Editorial

The Alternative to Hell

In his Dec. 28 weekly webcast, Lyndon LaRouche put forward the crucial measures that must be taken *immediately* if the world is to avoid the hell of a New Dark Age of global warfare and mass-murderous economic policies now threatening human life on a global scale. He said:

"The urgent problem which the world as a whole now faces, especially the trans-Atlantic region, is the building up of an explosion of hyperinflation: a complete economic disintegration. Therefore, the most important item on the agenda of the United States in particular, and nations of Europe in general, is to immediately install a completely new financial-economic system in the United States. To postpone that task, on some other consideration, would be a great folly: we have no time to waste. Hyperinflation is about to explode."

LaRouche then went on to outline the unique three-point program that would reverse the process:

"The only thing that will stop the hyperinflation as of now, would be the immediate adoption, first, of Glass-Steagall. That's measure number one.

"Measure number two, is establishing a new financial system which is required to *implement* the Glass-Steagall legislation in a timely fashion.

"And thirdly, is to incorporate in the same package, a program which is not only NAWAPA, the greatest project that was ever undertaken by any part of the world today—NAWAPA."

Why so urgent? "Because if we don't do this, we're on the verge of a hyperinflationary explosion, and once it starts, it won't stop."

To those not still wrapped up in Christmas and "fiscal cliff" monetarist fantasies, the need for

these emergency measures should be clear. The United States, and the entire London-dominated financial system, are utterly bankrupt, and the measures being put on the table by governments, most emphatically including that of the United States, will only worsen the crisis. Productive employment, already at dismal levels, is declining further; the basic economic-technological platforms for real growth—the power, transportation, and water systems, generally called infrastructure—are collapsing; the world's food supply, already inadequate to provide a healthy diet for all, is shrinking disastrously.

In the face of this, the world's population is being driven to despair, and is potentially fatally vulnerable to the manipulations of the global financiers determined to save their power, manipulations that are leading us to intensifying global warfare, and to the edge of World War III.

The only alternative is for those who understand the solution to the existential economic crisis—such as LaRouche—to exert leadership, and insist on this three-point plan, which will rapidly be welcomed and taken up in Europe and elsewhere, as soon as the relevant action is taken in the United States. It, and it alone, can spark a phaseshift toward sanity.

Forget trying to save the current system. The measures being proposed—hyperinflation and draconian austerity—are only going to accelerate the decline.

"So everything else goes on the lower schedule," LaRouche said. "This must happen first, because if you don't do this first, you're not going to do anything worthwhile second.... It's what we require. And that's the revolution that can save the United States from *hell*! And I do mean *hell*."