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From the Managing Editor

Is it possible, even now, for the United States to elect a President other than Barack Obama or Mitt Romney? No one would deny the difficulty; but on Dec. 6, 1941, who would have thought that President Franklin Roosevelt could have persuaded the nation to go to war? We hope to convince you that the fight has to be waged, even at this late hour.

First though, I bring your attention to a new video from LaRouchePAC, “Unsurvivable” (<http://larouchepac.com/unsurvivable>). It presents, in 35 minutes, the full horror of the thermonuclear war to which President Obama is currently leading the world.

Our three news leads approach the war danger from various angles. In *Economics*, Helga Zepp-LaRouche emphasizes that the combined push for hyperinflation and drumbeat for war put the world on a trajectory like that which preceded the two prior world wars—with the situation in Southwest Asia looking like the Balkan chessboard in 1914. In *International* we report in greater depth on Obama’s war drive, as well as the opposition to it from the U.S. military. In *National*, we highlight the open letter to Obama from Rep. Walter Jones (R-N.C.), insisting that he obey the Constitution’s requirement that Congress approve any declaration of war—a requirement which, if violated, must result in impeachment.

Why, then, is there no gigantic anti-war movement in the streets? Why is there no determined effort in Congress to impeach this President? Nancy Spannaus takes on the core problem in our *Feature*: the catering to “popular opinion” (aka “democracy”) by the Congress and others, instead of providing actual republican leadership based on truth, reason, and the general welfare.

Recent statements by Jonathan Turley and Bruce Fein—both of who are civil libertarians and constitutional lawyers—give powerful arguments against Obama’s “assault on American liberty.” Our synopsis makes the case that Obama’s war crimes are beyond anything G.W. Bush ever dreamed of.

With so much grim news in the world, don’t miss the *Science* coverage of Neil Armstrong’s life, and the continuation of his mission in the Curiosity Mars rover victory; and the article on Russia’s ambitious proposals to develop the Arctic region.

