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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: *Washington Post's Global Warming Threat:* "The Arctic ocean is warming up, icebergs are growing scarcer and in some places the seals are finding the water too hot, according to a report to the Commerce Department yesterday from Consulatiff, at Bergen, Norway. Reports from fishermen, seal hunters, and explorers all point to a radical change in climate conditions and hitherto unheard-of temperatures in the Arctic zone. Exploration expeditions report that scarcely any ice has been met as far north as 81 degrees 29 minutes. Soundings to a depth of 3,100 meters showed the gulf stream still very warm. Great masses of ice have been replaced by moraines of earth and stones, the report continued, while at many points well known glaciers have entirely disappeared.

Very few seals and no white fish are found in the eastern Arctic, while vast shoals of herring and smelts which have never before ventured so far north, are being encountered in the old seal fishing grounds. Within a few years it is predicted that due to the ice melt the sea will rise and make most coastal cities uninhabitable."

Writes correspondent Al Legatzke: I apologize, I neglected to mention that this report was from November 2, 1922, as reported by the AP and published in *The Washington Post* – 88 YEARS AGO!

FRANCE DITCHES CARBON TAX AS SOCIAL PROTESTS MOUNT: "France is facing its own 'spring of discontent' as strikes shut schools, courts, railways and metro services, and trade unions vowed mass protests across the country, wrote Ambrose Evans-Pritchard, *Daily Telegraph*, 23 Mar 2010: President Nicolas Sarkozy on Tuesday scrapped the country's proposed carbon tax and reshuffled his cabinet in populist tilt after suffering a crushing electoral defeat over the weekend, when his Gaulliste UMP party lost every region other than in its bastion of Alsace and the Indian Ocean island of Reunion."

Populist Tilt? Don't you just love the term? In other words, the ordinary folk i.e., the wage-driven price-driven slaves of France, the ones who do the real work, have got the ear of their politicians at last and they (the politicians) think it would be wiser to 'back off' for a while on this issue. Australians should also look very closely at the long-term agenda behind the Carbon Tax, Emissions Trading Scheme and the possibility of a world-wide Carbon Currency! A Carbon Currency has been on the drawing boards of the world's Planners for many a year and is intended to replace the nations' sovereign currencies bringing them under tighter control.

BASIN COMMUNITIES UNDERTAKE THEIR OWN CONSULTATIONS: The Basin Communities Association – an organisation formed by concerned communities and businesses across the Murray-

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Darling Basin in the wake of the Basin Plan Guide release – is to hold a series of regional forums. The Chairman of the BCA, David Michaelis, says that the forums are to gain an explicit understanding of community and business expectations of the Basin Plan.

As those that stand to be the most greatly affected, businesses and communities across the Basin rightly want a say in how the Basin Plan process is developed and implemented. Our process will ensure their voice is heard by Government and their message is reconfirmed. The BCA Board determined that the most constructive start for this organisation was to listen to communities and businesses. This series of regional forums isn't about us talking – it is solely about us listening. It is about hearing the expectations of businesses and communities. It is about documenting them (expectations of the communities) and providing them to decision makers.

The information that we gather will be used by both our organisation and by our stakeholders to judge the Murray-Darling Basin Plan when it is released toward the middle of this year.

Editor's note: Is this an issue you want to 'get your teeth into'? Then contact the folk putting their own efforts into saving the waters for all their communities - not just wanting to hog it for themselves.

Go to the following website address: <http://www.basinplan.com.au/>

REMEMBER SCARE OF THE 'GREENHOUSE EFFECT' AND 'OZONE LAYER'? In 1989 we were writing about "More About the Greenhouse Hoax": *The Australian* (May 4th): An article by journalist Kate Legge, details how fear of environmental catastrophe has turned the World Bank and the White House, green... <http://www.alor.org/Volume25/Vol25No17#1a>

"The scientists and greenies suddenly have company as the environment begins to dominate world debate (It just happened, of course, no organisation behind it ... *O.T.*). "Fears that excess carbon dioxide and other gasses are creating a greenhouse effect and destroying the Ozone layer now stir the hearts of such organisations as the World Bank, and conservative political leaders – even Britain's Prime Minister, Mrs. Thatcher, who knows what a power election ploy it is... (Well of course it was a bit hard to claim a 'greenhouse effect' in 2009-2010 when Australia was in the grip of a drought so it then became 'climate change'...*ed*)

How about this? "The novel concept of 'debt-for-nature-swaps' is one way of shouldering the cost of environmental protection. It involves the acquisition of debt by environmental and other private groups (one guess who the 'other private groups' are ... *O.T.*) at a discount and the redemption of that debt in local currency bonds to be used for conservation purposes... The biggest deal was unveiled last month when U.S. conservation groups and commercial banks collaborated on an \$11.1 million debt-for-nature swap with Ecuador...

"Now comes the sting: Not all debtor nations support the swaps. Brazil, which holds 30% of the world's tropical forest, and \$115 Billion in foreign loans, opposes this kind of international 'help' because of the strings attached (emphasis ours ... *O.T.*). The President of Brazil, Mr. Sarney, blasted 'great powers or organisations that would dictate to us how to defend what is ours to defend'... Strings, strings, strings. Yes, there are STRINGS: and the strings are held by the international banks.

In July 2009 it became: "Gore: Climate Change Bill for 'Global Governance': Gore: U.S. Climate Bill Will Help Bring About 'Global Governance' is the headline on Climate Depot website by Marc Morano 10/7/09. It reads: "Former Vice President Al Gore declared that the Congressional climate bill will help bring about "global governance..." <http://www.alor.org/Volume45/Vol45No28.htm#1a>

The article continues: "Gore's call for "global governance" echoes former French President Jacques Chirac's call in 2000. On November 20, 2000, then French President Chirac said during a speech at

The Hague that the U.N's. Kyoto Protocol represented "the first component of an authentic global governance..."

In 2010 we reported in *The New Times Survey*: "A Carbon Currency Rationing Future?"

A new economic system based on energy? "Critics who think that the U.S. dollar will be replaced by some new global currency are perhaps thinking too small. On the world horizon looms a new global currency that could replace all paper currencies and the economic system upon which they are based. The new currency, simply called Carbon Currency, is designed to support a revolutionary new economic system based on energy (production, and consumption), instead of price. Our current price-based economic system and its related currencies that have supported capitalism, socialism, fascism and communism, is being herded to the slaughterhouse in order to make way for a new carbon-based world. Forces are already at work to position a new Carbon Currency as the ultimate solution to global calls for poverty reduction, population control, environmental control, global warming, energy allocation and blanket distribution of economic wealth. Unfortunately for individual people living in this new system, it will also require authoritarian and centralized control over all aspects of life, from cradle to grave...

What is Carbon Currency and how does it work? "In a nutshell, Carbon Currency will be based on the regular allocation of available energy to the people of the world. If not used within a period of time, the Currency will expire (like monthly minutes on your cell phone plan) so that the same people can receive a new allocation based on new energy production quotas for the next period.

Because the energy supply chain is already dominated by the global elite, setting energy production quotas will limit the amount of Carbon Currency in circulation at any one time. It will also naturally limit manufacturing, food production and people movement.

"Local currencies could remain in play for a time, but they would eventually wither and be fully replaced by the Carbon Currency, much the same way that the Euro displaced individual European currencies over a period of time. Sounds very modern in concept, doesn't it? In fact, these ideas date back to the 1930's when hundreds of thousands of U.S. citizens were embracing a new political ideology called Technocracy and the promise it held for a better life..." **More here...** <http://www.alor.org/NewtimesSurvey.htm>

THE RED LIZARD, THE RED DRAGON AND DIRTY COAL by James Reed: Julia Gillard has cited the closure of "dirty" coal - fired power stations in China, to support her "argument" that Australia needs to price carbon. Thus the rest of the world was acting to combat climate change, so Australia should too. Never mind that the rate of concern about climate change has fallen in America since 2008 (then two thirds of Americans were concerned about climate change), to reach the near existing historic low (one percentage point more than in 1998) of 51% (*The Australian*, March 16, 2011, p.9).

And yes, China has closed down 468 "dirty" coal generators from June 2006 to June 2010, but it has put up even more, somewhat cleaner coal-fired power stations and is even more dependent on coal as a fossil fuel. No doubt it aims to burn up all the coal in Australia and then some. Typical of the chattering class, Gillard cannot criticise China: that is beyond comprehension for the Left. What China does must always be sacred. China is after all, "red" like her.

Ask Climate Skeptics to send you their power point presentation on 'the Carbon Tax'. The science and public policy of global warming and climate change. **Go to....** www.climate-skeptic.com

IS THIS IMPORTED FOOD TESTED FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION? From a New Zealand Reader: "I found this site. There were suggestions from others that the info about bar codes is not completely correct, so you might like to include a disclaimer. I saw other information on the state of

a lot of other food from China/Asia. In recent times the U.S. public have been warned against fish from Vietnam. But I see some Vietnamese fish in our supermarkets. The whole business is just pathetic. Last year a friend bought broccoli from her local Indian grocer that was tasteless. When she told him about it he said some people had returned theirs and he would not be stocking it again, it was from China. At the same time my friend said if she had driven into the nearby countryside she would have seen locally grown in-season broccoli. Trouble is, it's all now mass-produced and there are hardly any road-side stalls."

Go to here .. <http://ecofrenhealth.wordpress.com/2009/12/30/dangerous-imported-foods/>

LIKE COCKROACHES AND POLITICIANS, ANTI-SEMITES AND RACISTS ARE EVERYWHERE! by Peter Ewer: Is there no end to this senseless parade of "hate"? First we have some actor who says that he is not one man, but two and a half men saying something bad and anti-Semitic about his movie boss. Then the shimmering fashion career of John Galliano came crashing down when he insulted, allegedly, a French couple in racist and anti-Semitic terms. There was also a sexist insult as well, but all of that pales into insignificance compared to Galliano's ultimate booboo of saying "I love Hitler" and getting this recorded and put on the net. Really, leaving the "racism" and "anti-Semitism" aside, if Galliano did threaten the couple and break the law he deserves to be put to trial. The fashion designer apologised for his drunken behaviour and claims not to have made anti-Semitic remarks while launching a counter claim. Who knows? We will, soon.

Then there is a case of Wikileaks founder Julian Assange who faces death by association because Wikileaks' official Moscow liaison is a Holocaust-denier. Assange himself has said that there is a conspiracy to destroy Wikileaks and that the alleged conspirators are "Jewish". (Ted Lapkin, "Assange's Anti-Semitic Friend", *The Australian*, March 4, 2011, p.12) That looks too bad for him too. And, according to Professor Robert Manne (*The Weekend Australian*, March 5-6, 2011, inquirer) Assange has had a cyberpunk past, believing that the state is evil and individuals would be best living in a libertarian fashion. Presumably only Manne sees that as subversive thinking, a "global plan" or conspiracy if you like, to change the world through whistleblowing. Never mind that the secrets exposed by Wikileaks show the evils that governments get up to, including torture, mass murder etc; what apparently matters is secrets in the past and connections. Manne does not show that the alleged sins of Assange are worse than the evils that Wikileaks uncovered.

Charles Bremner, writing in *The Times* ("Galliano Commits Self-Destruction"), has said "Short of doing something offensive with children, there is no surer way for a celebrity to derail a career these days than by proffering racist or religious insults". And: "no brand can withstand the taint of racism", for "Racist or anti-Semitic slurs are near the ultimate offense of our times". Did "gaffe-prone former South Australian Treasurer Kevin Foley (*The Weekend Australian*, February 26-27, 2011, p.9) have the cultural significance of this in mind when he accused Julia Gillard's government and the opposition of "pandering to Western Sydney 'racists' while spruiking a small-Australia policy"?

In other words, those who support "small Australia" even on the greenest of ecological grounds are "racists", while big business, who support a large Asianised Australia, are morally pure. Mr. Foley will be remembered for being beaten outside an inner-city bar at 4am one Sunday morning (and again recently...ed) and for his "relationships with younger women". His quotable quote is that to get things done in politics "ultimately you have got to be a bit of a [rude word censored]". No doubt after attacking his own side of politics for a politically correct halo, people will say that he must know what he is talking about.

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