

National News

LaRouche Feb. 23 Webcast: Stop Brits' Iran War

In the midst of the escalating drive for war against Iran, American statesman and economist Lyndon LaRouche will conduct an international webcast, Thursday, Feb. 23, at 1:00 P.M. Eastern Standard Time. The program will originate from Washington, D.C., and will be available live and archived at www.larouchepac.com and larouchepub.com.

LaRouche launched a mobilization Feb. 3 to expose the British manipulation of the Western nations, and Iran, as the intended "fuse" toward blowing up the "bomb," the world monetary system. "The fools in Washington," he said, "typified by Vice President Cheney, have no idea what they are detonating."

There is no alternative, he continued, but for responsible members of the U.S. Senate to assert their Constitutional duty against the usurpation of power by the Executive, as demonstrated by the behavior of Dick Cheney. The reckless pursuit of fascist "Executive authority" must be halted now, before the Administration is dragged by the British into the next war.

These issues will be the focus of discussion at the webcast.

Feingold Says Bush Has 'Pre-1776' World-View

Sen. Russ Feingold (D-Wisc.) accused President Bush of having a "pre-1776 view of the world," and castigated those members of Congress who applauded the President during his State of the Union speech, *Raw Story* reported on Feb. 8.

"This program is breaking the law, and this President is breaking the law," Feingold charged. "Not only that, he is misleading the American people in his efforts to justify this program. How is that worthy of applause? Since when do we celebrate our commander-in-chief for violating our most basic freedoms, and misleading the American people in the process? When did we start to stand up and cheer for breaking the law? In that moment at the State of the Union, I felt

ashamed. Congress has lost its way if we don't hold this President accountable for his actions. . . .

"To find out that the President of the United States has violated the basic rights of the American people is chilling. And then to see him publicly embrace his actions—and to see so many Members of Congress cheer him on—is appalling."

Feingold cited three occasions in 2004 and 2005 when Bush explicitly stated, contrary to his current contention, that "the government can't move on wiretaps or roving wiretaps without getting a court order."

Kentucky's Clark Wins; 'LaRouche' Slander Flops

Former State Rep. Perry Clark (D) won the Feb. 14 special election for the Kentucky State Senate, after a spirited fight which included defending his work with Lyndon LaRouche from slanders. Perry will represent Jefferson County's 37th Senate District. With 90% of the vote counted, the *Louisville Courier-Journal* reported, Clark had a 1,000-vote lead over his Republican opponent, Debbie Peden, 6,461 to 5,472.

The Republican Party of Kentucky paid for and mailed a lying flyer on Clark's association with "Conspiracy Theorist and Extremist Lyndon LaRouche" to the Senate district households.

Clark immediately responded with a 60-second radio ad that opened with dissonant sounds, and a female voice saying: "By now, you've all heard the lies Debbie Peden is telling. . . . Now, she's even lying about herself. She told you she was a teacher at Iroquois High School when she wasn't. . . . but the people who know her best—our teachers—have endorsed her opponent, Perry Clark."

"Then she lied about child abuse and public safety, . . . but the Fraternal Order of Police, and the Firefighters, the people who know about safety, have endorsed Perry Clark. . . .

"Then, she lied about abortion . . . but it's Perry Clark who the Kentucky Right-to-Life has endorsed every time he's run. . . .

"And now, Debbie Peden's talking about Lyndon LaRouche. But what Debbie

Peden won't tell you, is that her husband supported Lyndon LaRouche. What else isn't Debbie Peden telling you? . . ."

Peden's husband voted for LaRouche's resolution to rebuild the U.S. auto industry, when it came before the Louisville City Council.

Senator Clinton Calls For Auto Marshall Plan

Sen. Hillary Clinton (D-N.Y.) strongly endorsed the United Auto Workers' call on Congress for "a Marshall Plan for the U.S. auto industry," the *Detroit Free Press* reported Feb. 9. Clinton addressed a UAW legislative conference, attended by 1,600 union organizers in Washington D.C., saying, "The manufacturers and the UAW have called for a Marshall Plan. Let's marshal our forces and get it done."

She said that the U.S.A. cannot sustain itself without manufacturing, and that the Bush Administration is trying to "undo the work of the 20th Century": "They want to dismantle the structure of opportunity that has enabled most of us to live better than our parents and our grandparents."

The *Bangkok Post* took notice of Senator Clinton's speech, quoting her that "the Bush Administration is allowing U.S. manufacturing to wither away."

Katrina Death Toll 'May Never Be Known'

Dr. Louis Cataldie, the Louisiana medical examiner, believes that the death toll from Hurricane Katrina "may never be known," the *Houston Chronicle* reported Feb. 13. Dr. Cataldie stated that hundreds, if not thousands, of people who remain missing, may never be found.

He told the *Chronicle* that many people were probably washed into the Gulf of Mexico, drowned when their fishing boats sank, swept into Lake Pontchartrain or alligator-infested swamps, or buried under crushed homes. The state/Federal Find Family call center still has 2,300 people on its missing list.