Editorial

America's Unique Mission

The future the world faces, in the immediate years ahead, is grim indeed, if the measures outlined by Lyndon LaRouche to reverse the economic breakdown crisis are not adopted in the very short term. But while the task of loosening the British oligarchical grip may seem overwhelming, there is a sound historical basis for hope. It lies in the American Constitutional tradition.

Lyndon LaRouche reviewed this potential in some depth once again this last week. We here excerpt his remarks:

"There's no other part of this planet on which anyone is qualified, except in the United States, to deal with the threat to the planetary crisis today.

"This distinction lies in our history: That we are unique, because we are a creation, indirectly, of Nicholas of Cusa, who was the founder of modern science, and was also the founder of the modern nation-state, and several other things as well. And because Europe was no damned good at the time, the best Europeans got up on boats, and hiked across the ocean, to come to the Americas. . . .

"We're in that kind of situation, where the principle which created the United States, which was the intention of Nicholas of Cusa, who was the founder of modern physical science, and founder of the modern nation-state, and several other good things; and based at the time, as some of our people know, who have studied this history, as a result, Cusa realized that the corruption which had taken over Europe in the period and following the Fall of Constantinople, meant that an evil had taken back Europe. And therefore, his recommendation was that we must seek across the oceans, to find places and people with which to build up the kind of civilization which was then not possible in a corrupted Europe, on behalf of all humanity. The principal, original colonists, including Christopher Columbus himself, who was specifically inspired by the testament, directly, of Nicholas of Cusa, and the New England colonists, also, and others, especially those who finally built what became the United States, was to create a place for European civilization, minus its oligarchical degeneracy, across the waters, in order to build up a culture on these shores, from which to launch the rescue of European civilization from its own oligarchical corruption....

"Therefore, we in the United States, despite our imperfections, precisely because of the dynamic principle—remember, dynamics! nation is not 'good' because of its individual people, as you know, having met many of them! This nation is good because of the dynamics which ties us together in the same way, that Shelley, in the final paragraph of his A Defence of *Poetry*, defines that principle of dynamics. We are good, because we are bound together by a dynamic principle of organization of our society. And therefore, today, we are the only nation on this planet, which has the moral qualifications to lead other nations, in forming a new order in the world, which will deal with otherwise, what is a breakdown crisis in general. That's our mission...."

How will the American people be aroused to take up this mission? That is the task we in the La-Rouche movement have committed ourselves to—to revive the Constitutional principles upon which our nation was founded, and mobilize to remove those oligarchical, even Nazi, usurpers who have taken up residence in our nation's government. We do that with the historically based hope that the American people, who saved the world by defeating Hitler, will play their indispensable role in defeating the Nazis again today.

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