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Schiller Institute Conference

'History as Science'— Get the Devil Out of Davenport!



Schiller Institute founder Helga Zepp-LaRouche.

A ssembled under a banner reading "History as Science—Get the Devil Out of Davenport!" the Schiller Institute and the International Caucus of Labor Committees—the philosophical association founded by Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.—met in northern Virginia on Sept. 4-6 for their annual Labor Day conference.

The primary subject was LaRouche's latest book-length essay, "History as Science: America 2000" (published in the Fall 1993 issue of *Fidelio*), in which the jailed American statesman warns, as he reiterated in keynote remarks delivered to the conference by audiotape, that the United States could disintegrate beginning as early as 1996, just as the Soviet Union did in 1989-90 [SEE page 4, this issue].

Two themes provided the counterpoint. First, was the battle, inspired by LaRouche, against the satanic New Age culture epitomized by "Outcome-Based Education" (O.B.E.) subversion of the

schools, and the suicidal decision of the citizens of Davenport, Iowa against building levees to contain potential Mississippi river flooding—because such levees threatened the riverboat casino-gambling business.

Second, was the urgent necessity to free LaRouche from prison, where he has been held as a political prisoner since January 1989. A candlelight vigil demanding LaRouche's freedom was held at the White House during the conference. The vigil was followed by a lovely concert of Classical music at the Bible Way Temple in Washington, D.C., with Metropolitan Opera baritone Robert McFerrin and pianist Sylvia Olden Lee performing Italian opera, German art songs, and American spirituals.

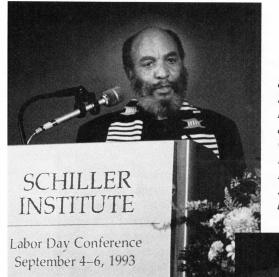
Danger of World War III

The challenge before the conference, as outlined in the keynote presentation by Helga Zepp-LaRouche, Chairman of



White House protesters tell President Clinton: "Free LaRouche!"

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Virginia gubernatorial candidate Nancy Spannaus (right) and Rev. James Bevel (left) call for action against Outcome Based Education (O.B.E.). Below: Political prisoner Michael Billington lectures by video tape.

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the Schiller Institute and LaRouche's wife, was to "establish an exact understanding of what the nature of the strategic and historic crisis is, what the absolutely crucial role of this organization is, in this historic moment, and what the possible pathways are in order to avoid the now-visible disaster."

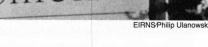
Mrs. LaRouche called for her husband's freedom in the month of September, as the "signal of a change in U.S. policy" that is required to prevent World War III.

"We have warned during the last months," she said, "that the non-action of the West in the face of the Serbian aggression and the genocide against the Bosnian people would lead to the potential danger of World War III; that is exactly what we are on the verge of right now." What we are facing, for instance in the growing conflict between Russia and Ukraine, she said, is "several years of the horrible, bloody Nemesis of destruction, of a global Thirty Years' War of which Bosnia would only have given us a foretaste."

But in the horrible fate of Bosnia-Hercegovina, she said, we have "the straw which will break the camel's back." "I believe that this genocide was-and is-so horrible and such absolute proof of the failure of the political system which governs this entire century, that it will lead to the revelation of the truth; and that the ugly face of geopolitics, of British colonialism, of

oligarchism, of the balance-of-power crisis management and the idea of running the world through 'splendid little wars' on the back of innocent people; the rotten image of man that goes with oligarchism; the ugly face of British liberalism—all this will become public knowledge, and it must become public knowledge!"

To thus "blow apart the myth of the twentieth century"—to tell the truth about the underlying causes of World War I, and hence World War II, in the oligarchy's pursuit of the geopolitical strategies of the British Empire—is, she said, the "absolute precondition for mankind to survive."



Conference Highlights

• A message to the conference from Dr. Nedzib Sacirbey, Personal Representative in the United States of the President of the Republic of Bosnia and Hercegovina, urged Americans to act now to stop the genocide ongoing in Bosnia-Hercegovina.

• Two tape-recorded messages from Lyndon LaRouche's fellow political prisoners, Michael Billington and Rochelle Ascher, provided the emotional highpoint of the conference.

Billington, who is serving an outrageous seventy-seven year sentence in prison in the Commonwealth of Virginia, participated in a conference panel with an hour-long videotaped speech on "Confucianism and Imago Viva Dei," in which he summarized material on Chinese history and philosophy originally developed in his ground-breaking essay published in the Summer 1993 issue of Fidelio.

Rochelle Ascher, also confined in a Virginia prison, sent an audio tape, in which she quoted St. Augustine: "If through fear of persecution you lose the Kingdom of Heaven, how then will there be any men through whom your wavering may be removed?" She, too, called for LaRouche's freedom, "to save the world before it is too late."

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