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From the Managing Editor

Why does Congress still refuse to restore the Glass-Steagall Act, and delude itself that the monstrous Dodd-Frank Act is going to solve the world's financial problems? There are a lot of reasons, but for sure, they don't understand what Glass-Steagall means. They can recite its formal provisions, along with the mantra from Ben Bernanke that the 2008 crash would have happened even had Glass-Steagall not been repealed. But they—and most of their countrymen—are wrong, because they think the issue is *money*.

This week's issue tackles this idiotic view from a number of standpoints, showing how Glass-Steagall is but the first step of a recovery process that (as in President Franklin Roosevelt's day) must include great development projects, for the general welfare.

Our *Strategy* section leads with Lyndon LaRouche's discussion of this matter, with a three-fold approach: "1) Glass-Steagall; 2) a globally extrapolated version of the North American Water and Power Alliance (NAWAPA); and, 3) a commitment to qualitative advances in 'the energy-flux density' of the economy, that on, and beyond Earth; without that, there were no credible prospect for progress in even any among the national cultures of the nations of the planet." LaRouche elaborates especially the third point of the three—the epistemological basis for ensuring mankind's future.

Elsewhere in the issue we report the growing attention to Glass-Steagall in Russia, Greece, and the Philippines, as well as the filing of a resolution to Congress in support of the Act, in the New York State legislature. Included are statements by Alexander Hamilton and Franklin Roosevelt, who would be delighted to see this move in their "home" state.

The *Feature* explains the importance of NAWAPA, and how it can be accomplished, with Glass-Steagall as the first step. The interview with Jean Robinson of Australia provides fascinating insight from a country which has long experienced the brutality of the British monarchy, and which is much in need of an "Australian NAWAPA."

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Glass-Steagall and NAWAPA Now

by Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.

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For me, an uncertain new modern history had begun with the virtually sudden death of U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt. That true great warrior of his time, had died not long after 1 PM, on April 12, 1945. That news of his death had come to me on the evening of the same day, for me, but in India, where I had been just recently stationed for a certain time, within the area of British India's Kanchrapara, not far from what was still named Calcutta.¹

1. The British (e.g., Winston Churchill) interest had, as a matter of then known fact, deployed successive subterfuges to delay the crucial invasion of western continental Europe, in order to delay the victory to a time when Roosevelt's strategic intentions, had been largely eliminated, often savagely, by the combination of that President's death, and the complicity of Churchill's accomplice, Vice-President Harry S Truman's consequent promotion to U.S. President. A generation later, the combination of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, and the fraudulent, virtually treasonously foisted, official treatment of President John F. Kennedy's and his brother's assassinations, had been a hoax with effects now properly reminding one of the witting effects of Churchill's role in the protracted delay of the entry into continental Europe from across the Channel, that a delay for almost as long as President Franklin Roosevelt had lived. The changes from what had been the original intention for a victory of a war of the Allies against the Nazi-led forces under a still-living President Roosevelt's strategy and related policies, were crucially made under Truman, a revision which was implicitly treasonous in both the fact of that action, and which would prove to have become more ugly than even its persisting effects up through the present date.

Sometimes, "simple soldiers" also make future history, as I have done during more than a few occasions, in my time.

As I have often related, as soon as we soldiers there, had been informed of the President's death, a group of several among the troops with which I was associated in that part of South Asia, then, approached me, asking me for a meeting at dusk—after retreat.

At that fairly discreet meeting, I had uttered the reply for which I was to become known as published among some of my acquaintances of that evening. The point to be made, is that that meeting had defined for some of them, as also for me, each personally, a marked point of separation between the world as I had experienced that ongoing war that far, and a new outlook prompted by the impact, on me (for example), of both the death of President Franklin D. Roosevelt and its aftermath.

That impact then, and hence, had defined the world for me as I would always recognize it thereafter: up through the present moment. From that time onwards, throughout the course of time, I considered "us," as what was being menaced by a then still present trend set into motion, initially, by Harry S Truman. It was a trend which remained as inherently contrary to the optimism which then reigned, even while it was troubled during that time. Nonetheless, that still inspired my groping toward a hopeful future, even from the very moments in which I had first encountered the fact that the death of



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FDR's untimely death came as a shock to the nation, and set Lyndon LaRouche on his life's course: "That impact then, and hence, had defined the world for me as I would always recognize it thereafter..." Shown: The L.A. Times' announcement; mourners line the streets of Washington, D.C., as the funeral cortege passes, April 14, 1945.

President Franklin Roosevelt had happened.²

Since that time, my sense of the meaning of those distinctions of past from future, has been, that: "You might be enabled to win the fight, if you are prepared to fight for what might mean the truly right issue. That is to say, if it is the right war, or a needed not-war, and in the right place, and on the right occasion." The "right non-war" has been, perhaps now, hopefully, is, perhaps, now about to have begun once more—perhaps, if we make it so; but, in any case of true justice, it will not be "war" as a reductionist would wish to depict it!

Now, for example, *without the hope for a presently immediate re-installation of what had been President Franklin Roosevelt's original "Glass-Steagall Act"*

2. My highly relevant knowledge of the end of the O.S.S. came as stated by General "Bill" Donovan in a last meeting with President Franklin Roosevelt. This report came to me through a wartime O.S.S. officer who personally witnessed Donovan's remarks as Donovan had just left the President's office in the company of his companion. He said: "It's over! It's all over!" After the death of President Franklin Roosevelt, and more and more since the fraudulent official treatment of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy and his brother, the truth about much of the history of the United States has been buried under popularized official lies. There are those among us from World War II and beyond, who remember, as I remember many things, as I did the reaction of some of us to the memory of the death of President Franklin Roosevelt. As I am still here, worn but dedicated, I have lived to remember some certainly truthful things as if forever, as in the incident at Kanchrapara.

(which entails the immediate, pre-emptive cancellation of the systemically mass-murderous Dodd-Frank scheme) there should be—*should be!*—no immediate hope for avoiding a complete, sudden, and precipitous, economic and social collapse of the United States of America, and also other trans-Atlantic regions. That challenge is now immediate; but, we who would still hold ourselves responsible, as I do, still, in these present times, must reject any notion that any part of the worst remains inevitable. Without the immediate re-activation of

the original systemic principles of President Franklin Roosevelt's Glass-Steagall recovery of the U.S. economy, the United States, like the nations of western and central Europe, for example, is now at the more or less immediate state of a combined trans-Atlantic financial hyperinflation, and, also, an ensuing, suddenly plummeting collapse of a nation which is already more than ripe for a general spread of sudden mass death through such trans-Atlantic regions of the world as the present, so-called "Euro" system; the general need is even more urgent than that. The attempt to substitute the probably immediate and vicious stupidity of the presently fraudulent, so-called Dodd-Frank concoction as an alternative, for example, would mean the pre-assured virtual, and immediate extinction of the U.S. economy itself (and also very many citizens) at this time. We must, and could defeat that threat.

In principle, the immediate re-installation of the original Franklin Roosevelt, Glass-Steagall Act, would be the only effective policy-action which could rescue not only the United States, but other present nations of our planet. That rescue still could be done at this late date, with the means of a sufficient basis for preventing that Dodd-Frank threat immediately—that for not only the benefit of the U.S.A., but the nations of the world at large.

The strategy which we should wish to bring on now, on this occasion, is fairly defined as, mainly a three-fold

basis in leading points of memory: (1) *Glass-Steagall*; (2) a globally extrapolated version of *NAWAPA*; and, (3) a commitment to *qualitative* advances in “the energy-flux density” of the economy, that on, and beyond Earth; without that, there were no credible prospect for progress in even any among the national cultures of the nations of the planet.

I shall return to the subject of that perspective in due course in this presentation.

Now, were the pack of the twenty-odd European Union nations rallied around the current Queen of England, to choose to persevere along its presently intended course, the immediately prospective outcome would be a virtual extinction of the human species. This extinction would be done, through precisely those almost immediate, trans-Atlantic and related effects of the virtually immediate Dodd-Frank-charted mass-killing throughout the trans-Atlantic region, and beyond. If that present design is continued under the title of “Dodd-Frank,” with or without Dodd, or Barney Frank himself, the effect will be virtually immediate: it were only necessary to take into account the scale of the trans-Atlantic “bail-out” which the scale of the debts of the present Dodd-Frank scheme and its European complement has specified for the pure evil called “bail-in.”

For example: were the Glass-Steagall law applied, instead, most of the current “Wall Street” swindle would be wiped out; but, the people of the United States (for example) would begin to prosper almost immediately.

See the True Picture!

There is an available alternative. The intention of the Dodd-Frank cabal and its presently pre-adopted, mass-murderous choices, has been a cancerous-like political evil, an evil which has been lurking for immediate installation *on virtually any very early day*. The factual knowledge of that threat, which remains an early virtual certainty at this time, is the warning which must be used now as a remedy for the presently oncoming general, and virtually sudden general breakdown of the present trans-Atlantic system. For the prevention of the breakdown with its accompanying actually terrifying reverberations throughout the remainder of the planet.

The crucial aspects of the present threat, lie in the fact, that the world at large is now threatened, and that now immediately threatened, with exactly such an effect within a matter of as near as even mere weeks, or less. This would be the same effect as that currently proposed by the current British imperial monarchy’s

system’s current intention to bring about a rapid, and suddenly precipitous collapse of the human population (and other categorical elements) of the planet.

That Queen’s active role in these developments is evil in its effects, whatever she might think her role in the heritage of that butcher, William of Orange, were to be.

Specifically, the present Queen of England, is notable as the currently witting and leading author of this evil, and together with the evil Tony Blair, of the explicitly stated mass-murderous goals of that Queen. They have not only proposed, explicitly, to reduce the planet’s human population in a rapid collapse from about seven billions persons on this planet, down toward approximately one billion. The presently actual launching of the currently adopted doctrine of Dodd-Frank would be sufficient means for bringing about a launch of precisely such a precipitous collapse of the present population of the United States and other places, if the current U.S. President’s policies continued to be tolerated.

Currently, Dodd-Frank, as put on the market presently, has the crucially decisive earmarks of precisely such a virtually global form of genocide: the evidence presented by the advocates of a virtually global Dodd-Frank scheme, leaves no sane margin for doubt of the genocidal implications of such a current design for the presently designed, mass-murderous Dodd-Frank scheme, and its leading spokesmen.

Only the immediate retraction and cancellation of the Dodd-Frank hoax, if and when Dodd-Frank were prevented by the means accompanying an immediate installation of Glass-Steagall, could prevent that kind of massive genocide against the people of the United States. That is the evil which Britain’s avowed monster, Tony Blair, has prescribed as his personal policy-outlook. The evidence already placed “on the table” by the current Dodd-Frank’s trans-Atlantic cabal, provides us with conclusive evidence of the current version of the Dodd-Frank intention, an intention of genocide against a massive ration of the U.S. citizens (and others in the trans-Atlantic region—among other victims). The evidence of that fact placed on the public record, already monstrous in scale of intention.³

Truly thinking U.S. citizens, for example, have only one choice of alternative: that choice must be *Glass-Steagall, immediately, now!* The trans-Atlantic, nominally Dodd-Frank conspiracy, has crafted a situation there, and beyond, which allows no other actually com-

3. [EIR](#), May 31, 2013 or [LaRouchePAC](#).



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“Truly thinking U.S. citizens,” writes LaRouche, “have only one choice of alternative: that choice must be Glass-Steagall, immediately, now!” Here, LaRouchePAC organizing in Los Angeles, May 30, 2013.

petent measure of defense, than Glass-Steagall. Your options can be expressed in terms of the motto: “Glass-Steagall, if you wish to live!” The now-exposed, global intention of the Dodd-Frank scheme, would be a vastly worse orgy of death than that of the “Adolf Hitler regime:” the worst of all of the crimes ever committed by the Hitler regime itself! The doctrine associated with Dodd-Frank, has now been exposed by the fact of its inherent, prescribed, global crimes; what is thus exposed to the view of the witting, is a monstrous intention comparable to, and arguably beyond the imagination of any Roman emperor, or an Adolf Hitler, against the essence of the meaning of mankind. However, Glass-Steagall, if enacted now, is a unique, preventive remedy against that evil.

Dodd-Frank always was, and now remains as a thorough, and mass-murderous fraud: its present set of proposals is, inherently, a mass-murderous crime against humanity, even at its inception – and that now *globally so!*

The evidence on which I and my associates rely, and that with relevant expertise, is conclusive. Scrap the explicitly intentionally-criminal, and otherwise treasonous measures of such as Dodd-Frank, now, while it can still be done. Again: there is no other present policy-option which is both visibly acceptable and also feasible for the immediate future of this planet. There is, in particular, no contrary, imperial option, nor options which are not im-

plicitly treasonous schemes, and to be most suitably recognized as expressible in the evil genre of the Netherlands-rooted, presently continuing, already centuries-old, “Orange” imperial legacy of the now nominally, merely British Empire and its witting accomplices.

I have set forth the essential evidence and options already, as referenced in the forewarning of the leading points presented in my own (LaRouche) video Webcast of May 24th, and, now, as amplified in considerable detail in the noon-time meeting of the LaRouche organization, this past Saturday and Sunday.⁴

Now, that much said, and otherwise referenced, I now turn our attention to what, hopefully, will be your nobler prospects for our future. That completes the foreword; next comes the subject here and now.

The Future Prospects for the System

The duty of crushing the inherent consequences incurred by having permitted the Dodd-Frank bill to be installed, could be shown in the fact that the Dodd-Frank “package,” as presently positioned, is not only, already, a monstrous crime against humanity, but would be certainly, unless prevented, one which descended, suddenly, like a thermonuclear detonation on a global scale. Hitler’s now dimly-remembered crimes, as awfully monstrous as they were, are scarcely felt in memory, when compared with the innate effects of the current Dodd-Frank genocide of Her Majesty. Implicitly, the honest effects of the British monarchy’s current policies are effects would probably be fairly considered as the greatest of all known crimes against a global humanity in historical times.

What, therefore, are the possible indispensable alternatives to the great crimes which Dodd-Frank now typifies? What is the true imperative? How must we crush the scheme of mass-murder which the present Dodd-Frank-centered scheme embodies?

4. [Lyndon LaRouche webcast](#) of May 24, 2013.

‘The Fire-Bringers!’

To begin to understand the uniqueness of our human species, we must pivot our investigation on the subject of the notional principle called “fire.” Only human beings bring fire willfully in the form of mankind’s unique “choice” of access to progress. It is the course of the necessary, unique powers for the development of mankind as a “fire-bringer,” which marks out the contrasting evolutionary qualities of both the good and the bad of the progress of our own, uniquely human species. We are then enabled to proceed in a language of leaps upward into successfully higher categories of “fire” as the pre-condition for the progressive survival of our species. In modern physical science, we have named this latter effect, as during the preceding century’s use of modern science, as “energy-flux density.” We have now progressed, on that account, past the controlled use of a fossil sort of nuclear-fission means, toward the lurking prospect, and proximate goal, of the “matter/anti-matter realm.”

Yet, it is not the sundry forms of “fire,” which define that sort of progress. Recent history demonstrates, with a certain stubborn persistence, that the controlling aspect of the human species’ capabilities lies, fairly described, within the means for man’s fostering of those uniquely human qualities of voluntary powers which are truly, and uniquely human-specific, and intrinsically willful in the nature of their origin; yet, this quality of progress is beyond the powers given to any other form of known living species otherwise.

I have recently adopted several newly added steps, those of searching toward a deeper insight into the more formidable fruits of insight into the implications of such phenomena which are deeply beyond nuclear fission. With those categories of evidence taken into account, *the essential distinction of man from beast, is to be located in mankind’s power to create, voluntarily, future states of nature reaching beyond any means of any biological process itself as such*, into the realm of such as thermonuclear fusion. Hence, this indispensable emphasis is upon the willfully induced effects of the living human processes to “command” voluntary abilities which shall reach beyond the apparently voluntary powers of biology, abilities which reach in effect beyond the biology internal to the human biology as such. We are confronted with a quality of a power apparently located as “voluntary” in nature, but “intellectual,” rather than appearing to be merely a form of organized activity which might be generated by the biological progress far beyond those of the much exaggerated “mere” human brain.

When human civilization were to able reach a level at which it could voluntarily create physical states of intellectual processes which reach beyond the point at which the biological process of the brain, as such, no longer suffice, we have touched matters at which honest men and women, even great scientists, must stutter with astonishment, if and when they are first challenged to locate those higher, actually noëtic powers of the human species which distinguish men from apes. At that point, those same, characteristically noëtic principles, compel us to speak of the uncanny function of the human “mind,” as to be distinguished from the often popular, but actually silly notion of a merely human “brain.”

In a very significant degree, we have some excellent hints at the nature of the solution for the apparent paradox of what we rightly distinguish as the “human mind,” rather than the intrinsic inferiority of the mere “brain.” The probable best answer available at this point in the discussion, is to be located in what might fairly be described as “transcendental” qualities of noëtic social functions which our society has been enabled to generate in the process which we may cheerfully propose to be a highly probable “explanation” of the indicated ironies. I have recently emphasized some highly relevant categories of evidence. On that account, I reference a subject-matter which I had already pointed out in a preceding publication of mine: “**A New Meaning for ‘Space.’**”⁵

Review Our Human Species’ Fateful Options:

Now, consider the safe options which the choice of Glass Steagall would represent, as opposed to the genocide against our U.S. citizens, which an implemented, currently redesigned Dodd-Frank would assure. Look at the facts! Calculate the relevant data!

The scale of the already extant hyper-inflation in the trans-Atlantic region, means, that if the present mode of Dodd-Frank were actually implemented, there would be a rapid, and sweeping extermination of most of the present population of the United States (among others) beginning virtually immediately. As I have just stated: consider the facts.

My Current Project

For reasons which I must now make clear, there have been four, recently published items by me, four publications of mine which were produced during the Winter of 2012 and Spring of 2013, all of which have been items which are probably the most critical among

5. *EIR*, May 12, 2013. [Lyndon LaRouche PAC](#)

the presently available references, which, combined reflect my most significant progress on the subject of the human mind during those months. The formal progress on this account has been located beyond preliminaries, essentially during 2013 to the present date.

The presently completed elements of progress this far, feature four-plus items. These are:

(1)—**Brain or Mind? A Good Old Thought Revived** (February 6, 2013;⁶) (2)—**A New Meaning for “Us”:** **The New Governance of Inner Solar Space:** March 16, 2013;⁷ (3)—**Why Her Britannic Majesty Is Illegal!: True Law Was Never a Matter of**

Any Ruler’s Mere Opinion (March 27, 2013);⁸ (4)—**The Mars Debate: A New Meaning for Space:** (May 11, 2013).⁹

That foregoing list, does not yet include a fifth (still uncompleted work now which is still in progress at this time): the core combination of **Glass-Steagall** and **NAWAPA**: May 27, 2013.

Now, I shall restate the essential argument which I supply here, in several “voicings” of the same set of an array of meanings, as now follows.

The common subject of the sequence of those combined reports, when they are treated as if they were chapters contained in a book, would be a reflection of the successive progress in the actual creation of a modern science, a science which had been, most notably, the successive, modern achievements typified for all modern science by the work of Cardinal Nicholas of Cusa and his most significant, if slightly belated follower, Johannes Kepler, and his subsequent modern followers, including, actually, the genius-dramatists such as, most notably, William Shakespeare and Friedrich Schiller, along with the fruit of the work of the great Classical musicians of the Eighteenth and Nineteenth centuries’ faithful followers of Johann Sebastian Bach. That is the theme to which I resort in several variants in the following paragraphs.

On that latter account, I have already emphasized, elsewhere, the unique and crucial fact of the principle of “Chorus” introduced by Shakespeare in his **King Henry V**. What Shakespeare had emphasized by the means of his introduction of the principle of the *Chorus*, there, as in later works, is that the other part of the text of the drama, that seemingly hidden part, which is sup-

plied as under the title of *Chorus*, is a hint at the truth of the history portrayed; the *Chorus* leads the audience to the brink of the truth of the matter. The same superior principle of ironical reality is employed by Friedrich Schiller in such locations as in the **Wallenstein** trilogy. The same principle is essential for Johann Sebastian Bach’s composition of the sets of his preludes and fugues, and also the compositions of such as Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, et al.

In brief, the ostensibly literal text is never the truth of the matter; the truth is spoken by Shakespeare’s specifically identified notion of Chorus, not the literal text assigned to the characters of the drama. The exact same principle, that of Chorus, is expressed, as I have noted in published locations such as my “True Law Was Never a Matter of Any Ruler’s Mere Opinion.” The properly defined function of *Metaphor*, as the true reality beyond simple sense-certainty, has a corresponding implication. It is the same principle of Nicholas of Cusa’s **De Docta Ignorantia**, and the principle forcefully identified by Cusa follower Johannes Kepler’s notion of *vicarious hypothesis*.

In other words: *as Kepler demands, as respecting sense-perception as such, perception is not “real;” it is the mere shadow cast upon the mind by events, rather than being the direct image of the activity of the event as such.*

That was, in principle, the same lesson taught by William Shakespeare since no later than the production of his **King Henry V** —Indeed! “*Admit me Chorus to this history. . .*”

That, I claim with better than fair certainty, is the truth which the generality of the members of societies had yet to have learned. Sense-certainty? Not at all: sense is the “drug” which makes whole societies senselessly dumbed by an intoxication with mere shadows cast upon the senses, as if drugged. So, do ordinary Men make themselves as if they mere shadows of themselves. After all: pain, too, is, essentially, a mere shadow cast by the reality which we inhabit!

What, then, is the reality hidden in the shadows of mere sense-perception? What lies beyond mere sense-perception? What is the true relationship between mind and the true voice of the “Chorus” of our universe? That is the lesson to be learned now; let it open the senses for the stars’ delight. Those are the considerations, not mere sense-perceptions, on which true knowledge of the experienced universe is accessed.

On this point, take into the following point into account.

6. *EIR*, Feb. 15, 2013. Lyndon [LaRouche PAC](#)

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The principle of competently composed and performed Classical drama and music," can be found in "the matchless performance of Wilhelm Furtwängler's direction of Schubert's Ninth Symphony," among other examples. Here, Furtwängler rehearses the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra, February 1948.

Does Sense-Perception Actually Make Sense?

What is to be regarded customarily as a science crippled by belief in mere sense-impressions, is a science which wishes to derive knowledge of our Solar System's content from a merely mathematical basis in sense-perception. Man, even otherwise seemingly reasonable scientists, often, judges the phenomena of the Solar system beyond Earth as such, by a system of mathematical calculations used to measure the world outside the study of the Earth, from the standpoint of the mere Earth-bound "wisdom" of the lame speculation on mere, essentially merely mathematical, experimental sense-perception. Notably, that practice was shown to be incompetence by Johannes Kepler's uniquely proven principle of vicarious hypothesis!

Compare to that, the observation which I have just presented, which includes the type of evidence typified by the dramatic principle of both William Shakespeare and Friedrich Schiller's **Wallenstein** Trilogy, or Classical musical composition and its appropriate performance as derived from the method of composition of Johann Sebastian Bach. The principle of both composition and performance of competently composed and performed Classical drama and music, is located essentially in the same notion which Shakespeare employed for the function of the method of **Chorus** in **King Henry V**, and exactly so for all competent delivery of

Classical musical composition and its performance, as by the matchless performance of Wilhelm Furtwängler's direction of Schubert's **Ninth Symphony**.

Add the two sets of **Preludes and Fugues** of Johann Sebastian Bach. Consider the worthlessness of the product of Franz Liszt, the much worseness of the brutish produce of Richard Wagner, and the overwhelming lack of any actually noëtic notion, or even pretended artistic creativity in contemporary musical composition. What is the character of the failures? I restate what I have recalled to the readers' attention as the "keystone case" of Johannes Kepler's *vicarious hypothesis*. The crucial implication of Kepler's attention to his subject of *vicarious hypothesis*, is the fact that sense-perception itself, in its most essential characteristics, is, *universally*, a mere shadow of *sensory unreality*. The simplest, and, formally, the clearest definition of this experience of a sensory unreality is that

presented by Shakespeare for the meaning of the *Chorus* of his **King Henry V**. The quality of reality in Friedrich Schiller's **Wallenstein** Trilogy, is a strictly typical case of the same principle as that of Kepler's principle of *vicarious hypothesis*. This was already foreseen in Nicholas of Cusa's **De Docta Ignorantia**. The same principle is demonstrated, with essential uniqueness, by Wilhelm Furtwängler's celebrated post-World War II direction of the Ninth Symphony of Franz Schubert.

The same cases with which I have illustrated the function of the principle of the indispensable hypothesis, I have now illustrated by the case of the *Chorus* of Shakespeare's **King Henry V**. The cases which I have adopted for purposes of illustration of the indicated principle of hypothesis, here, are the key to locating what is properly termed as the specific quality of insight which must be adopted as the remedy for the prevalent ignorance radiating from an ordinary notion of "literal meanings" in the use of spoken language. Thus, the key to truth lies in the freeing of the human mind from the widespread travesty of an essentially deductive selection of so-called "literal meanings."

[The above is the introductory version of the report, the which I shall produce in this present, provision form, but will restate the argument in future recastings of the same theme.]

Bailout or Bail-in: The Queen's Policy Is Genocide

by Dennis Small

June 3—*Those who doubt that the current policy of the G20 nations, adopted in April 2009, and being carried out through the European Union and the Dodd-Frank bill in the United States, is genocide, need only look at the magnitude of the numbers. Through their commitment to save “financial stability” by rescuing any troubled Global Systemically Important Financial Institutions (G-SIFIs), these agents of the global financial empire are committed to preserving the claims of speculators that amount to the range of over \$1.6 quadrillion. Yet even if the full powers of government bailouts and depositor bail-ins were exercised, the loot would amount to no more than 1% of that amount.*

By putting the priority on saving the major international predator banks, and their holdings of cancerous financial derivatives, the global system is not going to make any institution “solvent.” Rather, it is simply going to sacrifice millions, or billions, of lives—in the same way that genocide is already being carried out through the shutdown of the Greek economy, and cuts in services there.

*Lyndon LaRouche said this was going to happen. The debt being generated by the global speculative money system can **never** be paid, and should never be paid. However, the efforts to save the banking institutions will fulfill the intention of the current heirs of the Roman Empire: to reduce the world's population to a “sustainable” size—the size by which they believe they can sustain their empire, approximately 1 billion.*

Last week, EIR looked in detail at the mechanisms that have been put into U.S. law to carry out this objective. This week, we step back to review the global picture, where the intention is even clearer.

LaRouche Warned

When the international financial bubble exploded in 2007 and 2008, two highly significant things happened. First, Lyndon LaRouche, who had forecast that

this financial explosion would occur weeks before it actually occurred—he spoke of this on July 25, 2007—when the visible explosion occurred in 2008, said that there had to be a bankruptcy reorganization of the entire international financial system, which had entered into a breakdown crisis of the existing system. And that this reorganization had to include the restoration of the 1933 Glass-Steagall Act of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

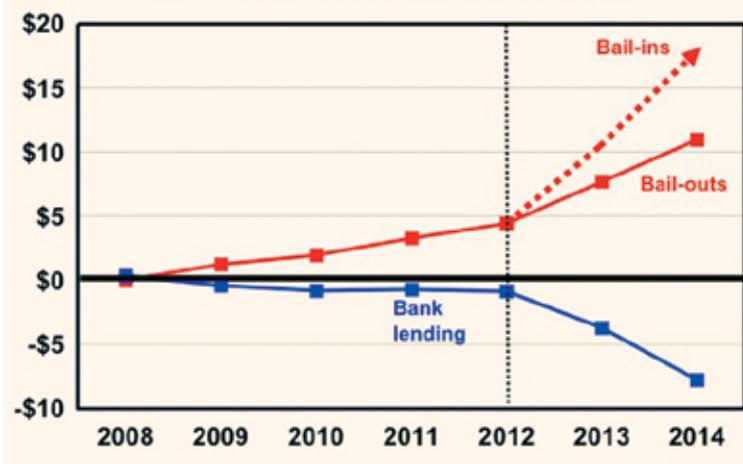
LaRouche's warnings and recommendations were disregarded, and what happened instead, was that, in the international financial centers whose headquarters are in the City of London, with branch offices on Wall Street, it was decided that they would bail out the speculative cancer instead. Logical enough, since they are the owners of that cancer. It's sort of like going to a doctor when you have an oncological problem, and realizing that the “doctor” sitting behind the desk is the cancer itself.

So what the international financial centers did as a matter of policy, beginning in 2008, was to first carry out a series of financial bailouts of astounding proportions. For starters, so-called “quantitative easing” from 2008 to 2012 added up to some \$4.5 trillion in bailouts, as can be seen in **Figure 1**.

But that's not all. Moving forward, the prescription issued by Dr. Cancer is to keep feeding the cancer, to keep going with quantitative easing, only now at a rate that is going to reach the level—based on what is already being done by the U.S. Federal Reserve, the European Central Bank, the Bank of England, and the Bank of Japan—of about \$11 trillion of purely speculative quantitative easing by the end of 2014.

And of course, at the same time, they are imposing dramatic austerity and cuts in living standards and state budgets of the countries that are part of the trans-Atlantic financial sector. So that's \$11 trillion by the end of 2014.

FIGURE 1
Hyperinflation Run Amok
 (trillions of dollars, cumulative change)



Add the Bail-In

But even that wasn't enough. Back in 2009 or so, the same owners of the cancer realized that this wasn't sufficient, that it wasn't going to do the trick, and they began to activate what is now known by the quaint name of, not "bailout," but "bail-in."

The policy direction for this operation of so-called bail-ins comes directly from the Queen of England. It comes from the British Commonwealth, and it was imposed on the Group of 20 nations at the infamous G20 meeting held in London in 2009, the first attended by Barack Obama. Such a bail-in was then carried out in the case of Cyprus, and it became known as the "Cyprus template."

What does "bail-in" mean? The bottom line is that it means outright armed robbery against the deposits of account holders in the banks. They are called "unsecured creditors," and they are the ones who were virtually expropriated in Cyprus, by order to the EU. Now the EU has imposed the same thing that they did in Cyprus by tricking people in Spain, such as in the case of Bankia bank and others, to trade in their deposits in exchange for so-called *preferentes*—stocks in the bank. And then it turned out that

people had become owners of a bank which, suddenly, was worth absolutely nothing, and they lost everything (see following article).

The bail-in policy of the Queen of England and her friends on Wall Street and the City of London, is the Cyprus template applied to the entire planet. And it is the existing policy in the United States, as codified in the Dodd-Frank Act; it is the existing policy in Europe, with laws that are in the process of being adopted by the European Parliament, and what the IMF, the European Commission, and the ECB—the infamous Troika—are implementing.

The amount of money that they intend to steal through bail-ins would add another \$7 trillion, on top of the \$11 trillion of purely speculative quantitative easing. So we are talking about a total, therefore, by the end of 2014, of some \$18 trillion in pure speculative robbery, in order to feed the cancer.

Question: Is it going to work?

Answer: Of course not!

Look at It from the Top

Because the total amount of world financial aggregates, the size of the entire cancer, is, according to *EIR's* best estimates, about \$1.6 quadrillion. As you can see in **Figure 2**, if you look at the total financial

FIGURE 3
World Financial Aggregates
 (quadrillions of dollars)

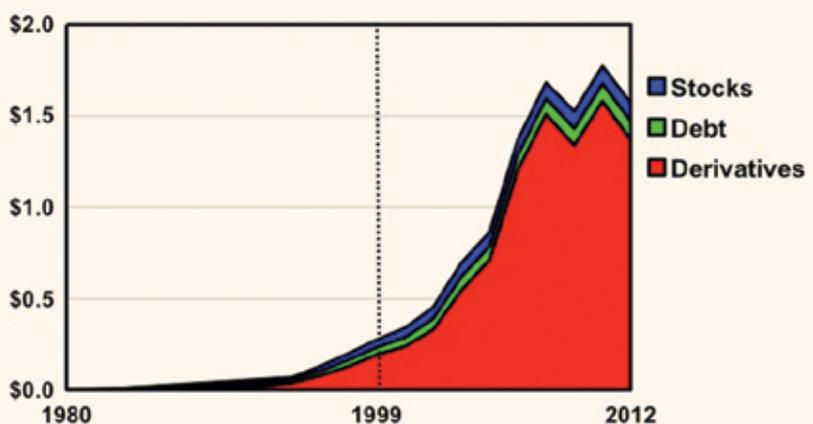
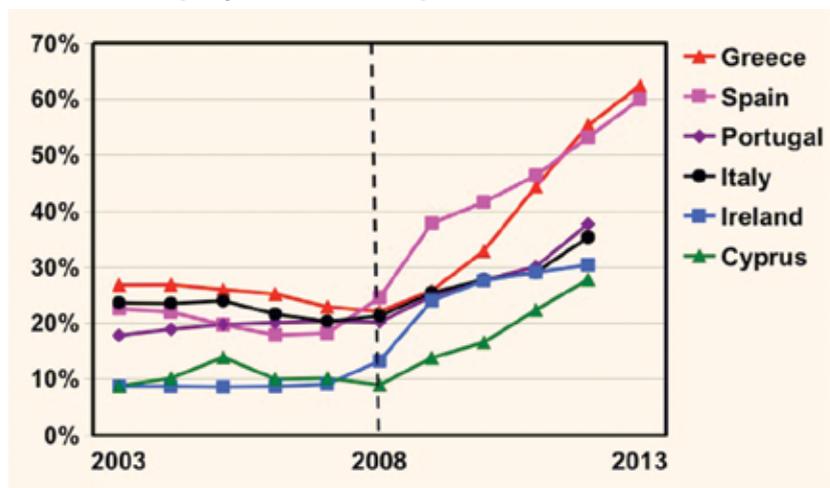


FIGURE 3

Youth Unemployment in Europe



have a future for its youth, itself has no future and has been bestialized. And what we have seen is that, during this same period, from 2008 to 2012, while the quantitative easing was going on, youth unemployment in Europe has basically doubled, from about 20 to 40% (Figure 3). Greece has already exceeded 60% youth unemployment, and Spain is rapidly approaching that level of 60%.

This is unacceptable. This is inhuman. This is a concentration camp. And it is the future that awaits us all under this system, if we don't change it.

What Must Be Done

Now, it can be changed, it must be changed, and for many years LaRouche has not only forecast this disintegration, he has also indicated what the solution is.

aggregates, the components of stocks, and of public, private, foreign, and domestic debts, as large as they are, are only some \$200 trillion—nothing, compared to the derivatives, the speculative instruments which comprise about 90% of all world financial aggregates.

Now, \$1.6 quadrillion is 100 times larger than the total amount of bailouts and bail-ins combined. A bailout/bail-in involving just 1% of the total size of the financial bubble is absurd. It is not going to work. It cannot work. This system is coming down, like it or not. So the policy doesn't work for an actual bailout.

But what it does work for—and this is the intentional policy of the British monarchy and its friends on Wall Street and the City of London—is to kill people. Because in addition to the financial looting, what is going on to try to maintain this bubble, is a drastic reduction in the level of employment, in the standard of living, in the very existence of the population. What it has worked for, and it has worked very well indeed, is to turn Europe into the equivalent of the concentration camps of Nazi Germany, which were also imposed thanks to British financial interests.

One of the indicators or markers of this process, as those of you here know very well, is the level of unemployment, and especially youth unemployment. Because a nation that does not have productive employment, that does not have a mission, that does not

Which Are the Banks the Empire Wants To Save?

Just which are the banks that the Empire's servants in the G20 and elsewhere want to save, at the cost of your money and your life? They are the "Global Systemically Important Financial Institutions" (G-SIFIs), which produce the quadrillions in derivatives and other unpayable financial instruments that Glass-Steagall would wipe off the map.

Here is the list, as of November 2012, according to the Financial Stability Board:

Citigroup, Deutsche Bank, HSBC, JPMorgan Chase, Barclays, BNP Paribas, Bank of America, Bank of New York Mellon, Crédit Suisse, Goldman Sachs, Mitsubishi UFJ FG, Morgan Stanley, Royal Bank of Scotland, UBS, Bank of China, BBVA, Groupe BPCE, Group Crédit Agricole, ING Bank, Mizuho FG, Nordea, Santander, Société Générale, Standard Chartered, State Street, Sumitomo Mitsui FG, Unicredit Group, Wells Fargo.

What has to be done, both in the United States and internationally, is to adopt the equivalent of Franklin Roosevelt's Glass-Steagall law: an absolute, total separation between productive, commercial banking, on the one hand, and speculative investment banking, on the other. Just as was done under the Glass-Steagall law: total separation. The part involving the illegitimate speculative debt—too bad—they can fend for themselves, but they will stop stealing money from government budgets, and they will stop destroying the labor force. That part will simply be sunk: it won't be paid, it is illegitimate debt—bankruptcy reorganization.

But, in addition to Glass-Steagall, other measures are required. In the case of Spain and other European countries, these include:

Exit the euro. The euro system is a system of destruction and nothing more. The euro is finished. So we have to leave the euro and return to national currencies, whose exchange rates with other currencies are defended from financial warfare with protectionist measures, such as exchange controls, capital controls, and so forth.

So: number one, Glass-Steagall.

Number two, leave the euro and return to national currencies.

Number three, each nation must establish a state-run National Bank, along the lines prescribed by Alexander Hamilton, in order to issue productive credit for activities which yield high-technology employment. Under such directed credit, there can be a private banking sector—fine. But it cannot be parasitical; it has to participate in this project. And this means advanced technologies, such as nuclear energy. None of this anti-scientific foolishness—and it is that—such as solar and wind energy, and so forth.

International agreements must also be reached with sovereign nations that will also have left the euro, to establish a new international economic order based on fixed exchange rates, protected by exchange controls. For what? For using a credit system to launch great infrastructure projects on a world scale, which are needed to develop productivity in each and every nation.

These are the choices we face. There is no third way. Either we choose the path of Glass-Steagall and a credit system, to sink the British Queen, the City of London,

and Wall Street; or we are going to end up, as happened in the 1930s, with concentration camps such as we are already seeing in the nations of Europe—economic concentration camps where there is no future for our youth. Those are your options.

This article was adapted from a speech delivered June 2 by video to a Barcelona seminar organized by journalist Daniel Estulin on "World Government and the Bilderberg Club." The seminar also saw video presentations by Lyndon and Helga LaRouche.

Bail-In: The Case Of Spain's Bankia

by Dennis Small

June 3—On May 28, some 200,000 individuals who had once been small savers in Spain's bankrupt Bankia bank, were violently despoiled of what little remained of their original savings. New shares in the nationalized bank went on sale that day, and the price plunged almost instantly from the EU1.35 level holders had been promised, down to EU0.55—a more than 80% drop from their floating price in 2011, when the banking group was formed. The total losses these families face—as do a million or more households with "preferential" shares in other bankrupt Spanish banks—now come to 75-90% of their original deposits.

As such, the Bankia story is a prelude to, and marker for, the broader codification of exactly this thievery that is now underway as the "bail-in" scam promulgated in the Dodd-Frank Act in the United States, and similar legislation under preparation in Europe.

Forbes magazine headlined its May 28 report on the Bankia story: "Spain's Bankia Decimates Savers as Stock Plummets; Police Officer Stabs Banker Who Sold Him Shares." The point should not be lost on those now designing the bail-in policy.

Here's how the fleecing of Bankia depositors evolved.

From Date-Rape to Forced Bail-In

Over recent years, about 1 million depositors in Spain's major banks (400,000 of them were Bankia customers) were "date-raped" by their own bankers, who fraudulently tricked them into purchasing the bank's "preferred shares"—or *preferentes*—with promises of very high rates of return. Marketed as fixed-term deposits, the reality of the *preferentes* is that they were bonds that either could never be cashed in, or carried terms as long as 1,000 years!

When Bankia went bankrupt in May 2012, the FROB, Spain's bank reorganization agency, on explicit instructions from a Memorandum of Understanding with the detested Troika, imposed a "haircut" (write-down) of 38% on the Bankia *preferentes*, followed by their forced conversion into common stock in Bankia. The victims were promised a per-share value of EU1.35, once the market was allowed to resume trading in Bankia stock.

About a year later, on May 21, 2013, trading in Bankia stock was finally permitted—but only for large institutional investors, who were allowed to take their money and run. Small savers, who held about EU5 bil-

lion of the bank's total EU6.85 billion, had to wait another week. Then on May 28, when trading for them was permitted, the share price plummeted from EU1.35 to EU0.57.

Spain's ADICAE (Association of Consumers and Users of Banks, Savings Banks, and Insurance Companies), which has filed numerous lawsuits against Bankia and other banks on behalf of the *preferente* victims, estimates that the combined "double thievery and fraud" amount to a 75% loss in the Bankia case—so far. When the Bankia share price plummets further, which it assuredly will, the losses will become even greater for those still holding stock.

ADICAE denounced the whole scheme as a "premeditated strategy to hide part of the losses," and a "pyramid swindle of the Spanish banking system."

The *Forbes* account explained: "All along, the exchange was a trap for retail investors. . . . The average Spaniard is suffering, and the situation has gotten to the point where on Sunday, a police officer stabbed a former Bankia employee four times after a heated discussion related to the sale of preferred shares in the failed banking group."

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The Merkel-Hollande Summit: A Tango on a Volcano

by Helga Zepp-LaRouche

June 1—There is currently only one decisive battle in the trans-Atlantic region upon which the survival of most of the population depends: Either the growing movement for a global Glass-Steagall banking separation system will prevail, setting into motion the build-up of the physical economy and the creation of the real value that is necessary to maintain living standards and social systems; or the financial oligarchy will succeed in further eroding democracy and the rule of law, and in sacrificing everything to the Moloch of G-SIFIs (Global Systemically Important Financial Institutions). Then the final collapse of the world financial system through hyperinflation and general dispossession of the population will be only a matter of a very short time.

In this context, the joint position paper that German Chancellor Angela Merkel and French President François Hollande published at their meeting in Paris on May 30, sets out a common line for the next EU summit in late June. The document is an attempt to achieve a balance—an effort which is as laborious as it is useless—between “more Europe” [European integration—ed.] and less irritation of German voters, who are supposed to remain in the dark about who will be asked to pay.

While Hollande continues to call for “a real economic government” for the European Union, and the EU Commission wants banking and political union as soon as possible, the compromise means that the European Central Bank (ECB) indeed gets the status of a central resolution authority that can declare the Eurozone banks insolvent, while the national governments will be responsible for implementing this arrangement. Obviously, the German government feared that an agreement for unlimited banking union and the “Cyprus blueprint” [bail-in, or grabbing the money of depositors—ed.], barely four months before the parliamentary election, would create an uproar among more than just the savings and cooperative banks. These banks already

expressed their opposition to the call, including having to pay for the gambling debts of foreign banks by drawing down their own savings bank guarantee funds. In an ad published in all major newspapers they warned: “The assumption of financial obligations for foreign banks would endanger the trust of our customers in the safety of their deposits.”

The Franco-German position paper, however, belongs clearly to the “Sandman Department,” whose job it is to throw sand into voters’ eyes, so that they will sleep through the point at which they still could have fought for their survival. The paper gives in to Hollande’s desire for a full-time president of the Eurogroup, who would have indirect authority over the national ministers, and also to the French president’s desire for more frequent, perhaps monthly, Eurozone summits. The guidelines for a single bank resolution mechanism and a deposit insurance system are supposed to be ready by the end of June. For the near future, the fusion of the Single Resolution Mechanism and the European Stability Mechanism (ESM) was formulated as a goal! So why the walking on eggshells?

Given the dramatic new developments in the banking sector in Southern Europe and the impending crash in the bond market, it is more than doubtful whether the strategy of the Merkel government, of allowing only half of the cat out of the bag between now and September, will bear fruit. The G-SIFIs or TBTFs (“Too Big To Fail”) and supposedly also TBTJs (“Too Big To Jail”) have mobilized armies of lobbyists to prevent even the slightest re-regulation by the parliaments, which would reduce their high-risk speculation. Their stated goal is to capitalize on the imminent crisis, following the emergency theory of Carl Schmitt,¹ to enforce a complete bank dictatorship.

1. Schmitt (1888-1985) was the “legal” apologist for the Nazi dictatorship. See profile in [EIR](#), Jan. 6, 2006—ed.



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German Chancellor Angela Merkel and French President François Hollande in Paris, May 20, 2013. Their “tango” to avoid political pitfalls resulted in a joint declaration that will do nothing to solve Europe’s financial crisis.

Former Italian Minister of Economy and current Senator Giulio Tremonti puts it like this, in his new book *Uscita di sicurezza (Emergency Exit)*: “What we have seen today in Europe and in some states, is only the beginning of something which, if we do not recognize it and if we do not oppose it, will become a growing transfer of power outside of republican democracy, in an unwritten—it no longer needs to be written, in fact—Enabling Act. The law for full emergency power, which was inspired by Carl Schmitt, and with this emergency is, I repeat, a new form of fascism. Financial fascism, ‘white’ fascism.”

Revolving Door Between Banks and Politics

Here, the banking sector relies on the long-standing revolving door policy, which has successfully placed a large number of politicians in the parliaments who began their careers at the banks themselves. ECB President Mario Draghi and former Italian Prime Minister Mario Monti are obvious examples, but there are representatives at all levels. The revolving door from the banks to politics and back again, such as between Wall Street and Washington, is notorious. It is also no secret that the Berlin Ministry of Finance as well as the EU Commission allow their laws to be written from the law offices of TBTFs. The European Commission makes no

secret of the fact that the so-called bail-in-law, which is the legal basis for the Cyprus blueprint, was written by the International Swap and Derivatives Association (ISDA), on whose board all of the G-SIFIs are represented.

The report by Member of the European Parliament Arlene McCarthy (U.K.), “Reforming the Structure of the EU Banking Sector,” a proposal for a “ring-fencing” of the banks, is headed for a June 10 vote in the Economic Affairs Committee of the European Parliament. But 486 amendments have been submitted, to ensure that there is not even a minimal form of separation of

commercial banking and investment banking. Needless to say, these amendments were all submitted by MEPs who come from the stables of the banking sector.

Motion for Glass-Steagall Grows

The good news is that the movement for restoration of true banking separation—exactly as President Franklin Roosevelt introduced it in 1933, and with which he led the U.S. out of the Depression—is growing on several fronts. The most important development of the past week is certainly the fact that in New York State, home of Wall Street, resolution K490 was introduced with 22 signatories from a bipartisan group of assemblymen. Three of these signatories are Republicans and eight are committee chairman. The law has been introduced into both houses of the U.S. Congress, and resolutions have been submitted to the state legislatures in 21 states so far, instructing their Congressmen and Senators to pass Glass-Steagall.

Happily, the same is now the case in Italy, where Glass-Steagall-style bills have been introduced in both houses of Parliament. In the past week, Senator Tremonti re-introduced his law, which had been introduced in the last legislative session. Also, a small but energetic faction for Glass-Steagall is growing in the Euro-

pean Parliament, and in France the state radio station declared that only a return to the original Glass-Steagall Act could provide a way out of the crisis. Yet, in Germany, so far, not a single member of parliament has come even close to addressing this topic. On the contrary, the red-green opposition [the Social Democrats and Greens] is falling over itself in its haste to get a banking union, etc. What conclusions should we draw from this?

In the event that the Troika, the monster consisting of the EU Commission, ECB, and IMF, with its combination of bailout and bail-in, i.e., money-printing and expropriation of depositors' accounts, should have its way, Europe will plunge into an abyss, of which Greece and Cyprus only give a mild foretaste.

There is a real alternative to this. If the U.S. Congress passes the Glass-Steagall Act, which is increasingly becoming a realistic possibility, then Europe must do exactly the same. The only chance for an orderly reorganization consists in the simultaneous introduction of the Glass-Steagall banking separation act, the termination of all EU treaties, from Maastricht to Lisbon, the re-introduction of national currencies, the creation of a credit system in

the tradition of Alexander Hamilton, and the immediate initiation of a development program for Southern Europe. combined with urgently needed, long overdue infrastructure renewal in Northern Europe, as well as stimulating the economy with the help of a science driver and technologies with high energy-flux densities.

There is no middle ground between these alternatives—financial fascism and a fall into chaos, or the regaining of national sovereignty and economic reconstruction. The idea propagated by some, that we in Europe do not need Glass-Steagall, but could instead return to the old, highly regulated banking, obviously comes from the ivory tower. We don't have the time, and we currently lack the parliamentary majorities for traditional re-regulation. Unfortunately, it must be assumed that the emergency will not be long in coming, and then it will be a question of power. Therefore, the solution can only come from a change in the United States.

What we can do here in Europe, is to prepare parliamentarians to act when that happens.

Translated from German by Daniel Platt

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After Glass-Steagall, NAWAPA Is ‘Number One’

May 31—The LaRouche Political Action Committee released this week the second, updated edition of its “Platform for a New Presidency: The Full Recovery Program for the United States.” The pamphlet spells out the three-point program required for recovery of the U.S. economy: 1) Restore the Glass-Steagall Act of the Franklin Roosevelt Presidency; 2) return to a Hamiltonian credit system, burying the British monetarist system that has largely prevailed since the FDR Presidency; and 3) build the North American Water and Power Alliance ([NAWAPA](#)), in its 21st-Century version as circulated by LaRouchePAC (it was originally proposed in 1964, but never implemented).

We publish here the pamphlet’s revised chapter on NAWAPA.

Lyndon LaRouche, talking with associates on May 21, emphasized the essential, complementary character of Glass-Steagall and NAWAPA. After Congress restores Glass-Steagall, he said, “NAWAPA is number one. Without NAWAPA, but not goofed up in some way, we can not win!”

NAWAPA is not a project standing by itself, he said, “but in these terms; you’re talking about what we have to do right now. That is, we have to define NAWAPA *as* the program. Why? First of all, we have a water crisis and we have a food shortage we’re never going to meet, in the way we’re going now. The system is breaking down. . . .

“So therefore, you’ve got to have the NAWAPA concept in there, *practically*, not a dream team, not an also-ran, but an integral part of the whole thing. In other words, don’t separate NAWAPA from what we’re doing on the Glass-Steagall campaign. The two are integral: NAWAPA actually is a foundation, if you’re going to convince people this is absolutely indispensable;

you’ve got to talk about NAWAPA. . . .

“We start from, actually, Glass-Steagall. Because Glass-Steagall is the *concept*, but the concept needs *legs* to walk on. And the key leg, right now, deals with the whole food supply of the United States. We can not feed the U.S. population right now, the way things are going! So therefore, if you’re going to talk about Glass-Steagall, what are you going to *do* about NAWAPA? . . .

The Global Dimension

“Now, on top of that, when you put in NAWAPA, you now have created the requirement, for a completely different thing which also integrates with NAWAPA. In other words, NAWAPA gives you a certain capability. If you complete NAWAPA, you’re immediately going to find yourself in a situation where you’ve got a capability, but you haven’t got the program for implementing it on hand. You’re building up the water and related system, but we need much more. *And it has to be also global*. It has to be involving other nations in the urgency of this kind of project.”

To bring in the international dimension of the policies required, we also publish below an interview with Jean Robinson, a farmer from the state of Western Australia who is campaigning for federal office in the September elections, on the slate of the Citizens Electoral Council (CEC, the LaRouche party in Australia). She describes the destruction of Australia’s agriculture under the dogmas of monetarism and globalization—specifically on orders of the Queen of England and the British Empire—and counterposes to this the great projects for infrastructure development which have been, like NAWAPA, on the drawing boards for many years, but were never implemented.

Build NAWAPA XXI

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By Michael Kirsch.*

"Every Member of Congress, everyone in the executive branch from the President on, in the field of national resources, has to plan during their period of administration or office, for the next generation, because no project that we plan today will be beneficial to us. Anything we begin today is for those who come after us. And just as those who began something years ago make it possible for us to be here, I hope we'll fulfill our responsibility to the next generation that's going to follow us."

—President John F. Kennedy
Pueblo, Colorado, Aug. 17, 1962

Glass-Steagall halts the collapse, cancelling the bail-in and bail-out system, and a credit system creates the potential for economic growth. Credit only functions with goals and an orientation for the economy. We will need a specific project-orientation that can capture the imagination of the citizenry, rapidly create large numbers of

opportunities for skilled productive employment, and generate a guaranteed process of economic growth in the coming decades. Surveying the needed improvements in our nation, we see the collapse of our water resources and food supply are arguably the most pressing concerns, both immediately and in the longer term. NAWAPA XXI, an updated version of a project proposed by the Ralph Parsons Company in 1964, answers these needs.

NAWAPA XXI is a resource development plan for a continental water management system, built in collaboration with Canada and Mexico. This proposal will launch the greatest development of North America in history; it will double irrigated agricultural farmland, provide ample hydroelectric power, mitigate or eliminate the risk of floods and droughts, balance the continent's water distribution, and create 7 million highly skilled and highly productive jobs.

Such a plan is essential. Earlier prospects for nuclear desalination and continent-scale water management systems were sabotaged by the anti-growth and



“environmentalist” policies of the 1960s and ’70s, with results that now pose an immediate threat to our ability to supply the most basic of needs: food.

Short-term improvements can come from changing farm policy, regulating commodity speculation, and eliminating the destructive transformation of food into fuel. But shrinking water resources and diminishing groundwater supplies mean sharply reduced population potentials in the U.S., Canada, and Mexico in the future, unless NAWAPA XXI is built.

Water, Food Crisis, and Depopulation: Western States Now Parched

The majority of U.S. food production lies in the western states. Lack of water availability in the highly irrigation-dependent and agriculturally productive West is leading to the shutdown of food production. This is not a description of the distant future, but of our immediate present.

From 1950 to 1980, the area of irrigated farmland rose from 25 to 58 million acres, but since then has gone nowhere, and in recent years has begun to decline.

Food Production In the West

Produce: Nationwide, about 60% of all fruits and vegetables come from the 17 western states, and production is on the decline. California’s Central Valley alone produces one-third of all produce of the United States, and is now in a severe water supply crisis.

Grains: 35% of all wheat is produced in Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas; other major shares of grains are produced in the West.

Beef and Dairy: The seven Plains States and California account for 50% of the national cattle herd, which is now at its lowest level since 1952. Roughly one-fifth of the world’s beef is produced in the United States. California is the leading dairy state, accounting for 20% of U.S. milk produced, and the state’s production is now in decline.

Currently, some 75% of irrigated farming in the U.S. takes place in the 17 western states.

In the Southwest, river flow is very limited: The 32 million acre feet per year (MAFY) flow of the Sacramento (17), San Joaquin (3.4), Colorado (11), and Rio Grande (0.7) river systems, while brilliantly developed in the beginning of the 20th Century, are almost completely used. Water from just one river, the tapped Colorado River, irrigates roughly 15% of the crops in the United States. Throughout the 17 western states, reservoir levels are declining.

In the High Plains States, agriculture is largely dependent on the Ogallala Aquifer, whose water provides for almost 30% of all irrigated agriculture in the U.S., irrigating more than 15 million acres of crops each year; those water levels are dropping.

The lack of river water has led to increased groundwater use. Even before our current drought episode—considered the worst in 50 years—large parts of the Southwest and High Plains states have come to be reliant on more and deeper wells. Pumping of groundwater for irrigation, as of 2005, was three times the volume in 1950.

Land subsidence is extensive from Southern California, to West Texas, to Nebraska. Salination of farmland is worsening, for lack of flow-through of fresh water to flush the soils. One-fifth of California’s aquifers are in serious over-draft. The acreage under production in the Central Valley has been declining. New Mexico and West Texas are already 90% dependent on wells, but wells are running dry.

The water table of the mid- and southern-Ogallala Aquifer region (the Southern High Plains States) has plunged. In many areas, water levels have plunged by 50 to 200 feet, compared to pre-pumping levels, and the rates are accelerating. The aquifers are not recharging; more and more farmland is being abandoned as pumping costs increase, water availability decreases, and aquifer levels drop.

Add up all these figures, and the only conclusion is a dramatic food crisis, and consequent depopulation of the United States, Canada, and Mexico.

The chief cause of this crisis has been the prevention of launching a cooperative agreement among the sovereign nations of North America to fully develop their resources as a coordinated system. The basis for such an agreement between was established in the 1960s.

The History of NAWAPA

Let us remember that only a generation or two ago, all the great rivers of America—the Missouri, the Columbia, the Mississippi, the Tennessee—ran to the sea unharnessed and unchecked. Their power potential was wasted. Their economic benefits were sparse. And their flooding caused an appalling destruction of life and property. This nation began to develop its rivers systematically, to conserve its soil and its water, and to channel the destructive force of these great rivers into light and peace. And today, as a result of this, the face of this nation has been changed. Forests are growing where there was once dirt and waste. Now there is prosperity where our poorest citizens lived. . . . The question which confronts us is the whole question of our resource development in the western United States in the 1960s. Surely a continent so rich in minerals, so blessed with water, and a society so replete with engineers and scientists can make—and must make—the best possible use of the bounty which nature and God have given us, public and private, federal and local, cooperative and corporate.

—President John F. Kennedy,
Oahe Dam, South Dakota, Aug. 17, 1962

The Tennessee Valley Authority of President Franklin Roosevelt demonstrated that man was capable of harnessing not just the flow of rivers—turning what had been an enemy of the people living there into an ally working along their side—but of bringing the functioning of entire river systems under his conscious control. With locks, dams, canals, and reservoirs, we were able to bring the entire hydrological cycle of the Tennessee Valley under our dominion and induce the once wild rivers to act at our behest, generating abundant electricity and irrigating our fields. At the same time, large Colorado River storage facilities began to be constructed, followed by the California Water Plan, and similar projects, creating the potential for the enormous productivity of western agriculture.

At the end of the 1950s, a similar design was conceived for river systems from the Mississippi River all the way west, and north to the Arctic, named the North American Water and Power Alliance (NAWAPA). This

would be a TVA, but on a far greater scale. Not only would we engineer the hydrological cycle within a single basin, but we would carry water from one basin to the next, from Alaska to Mexico, linking them to create a North American-wide water management system—a continental TVA.

At the same time, the plans were being laid to bring man into space, engineering studies were underway to demonstrate the feasibility of such a vast project on earth. The NAWAPA plan was originally designed by the Ralph M Parsons engineering firm in California.

In the early 1960s, Sen. Frank Moss of Utah became its leading advocate, forming the Senate Special Subcommittee on Western Water Development to study the feasibility of the plan, as well as entering into an international dialogue with Canada about the shared necessity of the development of both nations. There was early support from Canada's Prime Minister Lester Pearson, as well as widespread bipartisan support in both houses of Congress. In September of 1965, Senator Moss introduced Senate Concurrent Resolution 55, calling for NAWAPA to be referred to the U.S.-Canada International Joint Commission. A similar resolution was introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives for consideration. Among the cosponsors of the NAWAPA resolution was Sen. Robert Kennedy, who wrote in a letter to Moss:

I am glad to join you as a co-sponsor of S. Con. Res. 55 expressing the sense of Congress that the President refer to the International Joint Commission the subject of the North American Water and Power Alliance. . . . This proposal deserves careful study and consideration by both the United States and Canada, and has applications to the East as well as the West.

However, though a juggernaut was building in favor of this project, official government action on NAWAPA stalled as the United States was sucked into heavy combat in Vietnam in the years following John F. Kennedy's death.

Though support for the project continued among leadership in both the United States and Canada, a cultural paradigm shift was in progress away from Kennedy's "New Frontiers" and into drugs, existentialism, and radical environmentalism. With the assassination

of Robert Kennedy in June of 1968, the formerly brilliant hope of NAWAPA faded. The outlook for infrastructure-building came to a halt and the government of the United States submitted to the formerly intolerable and unscientific Malthusian doctrines of over-population and scarcity of resources, in contrast with all prior trends of mankind's technological development and role as a creative force on the planet.

Water shortages were guaranteed to come, as pumping drew down underground water levels and aquifers were depleted, while surface water runoff management and reservoirs became completely insufficient for farm, residential, power, manufacturing, and other uses.

The Present Requirement

Having a North American water plan is necessary for the development of Canada, the United States, and Mexico. This is not an optional project. Without integrating the water resources of the continent into a controllable system, increasing population growth, and even maintaining the current population, will not be possible.

The progress of continued application of technology was shut down, when the possibility to build NAWAPA was shut down. NAWAPA was not an option that was turned down, it was a necessity that was blocked.

The sovereign nations of the continent, sharing the same broad Pacific and Atlantic weather systems, must rise to act on the scale of the continent, for the betterment of mankind, and build a North American water management system, which utilizes wasted water resources through a system of drought and flood control.

Project Overview

We live on a continent whose western part has a wide discrepancy of rainfall distribution, due to the particularities of the Pacific Ocean weather system. The area stretching from Alaska and Yukon down to Washington State has 40 times the annual river runoff of the Southwest and northern Mexico. Floods in some regions, and droughts in others, unpredictably wreak havoc, decimating food supplies and destroying cities. NAWAPA XXI will create a continental system of water regulation that can redistribute wasted runoff waters of northern Canada and Alaska to make the Great American Desert bloom, and turn would-be flood waters in one area into the means for fighting

drought in another, all through the construction of a massive infrastructural network which can direct these flows and provide a scientific analysis of their best use.

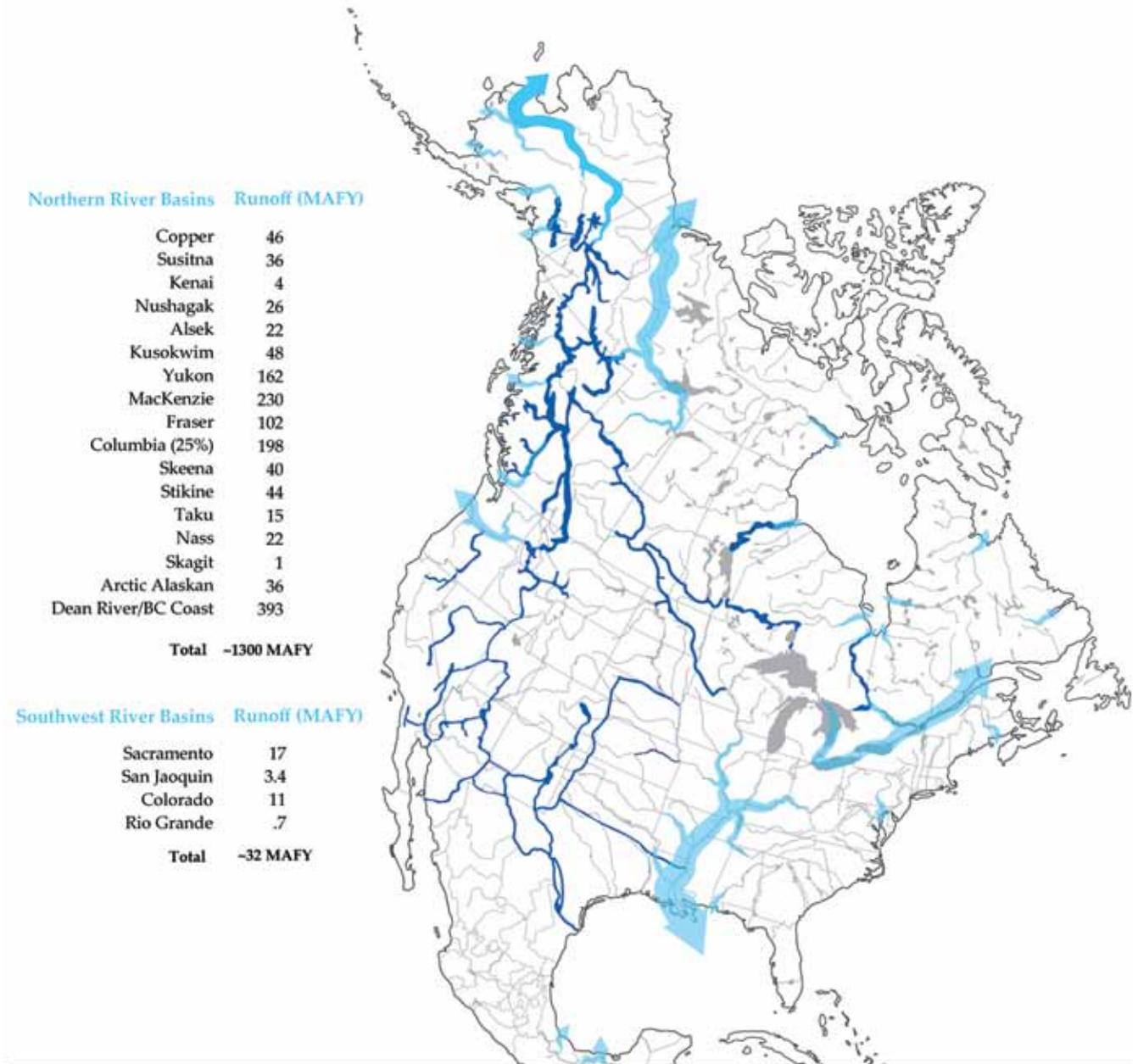
At first thought, it would seem that to move some of this extra runoff to areas where there is little, a very long canal or series of pipelines would be required, but closer inspection shows that such a canal is already built. More specifically, there is a continuous stretch of natural canals, in the form of Rocky Mountain trenches and valleys, stretching from southeast Alaska through southern Idaho, roughly 2,000 miles. All that is required is the construction of 31 dams along the route, and a mountain reservoir system can be formed, capable of making a portion of annual runoff available as permanent source of water to the Great American Desert, which will last as long as the rain continues to fall in the northern mountains of the continent.

Such water transfer would more than double the amount of agricultural land under irrigation west of the Mississippi. It would provide an enduring water supply for cities, farms, and industries across the Southwest, and secure livelihoods for generations to come. The construction of the northern storage and power system will bring with it the industrialization of Alaska, the rapid development of British Columbia, and the general development of the continent as a whole. Implementing the project will save and revive vital industries and technological capabilities, and create millions of long-term productive jobs. In addition to the on-site construction and site preparation for the project, manufacturing all over the country will be dramatically expanded to meet the needs.

To speak quantitatively about these volumes of water, the usual unit is millions of acre-feet per year (MAFY). Rainfall in Alaska, Yukon, and British Columbia is about 2,200 MAFY, and runoff is about 1,300 MAFY, while the catchment areas in Alaska and Canada have an annual runoff of 630 MAFY. In comparison, the southwest U.S. has a total runoff of only 32 MAFY.

Strategically located dams and tunnels will connect collected runoff of the Susitna, Copper, and Tanana River valleys to the Yukon River valley, forming a giant reservoir, out of which water will be joined with the Taku River, where a pump lift will bring water into the Stikine, Nass, and Skeena river valleys, joining two

NAWAPA XXI; Continental Water Management

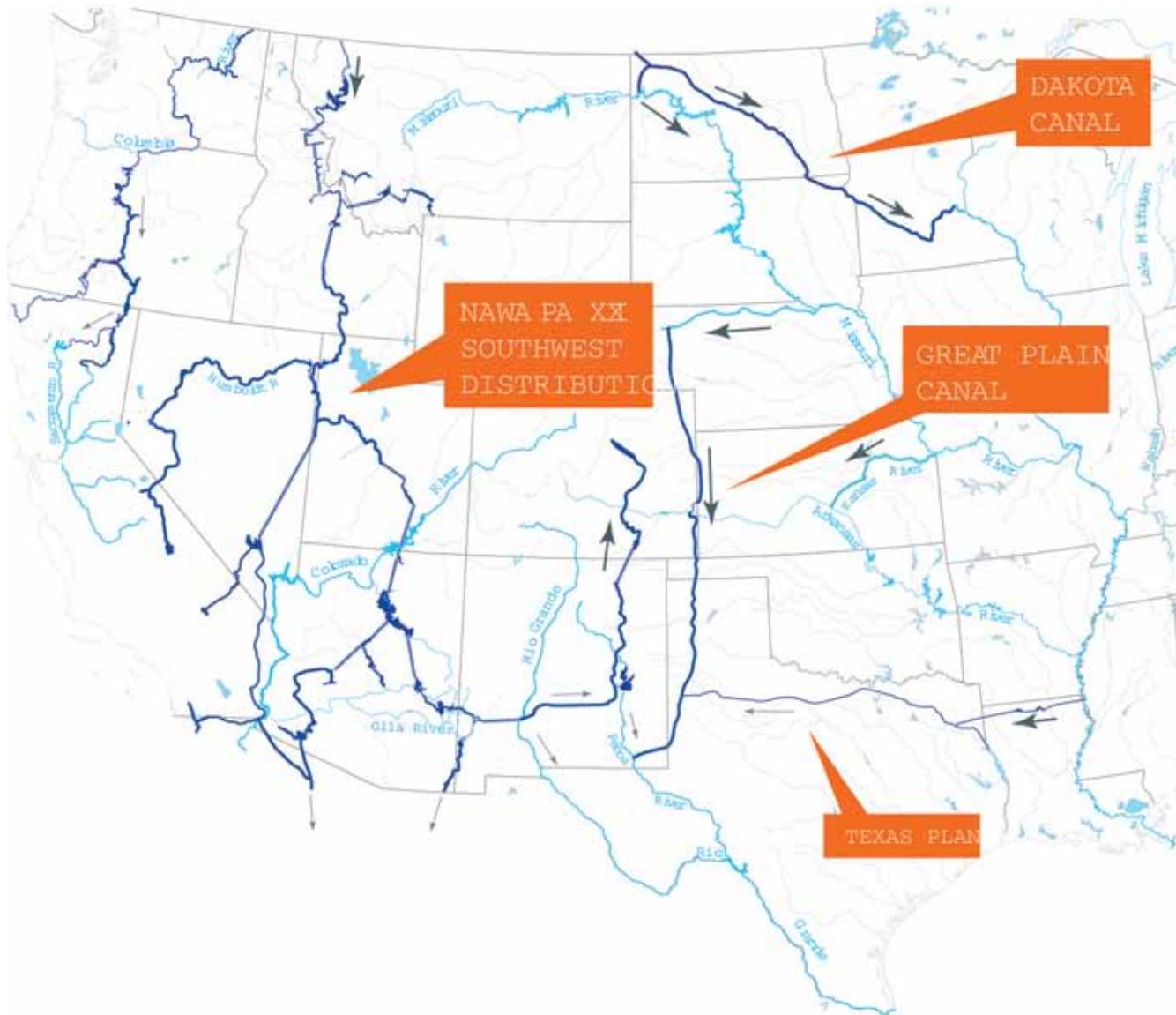


large lakes north of Prince George, British Columbia. From there, the water will be pumped into the Rocky Mountain Trench reservoir, formed by three dams at the head waters of the Fraser River. From there the water would be delivered into the United States and Mexico, entering Montana and Idaho, completing the 2,000-mile mountain reservoir system before tunneling

into the Great Basin.

An additional branch of the plan contemplates an industrial corridor and barge canal to be built across the Canadian prairies, connecting the Peace River to Lesser Slave Lake, to the Saskatchewan and Qu'Appelle Rivers, to Lake Winnipeg, and Lake Superior. Sufficient water supplies will be drawn from the canal for

U.S. Drought and Flood Control System



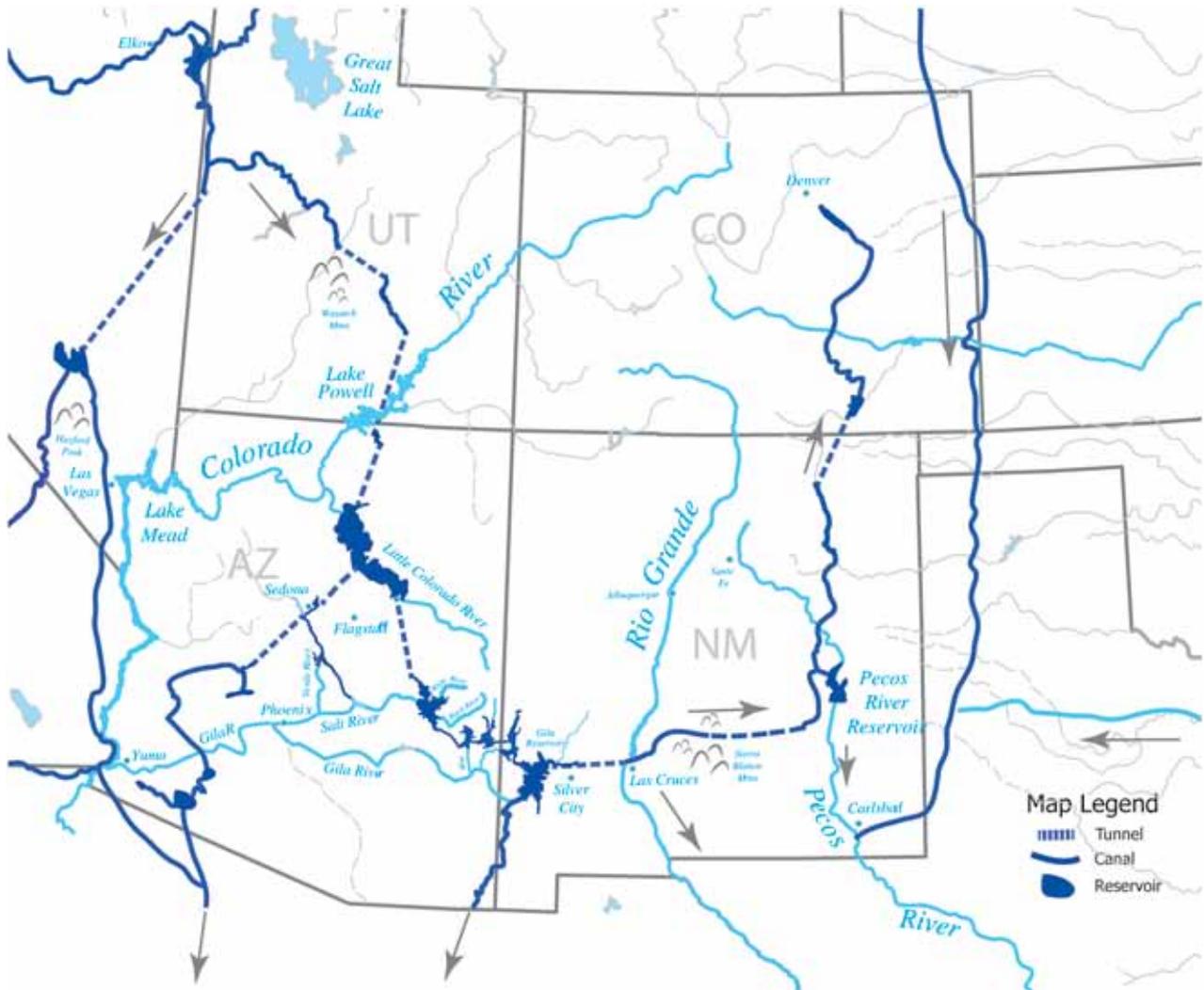
the needs of Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba. The source of the water would be primarily from the upper tributaries of the Mackenzie River, whose mean discharge is 230 MAFY. A regulation system of the Mississippi and Missouri rivers, as well as potentially the Great Lakes, would rely on the excess runoff from this system. Additional plans, such as diversion of James Bay runoff, could be incorporated into the final design.

All of these plans will form an interconnected grid across the continent, which can divert water as needed to minimize the effects of droughts and flood. The whole area can be managed as a single system. For the

first time in history, mankind will be acting on an entire continent. Studies indicate that water falling on land is typically “recycled” 2.7 times through evaporation and re-precipitation.

As NAWAPA XXI comes into operation, there will be surprises, as the water recycling creates a broader hydrological effect than the direct water contributions from the distribution system itself. By consciously changing the local atmospheric and soil moisture, we set the conditions for learning much more about the functioning of the earth and its biosphere as a system. Detailed descriptions follow.

Colorado-Rio Grande Distribution System



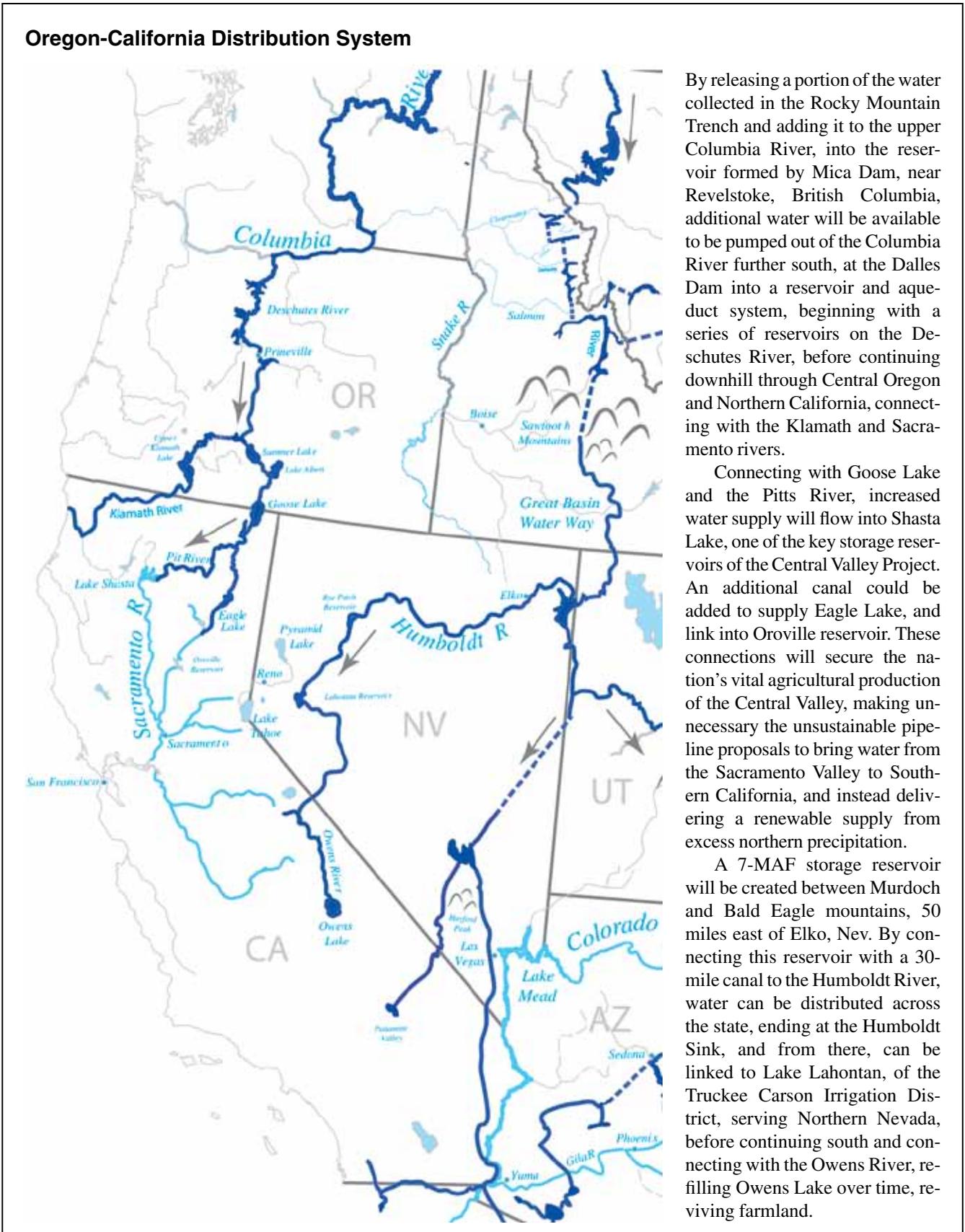
NAWAPA XXI will tunnel into the Great Basin and the Colorado Basin, creating reservoirs on the tributaries of the Colorado River, feeding water into the main stem of the Colorado. A large distribution reservoir, up to four times the size of Hoover Dam's Lake Mead, will be formed in the Little Colorado River valley. Out of this central reservoir, tunnels and canals will form three reservoirs on the tributaries of the Salt River, three reservoirs on the tributaries of the Gila River, and a large reservoir on the headwaters of the Gila. A tunnel will connect a reservoir formed on the Gila River to the Rio Grande Basin, crossing and supplying water to the Rio Grande River, and forming a large reservoir on the Pecos River, which will supply West Texas and Mexico, and connect to eastern Colorado.

Throughout the Colorado and Rio Grande basins, pumping costs will be eliminated, farmland restored, and with the water added to Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, and

West Texas alone, 14 million acres of farmland could be opened up. The average 11 MAFY currently flowing through the Colorado River will be increased up to 100% through these added reservoirs; the Pecos and Rio Grande rivers will become full and flow year round.

Approximately 30 new reservoirs will be formed in New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, Utah, and Colorado, changing local climates, and expanding recreation. The storage capacity of the Rio Grande Basin will be doubled, from 20 MAF to 54 MAF, a 170% increase. The Colorado Basin will be increased by up to 230%, from 61 MAF largely from Lake Mead and Lake Powell, up to 230 MAF. A 7-MAF reservoir will be formed 50 miles north of Las Vegas, just north of Hayford Peak, in the Sheep Mountain range, distributing water to Southern Nevada and paralleling the Colorado River, supplying water to farms before continuing south to Mexico, and the Imperial Valley.

Oregon-California Distribution System

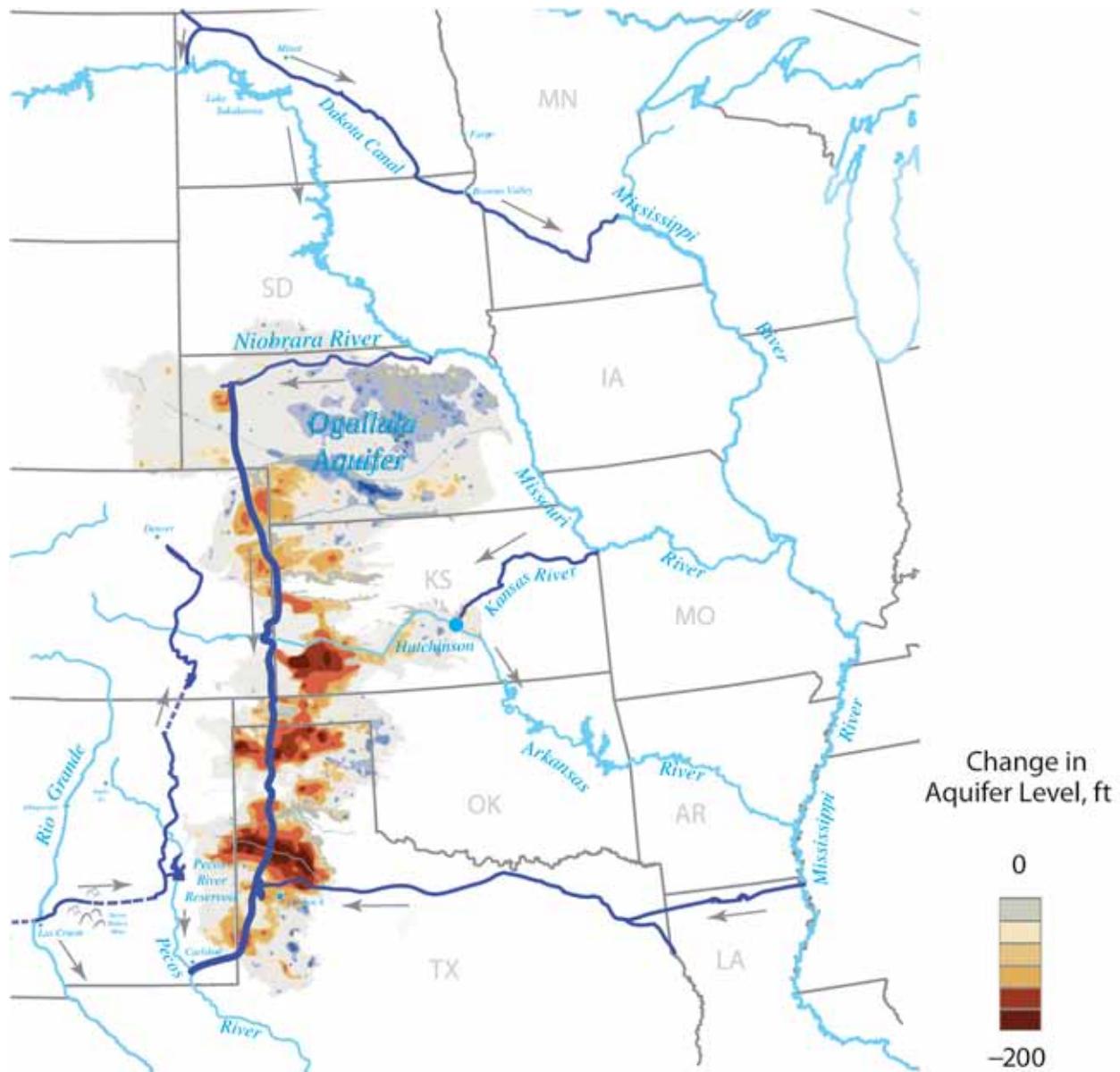


By releasing a portion of the water collected in the Rocky Mountain Trench and adding it to the upper Columbia River, into the reservoir formed by Mica Dam, near Revelstoke, British Columbia, additional water will be available to be pumped out of the Columbia River further south, at the Dalles Dam into a reservoir and aqueduct system, beginning with a series of reservoirs on the Deschutes River, before continuing downhill through Central Oregon and Northern California, connecting with the Klamath and Sacramento rivers.

Connecting with Goose Lake and the Pitts River, increased water supply will flow into Shasta Lake, one of the key storage reservoirs of the Central Valley Project. An additional canal could be added to supply Eagle Lake, and link into Oroville reservoir. These connections will secure the nation's vital agricultural production of the Central Valley, making unnecessary the unsustainable pipeline proposals to bring water from the Sacramento Valley to Southern California, and instead delivering a renewable supply from excess northern precipitation.

A 7-MAF storage reservoir will be created between Murdoch and Bald Eagle mountains, 50 miles east of Elko, Nev. By connecting this reservoir with a 30-mile canal to the Humboldt River, water can be distributed across the state, ending at the Humboldt Sink, and from there, can be linked to Lake Lahontan, of the Truckee Carson Irrigation District, serving Northern Nevada, before continuing south and connecting with the Owens River, refilling Owens Lake over time, reviving farmland.

Mississippi-Missouri-Great Plains System



Water in the Canadian Prairie Canal will link up with the Missouri River at Lake Sakawea, as well as running along the Laurentian Continental Divide through the Dakotas, before connecting with the Mississippi River. These inputs into the Missouri and Mississippi systems will make feasible the following flood diversion projects.

1. Missouri River flood water will be diverted just downstream of the Fort Randall Dam, and pumped up a series of reservoirs on the Niobrara River. From there, water will run through a canal engineered to intersect key locations of the Ogallala Aquifer, supplying the Great Plains with water.

2. Missouri River flood water will be back-pumped from the north side of Kansas City, Kan., along the Kansas River before being piped to Hutchinson, Kan., where a world-class water purification plant could be built to purify water to the degree needed to discharge water into the Ogallala Aquifer. Water could also be added to the Arkansas River, along with any other programmed flow of water into the river from other elements of the system.

3. Mississippi River flood water could be diverted according to specific elements of the Texas Water plan, intersecting other plans.

Conclusion: NAWAPA XXI Imperative

Such a system must be begun to be constructed in the next few years. Government negotiations must begin with Canada and Mexico, with the goal of a joint credit and cooperation agreement by the United States for the building of NAWAPA XXI over a period of 15-20 years.

NAWAPA XXI will make it possible for the nations of North America to increase their agricultural and in-

dustrial power into the foreseeable future, rather than undergo self-cannibalization and allow whole sections of the United States to be shut down and depopulated.

Studies on the negative impacts of dam-building should be thrown aside. The failure to build the project has had the worst effects of all: the collapse of food production, abandonment of land, decreasing production and industry, and the threatened shutdown of whole cities throughout the West. The dam-building process must continue. Mankind must build the higher process which takes mastery of the biosphere's cycles. That is real scientific development, not a stagnant process of watching our cities die and our farms close, and our population shrink, by submission to an ideology.

The historical development of the biosphere shows the stunning error of the over-population ideology. Increasing consumption of resources and energy in each evolutionary step of the biosphere has been the rule, made possible not by simply increasing consumption, but by increasing the supply through additions of new principles and new complexity to the system. Mankind's own technological advancement has mirrored this evolutionary process, something impossible for other animal species: Scientific discoveries and their application create new organizations, accessibility, and coordination of resources, as well as wholly new resources.

A society that willfully imposes an ideology that collapses its own growth process—an ideology at odds

Seven Million Jobs



CONSTRUCTION

For construction of storage reservoirs, canals, aqueducts, pipelines, pumping stations, power stations, lock and barge transit corridors, rail roads, and bridges are required:

Heavy Equipment Operators	Electrical Workers	Ironworkers
Switch Gear Operators	Pipe Fitters	Linemen
Transmission Line Workers	Carpenters	Millwrights
Power Generation Crews	Concrete Workers	Laborers
Lumberjacks	Cement Workers	



MANUFACTURERS

Manufactures required to provide the following machinery and raw materials will be in high demand.

Power Generation Equipment	Excavating, Tunnel Boring and Drilling Machines	Large Motors forbay penstocks head gates turbine wheels generating units switchgear
Large Capacity Pumps, Valving, Fittings, Intake and Discharge Headers	transmission lines structures englosures site development	
Environmental Enclosures		
Large Capacity Trucks		
500 ton capacity cranes		



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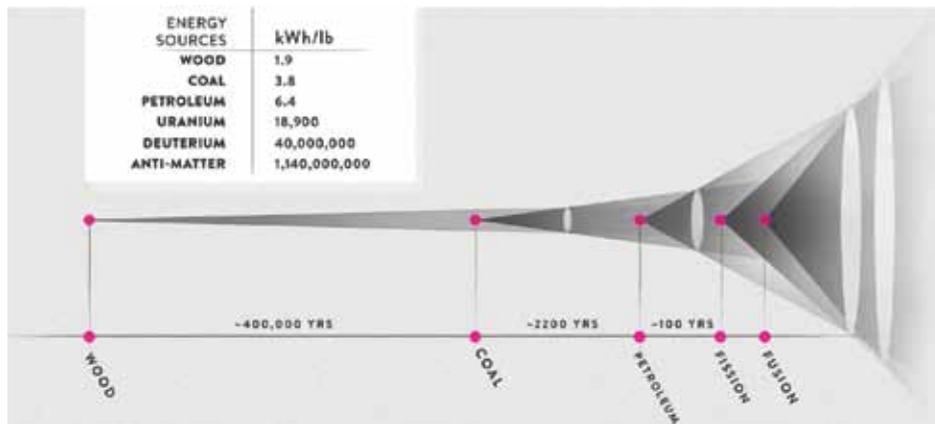
Hydrological Engineers	Chemical Engineers	Draftsmen
Structural Engineers	Nuclear Engineers and Technicians	Civil Engineers
Material Science Engineers	Foundry and Forging Specialists	Rail Engineers
Metallurgical Engineers		Electrical Engineers
Mechanical Engineers		



SCIENTISTS

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Geologists	Biologists	Seismologists
Soil Scientists	Foresters	Surveyors

Man's Use of 'Fire'



Energy densities of the various forms of “fire” discovered by man. The pitches of the cones represent energy-density, and apexes represent the time of discovery. As a higher cone reaches the previous one, the old technology becomes eclipsed in its use in the economy. Both the rate of discovery, and the relative energy ratios, are increasing dramatically. While two millennia separated the introduction of petroleum after coal, with a doubling of energy density, it took only one century before the introduction of nuclear power, with a thousand-fold increase in energy density.

with the scientific history of the energy-flow of the biosphere and mankind’s role in it—is unfit to survive. Only a fundamental break with the irrational ideology of over-population and conservation of resources, will lead to the sustainable development of mankind over the coming decades. Let us reverse the four decades of cultural and economic decay that we suffer from today, pick up where Kennedy left off, and turn our generation of youth and young adults from being a wasted generation into the generation that built NAWAPA XXI.

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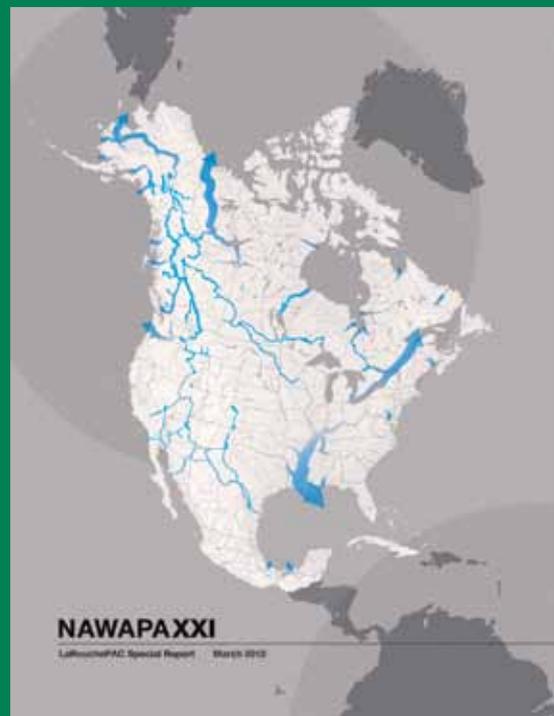
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The Green Queen Is Destroying Australia's Food Supply

The LaRouche Show Internet radio host Marcia Merry Baker interviewed Jean Robinson of the Citizens Electoral Council (CEC) of Australia, along with CEC leaders Craig and Noelene Isherwood, on May 25, 2013. Robinson is the CEC Secretary for West Australia (W.A.), and a candidate for Federal office from the O'Connor District; the elections are in September.

Marcia Merry Baker: We have three people from the Citizens Electoral Council of Australia, which is part of the world effort working closely with Lyndon LaRouche and associates elsewhere, and it's based in Melbourne. First, I'd like to welcome from way across the continent of Australia, inland from Perth, Jean Robinson. She is in the wheat belt, one of the world's foremost wheat belts.

From Melbourne, we're very glad to have Craig Isherwood, the National Secretary of the CEC, and Noelene Isherwood, who is on the National Executive Committee, and very much involved in the rural affairs of Australia.

We have a world food calamity unfolding, and Australia, along with portions of North America, Eurasia, and Europe, are zones for a world annual level of production which has been below what's needed. You have a debacle in Africa. . . .

Jean Robinson in Western Australia (W.A.) has been speaking out on this, because we've reached the end stage of supportability and liveability on the Earth—not because we've run out of resources or water—you get lies about that—but we've had a policy of delimita-



Jean Robinson: "What we're seeing is the attack on Australia by the Queen of England and the British Empire."

tion of those resources. And we'll be talking about that because it stems right from what's best called the British Empire, that *wants* the depopulation on the scale of genocide.

So, unless we deliberately throw off this kind of outlook, and the practices that go with it, we're dead ducks. And so, the particulars of what's going on in Australia in agriculture are a world issue. Australia is one of the bread-baskets, as well as baskets of other good things to eat.

Jean, do you want to start out by describing the situation you've got there on your hands, with the actual physical condition, the crop, its importance, and the crisis in credit?

The Take-Down of Agriculture

Jean Robinson: You're exactly right in saying that this is fundamental crisis for humanity, because what we're seeing is the attack on Australia by the Queen of England and the British Empire. We've seen a crisis in agriculture for a long time developing, with the continued policies of free trade and deregulation, to the point now that it's the only industry that's actually left in W.A.—and of course, is very important for the world—because we only have a mere 4,300 wheat farmers left, and they produce anything from about 8 to 15 million tons of grain a year, depending on the season.

And as you just explained for the United States: Because there has been no substantial water development, the farmers are very vulnerable to the weather conditions, because we haven't built the projects to waterproof the state, like NAWAPA-type ideas which have

FIGURE 1



been on the drawing board for 50-60-70 years. The wheat farmers in Australia are probably the best and most efficient dryland farmers in the world, with what they actually produce. But there has been an accumulation of many years of these policies—and also the deliberate attempt that you see now, where the politicians aren't doing anything; yet they could actually fix the problem immediately by having a debt moratorium, or moratorium on farm foreclosures, and creating credit for carry-on finance [operating capital—ed.] for farmers. Because at the moment, about 30% of farmers are not having received carry-on finance, forcing approximately 50% of farmers to sell off assets. Another 35% are being requested that they put their farms on the market, because they're not receiving any financing.

So, what you have is this total collapse going on in a big area of the state, and it's not being addressed at all. And this is creating serious problems for all the communities, because as soon as you have a collapse in agriculture, as you would know, you have a collapse in all the

communities, and a takedown of all the services, to the point that most children have hardly anywhere to go to school.

So, this is a very serious problem, and we're doing whatever we can to try to get our farmers to realize that they're being lied to. The methods that are being used have been used for a long time, like in the 1991-1992 crisis in farming, which was in the pig industry, which we were all part of. And the same thing happened: You had crisis meetings and all the politicians come along, everybody's going to do something—but nothing ever gets done. Because that's actually the intention to carry on these policies.

So now, in W.A., you've got only the wheat industry left. And of course the other industry that's also on the rack—which is also being orchestrated, particularly by the media, and also by the Green movement, which is the work of Prince Philip—is the takedown of the live export industries. And that's also a result of these free-trade policies, where, for 30-40 years, farmers have been told that you don't have to worry about the domestic marketing, because you can export.

And, as I read in *EIR* a long time ago—it was very funny, because when we were involved in the pig industry, we were told, don't worry about the threat of imports coming into Australia, from Canada, because we could export all our pork to China. And I remember reading an article, which was written by you [Baker], in *EIR*, saying that the biggest exporter of pig meat in the world at the time was China.

So, that's why we got out of the industry.

It's a tragedy, but unfortunately, as *EIR* and La-Rouche have been saying, this is a deliberate attempt by the British Queen, in particular, at reducing the world's population. And it's very ironic that most of W.A. has now been locked up under the Green policies—all the sections that have either been made into international reserves, or bought up by Rio Tinto—which, of course, is the Queen's mining company.

Baker: So, the actual land area is tied up. Well, that's dire.

You said the politicians—if they're doing any-



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Farmers protest the takedown of the Australian Wheat Board before the vote in Parliament, Canberra, June 15, 2008. The Wheat Board was later privatized and sold off.

thing—they're grandstanding, because they're not doing anything. And there is this policy to try and induce, with peanuts, that farmers should quit. You issued a media statement on that, right?

Robinson: Yes, that's correct. It's a real insult, because they're offering farmers AUS\$20,000¹ to leave their farms, and in actual fact, no farmer has applied for that so far; and the state government's offering AUS\$25,000 to farmers for carry-on for farming, which is ridiculous, because most have to borrow anywhere between \$1 million and \$4 million to put their crops in. I think four farmers have applied for that. So you can just see that it's ridiculous beyond belief.

The politicians are dedicated to the free market, so therefore, you can't interfere with the market. And of course, you've got this cost-price squeeze, where you've seen the hyperinflation in all the costs, import costs, of everything, and then now, because we have virtually complete control of the process by the major grain cartels. The Australian Wheat Board was privatized and sold off, just like the Canadian one has been, so that means that companies like Cargill and Archer Daniels Midland have got tremendous control over the markets now. And Bunge is building a massive grain

1. AUS\$1 = US\$.96

terminal in one of their major ports over here as well.

So, the only institution that's left is the CBH, which is a farmers' cooperative, and the other push is to privatize it and sell it off, which would mean a bailout for the banks, because this institution, which has been going for 80 years, which is responsible for the logistics of moving and storing grain, and also marketing it, is worth between \$4 billion and \$6 billion. So, by forcing its privatization, that will, in effect, all end up in the hands of the banks.

And as we know, because of the bankruptcy of the banks, they're reducing the credit to the farmers. This makes it impossible for the wheat farmers, who, because of the cumulative impact of the so-called free-trade decades, have an unpay-

able debt burden right now of AUS\$12 billion. When you put that in the context of the Federal government's offer of AUS\$60 million of so-called aid deals, this amount wouldn't even cover the interest bill. And as we know, the banks would end up with the money anyway.

As LaRouche always said, if anybody supports free trade, they're actually supporting mass murder. And unfortunately, that's where we're headed.

Beef Producers Under Attack

Baker: Then you have parallel situations with the live export industry—that would be goats or beef cattle. Noelene, you have an overview on that.

Noelene Isherwood: Yes. What Jean has just described as the situation facing our wheat growers, is repeated all across the country in virtually every farming community, and every industry. I think perhaps the most egregious of those outside of W.A., is the beef industry, and that is our second-largest farming export market. And it's been devastated over the last couple of years.

In particular, there were moves several years ago to highlight cruelty to animals, and in particular, the export trade of live beef to Indonesia. And as a result of that, the green groups and the animal liberation groups put pressure on the government to ban the live trade. And as a result of that, we're now in a situation where there's over

4.2 million excess head of cattle in the northern part of Australia, that have no market to go to. And all of those northern regions have been hit with drought over the last two years. So, with no market, and no food left—and these are enormous [ranches], they measure land in the northern part of Australia by so many million square kilometers, so you can't just go and put a bale of hay out, and hope that that's going to feed your stock. So, it's impossible.

And so, a lot of those cattle are being dumped onto the domestic market. All of our meatworks and sale yards are choked, and booked out until much later in the year, September, October this year—there are no vacancies. So, many farmers are being forced to shoot their stock in paddock. There has been a move, just in the last week or so, by the Queensland government, to open up the national parks—these are conservation regions—that used to be operated as grazing properties, but have been locked up by the environmentalist movement. And the Queensland government, under emergency conditions, has agreed to allow grazing in those areas.

However, the Federal government has tried to overrule their right to do that. So, it's quite a showdown, again, between the green/environmentalist circles, and our food-producers. And there's a similar crisis looming in many other industries as well; the dairy industry has been hard hit. We have fruit-growing orchardists in the southern part of Australia, who have had contracts cancelled for one of the biggest fruit canneries in the country. And in each case, we have farmers who are almost on their knees, begging and pleading with the government for some kind of emergency aid and intervention, and in every single case, Marcia, they're being told: Sorry, this is the free market. If you can't pay your debts, if you can't remain viable under these circumstances, then you shouldn't be in business.

So, it's this ruthless backing-away by government, under exceptional circumstances, that's leaving all of



CEC/Glen Isherwood

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our farmers, pretty much every industry in the country, in a total disaster. And that's not just a disaster for Australia, but it's a huge tragedy for the whole world, which depends on our food exports. So, it's very, very serious across the board.

Baker: What you say about the cannery, or the packing house, the freezing facility, or anything, being booked, or not being prepared to contract to buy the produce that an orchard or field production of fruit or vegetables was producing—we're finding this arbitrary, radical free-market kind of thing in the United States as well. Cargill shut a huge beef-processing plant in western Texas, with two weeks notice. The company in the United States that monopolizes 30%

of all the fluid milk, fresh milk, they arbitrarily are now closing many of their 70 bottling plants, milk-processing plants around the country, including Buena Vista, Calif., and so forth.

So, again, you're saying that the farmers are stuck, and the orchardists, it's just like having to shoot your cattle. You can't produce anything....

'National Food Plan': Grow Your Own

Robinson: In Southern Victoria, where this particular cannery is—it's called SPC Adminor—it's actually owned by Coca-Cola Amatil. And they've halved the contracts to all of their local growers, to the peach and pear producers. And what that means is that there are millions of fruit trees that are going to be bulldozed, just removed from production, because there are no contracts, there's no demand for it.

Meanwhile, that cannery is sourcing a lot of produce from Asia—China and places like that. So, they can bring it in at a fraction of the cost, and sacrifice the growers literally that live on their doorstep, in order to reduce their production costs. That's the free market at work. And probably, within a very short period, they will move that processing plant to Asia, like most others have been as well. So, it's the story we hear in every industry, from

every country. But this is the British System of free trade. And that's how it's designed to work. And at the end of the day, it's total devastation for local communities, and production.

I just wanted to add one thing, but I've only just discovered this overnight: that our federal government has been working for some time on a National Food Plan. They promote this as looking at all the various issues that must be addressed in order to guarantee a reliable food supply for the country, for food security. But, their recommendations are shocking, truly shocking.

In their great National Food Plan, they're going to provide funding to improve farmers' competitiveness, so that they can expand into new markets—that means, compete with China. And they're going to make small grants of AUS\$10,000 to AUS\$25,000 available to small community farmers, community gardens, farmers' markets, and the like. So, this is the way they're going to secure our food supply, by promoting this cottage industry, local “grow your veggies in the back yard”—which is all very nice, if you've got a back yard. But it doesn't feed the world. And this is what we've come to expect from the government. It's pathetic.

Baker: I'm sad to say, it sounds very familiar here. About two years ago, Prince Charles came to Washington, D.C. to Georgetown University, and gave a speech called “The Future of Food.” And this has been turned into a book, and this is the Michelle Obama White House kind of policy, that there should be community gardens, gardens everywhere, eat local. It's this royalist “Let them eat cake,” and I'm afraid to say, you go on the U.S. Department of Agriculture website under the Obama Administration, and this is the major thrust. . . .

Jean, you're running for office. Do you want to say something about that? You put out some of the emergency measures that should be taken directly for agriculture.

Robinson: I'm standing for the federal seat of

FIGURE 2
The Murray-Darling Basin



O'Connor, which is actually massive—it's 920,000 square kilometers, so it takes in about a third of the state. And the process we also see happening, is the depopulation of our nation, in regional areas, to the cities, because of the collapse.

So, we've embarked on doing some ads as part of my campaign, because this is a very good way of reaching people—and it's an emergency. We need people to act now, to stop this collapse. We only have one commercial radio station that covers the entirety of that area, which is made up by one company, Radio West, which is owned by the McQuarry group, but there are 12 different radio stations covering this area, and we're playing these ads for the next two weeks.

And they're based on the call for Glass-Steagall, and the fact that governments can save banks, but they can't save anybody else. So, we're saying that they can actually intervene and save our agriculture.

So, we've got the ads playing two a day, for two weeks. And while we've got the majority of our farmers—they are seeding, so they're sitting on their tractors for very long hours all day, and most of them will be listening to the radio. Even though the media here is playing up that everything's back to normal now, and everybody's seeding—and a majority of farmers *are* seeding—they're not seeding anywhere near the amount of acreage as they normally do. Because they're restricted in finance. That's the underlying problem on that.

Water-Proofing Agriculture

Baker: You mention these decades and years, and then currently, the obstruction of what you called water-proofing agriculture—meaning, to do the best you can to ensure that there's plentiful water. One of you may want to say more about that, in the sense of what we're up against, if you recap some of the law applying to one of the most beautiful water projects, the Murray-Darling Basin (**Figure 2**).

Craig Isherwood: Noelene was reporting about Federal Environment Minister Tony Burke trying to stop farmers from putting their cattle into the national parks. Well, this is the same Burke who presided over the shutdown of Australia's food bowl, which covers four states. The same minister ironically did the same with what we call the Alpine region cattle farmers here in Victoria. The cattle were allowed into the National parks, and they chewed down the weeds, and they kept the national parks much freer for fire hazards.

Baker: It's cheap, too.

Craig Isherwood: Yes, it's cheap. And there's a certain amount of refertilization capacity from cattle too, of course. But the state government overruled the Federal government in order to have the Alpine farmers have their cattle back in. So what did Burke do? He introduced federal legislation to kick them out again. This guy is a rabid Green of the worst particular type. He's overseen the shutdown of the buyback of border allocations in the Murray-Darling Basin, where they intend to remove an enormous amount of water and put it into what's called environmental flows. In other words, fill up the swamps again, in order to be able to bring back the mosquitos. That's their intention; it's to have wetlands for birds. So what's happening is that those water flows are being taken away from farmers.

And we're talking about areas, Marcia, that are being farmed, that were taken out of the desert for 100 years—100 years ago they were desert—and consequently, turned into valuable irrigated farmland. This is the direction. And all of this ideology, as we've put out in our publications, is a result of what we call the British Crown's green-fascist agenda. And it's the other side of the same coin as free trade, as globalization, privatization, deregulation, economic rationalism.

Some of your listeners may have heard the horror



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story that's taken place in Russia, with the collapse of population there, and in Ukraine, under the shock therapy that was introduced in the early '90s. Well, Australia's part of the British Commonwealth, part of the British Empire, to use the actual term. So consequently, the British already control our banking system lock, stock, and barrel. They control the economy. So, they didn't have to do shock therapy like they did in Russia, because we've been accepting shock therapy for the last 40 years. It's the same thing.

And one of the markers for this, Marcia, just happened yesterday, that one of

our car manufacturers, Ford Motor Company, after 70 years in producing the Model-T Ford initially in Australia, has decided to stop car manufacturing here, and 1,100 jobs are going to be sacked. And one whole town of Geelong is going to basically die because of this; and also Broad Meadows, which is part of Melbourne. You're talking about the shutdown of the machine-tool sector here, and this has solely to do with British free trade again.

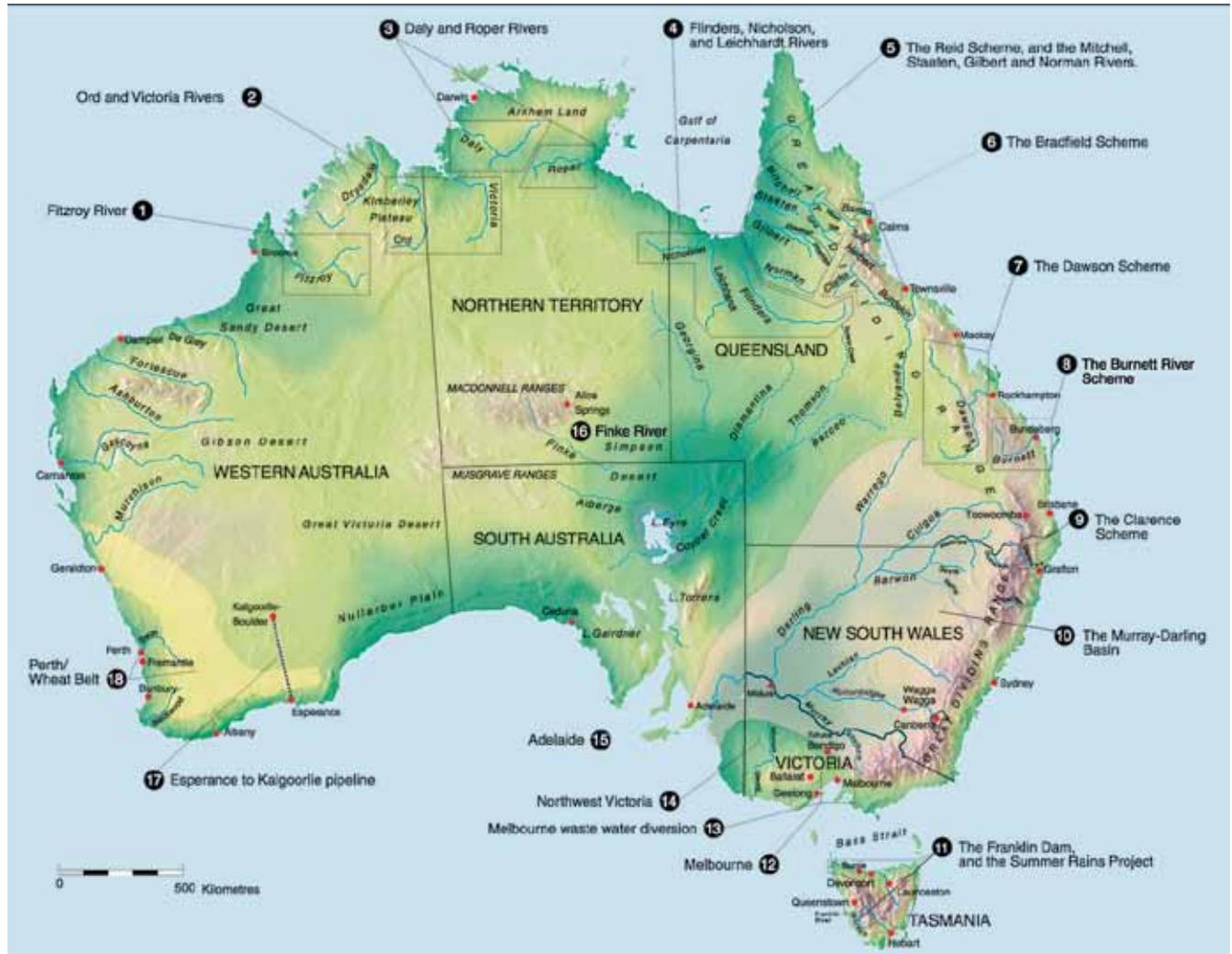
So it's not just the agricultural areas that are suffering.

An Australian NAWAPA

The solution is what Mr. LaRouche has been proposing, and particularly recently, he's been re-emphasizing: first of all, Glass-Steagall, separate out the legitimate commercial banking system, protect it, and develop credits for national banking, to able to fund large-scale infrastructure development projects. Back in 2002, we outlined for our country the equivalent of the Australian NAWAPA, the Australian North American Water and Power Alliance, which was a series of 18 different water projects for Australia (**Figure 3**).

We have a bit of a difficulty here in Australia, in that most of our water falls in the North, and you're talking meters of water, not just a little bit of water, but meters—

FIGURE 3
Australian NAWAPA



2, 3, sometimes 4 meters of water would fall every year. And there were proposals by people, for example, Dr. J.J.C. Bradfield. He's the guy who built the Sydney Harbour Bridge that people might know—we call it the giant coat hanger. Well, he proposed to build a Bradfield scheme, which was to take the enormous volumes of water up in the North, and turn them inland, so you'd literally be able to have permanent water streams, water in the inland of Australia.

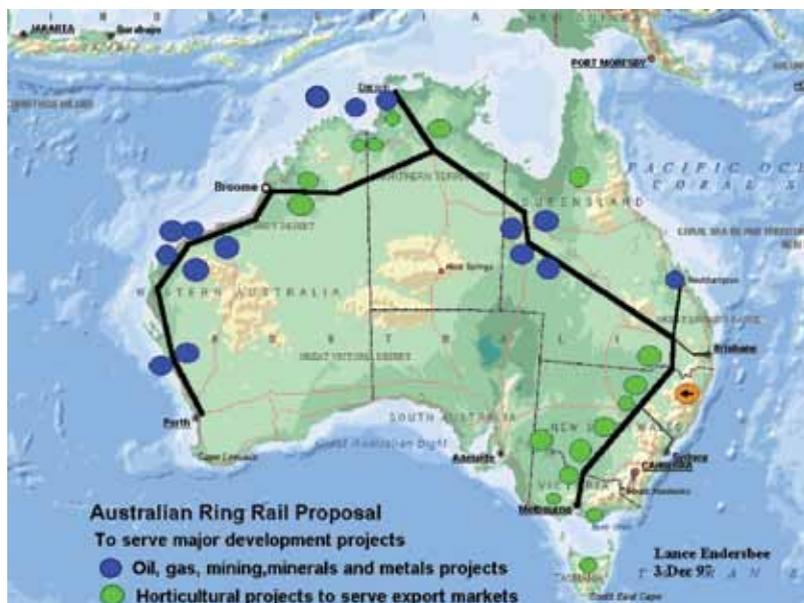
He was back in the early 1920s, talking about biospheric engineering, because what he was talking about was that, by taking those huge volumes of water and turning them inland, you would change the climate for hundreds of thousands of square kilometers

to the east of those water flows. You'd have much higher water density, water-vapor density, in the air, and consequently, the potential for more rain. So he was talking about literally changing the climate on the East Coast of Australia, and bringing more rain to that area.

So, that's just one project. We've got other projects which involved hydro-electricity generating capacity, pump storage, things on the Clarence River—that would feed the Murray-Darling Basin river system. That's the one that Burke is trying to shut down.

Look, in Western Australia, you have the Ord River, stages 2 and 3, but they're actually going ahead, with Chinese development. You have the huge Fitzroy

FIGURE 4
Lance Endersbee's Australian Ring Rail Proposal



River development area—the Fitzroy River is one of these huge rivers that flows just out to the sea on the northwest coast of Australia, and there's a huge area of land to the south of that, that could be developed for broad acre irrigation, and so forth.

And so, Prof. Lance Endersbee, whom we worked with very closely—he was one of the original engineers on the Snowy Mountain Scheme—actually trained under the Tennessee Valley Authority, back in the '30s—he proposed that with all the different infrastructure that we could develop, like high-speed rail, high-speed shipping, we could have a food bowl to the north of us, Marcia, which would be able to support about 100 million people (Figure 4).

Now, at the moment we've got 23 million people, and a population density of 2 people per square kilometer. So, you're not talking about a huge increase when you're talking about 100 million people in this country, compared to population density in relatively different parts of the world. And if we're given a chance we could develop the water, develop the high-speed infrastructure like rail, and we could even develop nuclear power in this country—I mean we have

the highest reserves of thorium. We don't even mine one ton. We have 300,000 metric tons of thorium. We have the second-largest reserves of uranium, yet we don't have a nuclear industry (Figure 5).

With these sorts of projects, combined with water projects, combined with actual support for agriculture, I think people could get a picture of just how extremely wealthy this country actually is, but we're being made into slaves and paupers, because of this damned British Empire.

And I don't think Mr. LaRouche ever exaggerates about how destructive this British Empire is. I had the opportunity of going to Antietam Battlefield when I was last in the United States, where 23,000 people were mortally wounded in that one battle. And you think, that's the actual ugly face of the British-backed Confederacy, and the British sort of operations that

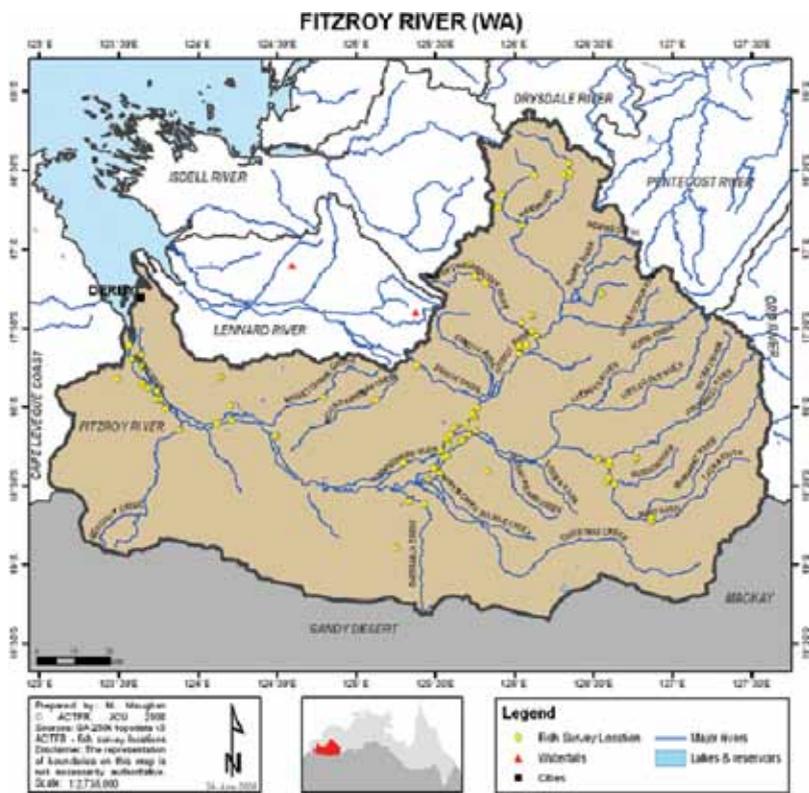
America itself has to fight.

So, this is not an abstract discussion about the Brit-

FIGURE 5
Australian Resources



FIGURE 6
Fitzroy River (Western Australia)



ish Empire. Our food supply is being literally taken off the table by the British.

A Development Perspective for Western Australia

Baker: And what you were describing in Western Australia, implied that in the past there were more farmers, more growing communities, more diversity of production. In the release you put out earlier in May about this crisis, you said that 20 years ago, in 1991, in Australia as a whole, there were 120,000 farmers. That was down from 204,000 in 1953, and now it's down to 40,000. Is that right—across all of Australia?

Robinson: Yes, that's correct; that's precisely what's happening. I was just going to add on to what Craig was developing on the water projects, because, of course, that's what Mr. LaRouche has been saying—this is the most important aspect to create an actual economic recovery. Because as a result of losing all your manufacturing and agricultural industries, which is why we have this depopulation going on. And in the state of Alcona—it also covers a huge amount of the

mining part of Australia, and of course the most famous of all, which is actually Kalgoorlie.

Now, Kalgoorlie is a city of about 22,000 people, but it's just a big hole in the ground, and it's ironic to think that this is probably the wealthiest square mile on the planet, because it's a gold mine. It's mainly gold mining there.

And today, after 200 years, you've got this desperate town that's got nothing. It has one pipeline for water, a couple of roads going in, one very antique railway line, and the population has nothing. It's just a culture of gambling, pubs, and there's nothing there.

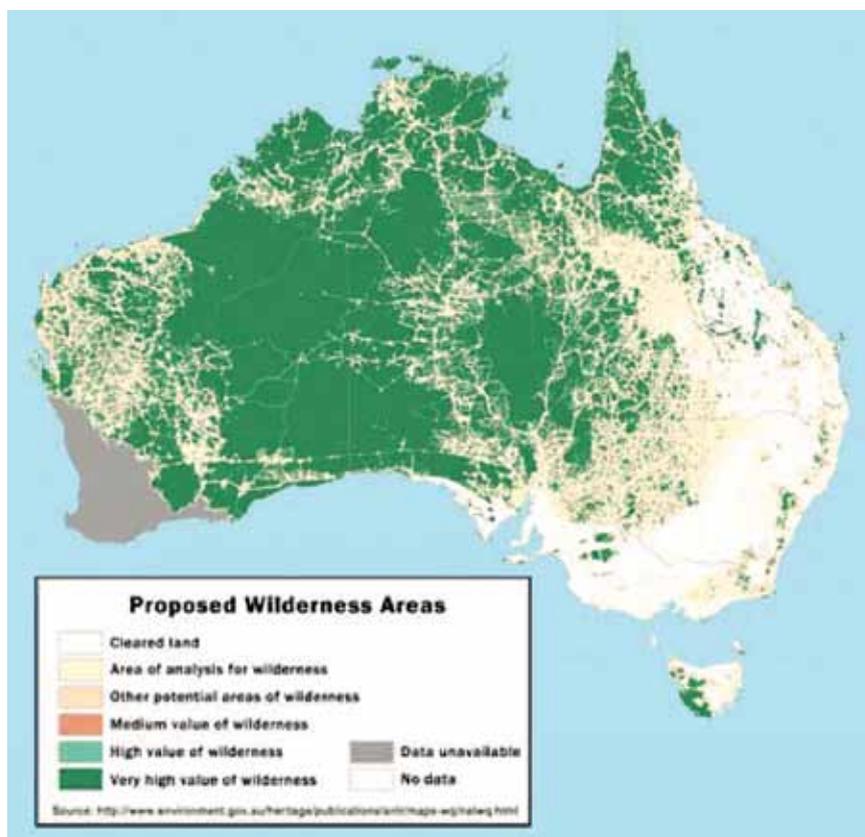
So, potentially for W.A., as Craig was saying with the Fitzroy River (Figure 6), because this river is massive—it's the second-biggest flowing river on the planet when it's in flood—and potentially, we could drought-proof not just W.A., but also South Australia, because if the infrastructure was built to create development corridors—like all the way from the northern part of the state down to the South—it could be brought down to Kalgoorlie.

And then, with a high-speed rail system, you could actually turn Kalgoorlie into an industrial hub for W.A., which we hardly have any more, because we're not manufacturing anything. We're just digging up all our very valuable minerals, and selling them off for virtually nothing, to China and elsewhere.

We need to be building the steel mills and manufacturing everything that we used to do in this country, because just south of Kalgoorlie is a major port, Esperance, and we can have many other industries. There are huge brown coal deposits at Esperance as well, which could all be developed into making textiles, and petrochemical industries as well. Also around Kalgoorlie, you have all the other minerals as well. There's masses of copper and nickel and all the things that you need for making modern metals today. So, that's one way of actually reversing this complete slide of the population into the major cities—we only have one major city in W.A. [Perth], because we're a very sparsely populated state.

That's the sort of thing that's actually required to reverse this collapse. It's to have the population become

FIGURE 8
Proposed Wilderness Areas



excited about the potential of what can actually be done. Because Kalgoorlie should have universities. It should become the center of all the research to do with generating whole new industries. The Kimberleys, the more tropical areas, and even right down in the Outback—the soil in W.A. is phenomenal, and as Lance Endersbee designed, you could have mass irrigation.

And that's the other problem we've had. There's no mixed farming left in W.A. at all now, because the dairy farmers are virtually gone. The fruit and vegetable growers are virtually gone. The pig industry's actually gone. So therefore, we've gone in this direction of monocultures as well, which is actually not very good for the soils. And instead of our farmers desperately having to try to plant every square meter of their soil with crops like canola and wheat, they could actually be irrigating sections of their farms, and becoming far more intensive, and going back to actually having livestock as well. Because that needs to happen to bring back the fertility of the soil.

And the other great problem which has created the

collapse, is the takedown of our meat abattoir [slaughterhouse] facilities. Now we've lost about 80% of our abattoirs, and the three major ones that are export-accredited have all just been taken up by foreign interests. So, we no longer actually have the ability to supply meat for our domestic market any more. It's been taken out of our hands, because we don't have control of the abattoirs, and, of course, the meat that is being processed is being exported. So, it's the same British doctrine of free trade, isn't it?

A Conscious Policy of Genocide

Noelene Isherwood: I was just going to add on that that there's a study that's just been released by Edith Cowan University in W.A., that has announced now that one-third of all of the pastoral properties in Western Australia—that used to be family-owned grazing operations—are no longer owned by family farmers, but they're in the hands of mining companies, Aboriginal groups, and

conservation organizations. And that the single-largest leaseholders of land in W.A. are the mining companies. So, they're virtually taking over all of this productive land. They may run a few head of cattle on it, but there's no serious food-production enterprise going on in those areas.

You can just see the counterposition of what Jean was describing as the potential for increasing the energy-flux density and the productivity of the land—it's been headed in exactly the opposite direction, and just closing it down, turning it into a wildlife preserve, and indigenous playgrounds (**Figure 7**). And the mining companies just sit on it, with the prospect of one day potentially mining it, but doing nothing productive with it.

What strikes you is that there is no way that you can look at what's happening universally across the entire country without concluding that this is a top-down, deliberate, conscious policy of food reduction, depopulation, and genocide. There's no other conclusion that you can draw.

But even for many of our farmers, who are on the receiving end of this crisis, and the consumers who are paying the price for that kind of policy, it's still a very difficult challenge to convince them that there could be such an agenda. So, that's part of our political challenge and political fight, to really go behind the scenes, behind the symptoms of the crisis, to get people to think much more deeply about the cause of this, first of all, and then once people start to look at the cause, then they're empowered to do something about it. We've got quite a challenge on our hands in that respect.

Baker: This is very impressive, with hardly anyone there. If you're thinking about it from a distance, it just seems insane to talk about locking anything up at all.

In a very sped-up way, this same process, of farm/rural areas being depopulated, is happening here to the extreme in North America. For example, New Mexico, in the upper reaches of the Rio Grande River, called the Rio Bravo in Mexico, people are leaving counties. In Western Kansas, they're leaving counties. One county—the state may have 50 to 100 counties, there's only 500 people in one of them, because of the combination of the financial market-monetarist speculation crash, and the physical-economic conditions, the lack of water or your well has gone so deep that you might only be bringing up lots of sand with the water, that you do get, and it's ruining your machinery.

But take [Glass-Steagall sponsor] Sen. Tom Harkin's state of Iowa, which has beautiful soils—it's between two rivers, the Mississippi and the Missouri, and it's the most cultivated state in the country. That is, most of its land is under the plow, metaphorically. Sixty-six out of 100 counties in Senator Harkin's state are losing population. They have fewer people than years ago, and that's not just because, "Gee, how are you going to keep them down on the farm, they can all go to Des Moines." It's just depopulation, just in the way you're saying, Jean: losing services, churches, schools; no stores, no hardware store. I'm just throwing this in because of what you said about top-down in Australia, top-down worldwide.

Robinson: Definitely. And that's the conclusion I think that, at long last, even some of our long-suffering farmers and other citizens are starting to draw, with help from us, of course. That this has to be a conscious, top-down policy, because there's no rational justification for the destruction of industry, the destruction of communities, otherwise.

But that's a hard thing for most people to come to terms with.

The other aspect which Craig touched on, was the Ord River development, which is the other big river in the top of W.A.—there was an Ord River scheme, the Ord River Dam was built back in the 1950s. And the second stage of that project actually has been built, which is good, but the problem is, it's not being used to grow food. Basically what's happening is, they've planted half of it for sandalwood trees, which are just useless for humanity anyway. This has normally been a huge sugar cane-growing area, and quite ironically, about 5-6 years ago, the Australian local cane producers up there were going bankrupt, and they were losing their processing mill, and they asked the state government to put in \$300 million, and of course, [W.A.] Premier Colin Barnett refused to do that.

So, the industry went bankrupt. And now it's just being revamped under the Chinese, and guess who's helping to fund the reconstruction, or the take-up of the new mill? The government. So, they're happy to give funding to foreigners.

But the other aspect, under this sort of de facto grain policy, driven by forms of tax evasion, is planting of the Southwest to trees also. We've got this industry called the bluegum plantation, which actually now takes up 400,000 square hectares, which actually are, traditionally, the other food bowl. So, this bluegum planting is in all your high rainfall areas that actually go around the coastline, which is where normally it's all fruit, veggiegrowing, dairy, meat producing, all the way from down round the southwest coast for about 100 kilometers, because bluegums require a reasonable rainfall. So, the higher rainfalls of the Southwest are planted by these terrible trees, which actually just rob the soil, and lock up all this area. And that has also contributed to the shutdown of many, many communities and the ongoing businesses as well.

So, you've got this whole attack, where it doesn't matter where you are, it's all being shut down, in the name of some green policy. And food production is being completely sacrificed.

So, the writing's on the wall. And we need the population to actually realize that there's a bigger agenda going on here, to shut down food production not just here, but worldwide, as part of the British monarchy's effort to reduce the world's population down to less than a billion people.

‘Guns of July’ Danger as Syria Remains Hair-Trigger

by Jeffrey Steinberg

June 2—Two events over the past week further underscore that the Syrian crisis, now well into its second year, has become a hair-trigger for a general war that could quickly turn into a thermonuclear war of extinction.

First, a nasty disinformation operation was run last week, claiming that Russia had already deployed S-300 advanced air defense systems to Syria. President Bashar al-Assad gave an interview to a Lebanese TV station affiliated with Hezbollah, and reported that Russia had delivered a new shipment of weapons to Syria, as part of a long-standing arms contract between the two nations. The news reports, released in advance of the airing of the interview, claimed that Russia had delivered the S-300s. The story went out internationally, despite the fact that Assad was misquoted in the leaked news accounts and, in fact, Russia had *not* delivered the air defense components.

Israel has threatened to launch preemptive military strikes before Syria could deploy the S-300s. An Israeli attack against the Russian air-defense systems would be a potential trigger for a direct conflict between the West and Russia.

Col. W. Patrick Lang, a retired U.S. Army officer, who ran the Defense Intelligence Agency’s Middle East and human intelligence programs, warned that Israel’s threats could trigger world war. In his widely read website, Sic Sempter Tyrannis, he wrote last week:

“What a great way to start WW3 this would be. Israel attacks Russian missile deliveries, kills Russians, Russians attack Israel... Presto! The Guns of July. Guess who would lose the most in that deal. What the hell are we playing at?”

He added a scathing attack against both Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.) and Secretary of State John Kerry for provoking the danger of world war: “And then there are the two Johns. McCain can’t help himself. He has become a raving madman bent on war everywhere against anyone available. Kerry is just pathetic, a bumbling, conceited fool who thinks charm is the touchstone that will open all doors for him.”

Within 24 hours, the international media was forced to acknowledge that President Assad had not made any mention of the S-300s. Indeed, Russian military industry officials made clear that no such delivery had taken place, and that furthermore, there was no prospect of S-300 deliveries before the middle of the Summer, at the earliest.

U.S. intelligence officials independently reported that Russian officials had pledged that they would withhold the S-300s until after the upcoming Geneva II summit on Syria, co-sponsored by Washington and Moscow. (No date has yet been set for the summit.)

Nonetheless, the disinformation could have provided Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu with the pretext to attack Syrian targets, thereby escalating

the ongoing conflict, and preempting any possibility of the Geneva II summit from succeeding.

Sarin Seized from Rebels

The second incident this past week was the raid by Turkish intelligence on a safehouse in the southern city of Adana, near the Syrian border. Seven members of the jihadist group al-Nusra were arrested, and two kilograms of deadly sarin gas were seized in the raid. Not only was the fact that the Syrian rebels were in possession of chemical weapons exposed, but the raid also preempted a terrorist attack that would have been potentially blamed on the Syrian government, providing a *casus belli* for a Western military intervention.

According to one senior U.S. intelligence source, the agreement to crack down on al-Nusra and other jihadist factions of the Syrian opposition was reached during Turkish Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan's mid-May visit to Washington.

Had either a chemical warfare attack, or another Israeli strike on Syrian targets, taken place, the entire region could have erupted in a larger war, potentially drawing in the United States and Russia. Any chance for a successful Geneva II conference would have been wiped out altogether.

These near-miss incidents underscore just how fragile the situation is in the Greater Middle East. On June 14, Iranians will go to the polls in presidential elections. Sometime soon after that, serious talks will resume between Iran and P5+1 (UN Security Council Permanent Five plus Germany).

The Russian Response

The Russian leadership is responding, in its way, to the Syrian crisis, by moving ahead with modernization of its strategic nuclear arsenal. And, for the first time since the collapse of the Soviet Union, Russia has reconstituted a permanent naval presence in the Mediterranean Sea. Furthermore, just this week, President Vladimir Putin announced plans to expand Russia's fleet of nuclear weapons-armed submarines; for the first time since the end of the Cold War, Russia will deploy nuclear-armed submarines to the waters of the Southern Hemisphere.

These are not acts of aggression by Moscow. They are measures aimed at making clear that Russia will not abandon Mutually Assured Destruction (MAD)—unless it is part of a deal to revive President Ronald

Reagan's and Lyndon LaRouche's proposal for joint Russian-American deployment of a strategic defense system (SDI) to render nuclear weapons obsolete.

1914 Redux

While a "realist" faction in Washington is committed to working with both Russia and China on a war-avoidance agreement, initially centered on the upcoming Geneva II meeting, British-allied Zionist, neoconservative, and "humanitarian" interventionist factions in the U.S. are working overtime to sabotage the initiatives. They have strong backing from the Cameron government in Britain, the Hollande government in France, and the Netanyahu government in Israel.

Both Britain and France are pressing for the immediate arming of the Syrian rebels, and Israel is threatening military action against the (so far, non-existent) Russian S-300 missiles. *Ha'aretz* reported this week that senior Israeli diplomats are putting out the line that Russia would not retaliate if Israel bombed storage sites of the S-300s, as long as no Russian technicians were killed, and Russia had already been paid by Syria for the air-defense systems. This is brinksmanship of the most insane form.

Colonel Lang is not the only astute military analyst to draw the parallels between the current situation in the Eastern Mediterranean and that in the Balkans in the Summer of 1914, on the eve of World War I. Lyndon LaRouche has repeatedly warned that the Middle East crisis could trigger thermonuclear war between the major world powers, and that such a war would likely be a war of extinction for humanity as a whole. Between the U.S. and Russian fleets of nuclear-armed submarines, a global conflict could be triggered within a matter of moments.

This is the danger emanating from the British Crown. With the trans-Atlantic financial system on the brink of meltdown, some lunatic factions in the British oligarchy are contemplating a war provocation, in a desperate attempt to save their dying system, and, at the same time, fulfilling their Malthusian objective of drastically reducing the world's population.

In the coming weeks, President Barack Obama is scheduled to meet separately with Russian President Putin and Chinese President Xi Jinping. Both meetings will likely take place prior to the Geneva II meeting on Syria. If these June diplomatic initiatives fail, we could be facing a "Guns of July" existential crisis for all of mankind.

In Support of a Process of Dialogue And Reconciliation in Syria

by Mairead Maguire

This report, dated May 25, 2013, and the one that follows, were circulated by JUST International (International Movement for a Just World), created and headed by Chandra Muzaffar in Malaysia (countercurrents.org). JUST has supported and promoted many international efforts to address injustices around the world, with a focus on the continuing Palestinian crisis, and on imperial efforts to foment dissent and violence within the Islamic world.

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Mairead Maguire: “The war in Syria is not as depicted, a civil war, but a proxy war with serious breaches of international laws and the humanitarian international laws.”

Report and Appeal to the international community to support a process of dialogue and reconciliation in Syria between its people and the Syrian government and reject outside intervention and war.

After a 10-day visit to Lebanon and Syria, leading a 16-person delegation from 8 countries, invited by Mussalaha Reconciliation Movement, I have returned hopeful that peace is possible in Syria, if all outside interference is stopped and the Syrians are allowed to solve their own problems, upholding their right to self-determination.

An appeal to end all violence and for Syrians to be left alone from outside interference was made by all those we met during our visit to Syria. We have tried to

forward it to the international community in our Concluding Declaration.

During our visit we went to refugee camps, affected communities, met religious leaders, combatants, government representatives, opposition delegations, and many others, perpetrators and victims, in Lebanon and Syria.

1. Visits to refugee camps: In Lebanon we visited several refugee camps, hosted by Lebanese or Palestinian communities. One woman said: “Before this conflict started, we were happy and had a good life; there was free education, free healthcare, subsidies for fuel, in Syria, and now we live in poverty.”

Her daughter and son-in-law (a pharmacist and engineer), standing on a cement floor in a Palestinian refugee camp, with not even a mattress, told us that this violence had erupted to everyone’s surprise, and spread so quickly, they were all still in shock, but when well-armed, foreign fighters came to Homs, they took over their homes, raped their women, and killed young males who refused to join their ranks, so the people fled in terror.

They said that these foreign fighters were from many countries: Libyans, Saudis, Tunisians, Chechens, Afghanis, Pakistanis, Emiratis, Lebanese, Jordanians, Turkish, Europeans, Australians; and these gangs are financed and trained by foreign governments. They attach suicide vests around people’s bodies and threaten to explode them if they don’t do what they are told.



Voice of America

The UN High Commissioner on Refugees puts the official figure of Syrian refugees at 1 million. This family is staying in cramped quarters in Tripoli, Lebanon.

One refugee woman asked me, “When can we go home?” (To my great delight, a few days later in Damascus, I met a woman working on a government programme which is helping refugees to return to Syria, and over 200 have returned to date.)

Religious and government leaders have called upon people not to flee Syria, and it is to be hoped many will heed this call, as after seeing so many Syrian refugees living in tents and being exploited in so many ways, including sexually, I believe the best solution is the stability of Syria so its people feel safe enough to stay in Syria. If refugees continue to flee Syria, then surrounding countries could be destabilized, causing the domino effect and destabilizing the entire Middle East.

Many people have fled into camps in surrounding countries like Turkey, Jordan, or Lebanon, all of which are trying to manage the huge influx of Syrian refugees. Although the host countries are doing their best to cope, they are overwhelmed by refugee numbers. (UNHCR’s [UN High Commissioner on Refugees] official figure of refugees is 1 million). Through our meetings we have been informed that Turkey invites Syrian refugees into the country and forbids them to go back home. It is documented that Syrian refugees in Turkey and Jordan are mistreated. Some young Syrian refugee girls are sold for forced marriage in Jordan. From OHCHR [Officer for the High Commissioner on Human Rights] reports that we know that more than 4 million Syrians are displaced inside their own country, living in great need.

A representative from the Red Cross told us that

there is freedom to do their work throughout Syria for all NGOs and the Syrian Red Crescent in co-ordination with the Ministry of Social Affairs, and under such dire circumstances, they are doing their best, providing services to as many people as possible. However, there is a great shortage of funds for them to cope with this humanitarian tragedy of refugees and internally displaced population.

The economic sanctions, as in Iraq, are causing great hardship to many people, and all those whom we met called for them to be lifted. Our delegation called for the lifting of

these illegal US-led sanctions that target the Syrian population for purely political reasons in order to achieve regime change.

2. Hospitals: We visited the hospitals and saw many people injured by shootings, bombings, and armed attacks. A moderate Sunni Imam told me how he was abducted by jihadists, who tortured him, cut off his ear, tried to cut his throat, slicing his legs, and left him for dead. He said when he goes back to his mosque they will slaughter him. He told us “these men are foreign fighters, jihadists from foreign countries, well armed, well trained, with money; they are in our country to destroy it. They are not true Muslims but are religious extremist/fundamentalists terrorizing, abducting, killing our people.”

The government spokesman also confirmed that they have in detention captured foreign fighters from 29 countries, including Chechens, Iraqis, and many others. The Ministry of Health showed us a documentary on the terrible killings by jihadists and the terror caused by these foreigners, with the killing of medics and destruction of medical infrastructure of the Syrian State which has made it difficult to answer the needs of the population.

3. Meeting with the Opposition: Our delegation participated in an open forum with many representatives of the internal opposition’s parties. One political opponent who was in prison for 24 years under the Assad regime, and has been out for 11 years, wants political change ... but without outside interference and

the use of violence. We met with “armed” opposition people in a local community who said they had accepted the government’s offer of amnesty and were working for a peaceful way forward. One man told me he had accepted money from jihadists to fight, but had been shocked by their cruelty and the way they treated fellow Syrian Muslims, considering them as not real Muslims. He said foreign jihadists wanted to take over Syria, not save it. . . .

4. Meeting with Officials: Our Delegation met, and spoke, at the Parliament, and also with the Governor, Prime Minister, and seven other ministries. We were given details of the new Constitution and political reforms being put in place, and plans for elections in 2014. Government ministers admitted that they had made mistakes in being slow to respond to legitimate demands for change from the civil community, but these were now being implemented. They told us when the conflict started it was peaceful for change, but quickly turned into bloodshed, when armed men killed many soldiers. . . .

When we enquired from the Prime Minister regarding the allegation that the Syrian Government had used sarin gas, he told us that as soon as news came from Aleppo that allegedly gas had been used, his government invited immediately the UN to come in to investigate, but heard nothing from them. Most recently however, a UN investigator, High Commissioner Carla Del Ponte, has confirmed that it was rebels, not the Syrian government, who used sarin gas. . . .

The Ministers and Governor said that President Assad was their President and has their support. There were many people we spoke to who expressed such sentiments. However, some young people said they support the opposition, but in order to protect the Unity of Syria from outside destruction, they will support the government and President Assad, until the election next year, and then they will vote for the opposition. They said the Doha Coalition in Qatar does not represent them, and that no one outside Syria has a right to remove President Assad but the Syrian people, through the elections next year. The journalists in Syria are in great danger from the religious extremist/fundamentals, and during my visit to a television station a young journalist told me how his mother was killed by jihadists, and he showed me his arm where he had been shot and almost killed.

5. Meeting with religious leaders: We attended in the Omayyad Mosque in Damascus a prayer gathering led by the Grand Mufti of the Syrian Arab Republic, Dr. Ahmad Badr Al-Din Hassoun, and the Greek Catholic Patriarch Gregory III Laham with the delegate of Greek Orthodox Patriarch John X Yazigi, and clerics of all traditions. The Assembly prayed for the peace and unity of Syria and the non-interference of outsiders in their country. They stressed the conflict in Syria is not a religious conflict, as Muslims and Christians have always lived together in Syria, and they are (in spite of living with suffering and violence, much of which is not of their own making), unified in their wish to be a light of peace and reconciliation to the world. . . .

The Muslim and Christian spiritual leaders are very conscious that if the religious extremist/fundamentalists gain momentum and control Syria, the future of those who are not supportive of fundamentalists, like moderate Muslims, Christians, minorities, and other Syrians, is in great danger. Indeed, the Middle East could lose its precious pluralistic social fabric, with the Christians, like in Iraq, being the first to flee the country. This would be a tragedy for all concerned in this multi-religious, multi-cultural secular Syria, once a light of peaceful conviviality in the Arab world.

An Overview

Following many authorized reports in the mainstream media and our own evidence, I can stress that the Syrian State and its population are under a proxy war led by foreign countries, and directly financed and backed mainly by Qatar, which has imposed its views on the Arab League. Turkey, a part of the Lebanese opposition, and some of the Jordanian authorities offer a safe haven to a diversity of jihadist groups, each with its own agenda, recruited from many countries. Bands of jihadists armed and financed from foreign countries invade Syria through Turkey, Jordan, and Lebanon’s porous frontiers, in an effort to destabilize Syria. There are an estimated 50,000 foreign jihadist fighters terrorizing Syria.

Those death squads are destroying systematically the Syrian State infrastructure (electricity, oil, gas, and water plants, high-tension pylons, hospitals, schools, public buildings, cultural heritage sites, and even religious sanctuaries). Moreover, the country is submerged by snipers, bombers, agitators, and bandits. They use aggression and Sharia rules, and hijack the freedom and

dignity of the Syrian population. They torture and kill those who refuse to join them. They have strange religious beliefs which make them feel comfortable even perpetrating the cruelest acts, like the killing and torturing of their opponents.

It is well-documented that many of those terrorists are permanently under stimulants like Captagon. The general lack of security unleashes the terrible phenomenon of abduction for ransom or for political pressure. Thousands of innocents are missing, among them the two Bishops Youhanna Ibrahim and Paul Yazigi, and many priests and Imams.

UN and EU economic sanctions, as well as a severe embargo, are pushing Syria to the edge of social collapse. Unfortunately, the international media network is ignoring those realities, and is bent on demonizing, lying, and destabilizing the country, and fueling more violence and contradiction.

In summary: The war in Syria is not as depicted, a civil war, but a proxy war with serious breaches of international laws and the humanitarian international laws. The protection of the foreign fighters by some foreign countries among the most powerful gives them a kind of an unaccountability that pushes them with impunity to all kind of cruel deeds against innocent civilians. Even war conventions are not respected, resulting in many war crimes and, even, crimes against Humanity.

Conclusion

...We witnessed that the Syrian people have suffered very deeply and continue to do so. The entire population of 23 million people are under tremendous threat of continued infiltration by foreign terrorists. Many are still stunned by the horrors and suddenness of all this violence and worried that their country will be attacked and divided by outside forces, and are all too aware that geopolitical forces are at work to destabilize Syria for political control, oil, and other resources. One Druze leader said, "If Westerners want our oil—both Lebanon and Syria have oil reserves—let us negotiate for it, but do not destroy our country to take it."

In Syria memories of next door Iraq's destruction by US/UK/NATO forces are fresh in people's minds, including in the minds of the one and a half million Iraqis who fled Iraq's conflict, including many Christians, and were given refuge in Syria by the Syrian Government....

Report from Syria

On the Road To Damascus

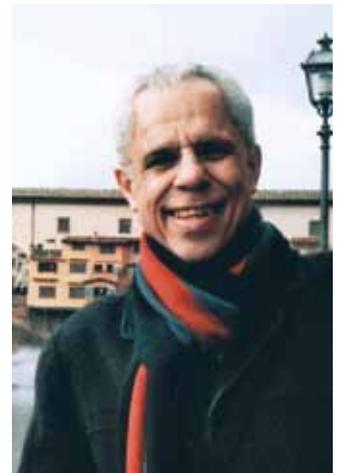
by Antonio S.C. Rosa

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I participated, May 1-11, 2013, in the Mussalaha International Peace Delegation to Lebanon-Syria alongside fellow TRANSCEND member Nobel Peace Laureate Mairead Maguire, from Ireland, and 15 others from eight countries. Keenly aware of my responsibility, especially to my newly made Syrian and Lebanese friends left behind, I shall try to report, describe, make sense of what I saw, heard, and experienced; also offer views and insights based on interviews....

First impressions first: the people, the civil society, women, men, the youth, elderly, children, workers, the Arab street, as it is called.... After some time I noticed a striking absence of anger or negative excitement in the air; people going about their daily business as if nothing was happening, as if life were normal....

...Nonetheless, the country has been as if divided by checkpoints in every strategic entrance and exit. To give an idea, our Damascus hotel was surrounded by



Antonio S.C. Rosa: "Bashar al-Assad is not the sole culprit.... He is a well-liked leader all over, which is evident in different cities, in talks with differing kinds of persons, and by their attitudes and actions."

six different checkpoints strategically located around it. Armed personnel and soldiers on the streets are a common sight that adds to a sense of security.

Mairead [Maguire] and Mother Agnès-Maryam Soeur (our leaders) met privately with Syrian armed fighters, and we were introduced to some persons victimized by their atrocities. Audiences included: Syrian Prime Minister Mr. Wael Al Halki, Deputy PM and Minister of Economic Affairs Mr. Qadri Jameel (opposition), Minister of Health Dr. Saed Anayef, Minister of Social Affairs Ms. Kinda Al-Shammat (a pleasant and intelligent young lady), Minister of Justice Dr. Najem Hamad Al-Ahmad, Minister of Information Mr. Omran Ahed Al-Zouabi, Minister of Foreign Affairs Mr. Walid Muallem, the Syrian Ambassador to Lebanon Mr. Ali Abd Karim Ali, the Iranian Ambassador to Lebanon, and General Michael Aoun, an influential Lebanese party leader (who is rumored to discriminate against Palestinian refugees).

We visited the People's Council of Syria (parliament), hospitals, refugee camps, were briefed by senior field coordinator Maeve Murphy at the UNHCR [UN High Commissioner for Refugees] intake center in Zahleh-Lebanon, and met with a representative of the Syrian Arab Red Crescent, and with ambulance drivers and health workers. We were also welcomed by some ten leaders from various religions, sects, and faiths, were greeted in churches and mosques....

Actors and Parties to the Conflict

...Of one thing you may rest assured: Bashar al-Assad is not the sole culprit, THE bad guy in this saga. He is a well-liked leader all over, which is evident in different cities, in talks with differing kinds of persons, and by their attitudes and actions. Body languages, eye contacts, non-verbal messages work wonders in bringing hidden messages to the surface. Billboards with his picture are spread throughout the land and they are clean, well-preserved. One does not see graffiti over them, obscenities or anything like that....

In addition, as much as I tried, no one leader could or would answer my two basic questions: What is the source of this conflict? What are the solutions?... But I got a generalized reply based and around a single theme: "The violence must stop!"...

Refugees

The Syrian state and its population are being indirectly attacked by US/EU/NATO/UN; and directly by

Israel, ... by the autocratic dictatorships of the GCC-Gulf Cooperation Council: Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, UAE (mostly Sunni Muslims) in partnership with Turkey (secular), and by Al Qaeda, plus a diversity of mercenary jihadists (by definition terrorist groups), each with its own agenda, recruited from 29 countries and paid by GCC/CIA. Syrians are also assailed by UN sanctions and an embargo, and by a foreign press bent on demonizing, lying, destabilizing the country (not merely the regime)....

We visited and talked with a chief of family of refugees in Lebanon, and saw 20 people living in a space roughly 6x6 without ventilation, a room inside a warehouse, for which they pay the equivalent of \$400/month. One filthy kitchen, one bathroom. And that is that. They are on their own to find work and everything else. Some resort to stealing and committing petty crimes to survive. This is typical, not an exception....

In one of the refugee camps we visited in Lebanon (more aptly called a concentration camp) we talked with a couple from Homs—he being a pharmacist and engineer—who had their house and business blown up due to terrorist activities. Now they live by charity in the Bekaa Valley-Lebanon, under a tent and with nothing but the clothes over their bodies. They are not allowed to work, own property, have a dignified life. There is no sanitation, and there are checkpoints with armed soldiers at the gates. Multiply this by about 1.5 million and you will have an approximate dimension of the human tragedy....

This is how it works, according to Prime Minister Wael Al Halki himself, with whom we spent 2.5 hours: ...Jihadists take a village by assault, kill public officials, take over private houses in which to hide, burn plantations, spread terror and devastation. Their aim is simple: to render the country as ungovernable as they possibly can, disrupt normal life, destroy institutions, livestock, people. They occupy hospitals forcing medical personnel to look only after foreign fighters, not allowing wounded locals or government soldiers to be treated. This has created a wave of refugees from a total population of 21.9 million. Internal displacement is calculated at 1.5 million people. And 600,000 external refugees according to the Minister of Social Affairs, Ms Kinda Al-Shammat (estimate)....

Government Retaliation

Syrian authorities, on the other hand, reacted to the rampant and aggressive terrorism through a policy



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The Umayyad Mosque in the old city of Damascus is emblematic of the religious tolerance that existed in Syria before the war. Shown: the shrine of St. John the Baptist, at the center of the huge 4,000-year-old structure, which is located at the end of the famous Road to Damascus of St. Paul's conversion.

they call “iron hand.” Tanks, artillery, and infantry descend in force on the places that foreign fighters keep under siege, and blow up the buildings where they hide, keep armaments and snipers. However, before striking the buildings, fliers are thrown from helicopters advising residents to leave the area, which is not always possible because the terrorists use them as human shields, keeping them under captivity inside their own residences. Collateral damage is high; it is a policy many consider unacceptable. But given the odds, he said, it is the best alternative. And this method, as brutal as it is, is bearing fruit as the terrorists are being decimated or otherwise driven farther and farther from populated areas. . . .

Delegate Paul Larudee reports:

“There was the celebrated case of a nine-year-old Christian boy named Sari Saoud, killed by rebels in Homs. His body was taken by the rebels, but his mother, Georgina al-Jammal caught up with them, and her embrace of her dead son was captured on video by the rebels, who then falsified the account to make it appear that the boy had been killed by government forces.

“I talked with Georgina, who supports the government, but blames it for leaving the area without protection. She told me that she recognized some of the rebels

from the neighborhood, but that others were strangers.”

Conclusion

A positive note: we were gifted with a VIP visit to the famous Umayyad Mosque in the old city of Damascus, fourth-holiest [Islamic] place after Mecca, where is located the tomb and shrine of St. John the Baptist right at the center of the huge 4,000 year-old construction that had previously been a temple of Jupiter in Roman times and the Basilica of Saint John the Baptist. This mosque is at the end of the famous Road to Damascus, of St. Paul's conversion, which we walked by foot seeing the exact spot of the event. Upon exiting the mosque complex, one could see another building erected by Saladin (1174-1193), also buried in Umayyad. . . .

We were hosted by the head of Umayyad, the Grand Mufti of the Syrian Arab republic, Dr. Ahmad Badr Al-Din

Hassoun, and by the Greek Catholic Patriarch Gregory III Laham, who organized and hosted our whole trip, along with Mussalaha. . . .

The Mussalaha International Peace Delegation to Syria issued a Concluding Declaration. Being from varying backgrounds, delegates did not agree on everything and one of them did not sign it. Therefore: no groupthink, and no possibility of collective brainwashing of our group by Syrian authorities. And Mairead Maguire's messages to the media, as the Nobel Peace laureate head of the delegation, remained impeccable and on point. She started all interviews with affirmations to the effect that,

“It is for the Syrian people to decide about their own problems, their own destiny, their own politics, their own leadership and form of government. No one has the right to interfere in their internal affairs and all foreign forces must withdraw and stay away. The flow of arms and armed fighters must be stopped, sanctions must be lifted, and if the arms embargo should remain in place, it ought [to apply] to all parties involved, not just to the Syrian government that has a right to defend itself from foreign aggression, [from] the foreign bands of invaders that are killing and terrorizing the population. All parties must follow the rules of international law.”. . .

Russian Experts: Economy Can't Recover Without Glass-Steagall

by Rachel Douglas

June 3—The discussion in Russia of the need for Glass-Steagall banking separation has picked up steam, following a conference President Vladimir Putin held May 23 in Voronezh with 90 leading businessmen from around the country. As the business daily *Vzglyad* put it, Putin “called on the Central Bank to think about how to saturate the banks with cheap credits, to enable the latter to extend credit to the economy.” It is crucial, Putin added, that the result be “the actual expansion of financing, rather than merely increased revenues and superprofits for the banks.”

Coverage in Russia’s leading economic weekly, *Expert* magazine, featured the views of a Moscow analyst who pointed out that Putin’s credit-to-industry goals cannot be met, without the implementation of an equivalent of Glass-Steagall banking separation to prevent resources from being siphoned into speculative operations. Next, on May 30, Prof. Valentin Katasonov of the Moscow State Institute for International Relations (MGIMO), the prestigious Foreign Ministry university, issued an overview of the history and current international fights around Glass-Steagall, arguing that without it, “all discussions of financial stability will be empty chatter.”

Also on May 30, the weekly newspaper *Zavtra* published a full page of coverage of the Schiller Institute’s April 13-14 conference in Germany, highlighting the conference resolution on Glass-Steagall (see next article). As we reported last week (“Russians Welcome Glass-Steagall Fight,” *EIR*, May 31), “Glass-Steagall” has become a well-known concept in Russia in recent times, thanks to the LaRouche movement’s campaign for this crucial first step in replacing the existing crisis-ridden, murderous, global financial system. Lyndon LaRouche’s speech at the Frankfurt conference, emphasizing Glass-Steagall as “the fundamental law of the United States,” has been viewed online by thousands of Russians.

The Voronezh consultation was the latest of several held by Putin to address the severe contraction of eco-

nomical growth in Russia, which stagnated to an annual rate of 1.1% in the first quarter of 2013. (A slight improvement during April is attributable largely to increased energy generation during unseasonably cold weather.) At a late April economics colloquium in Sochi, Putin staged an open debate between Minister of Economics Andrei Belousov, who said the economy was being starved by high interest rates and other tight money practices, and outgoing Central Bank head Sergei Ignatyev, upholding dogma about “fighting inflation.”

At several of the meetings, Putin himself expressed concern that Russia will experience even more of a downturn because of the crisis in Europe, which accounts for 50% of Russian foreign trade.

The Kremlin’s search for improvements in economic policy is complicated by the continuing presence of former Finance Minister Alexei Kudrin amid the upper echelons of power. Putin had invited Kudrin, who was fired in the Fall of 2011 after making public derogatory remarks about then-President Dmitri Medvedev, as an in-studio guest to discuss the economy during Putin’s April 25 national call-in broadcast. The President praised Kudrin as a brilliant finance minister, recognized as such by leading European financial publications, and revealed that he had offered to return Kudrin to an official post, which offer he said the latter had refused.

In an interview with *Banki* magazine on May 6, Russian Academician Sergei Glazyev strongly criticized Kudrin as a monetarist, whose policies were detrimental to Russia’s economic development. Asked by *Banki* if Kudrin were his chief adversary, Glazyev said, “He is not my adversary, he is the adversary of our economic development.” Glazyev is also an advisor to the Russian President. Concerning Kudrin’s latest warnings that any increase of credit availability within the Russian economy risked triggering inflation, Glazyev said, “This is exemplary of the linear, mechanistic thinking of a person who has no idea how today’s economy is constructed. Monetarists like him have the



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В мае с.г. в мировых и российских СМИ промелькнуло сообщение, которое почти никем не было замечено. Речь идет о законопроекте американского сенатора Томаса Харкина (демократическая партия, штат Айова). Он внес в Сенат США законопроект № 985 о

Prof. Valentin Katasonov's article on the return of Glass-Steagall is posted here on the website of Svobodnaya Pressa, with a photo of President Franklin D. Roosevelt signing the bill in 1933.

notion that the economy is an array of disembodied economic agents, each seeking to maximize profit.... The scholasticism of our monetarists, including Alexei, strongly reminds me of the political economy of socialism. Both are divorced from reality. Each one serves as an apology for the policies of certain people.... The theory of market equilibrium, and monetarism as its most radical version, justifying non-interference by the state in economic processes, is an apology for oligarchical capital. To understand the views of an economist, you have to see whose interests they reflect. The views of our monetarists reflect the interests of oligarchical capital."

'The Return of Glass-Steagall'

Expert on May 24 reported the Voronezh meeting under the headline, "Putin Tells Central Bank To Give the Banks Cheap Money and Force Them To Lend to the Real Economy." The magazine interviewed Yelena Chernoletskaya, chief analyst at the Moscow Markets

Center, who said that the only way to accomplish that was by Glass-Steagall measures.

"First and foremost," warned Chernoletskaya, "if the banks receive cheap liquidity for the express purpose of lending to the real sector, they must be deprived of any opportunity to divert that money back into the financial market." She noted that there have been various attempts to impose such restrictions in other countries, focussing on the "tougher, older [than current exercises like Dodd-Frank] measure, which is not currently in effect, but may be reinstated—the Glass-Steagall law." She explained, "The essence of the idea is simple: reduce risk in the financial system, provide consumer protection, and closely monitor the system's core financial institutions. One of the measures is the separation of investment bank services, private capital, and hedge funds from direct lending. The Glass-Steagall law provides for an outright separation between investment and direct banking operations."

Added Chernoletskaya, "Perhaps this kind of mechanism could help boost bank lending to the Russian economy.... There is not yet any indication, however, that the Russian Central Bank is prepared to adopt such measures."

Katasonov's article, titled "The Return of Glass-Steagall?," appeared on the website of the Strategic Culture Foundation (www.fondsk.ru) May 30. Using extensive quotations from LaRouche, Katasonov led with the news of Sen. Tom Harkin's introduction of Glass-Steagall reinstatement bill, S.B. 985, on May 16, the 80th anniversary of the introduction of the original act.

The MGIMO professor situated the original Glass-Steagall within President Franklin Roosevelt's overall anti-Depression economic program, noting that the Wall Street banks had inflated the speculative bubble of the "Roaring Twenties," which had to be stopped in the national interest. He then recounted the persistent drive to weaken and ultimately abolish Glass-Steagall, from 1956 up through its success in 1999. The roles of Paul Volcker, Alan Greenspan, the Fed as an institution, and JP Morgan were noted.

Examining the results of the abolition of Glass-Steagall, Katasonov extensively cited the 2011 Angelides (Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission) report,

Russia's 'Zavtra' Features LaRouche

by Rachel Douglas

May 30—This week's issue of the Russian weekly newspaper *Zavtra* ran a front-page article, with a full-page jump on page 2, on the Schiller Institute conference "Attaining Freedom through Necessity: The Last Chance for Humanity," held April 13-14 near Frankfurt, Germany. Presented from the standpoint of the delegation in attendance from Russia's new and influential Izborsk Club of intellectuals, the coverage featured extensive quotations from Lyndon LaRouche on the existential war danger to all humanity, the threat from the British Queen-orchestrated genocide policy, and the reinstatement of Glass-Steagall banking separation as the beginning of a way out. The Schiller Institute conference resolution on Glass-Steagall and a Hamiltonian credit system ([see EIR, April 19](#) for the text).

Zavtra has a print circulation of 100,000 copies, in addition to its online following. It is widely read in Russian political circles, from the State Duma to the Kremlin. Its coverage of the conference emphasized the contributions of the Izborsk Club members, while providing a link to the now-complete posting of the conference videos on the [Russian-language site](#) of the LaRouche movement.

The front-page lead article read as follows, under the headline "Humanity's Last Chance: from the Schiller Institute Conference in Frankfurt-am-Main":

"An international conference of the Schiller Institute took place in Germany on April 13-14, dedicated to a new paradigm for the survival of mankind, with panels on 'Hope for the Future,' 'Energy Security in the 21st Century,' 'Eurasian Integration,' and 'Life after the Euro.' Representatives of 27 countries took part, among them a delegation of the Izborsk Club composed of Alexander Nagorny, Mikhail Delyagin, and Andrei Fursov. We offer our readers a brief summary and some of the proceedings of the conference, which may be seen in full on the Schiller Institute sites [link provided]."

including its conclusions that "the main reason for the crisis was the attempt over the past three decades to get rid of the measures for the defense of the citizenry, instituted by Franklin Roosevelt in the mid-20th century, including the Glass-Steagall law." Instead of Glass-Steagall, Katasonov observed, the United States went for bailouts.

Katasonov cited "the well-known American non-conformist Lyndon LaRouche," who from the moment of the 2008 bailout of Bear Stearns said that these measures were a violation of the body of law adopted under FDR. He quoted at length LaRouche's September 2008 warnings, when then-Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson was pushing through the TARP bailout, that "there had never before been a case in which a government bailed out the worthless paper of foreign investors," and that "Paulson was making American taxpayers rescue his British and European friends, something criminal and unconstitutional." LaRouche warned at that time, Katasonov writes, that this policy would lead to "genocide."

Reporting on the battle to resurrect Glass-Steagall, Katasonov cited statements by former Kansas City Fed chief Thomas Hoenig, who is now a director of the FDIC, and others. Noting the "pro-Glass-Steagall" remarks of Volcker and other Obama-connected figures, the Russian analyst observed that "there's quite a lot of rhetoric, and even a dose of hypocrisy," quoting LaRouche on the "uselessness" of the Dodd-Frank Act. Nonetheless, he wrote, "Even granting the accuracy of such caveats, it must be recognized that a favorable atmosphere is being created in the USA for those who genuinely want to reinstate Glass-Steagall."

Katasonov reviewed the history of the fight in the U.S. Senate around the Cantwell-McCain legislation in 2010, and the introduction of the Kaptur-Jones H.R. 1489/H.R. 129—with its 62 supporters in the House of Representatives—followed by Senator Harkin's measure. He quoted LaRouche's welcoming of Harkin's move as "a very important step," and noted the spread of pro-Glass-Steagall resolutions in U.S. state legislatures.

In conclusion, Katasonov wrote: "At the G7, G8, and G20 summits, and other world forums where financial stability and reforming the world financial system are constantly discussed, the issue of separating deposit/lending from investment banking is approached very gingerly. Specialists understand, however, that without solving this fundamental problem, all discussions of financial stability will be empty chatter."

“Opening the conference, Helga Zepp-LaRouche stated that mankind is better than today’s oligarchy can imagine, and deserves a better fate than the catastrophe being prepared for it. ‘Our goal,’ she said, ‘is to inspire a new paradigm in the history of mankind,’ based not on the power of money, but ‘reflected in the true identity of the human species, man as a cognitive being whose identity is that of a creative species.’”

The Solution Begins with Glass-Steagall

“‘We’re in a situation now, where mankind is in the greatest danger of virtual extinction of the species ever known to us in historical times. . . . [N]ever before, since prehistorical times, has mankind ever faced a danger to the human species as great as the world as a whole faces today,’ said Lyndon LaRouche. He explained that billions of people are doomed to die of hunger or disease, unless we change the current global system by which mankind is ruled. ‘It’s an insane thing not to use nuclear power,’ he said, since nuclear power can provide mankind with the energy it needs to solve all the tasks confronting it.

“LaRouche said that the energy deficit is being created artificially. ‘And the rate of production of necessities is falling, and it’s falling at an accelerating rate,’ he added. He said that Weimar hyperinflation was nothing, compared with what faces us now. ‘The policy being implemented . . . is to reduce the world’s population to somewhat on the order of magnitude of 1 or 1.2 billion people. That policy is a policy of deliberate genocide.’ LaRouche said that Barack Obama was implementing precisely this policy, worldwide, including in the USA, Russia, and the Middle East. He added that the Queen of England, through her puppets in the European Union, and through the euro itself, was imposing the same policy on the nations of Central and Southern Europe.

“The solution, LaRouche said, is to immediately halt the emission of ‘empty’ money, and instead link money to real assets by adopting laws analogous to the Glass-Steagall law in the USA, which had been in effect from 1933-1999, until its repeal during the Clinton Administration. He said that full use must be made of nuclear power, with a transition to thermonuclear fusion power, which will free mankind to realize his creative potential.

“Also noteworthy were the presentations by Jacques Cheminade (France), Daisuke Kotegawa (Japan), Cui Hongjian (China), Natalia Vitrenko (Ukraine), Craig

Isherwood (Australia), Nino Galloni (Italy), and Eduardo Greaves (Venezuela), which provided a comprehensive ideological, political and socioeconomic vision of an alternative conception of the global development of humanity. The conference adopted a resolution, expressing support for the reinstatement of the Glass-Steagall law in the USA, as well as the adoption of similar legislation in other countries, as a mandatory condition for overcoming the dictatorship of global ‘financial fascism,’ as Jacques Cheminade put it.”

Getting Out of a Dead End

The page 2 jump included Mikhail Delyagin’s speech “The Global Crisis: Why Mankind Needs Russia” (see *EIR*, May 3), in full, in addition to excerpts from the presentations by Nagorny and Fursov. *Zavtra* deputy editor Nagorny supplemented his text with this explanation of the Izborsk Club perspective: “We realize full well that the current power system in Russia, including the ‘vertical power structure’ that has been established, is far from corresponding to the parameters needed for getting out of the current dead end, and that they are very far from even understanding the tasks before them. . . . But we believe that the logic of historical development will take the upper hand over narrow group and clan interests within the upper echelons of the Russian leadership, and that it is possible and doable to transform the ‘vertical power structure.’ And one of the main goals of our activity is to promote such a transformation in every possible way, by word and deed.”

The *Zavtra* package concluded with this excerpt from the Frankfurt Resolution:

“We must also replace the present monetary system with a public credit system in the tradition of Alexander Hamilton, based on national banking, in order to finance reconstruction of the world economy. That implies each country’s sovereignty over its own currency.

“If mankind is to have a future, we must end the present policies of conflict resolution through war, and agree on the common aims of mankind, such as overcoming poverty on Earth, and defending the planet against the very real dangers from outer space through the policies of the Strategic Defense of Earth.

“The immediate implementation of Glass-Steagall is the absolutely irreplaceable mandatory first step, without which none of the other objectives has any chance of realization.”

Blair's Fate Hinges On Iraq War Coverup

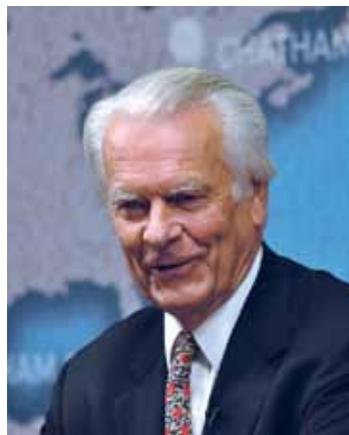
by Carl Osgood

Lord David Owen, former Foreign Secretary, former Member of Parliament, Privy Councillor, Member of the House of Lords since 1992, among other distinctions, has charged that former Prime Minister Tony Blair and current Prime Minister David Cameron are engaged in a conspiracy to block the release of certain documents to the Iraq Inquiry, chaired by Sir John Chilcot.

As reported May 29 by the London *Telegraph's* chief political commentator, Peter Osborne, Owen said, at a public event the previous weekend, that the Inquiry "is being prevented from revealing extracts that they believe relevant from exchanges between President Bush and Prime Minister Blair." The culprits, he said, Tony Blair and Cameron: "Publication of the Bush extracts would not be blocked if Tony Blair had not objected, nor if that objection had not been supported by the present prime minister, David Cameron. Both men are hiding behind conventions that are totally inappropriate given the nature of the inquiry."

But, according to Osborne, Owen didn't stop there. He went on to suggest that Blair and Cameron have entered into a political deal, under which Cameron sits on the documents that Blair wants withheld, in return for neutrality or even tacit political support for the Tories in the next general election, scheduled for 2015. "No 10 [Number 10 Downing Street, the Prime Minister's residence—ed.] reveals that they are in constant contact on many issues with Tony Blair, and Blair's own people confirm this," he said. "Not for nothing does Cameron see himself still as the 'heir to Blair.' It is hard to escape the conclusion that No 10 hopes to win the neutrality or possibly tacit support of Blair by the General Election."

Owen backed up his charge in an interview published on May 28 on the Total Politics blog, where he indicated that the Inquiry has full rights to whatever documents it needs. "What is happening now is a defensive mechanism of people who are trying to evade the tall impact of the Inquiry," he said. "It's as if they s to be raised about whether or not, for example, the truth



Chatham House

Lord David Owen

was told to Parliament."

The Chilcot Inquiry was first convened in 2009 by then-Prime Minister Gordon Brown to, as Brown put it at the time, draw what "lessons" could be learned from Britain's involvement in the Iraq War of 2003-11. Its final report was originally to be re-

leased by the end of 2011, but is now looking like it won't come before 2014. It got bogged down after taking much testimony from numerous government officials of the time, and the publication of many declassified documents, when the government, by then, headed by Cameron, refused to turn over certain documents to the Inquiry, particularly those concerning the discussions between Blair and U.S. President George W. Bush.

According to numerous accounts, including many already provided to the Inquiry, Blair promised Bush, as early as April 2002, that if the U.S. decided to invade Iraq, Britain would be there right beside U.S. forces. Blair has plenty of motivation to keep the truth about those discussions secret, not the least of which, Osborne points out, is that Blair's business empire, based on dispensing advice to Middle Eastern and African dictators, could not exist without at least the tacit support of the Foreign Office.

The implications of nailing Blair are much wider, though, and Osborne gets it. "If Chilcot were to conclude that Tony Blair lied over Iraq (and many well-placed people are convinced he did) it would be a first-order catastrophe for the former prime minister," Osborne writes. "He would be disgraced, just as Anthony Eden was after it emerged that he had lied to Parliament over the invasion of Suez in 1956. His political life would be over and his reputation destroyed. It is not merely that he would be unable to return to British politics. He would also be forced to abandon all ambitions on the international stage, such as his professed desire to become European Union president," or, Osborne could have added, his drive to ignite World War III in the Middle East.

EIR Participates in Commemoration of 50th Anniversary of the African Union

by Donielle DeToy

June 4—Fifty years ago, on May 25, 1963, African leaders representing 32 newly created nations gathered in Addis Abba, Ethiopia, to form the Organization of African Union (OAU). The President of Ghana, Dr. Kwame Nkrumah, a founding father of the OAU, presented a clear and necessary vision of a united Africa joined together for the common cause of independent banking, economic cooperation, and large infrastructure projects. Lawrence Freeman, of *EIR*'s Africa Desk, rekindled that vision in his presentation, "Africa's Great Deficit: Challenges of Infrastructure Decay, Peace, and Economic Development," on May 28, 2013, at the headquarters of the OAU in New York City.

The conference, "Africa@50 Summit," was sponsored by the Center for Media Peace Initiatives (CMPI), to commemorate the OAU's founding. Dr. Uchenna Ekwo, the president and founder of CMPI, invited Freeman to speak on the first panel, "Democracy, Development, and Defense." He presented some of *EIR*'s proposed great infrastructure projects for Africa and provoked an intensive discussion of the credit policies of America's first Secretary of the Treasury, Alexander's Hamilton.

Freeman reminded the audience of the brutal mentality of Africa's most infamous British imperialist, Cecil Rhodes, master of "the looting of the continent's abundant resources under the ground, accompanied by the killing of tens of millions of 'natives' above the ground." Unfortunately, after 50 years, the same policies have continued, he said. The two mechanisms used to achieve these desired ends have been: "1) the intentional refusal to build regional and transcontinental infrastructure projects in vital categories of power, water, and rail transportation; and 2) the manipulation, creation, and nurturing of 'ethnic-religious' differences. The intended consequence has been fragile or weakened states throughout the continent. Suffering from

the lack of the basic necessities of life, desperate people predictably turn on each other, killing their brothers and sisters over food, land, and water, simply to stay alive. We witness these conditions today in Sudan and South Sudan, the Central African Republic, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Nigeria, and Mali."

Nkrumah's Vision

How does one end the conflicts, wars, famine, and insurgencies? Freeman insisted that the root causes must be extirpated, and replaced by a new economic principle based on a Hamiltonian credit system and continental collaboration for great infrastructure projects. That concept is not new to the OAU; in its founding 1963 conference, President Nkrumah echoed a similar theme:

"It is true that we are now throwing off the yoke of colonialism as fast as we can, but our success in this direction is equally matched by an intense effort on the part of imperialism to continue the exploitation of our resources by creating divisions among us. . . .

"It was colonialism in the first place that prevented us from accumulating the effective capital; but we ourselves have failed to make full use of our power in independence to mobilize our resource. It is only by uniting our productive capacity and the resultant production that we can amass capital. And once we start, the momentum will increase. With capital controlled by our own banks, harnessed to our own true industrial and agricultural development, we shall make our advance. We shall accumulate machinery and establish steel works, iron foundries, and factories; we shall link the various states of our continent with communications; we shall astound the world with our hydroelectric power; we shall drain marshes and swamps, clear infested areas, feed the under-nourished, and rid our people of parasites and disease. It is within the possibil-

FIGURE 1



This satellite view of Africa, showing one-third of the continent is desert, makes clear why water projects are so desperately needed.

ity of science and technology to make even the Sahara bloom into a vast field with verdant vegetation for agricultural and industrial developments.”

‘A Bright Future’

Making the Sahara bloom is exactly what *EIR* then presented to this audience. Freeman showed maps of four major continental projects—two water infrastructure proposals, the Transaqua program and the canal from eastern Congo to the Qattara Depression, and two transport corridors, Africa Pass and an East-West railroad.

A map of water resources in Africa shows the problem clearly: an abundance of water in the Congo Basin, and an extremely dry desert region, including the rapidly disappearing Lake Chad. Transaqua (see *EIR*, Oct. 8, 2010), would build a navigable canal from the mighty Congo River north to join the Obangui River, then cross

the Central African Republic into the Chari River to replenish Lake Chad. This would improve the lives of over 50 million Africans from Chad, Cameroon, Niger, and Nigeria, creating new economic potential for all of the Sahel. The canal from the Eastern Congo to the Qattara Depression (*EIR*, June 8, 2012) also begins with Congo River; this proposed irrigation canal travels through Central African Republic, South Sudan, Sudan, and Egypt. The two transportation grids will connect more than 20 countries on the African continent.

Freeman then spoke of the youth of Africa, the continent which “is reported to have the fastest-growing population, ages 15-24, in the world, making up 20% of the total population of the continent, or 200 million, and 60% of the unemployed. Construction of these infrastructure projects will not only be the most efficient way to provide employment for Africa’s ‘youth bulge,’ but it will necessitate the education and training of tens of millions of youth as laborers, engineers, and scientists. This course of action will provide a bright future for all Africans, and benefit the entire world.”

Lyndon LaRouche has warned that the present global financial system is in a process of disintegration and that the United States must lead the way by reinstating Glass-Steagall and establishing a Hamiltonian credit system. It was this concept that created a particularly intense dialogue during the conference. One audience participant, a proclaimed descendant of Hamilton, challenged everyone to go to Wall Street to view the statue of Hamilton, study his writings to understand how it is that America was able to free itself from the British Empire by creating a new type of bank. This addressed the often-asked question, “How will you pay for these projects?”

In the afternoon, a panelist began his speech with a reference to Freeman’s earlier presentation, and then gave a brief history of Hamilton’s method of national banking. His impromptu statement ended with a call for the immediate creation of the First National Bank of Africa. The Founding Fathers of the OAU and the U.S.A. would most certainly agree.

Glass-Steagall Resolution Introduced in New York State

by Nancy Spannaus

June 3—If the state that harbors Wall Street demands the reinstatement of FDR’s Glass-Steagall banking law, can victory in Washington be far behind? It was with that thought of the strategic significance of New York State in the Glass-Steagall fight in mind, that the LaRouche Political Action Committee (LaRouchePAC) mobilized an onslaught on the Albany State Legislature over the last five months, with the determination to get a memorial introduced and passed.

On May 29, the mobilization scored its first victory, as Assemblyman Phil Steck (D-Schenectady) introduced K. 490, with 21 co-sponsors. The Memorial resolves that “the Congress of the United States be and hereby is respectfully memorialized by this Legislative Body to support H.R. 129, and enact legislation that would reinstate the separation of commercial and investment banking functions that were in effect under the Glass-Steagall Act, prohibiting commercial banks and bank holding companies from investing in stocks, underwriting securities or investing in or acting as guarantors to derivative transactions, in order to prevent American taxpayers from being called upon to fund hundreds of billions of dollars to bail out financial institutions, as well as secure a safe American banking system, which can protect deposits, and supply needed credit for a productive economy.”

The co-sponsors for this call for a return to sanity now include three Republicans, and come from widely different constituencies from all over the state—from upstate, to the Hudson Valley, to Buffalo, to Westches-

ter County, and the boroughs of New York City. They also include eight committee chairmen: Agriculture; Small Business; Mental Health; Environmentalism and Conservation; Tourism; Children and Families; Alcoholism; Real Property Taxation.

The bill has been sent to the Banking Committee.

With the legislative session ending June 30, the bill’s supporters are continuing their offensive—always with their eyes on Washington, where only three New York Congressmen have so far signed on to H.R. 129.

The end of June deadline corresponds with the objective LaRouchePAC has set for the nation: Glass-Steagall or bust!

The People vs. Wall Street

While many New York Congressmen have begged off from co-sponsoring the Kaptur-Jones H.R. 129 on the excuse that their “constituency is Wall Street,” and that bankrupting the predator banks would hurt that constituency, the legislators encountered in Albany often had entirely different concerns. (And, ironically, since New York is the home of Wall Street, there is a higher recognition of how close the global casino is to another blowout.)

Unemployment, housing foreclosures, the collapsing health-care system, and crumbling infrastructure often topped the list—not to mention the fact that known criminals on Wall Street were getting away scot-free.

Youth unemployment in New York State, for exam-



LPAC-TV

LaRouchePAC and supporters carried out a months-long blitz for revival of Glass-Steagall, leading to the breakthrough in the New York Assembly. Now the drive to get a memorial passed by the full legislature is underway. Shown: organizing in New York City, September 2012.

ple, tops 35%. The huge number of housing foreclosures has led to whole neighborhoods being dominated by abandoned homes, setting up the basis for crime and blight. Hospitals are being closed around the state—including five in Brooklyn alone. The concern for the health crisis is fueling a move to institute a single-payer plan in the state; a resolution in the legislature has 87 co-sponsors, out of total of 178.

These real-life concerns for the welfare of the population are combined with consternation at the lack of leadership against the criminal “too big to fail,” “too big to jail” financial interests. In this context, there was enormous interest in the story of Ferdinand Pecora, the Sicilian immigrant from the Lower East Side who, as chief investigator for the U.S. Senate Committee on Banking and Currency, in 1933-34, brought before the public eye the pernicious practices of the leading money-center bankers, such as J.P. Morgan and National City Bank.

In the excerpt from Pecora’s 1945 book, which the organizers circulated, the investigator warned of the return of such practices, without public vigilance.

What the LPAC organizers made clear is that, just as Glass-Steagall brought those banks under control then, so it must be done again. Wall Street is a wholly owned subsidiary of the London financial empire which is out

to depopulate the world. To save the empire is to sacrifice the country. Yes, these bankers should be sent to jail—but the first step is to cut them off from government support.

Home of Hamilton...

LaRouchePAC organizers captured the attention and interest of many of the state legislators by stressing that New York has a historical tradition in favor of productive banking, not Wall Street: Specifically, it is the home of Alexander Hamilton and Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

They circulated several quotes from Hamilton, who was an opponent of Adam Smith, and who had called the idea that the economy could regulate itself a “wild speculative paradox.” As Hamilton put it in Federalist Paper No. 7, an unbridled spirit of enterprise leads to “outrages, and these to reprisals and wars.”

Hamilton’s economic vision was laid out in his *Report on Manufactures*, written for the Congress in 1791. There he attacked Smith’s free-trade ruse, and stressed the need to promote the productive powers of labor, noting as well: “To cherish and stimulate the activity of the human mind, by multiplying the objects of enterprise, is not among the least considerable of the expedients by which the wealth of a nation may be promoted.”

The third quotation the organizers circulated from Hamilton came from his first *Report on Public Credit* (January 1790), namely: “Persuaded as the Secretary is, that the proper funding of the present debt, will render it a national blessing: Yet he is so far from acceding to the position, in the latitude in which it is sometimes laid down, that ‘public debts are public benefits,’ a position inviting to prodigality, and liable to dangerous abuse, that he ardently wishes to see it incorporated, as a fundamental maxim, in the system of public credit of the United States, that the creation of debt should always be accompanied with the means

of extinguishment. This he regards as the true secret for rendering public credit immortal. And he presumes, that it is difficult to conceive a situation, in which there may not be an adherence to the maxim. At least he feels an unfeigned solicitude, that this may be attempted by the United States, and that they may commence their measures for the establishment of credit, with the observance of it.”

The lesson of that, of course, was that public credit must be dedicated to creating an expansion of physical wealth and progress, by which the credit extended can be paid back, with profit, not only for the lending institution, but for the society as a whole.

...and FDR

Of equal importance, of course, was the legacy of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, who put through the original Glass-Steagall bill to prevent the speculators from continuing to loot the nation’s economy and people—at the same time as he made credit available, through institutions such as the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, to create millions of jobs rebuilding the nation.

The organizers made use primarily of FDR’s 1933 First Inaugural address, in which he directly identified the causes of the catastrophe facing the nation as stemming from the “money changers” who had seized control of the nation. The quotes hit home:

“...the rulers of the exchange of mankind’s goods have failed, through their own stubbornness and their own incompetence, have admitted their failure, and have abdicated. Practices of the unscrupulous money changers stand indicted in the court of public opinion, rejected by the hearts and minds of men.

“True, they have tried. But their efforts have been cast in the pattern of an outworn tradition. Faced by failure of credit, they have proposed only the lending of more money. Stripped of the lure of profit by which to induce our people to follow their false leadership, they have resorted to exhortations, pleading tearfully for restored confidence. They only know the rules of a generation of self-seekers. They have no vision, and when there is no vision the people perish.

“Yes, the money changers have fled from their high seats in the temple of our civilization. We may now restore that temple to the ancient truths. The measure of that restoration lies in the extent to which we apply social values more noble than mere monetary profit.

“Happiness lies not in the mere possession of

money; it lies in the joy of achievement, in the thrill of creative effort. The joy, the moral stimulation of work no longer must be forgotten in the mad chase of evanescent profits. These dark days, my friends, will be worth all they cost us if they teach us that our true destiny is not to be ministered unto but to minister to ourselves, to our fellow men.

“Recognition of that falsity of material wealth as the standard of success goes hand in hand with the abandonment of the false belief that public office and high political position are to be valued only by the standards of pride of place and personal profit; and there must be an end to a conduct in banking and in business which too often has given to a sacred trust the likeness of callous and selfish wrongdoing. Small wonder that confidence languishes, for it thrives only on honesty, on honor, on the sacredness of obligations, on faithful protection, and on unselfish performance; without them it cannot live....

“Our greatest primary task is to put people to work....

“And finally, in our progress towards a resumption of work, we require two safeguards against a return of the evils of the old order. There must be a strict supervision of all banking and credits and investments. *There must be an end to speculation with other people’s money.* And there must be provision for an adequate but sound currency” (emphasis added).

The Next Step

New York is now the 21st state in which a memorial for Glass-Steagall has been introduced. Memorials have been passed in four—South Dakota, Maine, Indiana, and Alabama. Intense efforts are going on to get action in the rest, and at least four other states which are still in session.

Meanwhile, Congress came back into session June 3, with H.R. 129 stuck at 63 sponsors, and no co-sponsors yet on Sen. Tom Harkin’s Senate bill S. 985.

While Congress fiddles, the London financial Empire is rushing to steal everything it can, using its Dodd-Frank “bail-in” model, in addition to bail-outs of various sorts. New bubbles are bringing the world system to the edge of a new blowout—and genocidal economic dictatorships are being consolidated in Europe.

The progress in New York State is an optimistic sign that victory is possible, but the opportunity must be seized *now*, or there may never be another chance.

International Calls For Glass-Steagall

June 3—A steady stream of appeals from around the world is coming into the U.S. Congress, urging it to act immediately to reinstate FDR’s Glass-Steagall provisions. The full list can be found at www.larouchepac.com. We publish two here.

Greece: Theodore Katsanevas, head of a new Greek anti-euro party, Drachma, Democratic Movement Five Stars, sent the following letter May 29:

“Honorable Congressmen,

“Greece is now in its fifth year of the intolerable Memorandum and the burdensome loan conditions imposed by the Troika [EC, ECB, IMF]. Our economy has contracted by more than 25%; official unemployment is approaching 30%; with youth unemployment at a level of 64%; the highest in Europe; incomes have declined on average by 40%; the welfare state is fading; business and especially of medium and small scale is dying; people are committing suicide due to economic deadlocks.

“The deep reasons of our crisis are mainly related to the ill-functioning of the hard euro, combined with the extreme austerity policies imposed by the Troika, under the umbrella of unbridled speculation of the banking system, that no longer serves the interest of the general welfare. This has led to the ongoing collapse of the real economy not only in Greece, but also in other southern European countries—Italy, Spain, Portugal, and Cyprus.

“While we see a withdrawal of Greece and of the other southern countries from the Eurozone as a first step to our economic recovery, we also believe that a fundamental reform of the banking system is needed. . . .

“We have learned that, in both Houses of Congress, draft legislation has been presented to reinstate the separation of commercial and productive banking from speculative investment banking, namely, HR 129 “Return to Prudent Banking Act of 2013” . . . and Senate Bill 985. . . .

“Both draft legislations are similar to the great

President Franklin D. Roosevelt’s Glass-Steagall law, which separated commercial and productive banking from speculative investment banking, which is largely responsible for the world economic crisis and, in particular, the economic catastrophe of our countries.

“We believe that, if such an Act is passed in the United States, its example would spread to Europe. This would decisively contribute to ending the current nightmare of economic collapse by removing the cancer of speculation from the public domain, and the issuance of new credit for economic reactivation. . . .”

The Philippines: The following declaration was delivered to the U.S. Congress May 9 from Butch Valdes of the Philippine LaRouche Society, founder of the Save the Nation Movement, which was formed by leaders of civic and labor organizations.

“We, the founding members of the Save the Nation Movement in the Philippines, together with all the members of affiliated organizations, do hereby associate with the International Glass-Steagall Movement, to Save the World.

- Recognizing that most, if not all nations, now are experiencing various levels of turmoil and unrest, principally due to a rapidly disintegrating world financial system;

- that such unrest and economic destabilization are fertile conditions being exploited by oligarchic interests to foment global war and depopulation;

- acknowledging that the United States of America, a leader nation, founded on universal principles which uphold the dignity of Man, and sovereign nation-states, is the only nation which has the capability to lead all other countries in defending present civilization against self-destruction;

- acknowledging further, that the establishment of the principles by which the Glass-Steagall law was enacted, as it should be re-enacted, will be the first and necessary step to be undertaken if populations are to prevent famine, disease, and global thermonuclear war;

It is in this regard that we call on the leadership of the U.S., in government, in business, and the academe, in a true revolutionary spirit, to save your Nation, and all other nations in the process: Destroy the financial oligarchic system, re-establish the Glass-Steagall Act.

Sare Files for N.J. Gubernatorial Race

by Our New Jersey Bureau

May 31—On May 28, former Congressional pre-candidate and LaRouche associate Diane Sare filed over 2,000 petition signatures with the New Jersey Division of Elections, kicking off what has already become a nationally and internationally significant independent campaign for governor. Keying off LaRouche’s September 2012 [address](#) on the occasion of his 90th birthday (“The Parties Are Over: America Must Take This Election Back to Our Nation’s Founding”), Sare shortly thereafter announced her campaign as an independent for New Jersey governor, offering voters a welcome relief from the rotten two-party system.

Principle Over Party

In her initial statement, entitled “Governor Christie and President Obama—Partners in Murder,” announcing her candidacy, Sare told voters: “The choice is yours: Work with me and . . . LaRouche . . . to organize a national economic recovery, and make the state of New Jersey worthy of the contributions of Albert Einstein,

Thomas Edison, Alexander Hamilton, and many other great thinkers; or stick to stupid ‘party politics’ and drop dead under the policies of Bloomberg, Christie, and Obama. You decide.”

Already in 2011, Sare had confronted Gov. Chris Christie at a town hall meeting in Paramus, telling him, “You and Obama are identical.” The governor pretended to be shocked, but went on to explicitly express his opposition to reinstatement of the Glass-Steagall Act, mimicking Obama precisely. Since Hurricane Sandy devastated the state in October 2012, Obama and Christie have had two very friendly visits, touring the shore virtually arm in arm. Meanwhile, demolition of shoreline homes destroyed during the storm has only begun in the last two weeks—seven months after the fact.

Christie also apparently shares Obama’s love of the British Queen, as expressed by his eager welcome for her grandson Prince Harry, who breezed through town., just before Obama’s second visit, which, ironically, occurred on the day that Sare filed her petitions.

As a close collaborator of Lyndon LaRouche, Sare has emerged as a key spokesperson for the international campaign to restore Glass-Steagall banking separation, no longer merely an option, if the world is to survive. Sare’s numerous meetings with legislators in the state capitals of Albany, N.Y., and Trenton, N.J., have yielded a resolution supporting Glass-Steagall, now before the New York State Assembly, while a similar process is under

derway in the New Jersey legislature. In April of this year, Sare’s [presentation](#) and numerous discussions with European activists and leaders at the Schiller Institute’s “New Paradigm” conference in Frankfurt, Germany, were met with renewed optimism regarding the wide-open organizing potential around LaRouche’s Glass-Steagall initiative in the United States.

On the home front, Sare’s “LaRouche Independent” campaign for governor has become a lightning rod for concerned citizens in the state who are otherwise hopelessly trapped in the nightmare “party politics” of the Wall Street/British assault on America. In the formerly industrial center of



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Diane Sare speaks with unionized hospital workers.



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Sare presses Rep. Scott Garrett to support Glass-Steagall, at a meeting on March 26.

Camden, for example, Sare's powerful intervention into a town meeting, where she identified the British monarchy's global policy of genocide as the operative principle in the tearing down of that city's public edu-

cation system, was met with wild cheers and applause.

On March 26, she stirred things up at a Sussex County Tea Party Patriots meeting that was being (reluctantly) addressed by New Jersey Congressman Scott Garrett (R), asking him whether, given that restoring Glass-Steagall is a matter of life and death, he would sign H.R. 129 to reinstate it. (He said he would not, since the collapse had been caused by the mortgage bubble and Glass-Steagall would not have prevented it!)

Perhaps Sare's strongest impact however, has been on the cultural front, especially through Classical music performances. On June 9, she will conduct a full chorus and orchestra in a performance of J.S. Bach's "Magnificat," at the New Jersey State Museum in Trenton. The chorus is composed of full-time political organizers, and will demonstrate that Classical music is universal, and could easily become

America's culture once again.

Sare's campaign can be followed on her website, <http://dianesare.com/>, and on Facebook, www.facebook.com/DianeSareCampaign.

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Editorial

Wartime Censorship?

Anyone looking for supporting evidence to Lyndon LaRouche's assertion that the world is teetering on the brink of World War III, would do well to look at the degree of military-style censorship currently being exercised by the media of the United States, and much of Western Europe, as well. That censorship eliminates from the major news media, those elements of the international strategic picture that should have Americans demanding an immediate change in U.S. policy, especially in Syria, where it has put us on a path toward a head-on clash with Russia, and probably China as well: thermonuclear war.

Striking is the case of the interview given by Air Force Gen. Philip Breedlove, who was installed as NATO's Supreme Allied Commander on May 13. Speaking with *Stars and Stripes* during a May 30 visit to the U.S. Naval headquarters in Naples, Italy, Breedlove warned against the consequences of establishing a no-fly zone over Syria. "It is quite frankly an act of war, and it is not a trivial matter," he said.

"I know it sounds stark," the General continued, "but what I always tell people when they talk to me about a no-fly zone is . . . it's basically to start a war with that country, because you are going to have to go in and kinetically take out their air defense capability."

Did you see that in the "major" media? Apparently, there just wasn't room in the midst of all the interviews with jihadist "freedom fighters," and the lunatic Sen. John McCain, to be able to cite the opposite judgment of the top Western military commander. To get that report, you had to read *Stars and Stripes*, LaRouchePAC's website, or releases from Iran's Press TV.

General Breedlove is not the first prominent

U.S. military leader to make such a warning, of course. Former Defense Secretary Robert Gates and current Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Martin Dempsey have effectively said the same thing. And their statements have also been generally swept under the rug.

Equally outrageous has been the coverup of the true character and power of the jihadi Syrian opposition. By now, at least three sources—UN officials, Turkish officials, and the Syrians—have reported evidence that it's the opposition fighters who are supplied with or using sarin gas; in one case, two full kilos were found in their possession! Yet, once again, you would be hard-pressed to find *any*, not to mention prominent, mention of this fact in the major Western media.

Even the hair-raising stories of jihadi fighters committing atrocities, and advertising them by video, merit only brief mention, in the midst of a barrage of romanticized propaganda about the fanatic fighters—those who in fact are driving out Christians, destroying religious shrines, and carrying out al-Qaeda-style suicide bombings.

The war-mongers are running our media, proceeding to control information so that U.S. involvement in international conflict—including with China—seems inevitable.

We won't stop it by protesting the media, of course. They are simply the tools of the financial empire which is bent on its genocide agenda, and naturally, trying to suppress effective opposition.

The most potent form of that opposition is to hit it on the flank—the Glass-Steagall flank. British tool Obama is already weakened by scandals, which is helpful. Now the key is to deliver the crippling blow: Pass Glass-Steagall in the U.S. in the month of June! Prevent world war!

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