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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

“Individual Initiative versus Central Planning

Central Planning and control over every day human activities is noticeably increasing. This is not happening because people want to be managed. Nevertheless, various advisory bodies and seminars of instruction are becoming an industry in themselves. We have very necessary and efficient organisations at the grassroots level. For instance, the Fire Services know the drill and the task at hand in their area when the need arises. This along with local cooperation and willingness to engage when required has always been par for the course. Response from extended neighbours when required would be automatically forthcoming. In times of emergency, the States have authority to request the Federal Government to provide financial or defence force assistance. The underlying question in the affairs of human association will always be whether policy and accountability best stems from the people at the local level to manage and control their own affairs or whether the decision making on all policies will increasingly emanate from a more centralised bureaucracy where accountability is easily lost?”

– Jennifer Grundy

THE “POLARISING NARRATIVE” TO PRODUCE MONOPOLY By Arnis Luks

The recent bushfires in Australia are a polarising event. The opposing views are (1) of 'environmental sustainability' and the other (2) a mixture of 'conservative appearance', but actually more centralising control. Our Prime Minister (herded by the MSM), is now advocating a ‘national’ standard for cool weather burns to reduce the fuel load. No doubt any new law will include the Agenda 2030 requirements for UN mandated 'Environmental Sustainability'.

Both points of view correctly described as: environmental sustainability and free enterprise are valid. Conserving our natural environment is very important. National parks, wildlife reserves, water courses are all valid areas to protect.

From the other point of view, allowing farmers 'livestock access' into national parks to feed and therefore reduce fuel loads (and his costs), allowing the public 'access' into these vast public resources for pleasure are also valid. The media reports are attempting to polarise our thinking (either/or) into one or the other camp. The answer, or the truth of the situation, is more attuned to validating both points of view in tension (both/and).

Rampant industrialisation is a scourge on the environment. It is exploitive and destructive. China is buying up Australian farmland and industry in order to guarantee supply for itself, because so much environmental damage is being done there. Rampant industrialisation is perhaps best reflected by the nuclear industry’s toxic waste, who are unprepared to bio-remediate until it is inert due to excessive costs. This toxic waste (ethically) should be incorporated within the real cost of production of nuclear energy. Recently, South Australia was in discussion about allowing a nuclear waste dump in the outback which was firmly rejected by local people. I have read instances of end-of-life ships having been purchased with the purpose: as containers of nuclear waste and then subsequently scuttled off the coast of Africa. The outcome being the fishing grounds destroyed and the locals having to revert to piracy in order to provide a sufficiency for their families.

Liberalism: ‘excessive, or disordered individualism’ places ‘personal gain’ above ‘the greater good’

Perhaps the most accountable (held to an ethical and environmental standard) is the farmer. He is balancing the good management of his soil and the best condition of his livestock with inordinate financial pressure and environmental controls being progressively imposed upon him.

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On top of this is the escalating price of fuel and electrical energy. We are witnessing the deconstruction of the middle class – the de-kulakisation of Australia.

Instead of being protected by Policy Outcomes, the farmer is exposed to this bloody mindedness from both: exploitative profit (individualism) and environmental mis-management of his property. His historical situation was one of being allowed access to national parks to run livestock, subsequently reducing the fuel load and providing a regular source of feed for the livestock, and also, full and unfettered use of his lands to produce a profit. It was a win-win for him and the consuming public, which has now become a lose-lose.

ECONOMICS IN THE SERVICE OF IDEOLOGY By James Reed

Adam Smith, the founder of free market economics, beloved by conservatives: was financed by a globalist of the time:

<https://www.zerohedge.com/geopolitical/geopolitics-epistemological-warfare-babylon-neocon>

“Smith at Her Majesty’s Service

Do Smith’s modern followers sincerely believe in the “self-regulating forces of the free market” ?

Sure they do. Did Adam Smith actually believe in his own system? Whether he did or not, according to recent research conducted by historian Jeffrey Steinberg, Smith received his commission to compose his seminal book *Wealth of Nations* (published 1776) while riding with Lord Shelburne himself in a carriage ride from Edinburgh to London in 1763.

The date 1776 is not a coincidence as this was the same Lord Shelburne who essentially managed the British Empire during the American Revolution and

THE COLLAPSE OF THE SWEDISH WELFARE SYSTEM By Richard Miller

Can it be that all of those rockets scientists-to-be, who will be paying for Swedish boomer pensions, are abusing the welfare system? That must be some kind of racist prank, surely?

<https://www.breitbart.com/europe/2020/01/10/former-insurance-directors-warn-migrants-can-abuse-welfare-system-easily/>

“Three former Swedish insurance fund directors have claimed that since 2015, accounting for migrants in the Swedish national social insurance system has practically collapsed, leading to a high potential for abuse. Stig Orustfjord, Gunnar Johansson, and Erik Kärnekull have claimed that the large number of migrants received by Sweden at the height of the migrant crisis has overwhelmed the bureaucracy and

Unfortunately, our Prime Minister’s response to the fires has been one of reinforcing monopoly, further centralising control of our natural parks by insisting on a ‘national’ standard of cool weather burns, instead of: state control with ‘local management’ from known circumstances, while also giving no relief to our farmers from exploitative charges for water or energy. Any increased prices of food or energy is inflationary and affects every household.

Prince Charles has called for a new economic model

While (at first glance) we may not agree with some of the Prince's 'suggestions' for this 'new economic model', Douglas Social Credit is the only economic model that:

balances these opposing forces in equilibrium (both/and), ensuring 'environmental sustainability' (UN-world government) and 'monopoly capitalism' (world ownership) under an ‘economic democracy’ (decentrist consumer controlled) equilibrium. ***

who always despised all colonial aspirations to use protective tariffs, emit productive credit or channel said credit towards internal improvements as Benjamin Franklin had championed in his 1729 *Necessity of Paper Currency and Colonial Script*.

Why develop Industry, asked Smith, when the new “Law” of “absolute advantage” demanded that everyone just do what they are good at for the best price possible? America has a lot of land, so they should stick with agriculture and slave-driven cotton. Britain had a lot of industry (don’t ask how that happened because it wasn’t through free trade), so they should stick with that! India had advanced textiles, but Britain had to destroy that so that India could then have a lot of opium fields so she could do that... which China could then smoke to death under the watch of British Gunships.

“Free Trade” demanded it so.” ***

accounting for migrants has “almost collapsed”. “The system got its final crack in 2015 when the integrity of the public records could no longer be guaranteed. Today, the bookkeeping and control of immigrants have almost collapsed. We no longer have control over who lives and resides in the country,” the three said in a debate article in Nyheter Idag. “We have a large number of co-ordination numbers, which give the right to social security’s residence-based contributions, to persons whose identity is not confirmed. Swedish citizenship has been assigned to people whose identities we have not been able to establish and who have in many cases been assigned parallel Swedish identities,” they explained.” ***

MATESHIP By David Smith

It has been wonderful to see the outpouring of support for those whose lives have been turned upside down with loss of lives, homes and precious possessions. It demonstrates the Australian acceptance of the essential Christian heritage of loving one's neighbour as oneself. Mateship demonstrated no less.

There has always been a concern in my mind as to how the enormous sums that have been collected are to be distributed. It is reported that \$50 million has been donated from the USA celebrities alone. It will be interesting to see if one home is built from this fund. It will be put into the hands of a manager and how is he / she to decide whose bank account to put it in? There were massive public funds raised after the terrible fires in Victoria some years ago, does anyone know how many new homes (if any) were built with that money?

Once, the notion of Christendom was widely understood. The application of Christ's teachings to the day to day lives of people so committed. It has waxed and waned over the centuries but always with hard learned lessons along the way.

In his Christmas message which was part of my last article, Arnis Luks ended by stating "and this really is the policy of the League. (*Australian League of Rights*) TO TAKE CIVILIZATION FORWARD". Not as I referred to in the last article, wherein some actively seek to bring war and destruction on the earth purportedly to hasten Christ's return, but to actively be that light and salt in our communities that Christ taught.

In the epilogue to his bestselling book *Small is Beautiful* (a study of economics as if people mattered) by E.F.Schumacher, he states:

"There has never been a time, in any society in any part of the world, without its sages and teachers to challenge materialism and plead for a different order of priorities. The languages have differed, the symbols have varied, yet the message has always been the same: "seek ye first the Kingdom of God, (and His

Righteousness (or rightness in all we do. *DBS*) and these things shall be added unto you". (Matt. 6:33)

They shall be added 'today' we understand here on earth where and 'when' we need them, not simply in an after-life beyond our imagination. Today, however this message reaches us not solely from the sages and saints but from the actual course of physical events. It speaks to us in the language of terrorism, genocide, breakdown, pollution, exhaustion. We live, it seems, in a unique period of convergence.

It is becoming apparent that there is not only a promise but also an admonishment in those astonishing words about the Kingdom of God - being that "unless you seek first the Kingdom, (and Rightness *DBS*) these other things, which you also need, will cease to be available to you". end Quote.

Add to this the statement That the Kingdom of God is within you, (Luke 17:21) (ie you and you and you *DBS*) and we see that the seed, the starting point, is always with ourselves opening the door, or the opportunity to that insight and seeking rightness in all we do. Trying to work with God's creation instead of trying to control it in our deluded vanity. T.S.Elliot as quoted in Dorothy Sayers, *Creed Or Chaos*, says "A wrong attitude towards nature implies somewhere, a wrong attitude towards God, and the consequence is inevitable doom." And from Dorothy Sayers, "Theologically, this country is at present in a state of utter chaos, established in the name of religious toleration, and rapidly degenerating into the flight from reason and the death of hope." ***

SAVE THE DATE - 28TH MARCH 2020

Victorian Seminar - earlybird notice

Moves are afoot to hold a 'southern' seminar
in Victoria **to compliment**
the National Weekend Seminar
to be held later in the year in Queensland

WILL CHINA BE TAKING OUR OXYGEN NEXT? By James Reed

Here is more on water mining. This is the latest aspect of economic imperialism, as our governments give away vital water resources of the driest continent on earth:

<https://www.theaustralian.com.au/nation/politics/>

[outrage-over-chinese-water-mine-plan-in-southern-downs/news-story/](https://www.theaustralian.com.au/nation/politics/outrage-over-chinese-water-mine-plan-in-southern-downs/news-story/)

"Farmers and landholders in the drought-hit Southern Downs region of Queensland are furious over the lack of government and council opposition to a Chinese-owned company's plan to mine nearly 100 million litres of local groundwater a year and sell it off, at a time when local towns are so dry they are relying on trucked-in water to keep their taps running. Southern Downs Regional Council last month voted

to approve planned works associated with the project, which could take up to 96 million litres of water a year from an aquifer beneath the Cherrabah Resort near Warwick and truck it to the Gold Coast for commercial plastic bottling. The approval came as the council was preparing residents to get used to using just 80 litres of water per person a day and to adopt practices such as three-minute showers and washing clothes only every third day. The drought has drained the town of Stanthorpe of its water supply, leaving residents to rely on a convoy of trucks carting water from a dam 75km away."

This is what it is like to be reduced to a slave nation.***

THE IMMUNE SYSTEM AGAINST CANCER By Mrs Vera West

We have heard the news of a universal cancer cure before, so I take it all now with a pinch of salt:

<https://www.bbc.com/news/health-51182451>

“A newly-discovered part of our immune system could be harnessed to treat all cancers, say scientists. The Cardiff University team discovered a method of killing prostate, breast, lung and other cancers in lab tests. The findings, published in *Nature Immunology*, have not been tested in patients, but the researchers say they have “enormous potential”. Experts said that although the work was still at an early stage, it was very exciting. What have they found? Our immune system is our body's natural defence against infection, but it also attacks cancerous cells. The scientists were looking for “unconventional” and previously undiscovered ways the immune system naturally attacks tumours. What they found was a T-cell inside people's blood. This is an immune cell that can scan the body to assess whether there is a threat that needs to be eliminated. The difference is this one could attack a wide range of cancers. “There's a chance here to treat every patient,” researcher Prof Andrew Sewell told the BBC.

The technical details are here for our large science-minded readership:

<https://www.nature.com/articles/s41590-019-0578-8>

The idea that T-cells could be switched on to attack all types of cancer cells is novel, and the general response to the discovery by scientific researchers is, yes, interesting but more research is needed. More research is always needed. ***

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AFTERTHOUGHT : WHAT HAPPENS WHEN WE'RE TOO OLD TO BE ECONOMICALLY 'USEFUL'?

Extract: “I customarily killed old women. They all died, there by the big river. I didn't used to wait until they were completely dead to bury them. The women were afraid of me.”

No wonder. That's the account of a man from the Aché, an indigenous tribe in eastern Paraguay, as told to anthropologists Kim Hill and Magdalena Hurtado. He explained grandmothers helped with chores and babysitting but when they got too old to be useful, you couldn't be sentimental. <https://www.bbc.com/news/business-50673645>

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CONSTITUTION ALTERATION (Water Resources) 2019

On 13 September 2019, the Senate referred the Constitution Alteration (Water Resources) 2019 to the Senate Select Committee on the Multi-Jurisdictional Management and Execution of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan for inquiry and report by 1 November 2019.

The committee's consideration of the bill is proceeding in parallel to its main inquiry.

The committee welcomes submissions that address the bill. The committee would appreciate submissions by **6 March 2020**, but is able to receive and consider submissions provided **after that date**.

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