

'Silk Road Lady' in New York

Telga Zepp LaRouche held a series of seminars and briefings in New York City on Feb. 27-28, entitled "The Eurasian Land-Bridge: The 'New Silk Road'-locomotive for worldwide economic development." Representatives from twenty-six nations, as well as from the internatinal press, attended a Feb. 27 afternoon briefing. The next day, eleven Chinese journalists attended an "insiders' briefing" in Lower Manhattanwhich was then reported, within 48 hours, in both mainland China and Taiwan, through television and radio, and in every major Chinese-language press outlet in the United States.

The headline of the Hong Kongbased Sing Tao newspaper read, "Helga LaRouche Releases a new Special Report Titled: Construct Eurasian Land-Bridge To Invigorate The World." The United Journal, circulated throughout the U.S. and Canada, reported: "Mrs. Zepp LaRouche said that at present the superficial prosperity of the Western economies is, in fact, simply 'bubble economies.' The key character of this kind of economy is that, over 90% of capital investments flow into purely speculative financial instruments; that this form of economy is reaching the point of serious crisis and collapse, which

Helga Zepp LaRouche addresses Land-Bridge seminar.

one day in the future, when it collapses, will cause a terrible crisis for the world."

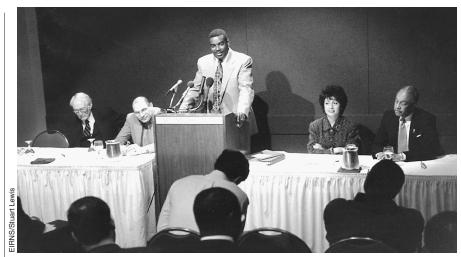
The Schiller Institute's recent re-publication of the groundbreaking study of Chinese physical economy written by Dr. Sun Yat-sen, The Vital Problem of China, was cited by the World Journal. "Helga Zepp LaRouche, at yesterday afternoon's press conference, stated that today's China cannot get rid of the present crisis, without reading Sun Yat-sen's 'The Vital Problem of China' . . . [T]his book ought to be on every Chinese family's bookshelf . . . Lady LaRouche . . . has for many years . . . devoted herself to push the countries in Europe and Asia to build the Eurasian Land-Bridge. . . . Sun Yat-sen . . . envisaged the Land-Bridge as the key construction item."

The International Daily News was particularly optimistic: "[Zepp LaRouche] believes that the phenomena of the world economy nowadays are totally fake, that is, the phenomena of the bubble economy. . . . She proposed, that the two biggest economic powers in the world, China and the United States, should take the leadership and cooperate with other countries to build up a railway that circles the world, which looks like a great bridge connecting all parts of the world."

Sudan Briefing Book To Counter Media Lies

About Sudan?" is the title of a comprehensive briefing book released by the Schiller Institute at a well-attended press conference in the nation's capital March 20. The briefing book was presented by Schiller Institute spokesman Lawrence Freeman, who has led two fact-finding delegations to Sudan, one in September 1996, and a second in February of this year.

In addition to Freeman, speakers at the press conference were Rep. Theo Mitchell, former South Carolina State Senator, and María Elena Milton, former Democratic candidate for Congress from Arizona's 4th C.D., both of whom Please turn to page 78



Delegation reports Sudan fact-finding. Podium: Rep. Thomas Jackson. Seated (left to right): Rep. James Mann, Lawrence Freeman, María Elena Milton, Rep. Theo Mitchell.

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participated in the February delegation, and two members of the September delegation, James Mann, former Congressman from South Carolina, and Alabama State Rep. Thomas E. Jackson.

Freeman pointed out that the lies against Sudan in the media about slavery, harboring of terrorists, and persecution of Christians and other non-Muslim populations, have been spread by an organization called Christian Solidarity International (C.S.I.), which is directed by the Deputy Speaker of the British House of Lords, Baroness Caroline Cox.

Senator Theo Mitchell charged that Sudan was being "put to the sword" by powerful interests. The Schiller delegation had found "no institutionalized, government-backed slavery"; in fact, he said, slavery in Sudan is a capital offense. Rather, he asserted, Sudan has been victimized by an invasion from Ethiopia and Eritrea, which began on Jan. 12.

Slavery Story Wreaked Havoc

Former Congressman James Mann excoriated the two Baltimore Sun reporters whose slavery story "wreaked havoc in the world, in Sudan, in the Congressional Black Caucus, resulting in the approval of sanctions by the United States and the United Nations."

Representative Thomas Jackson of Alabama admitted that, before his visit to Sudan last September, he had known nothing about the country except what he read in the papers. "My fore-parents had to endure the atrocity of slavery. . . . I was troubled." But his experience in Sudan convinced him that charges of slavery there were fraudulent.

LaRouche Democrat María Elena Milton showed how those charges are used to "whip up" African-Americans, while American conservatives are fed a line about Islamic persecution.

"How do you mobilize American conservatives?" she asked. "Whip them up with charges of Islamic oppression of Christians—fed through C.S.I., and the Christian Coalition. . . . Pat Robertson is raising a lot of money using this issue."



'Overcoming Financial Collapse'

n April 10, Lyndon LaRouche addressed a packed conference in Rome, Italy, on "The way out of the disintegration of the international financial markets." LaRouche told the one hundred guests representing political, industrial, diplomatic, and clerical circles from Rome and elsewhere in Italy, "It is beyond the power and will of man to save this monetary and financial system," and said his job is to organize the governments of the world, led by President Bill Clinton, to convene a New Bretton Woods conference.

Joining LaRouche on the podium was Italian Parliamentarian Publio Fiori, the former Transportation Minister in the government of Silvio Berlusconi, and currently national coordinator of the National Alliance Party. Fiori endorsed LaRouche's New Bretton Woods proposal, and called for the establishment in Italy of a National Bank for economic development, which would break the control of the specula-

tive financial markets, and launch the large-scale infrastructure and industrial projects which are needed to save the physical economy from ruin.

Helga Zepp LaRouche presented the economic perspective of the Eurasian Land-Bridge, or "new Silk Road."

Engineer Fortunato Covelli, a representative of the company established to build the bridge over the Strait of Messina, which would connect Sicily to Italy's mainland, briefly addressed the conference, as did Alberto Servidio, former head of the Cassa del Mezzogiorno, the state financial institute for the development of Southern Italy, and economics reporter Giorgio Vitangeli. In addition, messages of support for the conference were received from Flaminio Piccoli, former president of the Christian Democracy Party; Roberto Formigoni, parliamentarian and currently president of the Lombardy Region; and Siro Lombardini, former Minister of State Economic Participation.



Above: (left to right) Translator, Lyndon LaRouche, moderator Paolo Raimondi, and Parliamentarian Publio Fiori. Below: Conference guests.