
I. A Lesson for Us All

Editorial

Here are paraphrased excerpts from Lyndon LaRouche's discussion with the LaRouche PAC Policy Committee on March 23.

Few Americans are untouched by the suicides of our fellow-citizens, especially those who should be our most productive workers. Whether suicides *per se* or through drugs or alcohol. You have to understand these kinds of things; you cannot put them at a distance; you have to get the full blast of what happened. And then, once you have done that, now you can be expiated under those circumstances, and say, yes, I've understood what the issue was, I've understood what the problem was, I've understood what the solution has to be.

There is not really the kind of attachment, even of the members of my own organization, of the type one would think would be appropriate for people who are very serious about life. And, therefore the seriousness of human life is something that has to be fully appreciated, otherwise you lose something of yourself. Otherwise you lose the ability to make good judgments.

There's no simple solution: as long as Obama and people like him exist as dominant forces in government, that's going to continue. Just think of the death-rate which is being imposed upon people who were actually formerly professionally employed. And they were just destroyed, or driven into suicide. And that has been going on, and those kinds of conditions are going on now. And that's what the characteristics of the United States are now, that kind of behavior, and nothing much is being done about it. And the Congress is not particularly useful in this area right now. So it can be addressed, but the question is, what are we doing about it? What means do we have to actually to do something to make this effective? And I say, right now we have almost nothing. We have the edges of things, but not really. We

don't have a mission-orientation which will stick. We can probably intimidate people in their consciences about it, but that's about it.

Kesha Rogers of Texas intervened: "The purpose of the space program is to give a purpose and a mission to society. Right now, people are in effect being forced to take their own lives, because the society has taken their life from them. We see this in healthcare. People face this all the time. But as you have said, the real focus must be: What is the purpose and meaning of life after the person is dead, so that you're changing society to have a different conception of a love for human beings, rather than saying, 'Oh, that person is gone now.'"

Kesha continued: "The space program is no question of a small program of a few people. The achievements of the space program impact all of humanity for all time, as Neil Armstrong understood when he stepped onto the lunar surface, and said 'One small step for a man, one giant leap for mankind.'"

Lyndon LaRouche commented: "Remember that Obama is the enemy. Our mission is to get rid of Obama. He shut down the space program, and caused many other of these consequences with his bizarre behavior. Don't worry about Trump as such: get rid of Obama. That would change everything: like changing the diaper at last."

Let's look at it objectively, that is from a broader standpoint. These people are committing suicide, or destroying themselves in effect. Are we allowing that to happen? We're not allowing it, you would say: yet we're not doing anything to prevent it from happening. That's where the problem comes in. Are you producing the solution for the problem?—that's the issue. Every part of the United States, more or less, is afflicted with an increasing accumulation of people who are in desperate condition, either implicitly or implicitly. Those who are known to be deprived, are de-

prived,— but those who are experiencing the effect of that deprivation of others, are also deprived in that way. That’s the kind of problem that we have to deal with.

What we need to do: You have to get mankind, himself, to understand: What’s wrong with Obama? Well, Obama is Satanic. That’s not an exaggeration; his character is Satanic. Everything about him is more than Satanic, in effect. And yet we tolerate that. People say they support the President, when he’s a Satanic figure. And he goes around running Satanic operations. And they’re not impressed; they’re not sensitive.

So you get the person who says, “Oh, it’s so sad, he died, he committed suicide, because he was depressed.” What about what could have prevented that from happening? That’s where the crime comes in. People will say, “Oh, it’s too bad that people are suffering like this,” but they’re not going to do anything about it. That’s where the problem lies. Because if you can’t get a people that will muster themselves up to accomplish things that are necessary for themselves, then it doesn’t work. We do have a weakness in this area; it’s not our weakness as such, but we do share the burden.

There’s no doubt of the consequence that’s implicit in our Manhattan concerts and events. And what we have to do is get an estimate of the situation in other parts of the United States. What Kesha Rogers is doing, works. And she’s become more conscious of her role of leadership. We need more of that in more parts of the United States. People come to the rescue, but they don’t come fast enough. Since I went to prison, my own organization has not really been responsive to this, because some went to prison, and some sloughed it off.

If you want to make it work, you often have to spread it. You can’t just make it work; you have to spread the process of reaction of that type. Then, other people get more into it: it works. Otherwise, you’re looking at the aroma, not the substance. Something of that nature, you have to get it into your gut, to resonate. Which is the meaning of Manhattan. We need more of that. Otherwise, people around you who are frightened or suffering, they’ll realize you’re brushing it off. That “brushing-off” process is accumulating throughout the United States. And we have to bring forth a sense of concern, of serious concern for mankind.

Look at the history of Franklin Roosevelt’s policy

and practice. The issue is there. Because the struggle Franklin Roosevelt actually had, directly and indirectly as well, was a very striking, very important development. Then, when you got to 1936, coming out of the earlier 1930s, people began to get suddenly inspired with optimism, a growing optimism,— until the FBI destroyed Franklin Roosevelt’s program while he was still alive and in office. The FBI was the agency which destroyed the morality of the United States, no one should forget that. The FBI is the dirty enemy of the United States and its principles. Now, we’ve come to a time in which the FBI is no longer really useful; there’s nothing useful about it. And therefore the time has come, that we have to change the law to bring back the Franklin Roosevelt tradition. And therefore we are going to move joyously into doing things which mankind has not done for a long time. And that’s what builds morality, what we should really call morality. A devotion to the progress and success of mankind. And we don’t have that nowadays; we lost it a long time ago. The idea of building something that’s going to make the whole field better; that’s what Franklin Roosevelt’s movement represented, and that’s what we have lost, largely, in the United States today.

Are we doing it? Are we actually practicing that approach, or are we talking about it? I think it would take relatively little effort to make that shift. All you have to do is start it; all you have to do is get the thing started, and others will respond. Because people surrender to a sense of, “the way things are.” They say “yes that’s true, but, you’ve got to think of the way things are.”

What we’re doing in Texas right now, is really very important in that way. It’s one way of getting the message across, by taking one area of work, and pushing that to be the infectious agent for changing the trend. What we really need right now, is an affirmation that these changes that we threaten to bring about, will function. When people get ignited with the fact that they have rights, rights that they thought they had lost, that’s when you get the kind of ignition we need now in the United States. Without that, I don’t think the United States can make it.

The main thing is to try to get the idea of an organization which is committed to victory, like a military organization, which gets out there and gets the job done. Texas can be one of the ignition points; Manhattan is another area of opportunity.