

It's time for every sane citizen to turn to LaRouche

by Our Special Correspondent

The multimillion-dollar campaign warchests of Presidential hopefuls George W. Bush, Al Gore, and Bill Bradley have done little to gloss over the fact that none of these so-called front-runners have the qualities required to guide the nation during even the best of times, let alone during a period of grave crises as we face today.

Over the course of one mid-summer week, these three stumbled through this early phase of the year 2000 drive for the Presidency with one gaffe after another.

First, former basketball great Bill Bradley attempted to “charm” dumbfounded audiences by announcing that he was the “uncandidate”; Bradley spent the week asserting that he was a candidate “with all the charisma of a figure in Madame Tussaud’s Wax Museum.”

Not to be outdone, Al Gore proved himself much more the ghoul than the former U.S. Senator from New Jersey, winning the *Washington Post*’s coveted “Mortifying Moment Award” during a campaign swing through Rochester, New Hampshire (Rochester is well-known as the birthplace of Lyndon LaRouche, the third leading Democrat in the Presidential race). New Hampshire podiatrist John Dinella recounted running into the Vice President at a Democratic event. “He entered and dutifully made his way around the room, shaking hands with anyone who seemed remotely interested. I decided to make a joke. There are more French Canadians in Rochester than any other ethnic group. When he shook my hand I said, ‘Would you like a good line for a speech in Rochester?’ He said, ‘Sure.’ I said, ‘Ich bin ein French Canadian.’ With a very puzzled look he continued to shake my hand as he solemnly intoned, ‘Ich . . . bin . . . ein . . . French . . . Canadian.’ He clearly had no idea what I was talking about. When he started the speech that way, all the blood drained from my head.”

Later on the same week, the *Washington Post*’s Al Kamen was pondering why Gore hasn’t figured out that his campaign is dead. “Ponder no more!” says Kamen. “The answer comes

to us from the world of forensic medicine.”

“First, there’s *rigor mortis*, literally the stiffness of death. . . . Gore has long been a medical marvel for exhibiting the condition while still alive.

“Then there’s *livor mortis*, the pooling and settling of the blood. . . .

“The third condition—the one most clearly afflicting his campaign—is known in the forensic trade as *algor mortis*. This refers to the cooling of a body after death, which occurs at about 2° Fahrenheit an hour.”

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But it was George W. Bush, former drunk, former cocaine addict, but still the son of America’s last dyslexic President, who scared people to death. After the flap caused by Taiwan’s outgoing President Lee Teng-hui, President Clinton firmly reasserted America’s adherence to a “One China” policy. The President intimated that he would even consider the use of force, if necessary, to keep Taiwan in line. When George W. was asked to comment, he quickly replied that he would most certainly be willing to bomb Beijing if necessary!

Sources inside the Bush camp said the sirens that Bush the Younger set off were ear-shattering, with calls coming from Dad, Uncle Prescott, and heaven knows who else! Within hours, the correction came. “Sorry, folks, wrong country.”

It is little wonder that, at least in circles where sanity is still held in high regard, the LaRouche campaign is increasingly becoming a rallying point among those citizens who can’t help but recognize the undeniable signs that the nation is about to sink into an unprecedented crisis.

On Aug. 2, in a statement announcing the official launching of LaRouche’s campaign website, Debra Hanania-Freeman, his national spokeswoman, explained, “The world is being plunged into the worst economic depression of the century. The world financial system is hopelessly bankrupt, and

nothing can be done to save it. Lyndon LaRouche is the only visible candidate of either party who is committed to returning the United States to the kind of monetary and financial policies which have been proven to work. They are the kind of policies that President Roosevelt intended to carry out at the end of World War II, and which he undoubtedly would have carried out, were it not for his untimely death.

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Freeman said that the launch of the website would be a big boost to the campaign’s ability to keep in touch with the core constituencies that already support LaRouche and to reach out and expand.

In fact, within days of the opening of the website, cam-

paign activists from Rome, Georgia to Casper, Wyoming had already started to generate media coverage for the campaign. Freeman commented, “We’ve found that having local representatives who are persistent, is an excellent antidote to the ‘media blackout’ that everybody complains about!”

Freeman showed a photo from the *Rome News-Tribune* that showed Neal Couch, a local campaign volunteer, organizing at a table that prominently displayed LaRouche campaign posters demonstrating Mr. LaRouche’s “Triple Curve, A Typical Collapse Function” (a pedagogical tool to help people understand why the global economy is collapsing), under the headline, “The Truth about the Economy. . . . A Vote for LaRouche Is a Vote for Yourself and Our Nation.” She said that it was just one of many examples, with a lot more to come.

“We hadn’t even finished sending out press announcements on the launch of the website. Within just a few days, over 2,000 ‘hits’ had been recorded!” she said.

Educating campaign supporters

Meanwhile, speaking tours by leading members of the LaRouche movement that began in mid-July, with the stated intent of educating campaign supporters to become leaders of

Presidential candidate LaRouche unveils website

Debra Hanania-Freeman, national spokeswoman for Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., a candidate for the Democratic Party’s year 2000 Presidential nomination, announced the official launch of Mr. LaRouche’s campaign website (<http://www.larouchecampaign.org>) in a statement released on July 30.

“We are very excited to finally have the website up and running. As most people know, Lyndon LaRouche announced his candidacy for the Democratic Party nomination during the summer of 1997. Today, the Federal Election Commission recognizes Mr. LaRouche, now in his sixth run for the Democratic Party nomination, as one of the three leading contenders for the Democratic nomination (along with Vice President Gore, and former U.S. Sen. Bill Bradley of New Jersey).

“Since Lyndon LaRouche announced his candidacy, campaign volunteers have blanketed the nation with thousands of books, pamphlets, and leaflets issued by the candidate, including the pamphlets ‘LaRouche’s Program to Rebuild the Balkans—And the World’ and ‘LaRouche’s Economics IQ Test’; two full-length books authored by the candidate, *The LaRouche Program to Save the Nation* and *The Road to Recovery*; and various other items. These publications, and other items, are now on the website,

along with a section of campaign humor.

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“The launch of the web site will greatly enhance the campaign’s ability to keep these layers supplied with Mr. LaRouche’s latest policy interventions and provide them with the ammunition they need in this drive to further mobilize the core constituencies of the Democratic Party, to first win the nomination, and then, to make LaRouche President of the United States.”

their nation, continued. Events that featured in-depth discussions of the LaRouche strategic studies that have been printed in recent issues *EIR* occurred in Houston, Texas; Las Vegas, Nevada; Falls Church, Virginia; and Los Angeles and Oakland, California. Similar meetings had already occurred in Maryland, New York, and New Jersey. More events are scheduled to occur.

No wonder the British Crown is becoming unhinged! An article that the LaRouche campaign has called a “savage and violent attack” appeared in a leading British women’s magazine on Aug. 5, arguing that the rapid growth of LaRouche’s influence constituted a serious threat to the British monarchy itself, and demanded in the headline, that Prime Minister Tony Blair and others move to “Shut This Man’s Mouth.” The attack is viewed by experts as a serious threat to the Presidential candidate’s life (see *International* lead).

U.S. politics torn in petty civil wars

by Michele Steinberg

With the greatest financial and strategic dangers in history unfolding in the immediate future, and with a cultural collapse in the United States, where enraged workers or enraged students are committing mass murders on nearly a weekly basis, the nation is faced with a complete leadership vacuum, except for the Presidential campaign of Lyndon LaRouche.

LaRouche’s strategic study, “How to Save a Dying U.S.A.” (*EIR*, July 16), warned of this state of affairs. He said: “Today’s new threat of apocalyptic times, should impel us to examine, and to revive, once again, that lately neglected capability and wont of the human mind, by means of which the level of the human condition had been moved upward and forward, despite even the darkest among intervening periods of calamity. . . . We have come into a time when the only basis for an optimistic outlook, is the fact, that history — and what we know of pre-history — shows us, beyond doubt, that there is something essentially good within human nature. Indeed, this is rightly recognized as a *divine spark of goodness*. . . . It is this spark of goodness, which has brought about the great steps of progress in the human condition, even despite the relatively ‘dark’ ages, which have struck all or large areas of this planet at one or another past time.”

Dull and dullard

According to *U.S. News and World Report* magazine on July 19, LaRouche is wrong about the dignity of the human mind, because Americans are scared off by “too much intelligence” in their Presidential candidates. Author Roger Simon makes a convincing case that the crop of Presidential candi-

dates is stupid, beginning with George W. Bush, the fruit of the poison tree. But Simon doesn’t know the human mind, and like most of the Wall Street- and British-controlled media types, he is conditioned to leave LaRouche out of the picture.

“Is It Wrong To Call Him George Dubya Bush? He’s No Genius, but Presidents Often Aren’t” is Simon’s headline. (Dubya is Texas-talk for W, Bush’s middle initial.) Simon writes, “Is Dubya Dumb? Is George Bush not the sharpest knife in the drawer? We know he doesn’t know Slovakia from Slovenia, Greeks from ‘Grecians,’ or that there is no ‘standard’ version of the Ten Commandments,” but, “How bright do you have to be to be President?”

Cute. But Americans aren’t as stupid as the editors of *U.S. News and World Report* would like to think. Former Texas Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower (D) told Simon, “Let’s face it, Gore vs. Bush is going to be a race between Dull and Dullard.” There is a tidal wave of resistance rising within the electorate to such a scenario, and pressure for changes will intensify as the LaRouche campaign, and the global financial crisis, move into the “hot phase.”

Catch a falling star

Al Gore’s campaign is reeling, but the fact that it is not closed down presents a danger to the nation, because of his ability to sabotage policies inside the Clinton administration.

On Aug. 5, Gore’s Chief of Staff Ronald Klain resigned from the campaign, for a lucrative law firm job. But, he is reportedly not the only top Gore staffer looking for a private career future. Gone are the days (just a few months ago!) when the Gore loyalists were claiming that there would be a “third Clinton Presidency.” Now, resumés are clogging the information highway, according to many Washington reports.

Bill Bradley has them “sleeping in the aisles,” according to Democrats who heard him speak at the Indianapolis meeting of National Conference of State Legislators. But, in the crucial state of New York, the latest poll shows Bradley *beating* Bush by seven percentage points, 46% to 39%, even though the same poll has Gore still ahead of Bradley among Democrats. In the general election, that poll has Gore only two points ahead of Bush, 45% to 43%.

Gore has nothing but growing problems. In California, the Democratic Party, which was planning to ride into the year 2000 elections in the Congress and state legislature after its stunning gubernatorial victory in 1998, is reportedly in fierce debate about dumping Gore because of his lack of appeal, especially among Hispanic voters, who show an unusually high percentage favoring Bush. Democrats criticize Gore for going to California only for raising funds and not for political events, according to columnist Robert Novak.

Gore is also losing out on the campaign funding front to both Bradley and Bush in the high-tech telecommunications and computer industry belt in “Silicon Valley” California. The Clinton-Gore campaign *heavily* depended on this sector in 1996. But, today, Bradley’s campaign has reported well more than \$408,000 in contributions from this area, Bush’s