

## Will Americans Heed LaRouche To Win This Mass Strike?

by Nancy Spannaus

March 1—“We have, around the world, a mass movement, which is largely a spontaneous mass movement, which became conspicuous at first in Tunis, then in Egypt. It’s all over the place now: It’s now in Wisconsin; it’s now in other states around there. You’re going to see it in Pennsylvania; you’re going to see it revolting against the new governor in New Jersey; you’re going to see an upsurge in New York State. This thing is out of control. The question is: Are we going to have the leadership that is needed to steer this in a *sane direction*, and hopefully not some insane, French Revolution type of mess, type of problem?”

So spoke Lyndon LaRouche, at the conclusion of an interview with Columbus, Ohio talk show host Khari Enaharo, on Feb. 28. LaRouche was speaking in the wake of a weekend of citizen actions that brought hundreds of thousands of working people into the streets, from every state of the Union, including over 100,000 in the Wisconsin capital itself. While apparently concentrated on the “issue” of the union-busting being attempted by Wisconsin’s Gov. Muammar Walker, the growing political protests are, like the actions around the globe, targeting the broad array of Wall Street assaults on the population—ranging from Medicaid cuts, to cutbacks in fire and police service, to assaults on public education. And the momentum is growing.



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*LPAC Michigan Congressional candidate Bill Roberts organizes firefighters, who are protesting in the state capital Lansing, against attempts there to eliminate collective bargaining for public employees.*

Into this ferment, there is only one political force which is offering a solution to the *cause* of these crises, the breakdown of the British Empire’s financial house of cards, called the “shadow economy” by the Angelides Report. The slate of six LaRouche Democrats running for Congress has put out a clarion call around the theme, “The Global Mass Strike Demands Glass-Steagall,” and the candidates themselves are deployed in state capitals, and in the streets, to rally the citizenry to their demands for action now, prior to the next phase of collapse.

The reimposition of Franklin Roosevelt’s Glass-Steagall, “will destroy the entire system of the London-centered empire,” a joint LaRouche candidates’ state-

ment argues, and thus free the states and the Federal government to reassert the priority of their citizens' welfare—including emergency aid to the states, and credit for economy-saving, job-creating projects, like the North American Water and Power Alliance. It must be done now.

### The Real Enemy

As in Tunisia and Egypt, the mass strike in the United States has taken the form of a reaction against increasingly unbearable conditions of life, which the incoming crop of Republican governors and Congressmen are determined to make a lot worse. But only the foolish would see the confrontation as a partisan issue. The entire political class, at the top of both the Democratic and Republican parties, and emphatically including President Obama, is functioning as tools of Wall Street, the British Empire's outpost in the United States.

Instinctively, the citizens now taking to the streets understand this reality. Recall, for example, the mass rallies against Obama's Hitler-like health-care policy, and the Democrats who supported it, back in 2009. That upheaval led to the creation of the Tea Party movement, which has remained largely amorphous, except for efforts by the likes of Dick Armey and other scoundrels to take it over. Predictably, the Tea Party went to the polls in November, and punished the Democrats, big time. But, as soon as the Republican "winners," like Scott Walker in Wisconsin and Ohio's John Boehner, began to push their murderous budget cuts, many of the very same people went into the streets to protest again.

The reason, which LaRouche explained immediately after the election, should be clear: Our fellow citizens let themselves be led into voting *against* one evil, but did not bother to educate themselves on the program of those they were voting *for*. If they had looked carefully, they would have realized that the majority of the right-wing Republicans they were voting into office, were as bad, or worse, than the Democrats, in supporting Wall Street, at the expense of the people.

The Republicans they were voting for, were just the next targets to be thrown out!

For the budget-cutting policy which such blowhards as Walker and New Jersey's fatso Gov. Chris Christie are pushing through, are nothing other than sops to the



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*Wall Street's poster boy Obama has to go, if the United States is to survive. Shown: the famous "Obamastache," displayed here in Massachusetts, April 2010.*

Wall Street bankers, who have been demanding precisely the policies of pension cuts, wage cuts, and mass murder of the indigent, chronically ill, and elderly, which the British financial empire considers necessary for its survival.

But, as an increasing number of nominally Democratic protestors are being forced to acknowledge, Obama and those "Democrats" who ally with him, are no less committed to ramming through the cuts which Wall Street demands. As Jay Carney, Obama's press spokesman, likes to put it, "All workers have to tighten their belts." Nor has it been lost on the labor movement, that Obama and his crew have taken the lead in attacking teachers' unions nationally, all in the name of "competition" games like "Race to the Top."

It should have been no surprise when the fascist Christie, on CBS's "Face the Nation" Feb. 27, lavished praise on Obama's education program, because Obama is attacking the unions.

### Glass-Steagall

As LaRouche has repeatedly stressed, there is no way that this rising mass strike process can win a victory, without taking on the global issue of the British Empire's genocidal economic policies. The first step to addressing those policies is the cancellation of trillions of dollars in gambling debts which have virtually taken over the world's banking system—and the means for

doing that, is the Glass-Steagall banking reform.

On this issue, the traditionally Democratic institutions, which are currently mobilizing against budget cuts and union-busting, have to face the bitter reality that many of them have been ducking for two years: the fascist character of President Barack Obama. Obama's commitment to Hitlerian policies became clear in the Spring of 2009, with his health-care policy. And he has gone on from there, to maintain the bailouts for Wall Street, every step of the way. Obama is a British stooge—who would be qualified to be a traitor, if he weren't so mentally ill.

Yet, as long as Obama remains in the White House, even as a figurehead, he has the capability of blocking the implementation of Glass-Steagall. In the Spring of 2010, this is precisely what Obama did—despite the fact that there was a clear majority in both Houses of Congress to pass the measure. The British government directly intervened to inform the Administration that it saw Glass-Steagall as a hostile act against it, and the Administration clicked its heels and acted to kill the bill.

Outrageously, up to the present day, the Democrats in Congress who supported the reinstatement of Glass-Steagall are still too intimidated by the power of the White House, to relaunch the drive for ramming through this legislation. And this, despite the fact that leading financial experts, and Democrats like Phil Angelides, of the FCIC report, have made it totally clear that the financial system is on the verge of an even worse blowout than the one which devastated the U.S., and the world, in 2008.

In full cognizance of this cowardice in Washington, the LaRouche candidates, and LaRouchePAC supporters, are directing their energies to mobilizing political leaders in the states, unions, and localities, as well as those local citizens who are taking to the streets in revolt. It's in the nature of the American republic, from our earliest days, to take responsibility for raising up mankind as a whole, and that is the reality that confronts the American wing of the global mass strike today. American action to reimpose Glass-Steagall is an indispensable step toward victory for the millions of people globally, who have come out into the streets to demand a future.

The only sane policy for an American patriot today, is to follow the lead of LaRouche and the Slate of Six, to force Congress to pass Glass-Steagall now. All the material you need can be found at [www.larouchepac.com](http://www.larouchepac.com).

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