The strategy for restoring the United States to the principles of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, as opposed to those of Winston Churchill, was the subject of the keynote presentation by Democratic Presidential pre-candidate Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., to the Labor Day conference of the Schiller Institute /International Caucus of Labor Committees on September 4-5. LaRouche was introduced by Amelia Boynton Robinson, Vice Chairman of the Institute.

You have no right to be stupid, LaRouche told the audience in his videotaped presentation. You must rise to the level of cognition, in the interest of winning a “system of sovereign nation-states, each governed by a fundamental constitutional principle of the general welfare, and all sharing and understanding that the survival and security of one, depends upon the general welfare provided by all to each.”

LaRouche’s presentation was then complemented by that of Gen. Harold Bedoya (ret.), former Defense Minister and head of the Armed Forces of Colombia. Bedoya announced that he had come to the United States to win political support from America for Colombia’s war against the drug trade. But this is not just a matter for Colombia, he stressed. Colombia has been chosen by the international narco-terrorists because of its strategic position, and, if Colombia, which is already being devoured by the terrorists, is destroyed, that fact will represent a strategic threat not only to the rest of Ibero-America, but also to the United States itself.

The second panel of the conference addressed the necessity of “Classical thinking.” As elaborated throughout the conference, such thinking means an absolute rejection of “bite-sized” slogans and organizing, in favor of exercising the mind to generate and communicate ideas. Ideas, as Gerald Rose and William Wertz stressed, cannot be reduced to “information” or “facts,” but demand constant confrontation and resolution of paradoxes, and the supersession of inadequate hypotheses.

This panel began and ended with musical presentations, First, the Schiller Institute chorus sang Please turn to page 92


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three sections of Ludwig van Beethoven’s Mass in C; later, at the conclusion, Sheila Jones and Mindy Pechenuk of Chicago gave a demonstration of how musical instruments must be governed by the principles of the human singing voice.

Rose spoke on the theme, “Beauty Is Truth, Truth Beauty.” After rigorously defining the criteria for beautiful ideas in terms of their effectiveness in promoting human civilization, Rose used examples from Greek Classical sculpture, and from the poetry of Keats, to demonstrate the Classical principle. Wertz then took up the same question from the standpoint of Prometheus versus Hamlet, emphasizing the crucial role of *agapē* in determining the ability to think. He interspersed his presentation with a number of recitations, and concluded with a discussion of Classical paintings which demonstrated how supersensuous ideas are conveyed on canvas—much as Rose had shown they can be conveyed in stone.

**The Eurasian Land-Bridge**

Schiller Institute founder Helga Zepp LaRouche opened the second day of the conference with a keynote on “The Eurasian Land-Bridge as a Global Strategy for Today.” Her presentation flowed from a polemic on the ignorance of the American people about the role of the United States in the world, and about strategic realities internationally, an ignorance she referred to by the polemical phrase, “the continent of the clueless.”

Zepp LaRouche presented a detailed analysis of the development of the strategic dangers facing the world today, from the period of 1986, when her husband, the intellectual author of the S.D.I., came under deadly assault, to the current time. As a result of the dominance of the Brzezinski-style geopolitical crowd during this period, the world now faces multiple crisis spots which could lead into World War III, especially in the context of the collapse of the world financial system. She then reviewed the way in which the Eurasian Land-Bridge development perspective provides the unique alternative to war.

Zepp LaRouche was followed by *EIR* editors Dennis Small, who spoke on “The Case of Ibero-America: Justice vs. Jacobinism,” and Linda de Hoyos, speaking on “The Case of Africa: A Dark Age or a Renaissance?”

The last two panels of the two-day conference dealt with organizing questions, and with a polemical presentation on economic reality versus the psychosis of the current phase of the financial system.

Important to setting the level of discussion throughout, was the contribution of Schiller Institute Board member William Warfield, a world-renowned bass-baritone. Warfield, accompanied by pianist Sylvia Olden Lee, opened both keynote sessions, combining performances of Classical German *lieder* and of profoundly moving Negro Spirituals.

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policy was sabotaged.

Congressman Bush, who heads the Judiciary Committee of the Legislative Assembly of Panama, noted that he had been studying the writings of Lincoln and Franklin D. Roosevelt, and that, “Your government has been doing everything opposed to that!” Bush said, that if you look around the world, there is always the same “perturbing element”—“the Anglo-Saxon empire of the British.” This same empire, he said, encourages and profits from the drug traffic which has ravaged Panama and other nations of Ibero-America.