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State of the Battle, December 2021:

Trump Political Takeover Terrifies Elites, LaRouche/Lincoln Economic Takeover Must Follow

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Maybe they think hyperventilating is a further protection against COVID, since apparently three shots and two masks aren't enough. In recent days, the enemy has waxed even more hysterical than usual over the growth and consolidation of Donald Trump's movement.

- "Trump's Next Coup Has Already Begun," pants Barton Gellman in the January 2022 Atlantic. While multi-thousand-word is a tedious rehash of MSM arguments about the January 6 "insurrection" and the "Big Lie" about the stolen election, Gellman gets to the real point in the midst of his hysterics, "Trump has reconquered his party by setting its base on fire. ... Trump has built the first American mass political movement in the past century that is ready to fight by any means necessary, {and then some hyperventilating-ed.} including bloodshed, for its cause."
- "Meet the Press" featured the Gellman rant on December 12, and then turned to

their talking head, John Heilemann, who claimed that there are 30 million Trump supporters ready to take up arms, and "you put that together with what the former President and his allies are doing in the political realm—state houses, state legislatures, and the party apparatus to be able to engineer a situation where they are in a stronger position to pull off a coup."

•On December 3, a Slate article entitled, "Meet the Trump Fanatics Who Have Taken Over Elections in a Critical Swing State," warned about "Michigan's terrifying, twisted politics," as evidenced by the fact that Trump supporters are winning positions as Board of Election Canvassers.

Notice a theme here—acknowledgment of Trump's mass political movement, winning state houses and party positions, becoming election officials—all manifestations of the growth of an extraordinary citizen and candidates' movement to save America;

then, smeared with claims of violence and coups. (Never mind who actually carried out violence and a coup in 2020.) Lurking behind all of this, is the reality that inflation is ripping apart Americans' ability to survive and is fueling the kind of major political realignment that we have only seen a few times in our nation's history. Abraham Lincoln's creation of the Republican Party, as a party of producers and patriots, is the most immediately relevant—a point not Donald Trump. missed by (See LaRouchePAC's "Citizens Primer: The American System Realignment of the U.S.")

Case Study: Michigan

Besides the *Slate* focus on Michigan, the *Atlantic* piece is illustrated by an inordinate number of pictures of Michigan activists rallying for election integrity. Two dynamics are intersecting in Michigan.

First. is the emergence an organized force of patriots, committed to exposing the stolen election (through canvassing and a ballot initiative for a forensic audit), and ensuring that they cannot steal the next election (with a mass recruitment of activists to be poll workers and challengers and a second ballot initiative). Everyone knows that the Michigan GOP did squat in 2020 (and has been embarrassed participating in some useful activity recently), but the real work has been done by hundreds of leaders, and thousands of activists who have created a kind of "dual power" dynamic in the state.

It's not surprising that this effort has been the target of a classic psy-ops attack, with various grifters and worse, attempting to sow dissension and disinformation. Shane Trejo's post, "It's Time for a Grassroots Reality Check" in *RightMI*.com, details the players at the national and local level who have tried to disorganize election integrity efforts. (For all you Jovan Pulitzer fans out there, this is an important read.)

 Second, is what the enemy ultimately growing citizens' fears: that this movement will come to recognize that it must not only take political control, but it must take *policy control*, primarily around the life and death question of saving our economy from total globalist destruction. The Slate article nervously references the "Reagan Democrats" who emerged in Michigan and the Midwest in the 1980's. The enemy knows that Donald Trump is committed profound and permanent to а realignment of the Republican Party, like the "Lincoln Revolution" which created it. Trump has again asserted that the Republican Party must become the party of working people. The formerly industrial Midwest is the center of that realignment, with swing state Michigan at ground zero.

Every recent poll, on all sides of the political spectrum, acknowledges that the economy is the number one issue in American voters' minds. LaRouchePAC is committed to providing the principles and policies which can revive the real American school of economics, and by doing so, shape this realignment and rescue our economy.."