

Either Obama Is Impeached, Or U.S. Faces Dictatorship

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Nov. 4—As the witting nature of President Barack Obama’s offenses against the U.S. Constitution and assault on the American population becomes increasingly clear to larger portions of the U.S. citizenry, there is growing support for impeachment of this President, across the political spectrum. As Lyndon LaRouche put it Oct. 31, “the impeachment of this president is the most important thing; it would have the greatest effect” in creating the conditions to stop the crimes of genocide, and establishing the conditions to restart the economy.

The problem, as one leading Democratic figure told *EIR*, is that, even as more and more Democrats revolt against Obama’s policies, there is no leadership willing to stand up and lead the fight against them. Democrats are intimidated by Obama—but fail to face the reality that, if they do not fight, the United States is facing a dictatorship, perhaps not with tanks in the street, but with decisions taken by fiat from the Oval Office, that will dismantle the Constitution and condemn millions to death, if nuclear war does not come first.

The only hope this individual saw in cutting through the paralysis was a mobilization to ram through Glass-Steagall (see leaflet below).

The reason impeachment proceedings have not occurred is indirectly addressed in an Oct. 31 op-ed by columnist Dave Lindorff, entitled “Is NSA Spying Really About Blackmail?” Lindorff, an investigative journalist, argues that it would be foolish to assume that the global surveillance against foreign leaders is not

also occurring against the U.S. Congress. He writes:

“There has to be a reason for such cowardice in the face of such an institutional insult,” says Lindorff, continuing: “It is nothing short of astonishing that with all the crimes being committed against the Constitution by this administration, the illegal war making, the spying on citizens, the lying by the White House, and the abject regulatory surrender to the banking industry—an industry universally reviled by the American public—that not one member of Congress has had the courage to file an impeachment resolution, the way Rep. Henry Gonzales (D-TX) did against George H.W. Bush in January 1991, when Pres. Bush the first launched the first US war on Iraq.

“It is nothing short of astonishing that in this age of routine Constitutional abuses and routinized corporate crime, there has been no Sen. Wayne Morse to question the whole premise of what is being done....”

If American citizens do not force some Congressmen to step forward to act to stop Obama, it will be worse than astonishing—it will be tragically suicidal for the nation.

‘Save America, Impeach Obama’

Obama’s impeachable offenses have been evident to Lyndon LaRouche and this news service since his first year in office, and we have repeatedly detailed them. Starting with his Hitler health program, and proceeding to the unconstitutional war against Libya, the unconstitutional killing of U.S. citizens, his anti-consti-

tutional surveillance, his alliance with al-Qaeda—to mention only the most salient—Obama’s behavior has threatened the very survival of the American republic, and its citizens.

Testimony to the fact that this reality is being absorbed by the public, became clear in Washington, D.C. Oct. 29. Several thousand demonstrators gathered at the Capitol that morning, from coal counties in West Virginia, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, and Ohio, including miners, energy company officials, machinery workers, and the Congressional Coal Caucus, to denounce the Obama Administration’s actions shutting down coal mines, coal-powered generating plants, and other green policies wrecking the economy. Among the many signs were beautiful placards: “Save America! Impeach Obama!” (See last week’s cover photo.) LaRouchePAC was on hand. The rally was sponsored by “Count on Coal,” a group affiliated with the National Mining Association.

In addressing the rally, Sen. Joe Manchin (D-W.Va.) assured the assembled that their message was being watched and heard in the White House. There, he said, Administration officials were making their own counter-signs: “Save Obama! Impeach Coal!”

These “impeachment” photos spread rapidly and internationally in the media, for example, on the *Wall Street Journal* blog and *USA Today* that night. They appeared all over local press coverage in coal country—from Cambria County, Pa., to Harlan County, Ky.; from the Ohio Valley to WSAZ-TV, Charleston, the capital of West Virginia.

The literal threat to America’s existence is also being brought home to the population through the disaster called Obamacare. The waves of cancellations of insurance policies, plus the high prices of replacements, and inaccessibility of the health-care exchanges, are leading to rage and hysteria. *Politico* estimates that 3.5 million Americans are currently, suddenly, without health insurance. Many others will lose their insurance come Jan. 1. In both cases, lives are literally on the line, for those who need continuous treatment for diseases such as cancer.

Will Congress Take Action?

Thus, the chorus of voices for impeachment of the President is growing. From the “right-wing” side, many are coalescing around a recent book published by WorldNetDaily, entitled *Impeachable Offenses: The Case for Removing Barack Obama from Office*, which

Rep. Steve Stockman (R-Tex.) has delivered to every Congressional office. The book is authored by two former *New York Times* reporters, Aaron Klein and Brenda J. Elliott.

On Oct. 31, Stockman called for special prosecutors to investigate Obama Administration misbehavior, based in large part on the book’s documentation. “I hope this book helps convince my colleagues to hold Barack Obama legally responsible for his disregard for the law,” Stockman said. “From Benghazi to Fast and Furious to crony deals for ‘green’ energy to Obamacare the lawless Obama administration must be reined in. I am calling on Congress to establish Select Committees on these scandals with full subpoena power.” “We’ve seen how the Obama administration smears and defames their critics. Congress should investigate these scandals and turn the matters over to special prosecutors,” he said.

But Obama’s violations of Constitutional civil liberties, and his wars, have activated many others traditionally in the more liberal camps, to realize that Congress must act to stop the President. LaRouchePAC organizers are finding this mood increasingly prevalent in their street deployments. In Congress, however, Democrats remain mostly silent—even as prominent former Congressmen such as Dennis Kucinich make a strong case that the President has committed impeachable offenses.

The kind of bipartisan coalition required to move toward impeachment is very much in evidence around the “issue” of NSA surveillance, now exposed as having reached even greater proportions, both globally and internationally. Two identically named bills (“Uniting and Strengthening America by Fulfilling Rights and Ending Eavesdropping, Dragnet-collection and Online Monitoring Act”) were introduced into the House (HR 3361) and Senate (S 1599) last week, and already have 86 and 17 cosponsors respectively.

As to the Benghazi “issue,” there are 177 cosponsors on Rep. Frank Wolf’s HR 36, which would create a select committee to pursue the evidence, which the Obama Administration continues to hide—especially on the purpose of the Benghazi outpost.

It’s time Congress went beyond “issues,” or debaters’ points. As the coal lobby said, the issue *is* the very survival of the United States, which this President, acting de facto on behalf of the Queen of England, threatens. It’s impeachment, or dictatorship leading to extinction.