

# Defeat Bush’s Social Security Privatization: A Foot in the Door for Fascism

As this issue of *Fidelio* goes to press, the most decisive issue facing humanity is the necessity of defeating the drive by the new Bush Administration to privatize Social Security in the United States. For that reason, we present here the remarks made on Dec. 16, 2004 by the leader of this fight, Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., during an interview on WVKO radio in Columbus, Ohio. In that interview, LaRouche warned the American people about the imminent danger of a further fascist *coup d’etat*, if the Bush Administration—which was “re-elected” through fraud and voter suppression—is allowed to get away with its plans to loot the entire Social Security Trust Fund, under the guise of the Pinochet/Chilean model of “privatization.” On the other hand, as LaRouche emphasized, Bush’s manic drive to push through Social Security privatization may be the biggest mistake of his political life: “This may be the end of George Bush. This may turn him into a cooked, lame duck, because of this desperation to plunge ahead with this swindle on Social Security.”

LaRouche continued his warning: “The entire financial system is collapsing. We’re on the verge of a collapse any time now, for a major financial blowout of the U.S. and the international markets. At this point, they’re counting on looting Social Security, or having a proof that they can loot Social Security, as a way of putting more capital into a depressed U.S. financial market, to try to bail out the gambling side of the financial-market system.

“The issue here, the typical issue, right now, up front—and George Bush has made it

very clear it’s up front—the Chilean model of privatization of Social Security is the Bush model.

“This was done in Chile in 1981. That is, Pinochet came in, in 1973; he was part of Operation Condor, this mass-murder operation through the Southern Cone of South America. This was done by the ‘Chicago Boys’; that is, the banking side was the Chicago Boys, of whom George Shultz was a key man. And George Shultz is the man who was the architect of the George W. Bush Administration. He’s the guy who brought Condoleezza Rice into the

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### The Glove

Beside his lion garden waiting,  
The games anticipating,  
Sat Franz the King,  
And ’round him the kingdom’s  
    great powers,  
And up in the balcony towers  
The ladies in a lovely ring.  
  
And as with a finger he motions,  
A cage in the distance opens,  
And inside with deliberate strides  
A lion glides  
And without sound  
Looks ’round,  
With long yawns making

And mane hair shaking,  
His limbs exposes  
And down reposes.  
  
And the King further motions,  
There opens with ease  
A second door,  
From it flees  
With savage dashes  
A tiger to the fore,  
When the lion he ’spies,  
Loud he cries,  
Strikes with his tail  
A frightening flail,  
His tongue he flashes,

And in circles shy  
’Round the lion goes by  
Fiercely growling,  
He stretches out scowling,  
By the lion reposes.  
  
And the King again motions,  
Then spew from the house twice-  
    opened before  
Two savage leopards as one to the fore,  
They plunge forth with stout-hearted  
    battle-lust  
On the tiger-beast;  
He clutches them both with his claws  
    ferocious,

picture. He's the one that was behind Cheney, and Cheney organized the composition of the initial current Bush Administration. This is the combination. It's the same bunch of guys."

In the interview, LaRouche also warned that the economic policies of the Chicago Boys in Chile that Bush wants to implement now in the U.S., required the Nazi methods of mass murder carried out by Pinochet under Operation Condor. Many of the leftovers of the old Nazi system who were run down into South America after World War II through what was called the 'ratline' operation, were used by Pinochet throughout the region to enforce his radical "free-trade" policies. "They're the ones who killed the thousands of people to consolidate, in Chile in particular, to consolidate the regime down there."

"This swindle on stealing Social Security funds is worldwide: It's not only in Chile; it's in Peru, which is under attack; Mexico; the United States; in Germany, the welfare system is under attack under 'Hartz IV'; under the current Finance Minister of France, Sarkozy, it's also under attack. So, we have a worldwide onslaught by bankrupt banking-system people, to try to grab the very large social welfare funds of governments, now.

"They know that very soon, there is going to be a real avalanche that's going to hit the U.S. financial market. That's inevitable. They want to steal Social Security—they're going to steal all of it; not some of it. What they're talking about is the shoe in the front door, but they intend to put the whole foot in.

"Once they get the first step, then you will see, as

they did with the Iraq war: get the first step, get in there, and the whole thing comes.

"We are now not fighting just over an issue of welfare. We are fighting over a welfare issue, just as the welfare issue was the issue, which was key in Europe when Mussolini and Hitler came to power: *We're faced with a threat of dictatorship. and if we can not mobilize political resources, especially in the United States, to stop this thing now, we will have given up our Constitution and our rights.* And when these guys come after us, they're going to come all the way—because they are faced with a broken-down system, and they're going to go for a dictatorship.

"This nutty President is out to steal the Social Security of the American people. Not just a few poor people. We're talking about the majority of the American people who will be looted by this thing—and many will be killed by it. When you combine this with the effect on the health-care situation, people will be murdered by this kind of policy."

LaRouche concluded by emphasizing that the key issue is leadership. "You have to get out and fight—not namby-pamby, not maybe-so, not this double-talk. Get out there, and mobilize the people.

"The problem is, we have not been giving the people leadership. Now, as you know, small people who don't have much power, are not going to get out there and fight, generally. They're going to look for leadership. And they do not trust the people who are their leaders.

"We have to—we who are willing to lead—we have to prove to them, that they have leaders that they can trust."

And with roar that is shrill  
The lion stands—all is still,  
And round in a knot,  
In bloodlust hot,  
Lie down now the cats so atrocious.

Then falls from the terrace above,  
From a beautiful hand a glove,  
In between tiger and lion it lay  
Just at midway.

And to Knight Delorges, so  
mockingly  
Fair Lady Cunigund turns now:  
"Sir Knight, if your love is as hot for  
me,

As every hour you do avow  
Why, my glove to me now return."

And the knight with a speedy turn  
Climbs down in the frightful  
enclosure  
With steady paces,  
And from the monstrous middle  
spaces  
Seizes the glove now with daring  
finger.

And with horror and with sensation  
Watch the knights and the  
noblewomen

And he coolly brings back the glove  
without fear.  
Then from every mouth his praises  
shower,  
But now a loving glance most dear—  
Which promises his bliss is near—  
Receives he from Cunigund's tower.  
And he throws in her face the glove  
he's got:  
"Your thanks, Lady, I want that not,"  
And he leaves her that very hour.

—Friedrich Schiller,  
*translated by Marianna Wertz*