

## Editorial

### *The Insanity Factor*

“Bush’s Booz Crisis” read the wire put out by the *National Enquirer* on Sept. 23, but in this case, there is reason to take it seriously. This is not your typical “Man Bites Dog” story, but a reflection of the fact that the already insane President has apparently begun to lose control, under the stress of the wave of unpopularity which is slamming him from all sides. He just can’t handle reality.

The President’s disconnect from what’s going on around him is already legendary, of course. From his absorption in the children’s book *My Pet Goat* during the crisis on 9/11, to his obsession with riding a dirt bike in the midst of major international conferences, and the nation’s worst natural disaster ever, Hurricane Katrina, George W. Bush has provided overwhelming proof that he is “out to lunch.” He has enraged the families of the poor victims of Katrina, as much as the families of soldiers dying in Iraq, by his inappropriate smirks, wisecracks, and lectures.

As Lyndon LaRouche put it recently, after the President went on a made-for-TV movie set of New Orleans in order to address the nation about the crisis, the President often appears not to understand a word of what he himself is saying, much less to perceive the impact of his government’s policies on the world as a whole.

True, all of this bizarre behavior by Bush is grist for the comedians’ mills. But wait a minute! There are some very serious implications to the fact that the most powerful nation in the world, is being ruled by a lunatic.

Put bluntly: President Bush’s insanity is the greatest threat to world peace. And if the U.S. Congress, Republicans definitely included, does not take action soon to remove him—and his evil, sociopathic Vice President—from office, there is a virtual certainty that he will “lead” the entire world into a New Dark Age.

Right now, the lunatic George W. Bush is the individual who has ultimate control over the world’s largest nuclear-armed power. If he can’t comprehend the necessity for deploying the military in time to save lives in New Orleans, or the need to give up tax breaks for his friends in order to repair the nation’s premier port, why would you think that he would understand the con-

sequences of launching a “little” nuclear bombing of Iran? After all, this is the President who will still claim, and believe, that the United States is “winning” in Iraq. He just doesn’t understand what is going on around him.

There are some indications that the leadership of the Democratic Party in the Congress has begun to understand the gravity of the situation, where a President is insane. Internationally, as well, the rage against the imperial posture of the Bush Administration is beginning to turn into the realization that the President may not actually be capable of registering the reality of the situations he’s created. So far, however, no prominent individual, other than statesman LaRouche, has been willing to straightforwardly state this truth.

As LaRouche has emphasized repeatedly over recent days, there is not much time left for this situation to be tolerated, before potentially irreparable damage is done. It’s one thing for a President who’s *non compos mentis* to have the power to pick Supreme Court nominees—something Bush is clearly incompetent to do. It’s another if he gives the go-ahead for launching the next imperial war, which has the potential of detonating a full-scale nuclear confrontation, as well as bloody irregular warfare everywhere in the world.

Bush has to be removed from office, along with the evil Svengali who gives him his imperial marching orders, Dick Cheney. That means that Republicans, in particular, have to face up to a situation similar to that which they confronted under Nixon: They have to desert their President, in order for the nation to survive. There is no question but that many sane Republicans understand this necessity, but they are dragging their feet. That’s understandable, but very dangerous.

Democrats, and just plain citizens, can help move along the process, by sticking to the subject. The issue is not some particular crime by this President, but the fact that *he is nuts*. Yes, the American people share culpability in letting him be elected, but we have to deal with the consequences of this hideous mistake now. Tell the truth about the President’s insanity, and Cheney’s venality, and encourage your Congressmen to take action now. To hold back at this point, would be insane.