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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: “It is the system, rather than individuals, that is the source of pollution and degradation. My prison-house environment is but another manifestation of the Midas-hand, whose cursed touch turns everything to the brutal service of Mammon.”

– Alexander Berkman (1912). *Prison Memoirs of an Anarchist*.

THE MIDAS TOUCH By Frances Hutchinson

COMMUNITY life has, since the industrial revolution, been dominated in Great Britain by the demands of the economic system to the virtual exclusion of other social considerations. Child rearing, home and family care have continued to play an essential part in meeting the needs of individuals. But the economic system has registered only the costs of breakdown and remedial actions. In the same way as economists have only recently, and marginally, come to account the destruction of the environment and the exhaustion of the earth’s scarce resources, the development of affective and social skills through traditional forms of home and family care has been taken for granted and subtly devalued.

Males and feminists alike have, for their different reasons, combined to underplay and undermine the significance of family care in introducing new members to the social community of human beings. The strength of the backlash against this erosion of family life can be seen in the vigour of the growth in support for fundamentalist religions. Beyond those narrow confines, home care, child care and the traditional skills of mothering have been denigrated and debased. Parenting and child care have been demoted to a spare time activity outside working hours, to be delegated wherever possible to low paid substitutes. In this way, traditionally male concern with production of statistically verifiable material wealth has been accepted as the sole significant form of human activity. The need for love, care and affection is appreciated only at the point of personal breakdown, when expensive specialists are consulted.

Traditionally feminine concerns have so far eluded the androcentric comprehension which dominates all forms of academic and educational structures in society. The psychologists — and there have been many of them, and of both sexes — who record the infant’s ambivalence towards its mother could, perhaps, with more accuracy be said to be recording the results of the untypical mother’s ambivalence towards her child. Mothering in human beings is a socially sensitive activity, and Western society has, since the onset of the industrial revolution, placed the rearing of children under peculiar constraints.

Taking the lead from classical economists, backed up by cynical psychologists, we in the West have come to doubt the sincerity of those who offer love and affection. The ideal role model of the tender and caring mother — or father — has been replaced by the young, fit, healthy, role-playing, 25 year old male, in economic employment and without ties or responsibilities. By contrast, the woman who cares, be it for an elderly relative, a child — her own, or that of another who has suffered mental or physical abuse— or her sick or disabled husband, child or parent, is designated a person of low status, her needs ignored in terms of community support, and her economic independence removed from any guarantees. Following the industrial revolution, family life has come to be curiously dependent upon wage earning, that is, upon the economic rewards to labour as a factor of production.

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The reward given to labour bears no relationship whatsoever to the economic needs of the family. Further, it takes no account of the work involved in household tasks, work which recent International Labour Office estimates show consumes at least as many working hours as are spent in paid employment. This supportive work is acknowledged to be essential in servicing the workers, that is, in attending to their essential needs for food, clothing, shelter and leisure. The very existence of labour, an essential factor of production in economic terms, is dependent upon the satisfaction of those needs. Housework is, however, excluded from economic calculations in the same way as nature's gifts are assumed to be free, simply because they do not occur as a result of financial considerations. A mother does not — normally — wait to be paid to look after her baby. Yet it is this very absence of economic motivation which demotes an activity in Western eyes. 'If a job is worth doing, it is worth being paid to do it', is the current rule of thumb. As a result, mothering and caring generally are classed as menial tasks, to be delegated to others wherever possible for a financial consideration.

It is, however, becoming clear that child-rearing practices based on the economic needs of the parents are giving grounds for concern. Parents return from work to tackle household and child care responsibilities in their 'spare' time, often many miles away from otherwise supportive grandparents. In attempting to side-step the

TEN REASONS FOR AUSTRALIA TO EXIT PARIS NOW By Viv Forbes

It is urgent that all Australian politicians understand the dangers in the Paris Climate Agreement. Here are TEN REASONS to EXIT PARIS NOW:

1. The science is NOT settled - hundreds of scientists in Australia and thousands more throughout the world reject the theory that human production of carbon dioxide is driving dangerous global warming. And the 102 computerised climate models have always predicted more warming than has occurred. (They got it right once, 39 years ago.)
2. There is no unusual global warming. Since the last ice age ended there have been warm eras hotter than today's modern warming – the warm peaks are getting lower, not higher. Climate has always changed in response to forces far greater than human activities. The endless procession of man-made scare campaigns about cooling, warming, ice melting, sea levels, ocean acidity, cyclones and droughts have all proved false.
3. Carbon dioxide is NOT a pollutant – it is an invisible natural gas that supplies the whole food chain. More carbon dioxide is beneficial to the biosphere - forests, grasses and crops grow better thus benefitting all animal life that relies on plants.
4. The populous world nations are unlikely to curb their CO2 emissions – China, India, Russia, Brazil, USA,

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demands of children for attention and affection, busy parents offer the passive and undemanding viewing of television rather than embark upon traditional forms of interactive play, talking and reading together. The significance of the incalculable numbers of hours of shared activity of children and adults spent in the recounting of nursery rhymes, tales and games combined with routine household tasks, has been seriously undervalued. These activities, essential in the formation of self-esteem and self-awareness, have fallen into disuse in many families. So, too, have forms of children's free peer group play in streets and open spaces near to home. Traffic and other modern dangers have eroded ancient childhood rights, restricting in an unprecedented way children's freedom to develop a sense of personal awareness, place and community. The middle-aged and elderly of today, from even the most inner city areas, can recall childhood excursions to open countryside and areas of woodland in the company of siblings and friends, and an ease of access to shops and houses of relatives in nearby streets, which is rarely possible today. The resultant frustration and alienation demonstrated in adolescent behaviour stems directly from this absence of an early sense of belonging to family and to community.

Human beings are more than mere units of labour, cogs in the economic production machine. Material wealth is very limited as a means for satisfying human wants. ***

—Originally published 1988, Republished in *The Social Artist* Summer 2015.

Japan, SE Asia, Indonesia, Africa and the Arab world will ignore Paris limits.

5. Despite 20 years of favourable promotion, subsidies, taxes, targets and propaganda the contribution of the intermittent energy producers (wind and solar) to world energy supplies is trivial – about 3%.
6. Australian energy policies, taxes and targets are making electricity more costly and less reliable, hurting consumers and driving industry off-shore.
7. With no nuclear power, no geothermal power, limited hydro potential and increasing barriers to gas exploration, Australia has few options except coal for cheap reliable grid power, and oil products for transport.
8. With a huge continent, a small population and heavy reliance on exports, each Australian will be heavily penalised by the Paris Agreement for the emissions associated with exports consumed by others.
9. Compliance with the Paris Agreement will destroy industries and jobs, encourage bureaucracy and transfer controls and money to affiliates of the United Nations.
10. Should the world experience even modest cooling in the decades ahead Australia will urgently need increased supply of reliable power for homes and industry and the global atmosphere will need more carbon dioxide plant food. ***

SAVING THE PLANET FROM GLOBAL WARMING BY VOLUNTARY STERILISATION? By James Reed

The article is in French, but that did not stop this talented journalist, who with just an application of Google Translator, and my old dog-eared French-English dictionary, soon got to the bottom of things.

<https://www.vice.com/fr/article/3k9m35/>

ces-francais-qui-ont-choisi-la-sterilisation-volontaire-pour-sauver-le-monde

‘I see having children as an egotistical choice.’

Florence, 24, had her tubes tied in April 2018 so she would never become pregnant. And the reason, when the *Intergovernmental Report on Climate Change* was released on 8 October last year, the AFP, via Twitter, published an infographic making it clear that “having one child less” would reduce CO2 emissions.

Contacted via the Facebook Groups « Stérilisation volontaire (Ligature, Essure, Vasectomie) » [Voluntary sterilisation (Tubes, Essure, Vasectomy)] and « VHEMT Francophone (Movement for the voluntary extinction of humanity), the men and women I interviewed have chosen voluntary sterilisation to respond to the environmental emergency.

Sylvain, 34, wants to have a vasectomy. For this small farmer, if the global population has gone from 1.6 billion inhabitants in 1900 to almost 8 billion today, it’s “only because Man found ways of massively

exploiting fossil fuels.” But he is convinced: “These energies will run out and there will come a time when we can no longer extract them from the soil cheaply.”

...Sylvain, who has forced himself to live under the poverty threshold, warns: “We will be forced to lower our demands collectively and come back to pre-industrial levels of life. Demographic decline forms part of that.” Sereb, childfree at 31, who has had a vasectomy, shares this opinion. “I realised that humanity didn’t know how to make the choice between living with a few dozen million at a high level of comfort and living with several billion with a low quality of life,” he says. For some guys too, resorting to voluntary sterilisation is part of their feminist activism. This is true of David: “There is a time when men must also assume their responsibilities,” he reacts. Lou approves: “It’s not a sacrifice for me to have a vasectomy because I don’t want a child. And due to my feminist motivation, I insist on involving myself in contraception.’

I know that this is all hard to stomach, but I have faith in natural selection ultimately solving these problems for us. ***

LET’S END THE IMMIGRATION MADNESS FOREVER! By James Reed

Here is something to support our great friends at the Reduce Immigration Write on campaign, which you must read about here:

<https://reduceimmigration.wordpress.com/>

“Soaring house prices and crowded cities have combined to convince a clear majority of Australians that the country’s immigration push must end. Just 30.4 per cent of Australians now believe the country needs more people, according to a poll conducted by the Australian National University (ANU). This was compared to 69.6 per cent who felt Australia did not need more people, a dramatic increase since a similar poll was done in 2010. The collapse in support was

most prominent among males with just 32.8 percent supporting a bigger Australia compared to 53.4 percent in the 2010 poll.”

As I have said in post after post for years, immigration is killing this country, all done for the short term profits of the capitalist superclass, not to benefit the little people like us. Our elites have no interest in seeing Australia survive, any more than they do seeing the planet survive, and seek only short-term profit and power, even if they ultimately burn, and their children too. This is a psychopathology, but it is the ruling madness of the age. It is going to burn the West to the ground, and bury it forever, unless the sleepers awake, soon. ***

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The dishonourable, if not treacherous, campaign to derail Brexit continues to gather momentum (*"Corbyn to back new plebiscite on Brexit", 23/1*) with Jeremy Corbyn's turnabout endorsement of a second referendum. Did he really bow "to pressure from rank-and-file party members and MPs" or to coercion from powerful interests behind the scenes? We have learned how John Bercow, the House of Commons Speaker, tore up years of precedent to allow MPs to control the business of the House, thus facilitating the plot to make a "no deal" exit impossible. There has also been the revelation that Colin Lee, the clerk of bills, has secretly conspired with

former attorney-general Dominic Grieve to suspend Britain's departure from the EU. A second referendum would see disproportionate resources allotted to the "Remain" camp. There would be no level playing field. Greg Sheridan has reported (*"Battle for Britain: People v Commons", 19-20/1*) that such a referendum would be "much less democratic than it looks" and that "there are myriad Remain proposals to rig such a vote." A time is approaching when the British people, to retain their traditional free way of life, may have to resort to massive civil disobedience or even civil war. The stakes are that high. Nigel Jackson, Belgrave, Vic ***

SURE, RACES DO NOT EXIST, UNLESS IT SUITS THE PLAN By Brian Simpson

Here is what a US airline is doing, showing that the “races do not exist” mantra, is just propaganda:

<https://www.dw.com/en/airline-ad-offers-discounts-to-americans-with-mexican-dna/a-47148053?utm>

‘As the US-Mexico border row continues to rage, AeroMexico is offering US travelers a "DNA discount" to visit their closest neighbor. An ad detailing the perk has gone viral on social media. An airline commercial widely shared on social media is taking on the prejudice that many Americans feel towards Mexico, their neighbor to the south. The two-minute ad for AeroMexico shows Americans explaining how they wouldn't consider traveling to Mexico, with one of

them saying "No way!" Another, when asked whether they like tequila and burritos, answers "Yes," but when asked whether he likes Mexico, he replies "No." Having then apparently conducted DNA profiling on those featured, the ad's narrator then rewards them with discounts on flights to Mexico, based on the results. "The more Mexican they are, the more discount they get." The ad later shows the respondents warming to the idea of visiting the country because as one woman put it: "I love discounts.'

I love discounts ... put that on the tombstone of the West. ***

MARCH FOR LIFE VS MARCH FOR WOMEN - WHAT CAUGHT OUR MEDIA'S EYE?

“This timelapse video (1 min) tells a remarkable story about the March for Life held in Washington DC over the weekend. And this magnificent speech from Ben Shapiro (12 min) should give us all a very good reason to deeply ponder the sanctity of human life.

<https://www.michaelsmithnews.com/2019/01/march-for-life-and-march-for-women-which-one-caught-our-medias-eye.html>

I am in awe of Shapiro's moral clarity on this issue - and the courage that accompanies his convictions. Our media's coverage of the two events proves his observation about Western society losing its way. Did you hear about the scale of the march or the power of what was said there in the mainstream outlets?

Nor did I. Our media only had eyes for one march this weekend both here and in the US. Their low-rent focus was on this (woman's marches-ed).”

Three companies pulled their ads from Ben Shapiro's podcast in recent days after the conservative commentator spoke at the March for Life event on Friday in Washington, where he said that: “No pro-life person would kill baby Hitler. Baby Hitler was a baby.”

Ed: And that is the whole point; we are still living under Herod's tyranny for over 2000 years now. It is time to shake it off. Sadly, Marxist Minstrels have been promoting self-destruction in all its different forms for too long; eugenics and euthanasia, and self-sacrifice on the altar of environmentalism, and the murder called ‘abortion’. The innocents have found a voice, only temporarily mind, the brigades of ‘yellow vests’ need to start whispering, supporting and encouraging the young people and keeping the pressure on until we get it all right again. We must not become desensitised to the point of no return. Do you remember the momentary outrage caused by the dumping of a newborn baby into a trash chute by a young Chinese woman. Meanwhile that state was forcing thousands of women into abortion calling it a ‘one child policy’.

Did you know that eugenics (forced sterilisation) was practiced in US in early 20th century. And that is in the birthplace of rights and equality. Not all had the right to life. Germany adopted similar policy, for they were after ‘purity of race’, remember what followed? The ‘Green’ movement started there in Hitler's time and as you must have discovered by now, it is not just about recycling anymore. It is now a full-blown campaign to convince you that the planet is dying and the sooner you exit the better. Have you woken from this nightmare yet? ***

TARGET FOR THE WEEK

The Saltbush Club (Viv Forbes article) has provided some very useful reasons for Australia to withdraw from the Paris Agreement on emissions and climate change. The PDF pamphlet is here: <http://saltbushclub.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/ten-reasons.pdf>.

The information provided will be adequate for readers to get active by sending copies to MP's. Add your brief personal words urging Australia to opt out of “Paris”.

Involve other people by forwarding to your contacts and stressing the importance of everyone sending a copy to their federal MP. We must avoid going down the ridiculous path of attacking ‘climate change’ which will only deliver more costs and controls. Go to it. -ND

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