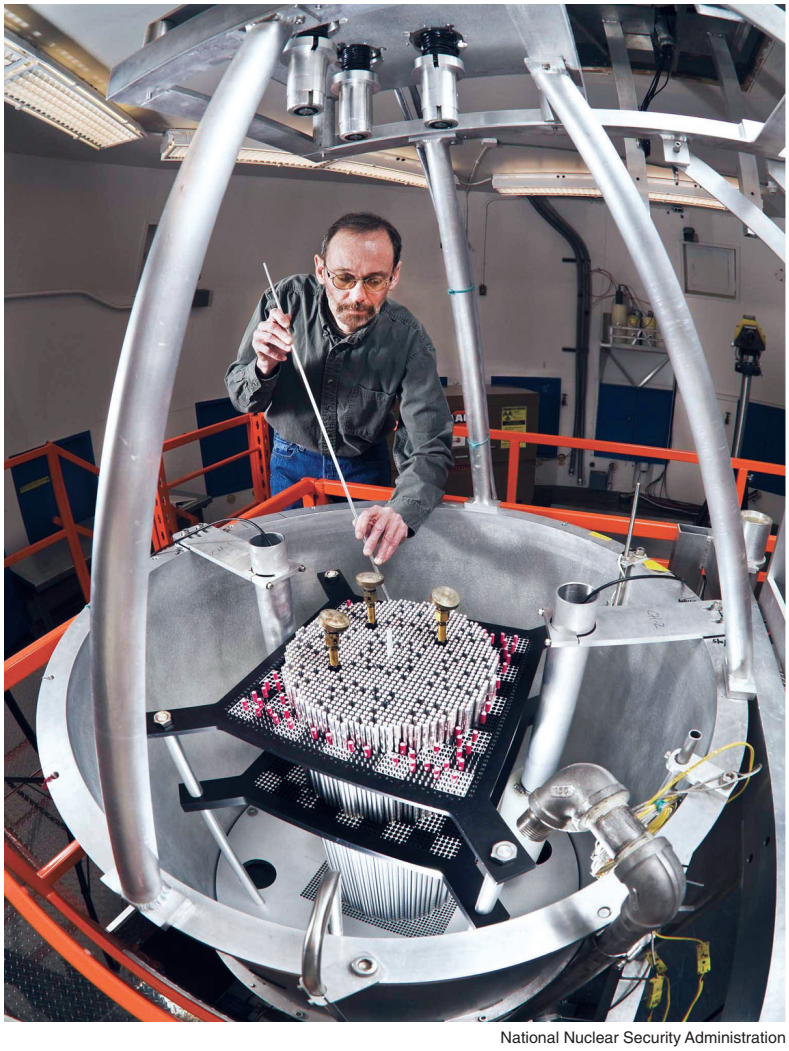
For example, we have a project, called NAWAPA, which was actually designed to be put into effect in the middle of the 1960s. That project, of developing water systems, would increase the amount of water available to the United States, by about 1.7 times!

We also have, in the whole area of the northern tier, going from Missouri and so forth back, you have the former auto industry and related industry, in which you have people who still, though partly in retirement, still reflect those kinds of skills, in their family skills and traditions.

We don't have the kind of employment, needed to create the kind of products which are needed by the nation! So, by going to a credit system, which is a traditional one for the United States, in even earlier periods, by going to a *credit system*, rather than a loose system, we can go to the banks, the legitimate banks, which are Glass-Steagall banks, we can go to them as the Federal government, and we can propose that they present, together with the government itself, programs on which we have the estimates. If the project is worthwhile, we'll invest in it!

So the Federal government can be the supply of credit for the creation of employment, also, for the increase of the amount of water! We have a crucial water shortage, now, in many parts of the United States, and we need to correct that.

So, how do we make this work? Well, if you don't think in terms of partisan systems, if you think in terms of the American System, patriotic system, in that case, the problem is not great. Because if people can come together on the basis of providing the economic remedies that are so urgently needed in this nation, as in others, now, if we can meet that need, we can rebuild this nation, its structure, and its moral outlook.



National Nuclear Security Administration

Large projects—water, power, transportation, etc. —will quickly create the millions of jobs needed to put people back to work and revive our moribund economy. Here, a skilled worker in a nuclear research facility.

Cancel Bernanke!

Now, to go into the details would take more time than this occasion fits, except as questions may come up on this subject. But there is a remedy, an immediate remedy, which could be taken, if the leadership of the United States decides to do it, *and it can be done, now!* We can cancel Bernanke! He can go ease himself someplace else!

What we need to do is have a Glass-Steagall system, operate tightly on a Glass-Steagall system, and understand that in order to save the U.S. economy and its people, we've got to put in a kind of system, a credit system, of the appropriate type.

With that, we can pick out a number of very large projects, potentially, to put people back to work, at *real* jobs, not make-work jobs, but real jobs, career jobs, for people who are not only going to work, but they're going to increase their capabilities, they're going to increase their income, they're going to increase the life opportunities for their children. In the way we did it before, the way that Franklin Roosevelt took the United States out of the Depression, the way it should have continued if Truman hadn't spoiled it. What Jack Kennedy did, and was doing, was right! We can do that again! We can do what other people in leadership have wanted to do. Do it that way.

So therefore, what's the problem? How are we going to solve this? In principle we've got to get rid of this hard partisanship, of the party system. We have to get a system which is based on a credit system, Glass-Steagall, and not paring this off, and chewing this off, and cutting this off, and so forth, and adding this; we've got to have a program for recovery of the nation. Because there's no patchwork deals, deal on deal, no more kiss

your buddy's butt kind of things in the Congress. No more of that.

Go back to a determination of *what this nation needs, to meet the needs, first of all, of its people!* To solve that 27 million jobs deficit, of people who have nothing; to solve the problem of the farmers who are going out of existence who were producing the food, but they're not producing any more, because they're not allowed to. And we can set up systems where we can build.

Do you realize what we have? Opportunities? We are going into the Arctic! We're going in there! That's one of the things we can *do*! It's very important to do it, as I've explained on other occasions. But what we need to do, is get the sense that George Washington had: Don't play with the idea of the party system as checks and balances! Get rid of that thing, that piece of nonsense! That disease! Elect a Presidency! Constitute a Presidency! And then bring the party people from outside of the Presidential process, but bring them into the process as the influence of the people, on what the policies are.

But the leadership, the initiative, should not come from the way it's being done now; it should be done on the basis of the *needs and opportunities of the United States, and similarly, other nations.* We can start that immediately! We can start that as soon as we get Obama out of there.

Now, of course, he might be still lingering, technically, around, before they finally throw him out, finally, out the kitchen door, or something; but we can fix that, too. First of all, we can make sure he doesn't get elected. And that's not too hard to do, if you come up with the right kind of policy, and take the right effort.

This nation is going to die, unless we get rid of Obama. And Obama wants to kill us, whether he understands it or not.

Remember What We Were

So therefore, we, as the people of the United States, must, as George Washington envisaged, return to the devotion to our principle, the principle for which we worked so hard. Remember what we were: We in the United States had created a new nation, a nation which was able, or capable, implicitly, to cure the problem of Europe, in particular; to cure the injustice, the slavery in Africa; to cure the injustice in South and Central America; to bring the world up to a higher level: That was our mission. And in part, in our good times, we did exactly that! We did good things, as Jack Kennedy did very good things, thus exemplifying what the United States means when it's operating under the *intent* which was its Constitution.

And once you get the dissident Democrats who don't want to vote for Obama, and who are off on a vacation from politics, for the period of the election—bring them back in; and you can bring them back in if you come back this way: Give the Democrats, the good ones, give them the option of doing something good for their country, which is what they would like to do. That's why they don't want to vote for this President, because they know he's not fit to be voted for. They don't want to vote for the Republican, and they damned well don't want to vote for this bum. If we can bring the independents and the Democrats into the same fold on this issue, with the decent Republicans, that's all it takes.

But it means, then, not this usual bargaining nonsense that goes on in the Congress; what is needed is a program, a program of recovery for not only the United States, but for our cooperation with other parts of the world. That's what we must do! And stop all this nonsense.

Benghazi-Gate: Stevens Warned of 'Guns of August'

by Nancy Spannaus

Oct. 23—As the Obama Administration blatantly prepares to carry out a "retaliatory attack" somewhere in North Africa, to show how tough it is against terrorists whose identities will never be verified, the information coming out about the scandalous lack of security for the Benghazi consulate in Libya threatens to explode in Obama's face. The well-documented failure of the Administration to respond to requests for increased security for the Benghazi compound is one of the major topics on the agenda of November hearings being called by the chair of the Senate Intelligence Committee, Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.).

The decision-making process of the Administration in denying additional security was also the major subject of a letter sent to President Obama on Oct. 19, by House Oversight and Government Reform Committee Chairman Darrell Issa (R-Calif.) and National Security Subcommittee Chairman Jason Chaffetz (R-Utah). The Congressmen appended to their letter 166 pages of documents related to security threats and the process of "normalization" in Libya.

Most dramatic among those documents was a two-page cable by the U.S. Ambassador to Libya, Christopher Stevens, who was assassinated in Benghazi on Sept. 11, dated Aug. 8, 2012, and dated "The Guns of August: Security in Eastern Libya." The cable cites a wave of terrorist attacks which had occurred in eastern Libya, and emphasized that "a security vacuum" existed in the country. Ambassador Stevens noted that in just a few months' time, "Benghazi has moved from trepidation to euphoria and back as a series of incidents has dominated the political landscape.... The individual incidents have been organized," he added, as a result of "the security vacuum that a diverse group of independent actors are exploiting for their own purposes." He continued, "Islamist extremists are able to attack the Red Cross with impunity. *What we have seen are not random crimes of opportunity, but rather targeted and discriminate attacks*" (emphasis added).

Despite this cable reaching Washington, a 34-person Site Security Team, headed by Lt. Col. Andy Wood, was pulled out of Libya in August, and the Benghazi consulate remained "guarded" by an unarmed British security team, and militias that are infiltrated by known jihadis, now supposedly turned "moderate."

Stevens' murder provided a bitter confirmation of his security assessment.

No Surprise

Those who understand the political pedigree of Barack Obama as a British puppet will not be surprised by this deadly security lapse. Obama has run a protection racket for the Saudi role in the 9/11/2001 attack on the United States—refusing to release documents that would lead to the exposure of the still-active Saudi-funded terrorist networks around the world, including Libya and Syria. Obama's unconstitutional war on Libya itself, whether the demented President knew it or not, was conceived by the British imperialists and their Saudi sidekicks, as a step to unleashing global chaos, on the way to a showdown with Russia and China.

Once confronted by the devastating consequences of this policy for his ambassador to Libya, Obama did what he could be expected to do: run for cover. He continues to lie that his killing of Osama bin Laden has crippled al-Qaeda, even as the jihadists that fall under that umbrella kill Americans and instigate mayhem in Syria. He has "taken responsibility" only to the extent that he intends to launch new killer attacks—which, as many members of the military and intelligence community have pointed out, only recruit more forces into the terrorist ranks.

Targetting Obama and the NSC

The Oct. 19 letter from Representatives Issa and Chaffetz zeroes in on the role of the White House and the National Security Council in the decisions that led to the death of Stevens and three other Americans. Before asking a set of detailed questions, it argues as follows:

"Information supplied to the committee by senior officials demonstrates that not only did the administration repeatedly reject requests for increased security despite escalating violence, but it also systematically decreased existing security to dangerous and ineffec-

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Blame for the murder of U.S. Ambassador Christopher Stevens and the destruction of the U.S. consulate compound in Benghazi, Libya, rests with President Obama. Once confronted by the devastating consequences of his policy, he ran for cover.

"The American people deserve nothing less than a full explanation from this administration about these events, including why the repeated warnings about a worsening security situation appear to have been ignored by this administration. Americans also deserve a complete explanation about your administration's decision to accelerate a normalized presence in Libya at what now appears to be the cost of endangering American lives. These critical foreign policy decisions are not made by low- or mid-level career officials—they are typically made through a structured and well-reasoned process that includes the National Security Council at the White House. The ultimate responsibility rests with you as the President of the United States."

tive levels. We have been told repeatedly that the administration did this to effectuate a policy of normalization in Libya after the conclusion of its civil war. These actions not only resulted in extreme vulnerability, but also undermined Ambassador Stevens and the diplomatic mission. We are likewise concerned that your administration has not been straightforward with the American people in the aftermath of the attack.

"Without a full explanation from this administration about what it knew and when, we may never know the reasons why it blamed an internet video so quickly after the attack. Suffice it to say, however, that if administration officials indeed reviewed security reports on a daily basis, they would have see the overwhelming evidence prior to the 9/11 attack that terrorists were actively targeting westerners in Benghazi.

"Multiple warnings about security threats were contained in Ambassador Stevens' own words in multiple cables sent to Washington, D.C., and were manifested by two prior bombings of the Benghazi compound and an assassination attempt on the British ambassador. For this administration to assume that terrorists were not involved in the 9/11 anniversary attack would have required a willing suspension of disbelief.

Forget Partisanship

The Democratic leadership in Congress immediately responded to the requests by Issa and Chaffetz as "politicizing" the tragedy in Benghazi attacks. Such a dismissal ignores the very real *policy* questions behind the Obama Administration's decisions on Libya, starting with the unconstitutional war—which most Republicans stupidly embraced—and going on to the support for "moderate," Saudi-funded Islamist groups, which are being used by London to create the conditions for World War III.

As *EIR*'s recently released special report "Obama's War on America: 9/11 Two" makes very clear, the British imperial policy does not discriminate on the basis of party. It was "Republican" George W. Bush who was complicit in the British-Saudi execution and coverup of 9/11 One, and "Democrat" Obama is simply continuing large aspects of that policy. Either patriots within *both* parties wise up to the fact that they are being used by oligarchical forces bent on the destruction of the United States, and other obstacles to their plan for world domination and depopulation, or there will be a very "unpolitical" devastation of the vast majority of the human race.

Rogers Campaign in Break-Out Mode for LaRouche Policies

by Harley Schlanger

Oct. 22—Outside of the Obama/Romney campaign, there is almost no visible presence of any campaigns in the Houston, Texas area, as the Nov. 6 election draws near—except for that of LaRouche Democrat Kesha Rogers, the Democratic nominee in the 22nd District. Rogers' campaign has been everywhere in the district, from boisterous rallies at well-travelled intersections, to door-to-door deployments in the suburban neighborhoods, which make up the bulk of the district. Organizers for the campaign are finding that many people are familiar with Rogers and her fight to remove Obama, though awareness that she is on the ballot is not yet universal, especially as this has been historically a "Republican district," and many of the voters mindlessly pull the voting machine lever for a straight Republican ticket.

That is changing, as the Rogers campaign has made clear that the issue this time is much larger than party loyalty. Organizers have been challenging voters to rise to the occasion, to recognize that the issue is a nuclear World War III if Obama is re-elected, and that he has no solution to the economic crash that has been worsened by his City of London/Wall Street-imposed financial policies. However, it is not enough to remove Obama. What must be done is to change the entire thinking about politics in the United States, as Lyndon LaRouche has been emphasizing in his weekly "Friday Project" webcasts, and to carry out a real recovery program.

The problem LaRouche and Rogers are addressing is that exemplified by the many blocked Republicans who respond to a briefing on Obama's war drive by saying, "Don't worry, I'm voting for Romney." While Rogers has been effectively taking on, in interviews with media and her personal appearances, the idiocy of party-politics-as-usual, organizers have developed a powerful means of getting at the Red Team/Blue Team foolishness of voters in both parties, by presenting the irony that Rogers, a Democrat, won her party's primary because she called for Obama's ouster.

They are telling self-identified Republicans that Rogers issued a challenge to Democratic voters in the district in 2010, and again this year. Do you have the brains and the guts, she asked them, to join me in removing Obama? Organizers then tell GOPers that the Democratic Party primary voters rose to the challenge, twice nominating her, despite fierce, and dirty, Democratic Party opposition, coming largely from the declining number of Obama supporters in the district. They then ask them, "Do you Republicans have the brains and guts to take up the challenge, to oust incumbent Republican Pete Olson, who has been protecting Obama, and join us to create a new, non-partisan Presidency?"

Austerity Will Never Balance a Budget

This has led to very sharp and frank discussions, as many voters are first intrigued, and then drawn into a dialogue on the deeper issues—the danger of World War III and global hyperinflation—if Obama is re-elected, or if a Romney victory is only a "regime change," in which the City of London/Wall Street financial elites remain in control. Rogers makes the case that, at present, neither Obama nor Romney has an economic solution. While Romney has become sharper in identifying the failure of Obama's policies—as he did in their first debate, leaving Obama virtually speechless—he has failed to provide any alternative. The GOP demand for reducing government, through broad cuts in "entitlements" and government programs, which Romney defends, will kill the nation—although more slowly than Obama's nuclear war.

Romney's problem can be seen in his quip that he doesn't want the U.S. to follow Greece as a model. However, as Rogers emphasized, the draconian austerity that he, his running mate, Paul Ryan, and Rogers' opponent Olson are calling for, will have precisely the effect on the U.S. that the European Union/International Monetary Fund austerity is having on Greece, of causing hyperinflation while simultaneously shrinking the economy, and killing people in the process.

Rogers' campaigners are engaging many voters in discussions of how to break with the controlled environment shaped by this focus on money, rather than physical economy. Central to this is science policy, and its implications, as this is the district which, until this year, was home to NASA's Johnson Space Center. Many people are delighted to have this discussion, with many reporting that they used to be Democrats, or their parents were Democrats. One woman embraced Rogers

at an event and said that she thought there were no more Democrats like her, upholding the tradition of John F. Kennedy.

This is a common response to Rogers, as many see in her the courage and intellectual leadership qualities lacking in the other, virtually invisible campaigns—not to mention in the Presidential campaign!

Some Media Take Note

Rogers' impact on the NASA issue is reflected in the endorsement, by the *Houston Chronicle*, of Romney over Obama, in an editorial on Oct. 21. The *Chronicle* endorsed Obama in 2008, writing that they were "captivated by the Illinois senator's soaring rhetoric and energized by his promise to move American politics beyond partisan gridlock and into an era of hope and change."

"It hasn't happened," they said today.

After a broad attack on Obama's economic failures (no jobs, slow growth, etc.), they write, "There is a launching pad to reignite the national economy," identifying that as the potential in the energy sector—not Green technology, but in traditional energy sources and newer technologies in oil and gas.

They then add: "The other launch pad ignored by President Obama is the literal one—NASA, and specifically the Johnson Space Center."

Clearly, the *Chronicle* should endorse Rogers for Congress, whose slogan has been "Save NASA, Impeach Obama"!

The change in the politics-as-usual is also reflected in an article in the *Fort Bend Herald*, the major newspaper in Fort Bend County, where the majority of voters in the 22nd district live. The piece gives straight coverage to Olson and Rogers on their respective programs. For Olson, it emphasizes his (imbecilic) talking points, especially his "conservative values," which, like those of Romney and Ryan, have convinced him that prosperity and opportunity depend on "limiting the power and the scope of the federal government."

By contrast, the coverage of Rogers opens with her statement that she continues to support the impeachment of Obama, and that she said, in 2010, her "opponent was not Pete Olson, or even Obama, but the British financier oligarchy, which Obama is a puppet of." The *Herald* includes quotes taken from her website, such as her commitment to the tradition of "Democratic Presidents Franklin Roosevelt and John F. Kennedy, who came from 'a political party fighting on behalf of this nation, rather than for the supremacy of Wall Street.... The time has come for our government to be loyal to the Constitution, rather than to whatever party faction has the majority.'"

LPAC-TV

Kesha Rogers is challenging voters to rise above party politics, and act on behalf of the common good. The Romney-Ryan austerity program will kill the nation—albeit not as fast as Obama's nuclear war.

The article then reviews Rogers' support for restoration of Glass-Steagall, and for the proposed Strategic Defense of Earth (SDE), which would "create millions of jobs in building the requisite technology."

The article concludes with quotes from Rogers on the accurate forecasting of LaRouche, and her support of a new Classical Renaissance, which will make it "easy to mobilize against foreign enemies, corrupt politicians and corporate banksters; but the most important battlefield in the war to defeat the British Empire and unleash a global renaissance, is the battle over what culture we have as Americans and our self identity."

Her campaign will be engaged in the next two weeks in an escalation in the battle to oust Obama, and to create a new leadership in the nation, above party, committed to full restoration of the economic and scientific principles of LaRouche's program of Glass-Steagall, national banking, and NAWAPA.

In Memoriam: George McGovern

A Courageous Democrat In the Mold of FDR

by Nina Ogden

Oct. 21—Much can be said about the long, full life of former Senator and Presidential candidate George McGovern, who died on Sunday morning at the age of 90. But, we must emphasize that, fundamental to Senator McGovern's view of what he thought the country, and his Democratic Party, should stand for, was his understanding of President Franklin Roosevelt's leadership.

In his autobiography *Grassroots*, McGovern described his reaction upon hearing of Roosevelt's death in April 1945, when he was a bomber pilot stationed in Italy. McGovern wrote, "Most of us had never really known the United States except with FDR as President. We did not think of him as a politician. He was that magnificent voice of the fireside chat who inspired all those who stood for freedom and decency in the war. What would the United States be like without him?"

McGovern Center

Although McGovern lost his bid for the Presidency in 1972, he later joked that probably "even Dick Nixon would have been happier if I had won." He is shown here campaigning in Syracuse, N.Y. in 1972.

In an interview with *EIR* (Sept. 9, 2005), following Hurricane Katrina, McGovern contrasted the Bush Administration's reaction to the emergency, with what Roosevelt had done after the Crash of 1929. He said, "President Roosevelt acted to save the nation and the common good. He even closed the banks and then opened them up again, fit to serve the people and the nation. He passed regulations against the crime of speculation. He gave people hope against their worst fears."

A South Dakota native, McGovern ran for President against the incumbent Richard Nixon, on an anti-Vietnam War platform in 1972, after serving in the U.S. House of Representatives (1957-61) and the U.S. Senate (1963-81). He lost his Presidential bid overwhelmingly, winning only the state of Massachusetts and the District of Columbia, but he often joked, in numerous conversations with this author, that "even Dick Nixon would have been happier if I had won."

He was critical of the lack of backbone among his fellow Democrats. In 2008, he published an op-ed in the *Washington Post* calling for the impeachment of President George W. Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney, emphasizing that they were far more guilty of high crimes than even Richard Nixon. Impeachment is "unlikely," he wrote, not only because of the Republican opposition, but because of "a lack of courage and statesmanship on the part of too many Democratic politicians." "Impeachment," he noted, is "quite simply, the procedure written into the Constitution to deal with Presidents who violate the Constitution and the laws of the land."

McGovern was appointed by President John F. Kennedy as the first director of the U.S. Food for Peace program in 1961. President Bill Clinton, who had been McGovern's Texas campaign manager during the '72 Presidential campaign, appointed him U.S. Permanent Representative to the UN Food and Agriculture Organization, where he served from 1998-2001. In 2008, in response a call by Helga Zepp-LaRouche to double worldwide food production, McGovern told the LaRouche Political Action Committee (LPAC), that he would support all efforts to increase world food production at an upcoming Food and Agriculture Organization meeting. "We can't put hunger on hold," he said. "We have to look forward both to a larger world population, and to feeding them better."

Looking back to Kennedy's Food for Peace policy, McGovern said, "JFK developed a blueprint. We kept India alive, for example, until, through the Green Revolution, it became self-sufficient in food. That has to be our food politics, worldwide."

From Qaddafi to al-Qaeda: What Obama Wrought in Libya

by Marcia Merry Baker and Nancy Spannaus

Oct. 22—Oct. 20 marked the anniversary of the brutal murder of Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi, in a regime-change operation organized by the British, French, and Obama governments. As Lyndon LaRouche stated at the time, this barbarism marked a crucial point, reflecting a decision by the British-American elites to go for a global war, a war that would almost certainly become World War III. One of the elements that would lead to such a war would be the terrorist, jihadi forces controlled by the British and Saudi monarchies, and now embraced by the Obama Administration, in a globally extended replay of 9/11.

Those terrorist forces come in shifting groups, and often change their names, but the baseline for their existence and and funding, and their safe haven, lies in London, often called Londonistan, and Saudi Arabia. For simplicity's sake, we will call them "al-Qaeda," a group which, although originally associated with Osama bin Laden, is actually made up of elements of a data base of numerous international terrorist groups, using Islam as a cover for their attack on the nation-state, and civilization as a whole.

The presence of al-Qaeda in Libya, as de facto allies of the Obama Administration, was well known during the process leading up to the 2011 ouster and murder of Qaddafi; and in the 2012 vulnerability of the U.S. consulate in Benghazi, where four Americans, including the U.S. Ambassador, Christopher Stevens, were killed in a terrorist attack. Here is a timeline of some of the undeniable key markers and pawprints of the British-Saudi-backed al-Qaeda role in the process which brought al-Qaeda to the fore in Libya, and resulted in the assassinations in Benghazi.

MI6, al-Qaeda, and LIFG

1995: This was the year that Britain, with the tacit approval of the U.S., and funding from Saudi Arabia, made contact with Osama bin Laden, and proposed, among other things, the elimination of Muammar Qaddafi. The group the British contacted was the **Libyan Islamic Fighting Group (LIFG)**, which had been formed in Afghanistan, where bin Laden was one of the major participants in the Mujahideen war against the Soviet occupation.

According to British intelligence sources, MI6 supplied the LIFG with money to buy weapons to carry out a coup against Qaddafi in February 1996. The plot went ahead, but failed. Later documents made public after the British ambassador's residence was abandoned during the 2011 uprising, reported that the LIFG members took refuge in London, after the failed assassination threat. The LIFG is centered in Benghazi.

The LIFG is an open partner of the U.S. in post-Qaddafi Libya today.

2007: According to a report by the West Point Combatting Terrorism Center, the LIFG officially merged with al-Qaeda. The report goes on to elaborately depict

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It is well established that al-Qaeda and the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group (LIFG) have infiltrated the Syrian "rebels," such as those shown here.

just how close together LIFG has been working with al-Qaeda, including the mention of LIFG member Abu Yahya, who is noted as second only to Ayman al-Zawahiri within al-Qaeda. Al-Zawahiri at the time was al-Qaeda's #2 under Osama bin Laden.

Sufyan bin Qumu, head of the Ansar al-Sharia group, an off-shoot of al-Qaeda, is released after five years at Guantanamo, to a prison in Libya, where he is eventually released. Ansar al-Sharia has been officially blamed by the United States for involvement in the attack which killed Ambassador Stevens.

2008: The U.S. Embassy in Tripoli sends a secret cable to Washington, entitled, "Extremism in Eastern Libya," reporting on the hotbed of anti-American, pro-jihadi sentiment there. This evaluation is confirmed by earlier al-Qaeda personnel documents that came into American hands in 2007, and analyzed by the Combatting Terrorism Center, at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

2011: February: Qaddafi accuses al-Qaeda of being behind the growing unrest against him spreading among young people in the country.

Feb. 15: Benghazi becomes the launch point for the movement to overthrow Qaddafi, with activities featuring violent demonstrations, attacks on the home of pro-Qaddafi sympathizers, and the like.

Feb. 17: Jihadists declare this a "Day of Rage" against Qaddafi. The name is chosen in commemoration of Feb. 17, 2006, when Islamic militants attacked the Italian consulate in Benghazi, burning it to the ground, allegedly because of anti-Muslim statements of the ambassador.

Spring: Abu Yahya al-Libi, a Libyan al-Qaeda militant, urges al-Qaeda in North Africa to do everything possible in the rebellion against Qaddafi.

March: The presence of al-Qaeda in Libya is mooted by top NATO Commander, U.S. Adm. James Stavridis. He raises the question of who and what forces were among the rebels, being aided by the Western-coalition air strikes. "We have seen flickers in the intelligence of potential al-Qaeda, Hezbollah," he says.

April: Training for some 200 jihadi fighters is taking place in the "April 7" military camp in Benghazi, led by Ismail Sallabi, a member of the Fighting Islamic Group in Libya (GICL) and al-Qaeda, with the support of about 20 experts sent in from Qatar, as reported by government spokesman Musa Ibrahim at an April 18 press conference.

A self-described al-Qaeda member since the 1980s, Abdelmonem Al-Madhuni, is killed west of Benghazi, near the Bregaoil terminal.

April 18: Abdelhakim al-Hasadi (also known as Belhadj), the al-Qaeda leader and former member of LIFG, is active in Libya. Musa Ibrahim said at a press conference, "The famous Abdelhakim al-Hasadi, the very famous al-Qaeda leader, who has a jihadist history and fought in many countries including Iraq and Afghanistan," had, at the time, left Benghazi to go to the besieged Misrata. Hasadi, said Ibrahim, is "very well known to intelligence services around the world." He has been operating from an old Egyptian ship, the Al-

YouTube

Abdelhakim al-Hasadi (also known as Belhadj), the al-Qaeda leader and former member of LIFG, is active in Libya. These are the logos of al-Qaeda (below) and Ansar al-Sharia of Libya.

Shahid Abdelwahab, equipped with weapons and advanced communications, and accompanied by 25 "highly trained fighters."

Ibrahim added, "And unfortunately, the [Western] coalition knows about this, as they are observing our waters, and unfortunately, they are prepared to allow known al-Qaeda members to pass from Benghazi to Misrata.…"

July 16: The day after the Obama Administration joined the U.K., France, and other NATO members in recognizing the rag-tag rebel band in Libya as the legitimate representative of the people, Niger's President Mahamadou Issoufou states on a TV broadcast, that Niger, which borders Libya, is concerned that the crisis in Libya will lead to fundamentalists taking power there, turning Libya into another Somalia. The Benghazi-area rebel stronghold is a hotbed of radical jihadists.

September: Abdelkarim Hasadi (aka Belhadj), leads the Tripoli brigade which spearheaded the defeat of loyalist forces there. Abdelkarim, the former commander of the LIFG, with offices in London, had been arrested in Afghanistan in 2004, interrogated by the CIA, and then handed over to Libya, an ally of the United States in counterterrorism. His organization, listed by the State Department as terrorist, is reported to have two training camps in Afghanistan before 2001. Abdelkarim had been imprisoned by Qaddafi for some years.

Oct. 20: Qaddafi is captured and brutally assassinated, leaving Libya in chaos, and precipitating a process of ongoing civil conflict.

The Aftermath

Nov. 1, 2011: According to the *Daily Mail*, the black flag of al-Qaeda was hoisted from the roof of the Benghazi courthouse, in celebration of NATO's formally ending its military campaign.

December 2011: Reports indicate that the al-Qaeda leadership in Pakistan had sent experienced jihadists to Libya to build a new base of operations in the country. Between May and December 2011, one of these jihadists had recruited 200 fighters in the eastern part of the country. Documents seized in Iraq indicate that many foreign fighters who had participated in the Iraqi insurgency hailed from eastern Libya.

2012: Feb. 1: A document dated Feb. 1, under the name of Eric Nordstrom, the U.S. State Department Regional Security Officer in Libya, discusses the presence of al-Qaeda in Libya:

"Extremist groups and groups affiliated with extremist groups participated in fighting against the Ghaddafi regime. Al-Qaeda affiliated groups includng Al-Qaeda in the Islamic Magreb and other extremist groups are likely to take advantage of the ongoing political turmoil in Libya. The U.S. government remains concerned that such individuals and groups remain in Libya, engaged in fundraising, recruitment, procurement of arms and may use Libya as a platform from which to conduct attacks in the region."

March 7: Russian UN Ambassador Vitaly Churkin charges at a UN Security Council meeting, that a Libyan training center for Syrian anti-government rebels was operating, and arming the opposition fighters in their battle to overthrow the country's President Bashar al-Assad.

April 6: An IED (improvised explosive device) was thrown over the wall of the Benghazi consulate by two suspects, who were taken into custody, and then released, by members of the February 17 Brigade, which is reported to be infiltrated by al-Qaeda. The same two men later were hired as security guards by the UK's Blue Mountain Group, for deployment at the Benghazi U.S. compound.

June 7: The first public appearance of Ansar al-Sharia, a Salafist-Jihadist group committed to imposing strict Sharia law, in a demonstration in Benghazi. Elements of the February 17 movement are reported to have collaborated with Ansar al-Sharia. There are also reports that some Ansar members were hired as part of the security in eastern Libya.

Sept. 11: Ahmed Abu Khattalah, the founder of Ansar al-Sharia, is present during the attack at the U.S. consular mission in Benghazi. Abu Khattalah has not been apprehended.

Sept. 15: Libya's interim President, Mohamed Yusef al Magariaf, says that he is certain that the deadly attack on the U.S. consulate in Benghazi on Sept. 11 was "premeditated," and organized by "experienced masterminds" from al-Qaeda. Armed militias, many of them neo-Salafi allied with al-Qaeda, had been gaining strength and had penetrated all of the relevant security institutions of the region.

Libyan officials have been warning U.S. counterparts for months that the Benghazi area was dangerous. According to one senior U.S. intelligence source, Ansar al-Sharia had directly penetrated the Benghazi regional public safety committee, and had full access to information on U.S. personnel and facilities, including a U.S. safehouse which was also attacked on Sept. 11, 2012.

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Editorial

No Debate, No Party Politics!

All thinking U.S. citizens know it: The choices before them in this Presidential election are dismal, even outright disgusting. The immediate central issue—the danger of the British-Saudi-Obama policy pushing us into thermonuclear war—is not even addressed by the candidates. And when the reality of the economic collapse is raised, the alleged solutions being put on the table—austerity and greenie-ism—will ensure the destruction of our nation.

Yet, we are less than two weeks before Election Day. The options for replacing these candidates have passed by, but we still have to save the nation. The unique approach for doing so, is what Lyndon LaRouche is addressing at some length in his weekly series of Friday night webcasts—but let's cut to the chase.

First, *Obama must not be re-elected.* As a tool of the British monarchy, he has taken our nation on the course of Nazi economic policies, dictatorship, and unconstitutional wars that are leading to a direct confrontation with the world's other major nuclear power, Russia. We are *already* in the process of global war that puts us on the razor's edge, and *only* the removal of Obama's hand from the nuclear button gives us the chance to pull back from that process. There is *no excuse* for voting for Obama as the "lesser of two evils." What is "more evil" than wiping out planet in a thermonuclear war?

As LaRouche put it Oct. 22: If Americans reelect Obama, they will be voting *for their own extinction.* And everything possible must be done to convince them not to do so.

But, once the immediate war danger is mitigated, our nation will face another peril, the potential control of a Romney Presidency by the Republican Party! If that is permitted, given the insane, murderous economic austerity the party as an institution is pushing, we are facing disaster of another sort—one that will actually achieve the British monarchy's aim of depopulation by another route.

How can this be prevented? By crushing the political party system put in place by the British under Andrew Jackson! Party loyalty is a disease, a corruption, which violates the principles of the U.S. Constitution, and has never served the interests of the nation. Only when our nation has had leadership that stood "above party," not as a dictatorship, but as an inspiration, have we prospered and fulfilled our mission.

George Washington and John Quincy Adams are sterling models of the kind of leadership we need, men who insisted on policies to develop the nation, and *opposed* party politics. The idea of choosing a national leader as you root for a sports team is an abomination. Party loyalty is a form of corruption which must be rooted out, and banned from controlling the national recovery policies on which our survival depends.

Restoring Glass-Steagall, returning to a national credit system, and launching NAWAPA—these are the vital policies to save the nation. They are the property of neither party, both of which have so far rejected them! But these are the policies around which our citizens must rally, as individuals, and individual leaders, as we restore a true Constitutional republic.

Franklin Roosevelt put it clearly in his Commonwealth Club speech of 1932, when he said: "I want to speak not of politics but of government. I want to speak not of parties, but of universal principles."

Oust Obama and restore those principles, now!