

The World Cannot Afford Re-Election Of Cheney-Bush

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Speaking on an Ohio radio station on Oct. 19, Democratic political leader Lyndon LaRouche was asked what would happen if President George Bush and Vice-President Dick Cheney were re-elected. He minced no words:

“Well, I’ll tell you, the day after Bush were elected, or within a matter of days, you would have a launching of a war against Iran, which would involve the whole area. There would be no limit to this: It would go on indefinitely, until somebody just stopped it.

“You would also have an immediate measure, where Bush would move for the privatization of Social Security, and other rather drastic measures of privatization of the public sector.

“There will be all kinds of diversionary efforts, to distract the public opinion *away* from the reality of an onrushing economic collapse. You’re looking at a period in which a transition from, at least, a formal democracy, into dictatorship would be under way, full steam.”

In this *EIR* feature, written on the eve of the Presidential elections, we provide crucial backup for LaRouche’s assessment. The alarming mental instability of George W. Bush, and the homicidal policy profile of Vice-President Dick Cheney have been fully exposed by this magazine over the past years. We focus here on recent scandals that underscore the point that a new Bush-Cheney Administration would be a giant step toward fascism, both at home and abroad.

Bush to Americans: Drop Dead

The Bush Administration’s handling of the flu vaccine crisis provides a clear snapshot of the anti-human attitude of the Bush-Cheney crew. There will be thousands of avoidable deaths, particularly among the elderly, as a result of the negligence of the Bush Administration; and, even as the vulnerable are forced to scramble for the vaccine, the Bush Administration *refuses* to acknowledge and declare a medical emergency, so that the scarce medicine can be allocated to where it is



Waiting in line for flu shots in Sterling, Virginia. How many will die, because of the Bush-Cheney Administration's free-market negligence?

most needed.

At the same time, the Administration has now revealed that it has plans for an immediate post-election drive to privatize Social Security. This move will turn benefits which should be set aside for older Americans over to Cheney's Wall Street cronies to manage, Enron-style, and push future senior citizens into the misery of poverty.

President Bush, of course, has vehemently denied that he actually intends to "privatize" Social Security; he'll only "reform" it. Yet, author Ron Suskind has provided convincing evidence that Bush is promising a "January Surprise" to his wealthy backers, whereby the flow of funds into the Social Security Trust Fund (which has already been looted to cover huge Federal budget deficits) will immediately be diverted, in part, into private accounts.

The mean-spirited President, who deals with the plight of old people by bragging that he doesn't need a flu shot, is once again exposed as a liar.

And on the International Front

The fascist character of the current Administration, which would be free to be exercised whole-hog if it were re-elected, is also reflected in our other two stories in this package.

First, there's the rip-off of funds from Iraq, now being investigated by international and domestic agencies, and likely to include the Vice President's favorite company, Halliburton. What may seem to some like an ordinary act of corruption, bespeaks the inhuman mentality of the Administration. The Iraqi people are allegedly those whom the Bush Administration wants to help! Instead, they are cynically ripping them off, in order to put monies into the pocket of their cronies.

Second, there are the clear signs of a re-emergence of the Nazi International, both in Europe and the Americas, which emergence would represent a new phase in the mobilization for fascist world government. What we're dealing with here is the Synarchist International regroupment, left and right, which feeds off the actions of the Bush Administration, and is moving into a fully operational phase in the center of Europe.

Should the Bush-Cheney crowd be re-elected, the dynamic toward perpetual, global war, and toward the imposition of devastating new levels of austerity throughout the world, means that the fascist movements in Europe and the Americas are fated to grow. As in Germany today, the traditional parties will begin to be destroyed, and replaced by fringe groups on the "right" and the "left," moving the country toward ungovernability, and eventually toward dictatorship.

The Clear Choice

As LaRouche emphasized in his radio interviews the week of Oct. 18, there is no question but that the Cheney-dominated Bush Administration was headed toward imposing a fascist imperium from its inception. After 9/11, the regime had some success, but was not able to consolidate it. However, should the Cheney-Bush team get past the election hurdle, it can be expected to go full-steam ahead. Wars, fascist austerity, and police-state measures have already been openly put on the agenda.

As LaRouche put it: "We've now come to this election. And, at this point, the test is, if Bush is re-elected, then the fascist drive is fully on: It's on from Day One after the election. If Kerry's elected, then we're going to have a fight to prevent it from continuing."