

## **EDITORIAL**

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# On the Edge of Human Evolution? A Shelley Moment

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Oct. 16—Lyndon LaRouche has demonstrated on the record, the most qualified understanding of physical economy in modern history, seen numerous times with his unprecedentedly accurate long-term, and even short-term systemic forecasts. He has also, in the process, demonstrated a scientific apprehension of the process of history which, for those who have studied his work, recognize that these two concepts amount to the same thing.

This apprehension of the dynamic of living history is also shown through the very success of his political movement. For example, the ability to withstand the most aggressive illegal assault by the federal government, and then continue onward to lead an international intervention against those responsible for the coup d'état against our Constitutional system, a coup run prior to and since the attacks of 9-11; to develop and promote the most successful international economic project ever initiated, with China's "Belt and Road Initiative"; and to foster a revival of the true classical works of music in the living tradition of a New York City-wide chorus, as was accomplished most recently with the Mozart *Requiem* concerts held in 2016 on the anniversary of 9-11—concerts which preceded by a matter of days the unexpected override by the U.S. Congress of Obama's veto of a bill that enabled the families of those killed in that attack to legally pursue the Saudi perpetrators.

Such a record is unprecedented, and goes all the way back to the initial interventions in the 1960s in New York City, and then internationally, by LaRouche and his movement.

Mr. LaRouche's work, and the work of his movement, is a testament to the capability of the human mind

to ascertain the very principles at work in human history, and to act upon them with a miracle-like efficacy for the greater good of mankind. This power of the human mind is the Promethean advantage of any humanist movement in history over the satanic methods of brutal force, coercion, or worse tactics that are often employed by agents of an Oligarchical cult, like that of London and Wall Street today, which denies this very Promethean power of the human mind at its own peril.

*Why is this of relevance now, and in the immediate period ahead?*

In May 2010, Lyndon LaRouche had the following to say in an international webcast:

We're now in the position to change history. This is the way it happens. You have two factors in history: You have the so-called objective factor: the way things are moving, the perception of interest, the fears, the hopes of people. And you would say, 'Well, why don't these things control politics at all times?' Well, it doesn't. You come to a change in a general mood—it was the kind of thing that Shelley refers to in the close of his 'A Defence of Poetry.' People at large are gripped by something they do not always understand. But it compels them to act in a certain way, perceived in their own interest. And generally, often, it represents a nobler quality, aroused in that people, than they had represented before.

The American Revolution is typical of that. It happened here. It was an isolated situation; we weren't in Europe. And the Americans, here, realized they had to defend what they had estab-

lished in North America, and they did it. They had support from people in Russia, France, Spain, and elsewhere—and we won our freedom. We won our republic.

We won also, the fight against the British in the Civil War. We won the fight against slavery. We won the fight against backwardness in general. We won the fight to develop the Western lands. We won the fight to unify the nation, as a transcontinental nation, from the Atlantic shore to the Pacific shore. We did that as a people, in this way. We suffered long periods of suffering, while we waited for this reform to take place. But the power of the reform, like a tidal movement, came upon us, and we were mobilized; when we found suitable leaders, we responded to them, and they saved us.

### Today is a Shelley Moment

By May 2010, the mass-strike process to finally end the reign of perpetual war, police state tactics, and financial bailouts by Bush, then Obama, and by extension Hillary, was in full force. A leading faction of the population, many with deep roots in the very American tradition Mr. LaRouche alluded to above, and entirely undeceived by the mere appearance of Obama's Presidency, was in near-total revolt against the fascist paradigm that had dominated the United States since the period around the impeachment of President Bill Clinton in 1997/1998. This process was brought to actual fruition by the election period of 2016, when even the Democratic Party voters who had supported Obama's empty promises for two Presidential elections, now rejected the Obama legacy, as we saw with the outpouring of unexpected support for Bernie Sanders, all while the Bush legacy was torn to shreds by Trump's string of primary victories.

Consider also, that by the end of June 2016, British voters shocked the world and requested to leave the European Union. As of today, the new Theresa May government in the UK is in shambles, rejected by a majority of the voters and likely most of her own party. The terms of Brexit remain undetermined, while the City of London sits on nearly \$300 trillion in worthless derivatives, or half of the global derivatives trade, all of which could blow any minute as global debt levels now exceed those of 2007/2008.

President Trump's victory in November then came like a mighty sledgehammer to the Brexit-created "cracks in the dam" of London and Washington's Atlanticist system. Germany is now also in disarray. Merkel is quickly losing control of Germany, Spain faces near civil war, and France's traditional parties are now buried under Macron's micro-abilities to create a true Europe of nation-states. The trans-Atlantic system is dying, literally killing itself!

There is no part of this system that remains viable. A new system must now be created, governed by the impulses of a people who respond to a higher sense of unity and solidarity with their fellow man. Or as LaRouche said in 2010, "But the power of the reform, like a tidal movement, came upon us, and we were mobilized; when we found suitable leaders, we responded to them, and they saved us."

In 1983, Ronald Reagan changed the course of history, tossing Henry Kissinger's British policy of Mutual and Assured Destruction (MAD) into the historical trash bin, and replacing the global dynamic of fear and terror with LaRouche's program of scientific development otherwise known as the beam defense program of the Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI).

Few of LaRouche's associates at that time knew that President Reagan was going to announce this change of



Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., from his international webcast of May 2010.

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policy on national prime-time television on March 23, 1983. It was hardly inevitable, and was nearly removed from the speech by Bush family operative and then Chief of Staff James Baker, before it was then put back in again by Judge William P. Clark, Reagan's National Security Advisor.

At that moment—though the SDI had been rejected by General Secretary Andropov of the Soviet Union for reasons similar to those of Kissinger—Lyndon LaRouche and his international political movement had upended the entire global strategic system, a system based on the threat of nuclear annihilation, and replaced it with one based on the development of all. Such is the very nature of true historical developments.

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### **Trump to Asia for a New World**

The circumstances surrounding Trump's upcoming trip to Asia are similar in many ways to the circumstances prior to Reagan's announcement of the SDI.

People of the world can no longer accept the threat of mass extinction of the human race, either through nuclear war or through economic devastation. With the collapse of the financial system, the massive destruction of infrastructure throughout the West via decades of refusal to invest and environmentalism, and increasing tensions with Russia and China—from Nazi-inspired neocon and neoliberal factions that dominate the media and the establishment—both the threat of war and economic destruction are real and present dangers.

However, unlike the paradigm of the Cold War, today, with China's adoption of the New Silk Road program, as developed by Lyndon and his wife Helga in the wake of the fall of the Berlin Wall and collapse of the Soviet Union, there is zero chance that the project will be rejected. That is, when Trump offers a program of collaboration with China for major infrastructure development, it is a guarantee!

Such a moment in history is unprecedented. There is no period to look back upon, to see how this will all end. The last scene of this play has not been written. We will write the book, we will fill the next pages of this story, much as President Trump said so effectively in his inaugural address.

Such is the nature of a history which has not yet occurred.

Over the coming weeks, the attempted coup against Donald Trump, led by Robert "The Snake" Mueller, or as his friends call him "Gestapo Bob," must be ended. Mueller must be shamed back into the shadows in which such types dwell. Mankind has no need for the London-Wall Street agenda which hangs like a sword of Damocles over the lives of nations.

With the coup crushed, Trump should feel free to explore the world of the New Silk Road: to see its optimism, its sense of dignity, work, production, and joy for the future. This is the pathway to the new world. This is the world created by individuals, who like LaRouche, grasp the value of these Shelley moments of human evolution.