

Editorial

'In Two Weeks or Two Months . . .'

"In two weeks or two months, many people will realize how life-and-death these ideas are." LaRouche Democrat Elliot Greenspan ("the sane Greenspan"), in his May-June campaign for the Democratic nomination for New Jersey Governor, demonstrated beyond any doubt the immediate power of Lyndon LaRouche's 2004 Presidential campaign to turn the U.S. citizenry around, during 2001. In particular, Elliot Greenspan's campaign showed the power of LaRouche's strategic *international* proposals—the New Bretton Woods monetary system concept, and the "Eurasian Land-Bridge" of high-technology transport and development corridors—to move Americans facing the collapse of their economic conditions of life.

The sane Greenspan's "Land-Bridge campaign" aggressively focussed on the great idea of modern development spanning the Eurasian continent, many thousands of miles from New Jersey. The Land-Bridge served as the metaphor for LaRouche's political principle of the General Welfare, the Common Good of humanity. It reawakened the traditional idea of a New Jersey producing machinery for world development, which used to be expressed in the capital city's slogan, "Trenton makes, the world takes."

Campaigning to represent LaRouche as a Presidential candidate for 2004, Greenspan punctured the screen of local, hot-button issues on which political campaigns are supposed to waste themselves. Around the Land-Bridge idea, he worked with Pennsylvania legislators to achieve the June 21 introduction of a New Bretton Woods bill in the Pennsylvania legislature, a landmark move to stake out the LaRouche alternative to the oncoming economic depression. He worked with Camden city leaders, trying to fight off an unelected "Control Board" takeover, to form an alliance for the General Welfare between them and the Washington, D.C. forces fighting to keep their public hospital (see page 77 of this issue). He organized widespread union and other support throughout New Jersey for the fight for the General Welfare being led by LaRouche's campaign in the nation's capital.

Some New Jersey press at first tried to ridicule "the

Eurasian Land-Bridge" as the leading idea of a New Jersey gubernatorial campaign. But in the final pre-primary week, the LaRouche Democrat Greenspan campaign broke through. The largest TV and radio outlets of the New York-New Jersey market—the nation's most important—found themselves covering the Land-Bridge campaign. The sane Greenspan explained the Eurasian Land-Bridge idea as the *engine of economic recovery for the U.S. rust belt as well*, on New York's network TV news and radio interview programs, even as the "insane [Fed Chairman Alan] Greenspan" was shown ducking Congressional questions about June's new waves of layoffs.

These happy developments are signs of a paradigm-shift taking place in the U.S. citizenry, opening up to the strategic principles of LaRouche's campaigning as the economic crisis gets more grave.

"Two weeks or two months . . ." is all the time American citizens and their representatives have to change their political thinking completely. They cannot "push issues" with a Bush Administration that is committed to back the usurers and financial pirates all the way down to the depths of an economic depression. The insane Greenspan's inflationary interest-rate-cut policy has completely failed to stop or even slow the economic contraction, and should be reversed. The Bush Administration will not change its spots. It can only be made to change policy in one way—by being beaten up, in a principled fight, by forces committed to the General Welfare. Nothing could make this clearer, than the Administration's grudging, trench-by-trench retreat from the earlier arrogant Bush-Cheney energy plan of "no price caps, no profit limits, total deregulation." The fight against the Bush energy policy was launched by LaRouche alone, in January, when even California officials were not daring to protest.

The sane Greenspan's campaign breakthrough has shown that thinking Americans are now ready to recognize that principled leadership of LaRouche, and his 2004 Presidential campaign as the immediate vehicle to turn around the collapse of 2001.