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The price of Freedom is eternal vigilance –

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "...in that striving I have come to recognise a force that is stronger than society, secret and swift, that secures itself behind the charter of exploitation of the common people of the world. It is a privileged and select autocracy, which knows no nation and cherishes no faith, and has stolen for itself from the long evolution of modern civilisation an assumption of power which it now claims as a right. And where I, and others, would seek to lead the people through to freedom we have encountered this hidden hand entrenched in ramparts that have become almost unassailable.

Enthroned in our society is a hierarchy of financial anarchists playing with a world of men and women for sheer personal gain, putting them to work under the whips of hunger, throwing them into idleness to keep them in discipline, massing them for war, dividing them in peace-and from every activity into which it deploys them drawing toll in gold, counted over and over in human tears and blood.

To my people I give the call to throw off this yoke, striking at it through the one chink in its carefully constructed armour; and in the following pages I have endeavoured to point the way by disclosing the methods by which this power works and exposing the immoral sacrifice of whole nations of people, and particularly of this young nation of ours, to the cause of greed.."

– John T. Lang, one time Labor Premier of New South Wales, in "Why I Fight", 1934.

HOW THE WORLD NOW WORKS: http://www.brasschecktv.com/page/1036.html A good summary of the type of people we are all dealing with: "This is pretty much how it works. What appear to be so-called Third World countries that can't get themselves together are for the most part people who've been robbed and brutalized just short of death. Ask not for whom the bell tolls... These same crooks will cut your throat too the second it appears profitable to them."

THE BRITISH PEOPLE FINALLY AWAKENING? We read in the *Guardian*: "Protesters have targeted more than 35 branches of Barclays bank, with pickets, poetry readings and even colouring competitions, in another of a series of days of direct action organised by the *U.K. Uncut* group. They were highlighting Barclays' admission that it paid just £113m in U.K. corporation tax in 2009 – a year when it rang up a record £11.6bn in profits.

Several branches were closed to the public as protesters staged peaceful sit-ins, impromptu reading groups and creches in dozens of cities and towns across Britain, including Edinburgh, Birmingham, Liverpool and Lewes. Supporters of *U.K. Uncut* said the plan was not to shut the banks down but to "open them up", occupy them and transform them into "something people need but will be cut"... Ruth Griffiths, 36, a *U.K. Uncut* supporter, said: "Today we are transforming the banks into schools, leisure centres, and libraries and forests, because it's society that's too big to fail, not a broken banking system."

Source: http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk/2011/feb/19/barclays-protests-uk-uncut-corporate-tax-avoidance.

U.K. UNCUT: Welcome to the Age of Austerity (http://www.ukuncut.org.uk/targets/banks) The banks have run the global economy into the ground. Bankers, encouraged by the government, gambled recklessly with our money, and they lost. Spectacularly. Remember 2008? In the UK, the government decided it had to step in with a bail-out because these banks were 'too big to fail'. According to the Bank of England, the cost of this bail-out now exceeds £1trillion. The result is that all high street banks – from Barclays to RBS – owe their existence to public financing. What did we get for our billions? A banking system that serves ordinary people rather than the super-rich? No. Regretful bankers who refuse to reward themselves with massive bonuses? No. How about increased financial regulation to ensure this crisis couldn't happen again? No.

The government has done nothing to stop it being business as usual for banks. What's worse, the money that was given to the bankers is the money now being taken from the poorest in society, guaranteeing a rise in poverty, debt and inequality. Nearly £7 billion will be paid out in bank bonuses this year. This sum is more than the first wave of public spending cuts. We are not all in this together because it's us who will pay if education, health, housing, libraries, woodland and much, much more, disappears from our lives. Who's telling us we must make these cuts? A government led by a cabinet of millionaires, in bed with the bankers, which is now pulling off an audacious con-trick in front of our eyes. This is how their story goes. The crisis was caused by a bloated public sector. We binged away all our money on luxuries like healthcare and free education and council services, care for the elderly, for people with disabilities, school sports and free school meals for children living in poverty. Now the country is bankrupt and we must repent, detox, cut back. We have to relinquish our welfare state to appease the circling money men. Welcome to the Age of Austerity but don't worry because we are all in this together. We say - don't believe their lies. This is their crisis, but there is no austerity for the bankers.

POSITIVE MONEY: "One Good Cut" at http://www.onegoodcut.org Alistair McConnachie of http://ProsperityUK.com writes: The foremost campaigning group for Money Reform in the U.K. – has launched a new sub-campaign called "One Good Cut".

It has produced a 3-and-a-half-minute video on the subject of the ability of banks to create money. "Whilst vital public services are slashed around the country, ordinary people are being asked to pay for a crisis caused by the banks. Yet at the same time, banks are one of the most heavily subsidised businesses in the world, receiving up to £130 billion of (U.K.) taxpayer support every year. By taking away these privileges, we can raise enough to make the spending cuts unnecessary, and stop the banks from blowing up the economy again. The changes we need to make are surprisingly simple, but if we don't fight for it, the banks will continue to run off with more and more of our tax money every single year while our public services and our economy crumble around us."

<u>PEOPLE EVERYWHERE ARE AWAKENING</u> by Betty Luks: In last week's ***On Target*** we sought to get a clearer picture of what is behind the unrest in the Middle East – what is the truth of the situation and what is the propaganda put out by the corrupt ruling elite. The headlines of Sarakenos' article "Democracy Without Economic Independence is Worthless" (***On Target*** Vol,47, No,7, 2011) summed up the situation now before us all. Since then the unrest has spread to other Arab states. Download:

The people, that is ordinary citizens like you, me, us, have braved the guns of the ruling elite's brutal thugs and still said 'no more'. But what comes next? Revolutions are dangerous affairs and can go terribly wrong for the people; two examples come to mind, the French and Russian Revolutions.

For the people to gain economic independence there is the most urgent need to change the policies of all political parties. To waffle on about 'democracy' – which in the context of freedom means the self-rule, self-government, of the people themselves, without a change in policy of the purpose of the nation's financial system is simply empty rhetoric.

Read carefully the following articles on the betrayal of the peoples by their political representatives - in secret deals with the corrupt and fraudulent money power (Mamon) – and weigh up the truth of that New Testament [paraphrased] observation:

"The love of money, that is, the preference for money in terms of personal advancement, above all other considerations, is the root of all kinds of evil". True or not?

KEISER REPORT: FIAT FOOD (E119) http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i-B2V2l_6QE&NR=1&feature=fvwp The headlines read: "Rising regional tension in wake of Egypt revolt is hitting 'global markets'". Better stock up on pantry food-stuffs, etc., gentle reader. What is your home vegetable garden like? Is it thriving? Don't say you weren't encouraged to become more self-sufficient and learn to co-operate, in more ways than one, with your neighbours. At its most basic level, that is what the Social Credit is all about.

LET'S LAY TO REST THE BIG LIE OF THE 20TH CENTURY: We need to finally lay to rest the lies of the sham 20th century 'Capitalism-Communism enmity and confrontation'. In 1981, Ivor Benson exposed the nexus operating during the Cold War which miraculously 'converged' when it suited the super-rich Capitalists-Communists. That great Russian patriot and writer Alexander Solzhenitsyn verified Ivor Benson's earlier revelations. According to the *New York Times* "In October 1994, Mr. Solzhenitsyn addressed Russia's Parliament. "This is not a democracy, but an oligarchy," he declared. "Rule by the few." He spoke for an hour, and when he finished, there was only a smattering of applause."

Source: http://www.nytimes.com/2008/08/04/books/04solzhenitsyn.html?pagewanted=all

In Solzhenitysyn's last book – not published in English as yet but some translated chapters now online – he threw further light on the cosy arrangements between the Oligarchs of Capitalism and the Oligarchs of Communism.

Chapter 19 of "200 Years Together" reads: "The 1930s were years of an intense industrialized spurt, which crushed the peasantry and altered the life of the entire country. Mere existence demanded adaptation and development of new skills. But through crippling sacrifices, and despite the many absurdities of the Soviet organizational system, the horrible epic somehow led to the creation of an industrialized power.

Assistance flowed plentifully from the capitalist West: Yet the first and second five-year plans came into existence and were carried out not through the miracle of spontaneous generation, nor as a result of the simple violent round-up of large masses of labourers. It demanded many technical provisions, advanced equipment, and the collaboration of specialists experienced in this technology. All this flowed plentifully from the capitalist West, and most of all from the United States; not in the form of a gift, of course, and not in the form of generous help. The Soviet communists paid for all of this abundantly with Russia's mineral wealth and timber, with concessions for raw materials markets, with trade areas promised to the West, and with plundered goods from the Empire of the tsars. Such deals flowed with the help and approval of international financial magnates, most of all those on Wall Street, in a persistent continuation of the first commercial ties that the Soviet communists developed on the American stock exchanges as early as during the Civil War. The new partnership was strengthened by shiploads of tsarist gold and treasures from the Hermitage.

But wait a second, were we not thoroughly taught by Marx that capitalists are the fierce enemies of proletarian socialism and that we should not expect help from them, but rather a destructive, bloody war? Well, it's not that simple: despite the official diplomatic non-recognition, trade links were completely out in the open, and even written about in Izvestiya: "American merchants are interested in broadening of economic ties with the Soviet Union." American unions came out against such an expansion (defending their markets from the products of cheap and even slave Soviet labour). The "Russian-American Chamber of Commerce," created at that time, simply did not want to hear about any political opposition to communism, or "to mix politics with business relations."

Anthony Sutton, a modern American scholar, researched the recently-opened diplomatic and financial archives and followed the connections of Wall Street with the Bolsheviks; he pointed to the amoral logic of this long and consistent relationship. From as early as the "Marburg" plan at the beginning of the 20th century, which was based on the vast capital of Carnegie, the idea was to strengthen the authority of international finance, through global "socialization," "for control ... and for the forced appeasement."

Sutton concluded that: "International financiers prefer to do business with central governments. The banking community least of all wants a free economy and decentralized authority. Revolution and international finance do not quite contradict each other, if the result of revolution should be to establish a more centralized authority," and, therefore, to make the markets of these countries manageable. And there was a second line of agreement: "Bolsheviks and bankers shared an essential common platform – internationalism."

In that light, the subsequent support of "collective enterprises and the mass destruction of individual rights by Morgan-Rockefeller" was not surprising. In justification of this support, they claimed in Senate hearings: "Why should a great industrial country, like America, desire the creation and subsequent competition of another great industrial rival?" Well, they rightly believed that with such an obviously uncompetitive, centralized and totalitarian regime, Soviet Russia could not rival America. Another thing is that Wall Street could not predict further development of the Bolshevik system, nor its extraordinary ability to control people, working them to the very bone, which eventually led to the creation of a powerful, if misshapen, industry.

But how does this tie in with our basic theme? Because as we have seen, American financiers completely refused loans to pre-revolutionary Russia due to the infringement of the rights of Jews there, even though Russia was always a profitable financial prospect. And clearly, if they were prepared to sacrifice profits at that time, then now, despite all their counting on the Soviet markets, the "Morgan-Rockefeller Empire" would not assist the Bolsheviks if the persecution of the Jews was looming on horizon in the U.S.S.R. at the start of the 1930s..."

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