

Editorial

On the U.S. Elections

Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr. issued the following statement on Nov. 8, 2000.

Election-day has come and gone. Whoever wins the result of the recount, those of you who were thinking will remember, that the only significant net result of the election is what I had warned you it would be. It had already become, a foregone conclusion; that, whoever it might turn out were elected, the United States and its people would have just lost a Presidential election, as they did yesterday.

The next big shoe to drop upstairs, will be the on-rushing, global financial crash, when all the slogans and issues which have lately occupied the attention of the leading popular news media, will be swept into the rubbish.

The crash will sweep as much as half of those in the upper twenty percent of the nation's family-income brackets, especially the debt-ridden so-called suburban vote, into virtual destitution. The plight of the lowest stratum of family-income brackets will become desperate. Where then, is the new President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, at a time when he and his recovery policies, or their like, are needed the most?

What have you just done to yourself, little man? This Presidential election has been a bummer. How do we rescue you, the typical citizen, from the mess you brought upon yourself in this way?

Despite all that, and more, you still have good reason to hope. I can assure you of that. Perhaps, now, at last, you will begin to understand what I have just said.

Read, again, Lyndon LaRouche's editorial statement printed in this space one week ago, and written Nov. 4, 2000, three days before Election-day, which said in part:

Whether or not either of these two clowns makes it through the delayed counting of the mail-in ballots,

and survives what may turn out to be an electoral-college impasse, there is no certainty yet, as to who will actually be inaugurated as the next President. Even the fellow who seems to have won on November 7th, might not actually become the next President. Many seemingly strange things not only could happen, but are likely to happen, between election-day and the next inauguration. So far, on this count, absolutely nothing is in the cards.

As the often quoted Chinese saying goes, for the United States, we live in interesting times.

In times like these, if you wish clear and definite answers, you must first ask the right questions. Who is going to win next Tuesday's general election is not the right question. There are two leading subjects on which I can give you some definite answers, and, otherwise, some hints at what you should be worrying about. First, peek at the economic situation, and then the rapidly deteriorating political situation of the United States, at home and also abroad.

First, the entire global financial system is now overripe for the biggest collapse in three centuries, and the collapse of the value of the U.S. dollar on the world market, will be the event which officially pushes the world as a whole into that new great depression. There goes the entire agenda of both the Bush and Gore candidacies, out the window. They each become useless political baggage, to Wall Street and everyone else, the moment that crash hits with full force, soon.

Second, the world's greatest political and strategic crisis at this moment is the fact that both of the major political parties are controlled, top down, by the leading role of pro-racist right-wing fanatics, including generally pro-racist religious loonies of the Robertson and Falwell types, who have taken control of not only the Republican, but also the Democratic Party's machinery, as a continuation of the Nixon "Southern Strategy" launched during the second half of the 1960s.