

One Year After Japan's Mega-Quake

March 11 will be the one-year anniversary of the 9.0 magnitude earthquake which shook the Tohoku region of Japan, leveling entire cities, and killing tens of thousands.

After a relative calm on the earthquake front for the past couple of weeks, the first weekend of March saw several stronger quakes—one near New Zealand, which also had been hit about one year ago, and one in central Argentina. Citizens in the San Francisco Bay area were awakened March 5 by a weaker 4.0 magnitude tembler, but after the events of the past year, even the experience of such weaker tremors surely causes those awakened to think upon those more dangerous quakes of the past year, and the looming and relatively well-known threat of a major earthquake to hit California—a warning which President Obama has ignored.

This coincides with a pick-up in activity on our Sun, which unleashed an X-1 class solar flare March 5. The LPAC site (www.larouchepac.com) over the past year has outlined the fallacy of studying weather from a purely terrestrial standpoint.

This March, we are also reminded of the destructive tornados which hit the United States last year. Smaller outbreaks began in January and February of this year. On Feb. 29, Harrisburg, Ill. was hit with an EF-4 tornado. Over 50 people have been killed in tornados over the past week, from North Carolina up to Indiana.

On March 5, we also learned that Obama is scheduled to give the graduation address at Joplin (Missouri) High School, which was badly damaged by the May 2011 tornados, and is only partially rebuilt. You may recall that Obama spoke in Joplin almost one year ago, and talked about the inability to know why and when such weather events hit.

Contrast Obama's "we can't know" statements from one year ago, and repeated by him since then, to Lyndon LaRouche's views on the subject of man controlling processes at the level of the galaxy, in his "The Mystery of Your Time" (*EIR*, Jan. 20, 2012).

"I am considering the advent of men and women today as explorers of the future of mankind, who, for the moment, will be seemingly even minuscule, relative to the vastly growing density of the devices which are presently relevant to not only the security of mankind's persons within the Solar system, but including here at home. I point to a much vaster array of responsive instruments of information, command, and control, such as that associated with such functions as security placed, to mankind's advantage, within not only remote and difficult regions of the Solar system itself, but penetrating special regions of our galaxy."

If we had dumped Obama one year ago, not only could we have rebuilt areas like Joplin, but we could have made major breakthroughs in the science of weather forecasting. This would have involved collaborative work with Russia on proposals such as the IGMASS Global Monitoring System and the more recent Strategic Defense of Earth proposal. The LaRouche Basement team has responded to these proposals, further elaborating and expanding the parameters to be taken into account, while under Obama, we have done nothing but hurtle towards a great conflict with Russia, including provocations around the Russian Presidential election.

Reflecting upon the extreme weather of the past year, now wreaking havoc once again, we should ask ourselves why we haven't yet dumped this President of ours, and quickly act to do so.