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From the Managing Editor

The meteorite that came hurtling through the morning sky in Russia's Chelyabinsk region on Feb. 15 woke a lot of people up—and not just Russians who were sleepily commuting to work that morning. What *EIR*, a few scientists, and high-level Russian spokesmen have been warning about for some time, suddenly became a life-and-death matter for many who had previously disregarded those warnings. Lyndon LaRouche's short memorandum, "The Rebirth of Our Nation," situates the matter of Strategic Defense of Earth (SDE) within the broader questions of epistemology and national survival. "There is, of course, much more to come," he promises. "This is only the beginning of a new issue to be answered. Call it, for example, 'Science for Shakespeare and also Bach.' Wilhelm Furtwängler had already pioneered in such directions."

In the *Science* section, we take up the scientific and political challenges of an SDE program, relating these to LaRouche's efforts in the 1970s and '80s that led to the SDI.

The surprising recent cosmic developments, together with growing recognition of the threat of hyperinflation, have brought us into a new strategic geometry, as Jeffrey Steinberg and Helga Zepp-LaRouche report. LaRouche's Feb. 15 Friday webcast (in *Economics*) brings this to focus around the issue of what the banksters will do now. He startled his audience with the forecast that the era of bailouts is coming to an end: We will either implement FDR's Glass-Steagall standard or the British-based financial elite will let their erstwhile junior partners go bankrupt, while they build a new, smaller system to their own benefit—killing off most of the world's population in the process.

Accompanying articles spell out the process of hyperinflationary explosion, and new developments in the fight for Glass-Steagall in France and the United States.

To further the organizing efforts for Glass-Steagall, Marcia Merry Baker has prepared a "Food & Agriculture Crisis Fact Sheet" (*Physical Economy*). Free-market monetarism and Greenie biofoolery are leading to food shortages that will mean genocide if continued.

And in the *National* section, we put Obama in the hot seat, documenting the growing demand in Congress for answers on Benghazi and the unconstitutional drone killings.

