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From the Managing Editor

If it's true that the first step is the hardest, then we should be well on our way to restoring the Glass-Steagall Act. Tom Harkin's introduction of S. 985 to the U.S. Senate finally breaks the paralysis of that body, giving other Senators and Congressmen no excuse not to do what they have been too timid to do up to now. Our *Feature* gives an update on the fight, plus the highly relevant history of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's "Hundred Days" legislation in 1933, of which Glass-Steagall was one component. If you haven't contacted your representatives yet to demand that they support Harkin's bill, and H.R. 129 in the House, what are you waiting for? We need a veto-proof majority for Glass-Steagall as fast as is humanly possible, while it is still feasible to reverse the downward-spiralling financial/economic collapse.

However, as *EIR* has often emphasized, Glass-Steagall is only the beginning. And the second, third, and fourth steps are likely to be just as difficult as the first has been, if not more so. Most people in Congress at least know what Glass-Steagall *means*, as a formalism; but they have no idea what a Hamiltonian *credit system* is (step 2), as contrasted to the British *monetarist system* that we have today. Lyndon LaRouche and associates have prepared hundreds of articles and videos on this subject, which our readers can use to enlighten those who remain clueless. And the third essential step is to use that "Hamiltonian" credit to launch great infrastructure projects, such as the North American Water and Power Alliance, to re-employ millions of Americans in high-tech jobs.

Our *Economics* section features some very striking statements on the murderous consequences of current monetarist policy, ranging from CEOs and economists, to public health officials, to Pope Francis.

In the last installment of our series on the Schiller Institute's Frankfurt conference on "A New Paradigm for the Survival of Civilization," we provide transcripts of speeches by three international experts on the necessity of nuclear power for the world. Of particular interest is the focus on models for *thorium reactors*, which even a greenie could learn to love.

Our news coverage highlights the British-backed drive for war against Syria and Iran (and opposition to it, notably from the Austrian government), and the "Watergate" drumbeat against President Obama.

