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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

I remember an old scholastic aphorism, which says, 'that the man who lives wholly detached from others, must be either an angel or a devil ["Politics" by Aristotle]'.

When I see in any of these detached gentlemen of our times the angelic purity, power, and beneficence, I shall admit them to be angels. In the meantime we are born only to be men. We shall do enough if we form ourselves to be good ones. It is therefore our business carefully to cultivate in our minds, to rear to the most perfect vigour and maturity, every sort of generous and honest feeling that belongs to our nature.

To bring the dispositions that are lovely in private life into the service and conduct of the commonwealth; so to be patriots, as not to forget we are gentlemen. To cultivate friendships, and to incur enmities. To have both strong, but both selected: in the one, to be placable; in the other immovable. To model our principles to our duties and our situation. To be fully persuaded, that all virtue which is impracticable is spurious; and rather to run the risk of falling into faults in a course which leads us to act with effect and energy, than to loiter out our days without blame, and without use.

Public life is a situation of power and energy; he trespasses against his duty who sleeps upon his watch, as well as he that goes over to the enemy. -- *Extract from*

"The Cause of Present Discontents" by Edmund Burke 1770

Dear Reader,

Best Wishes for 2014... it promises to be an interesting year!

This edition is Number 1 of Volume 50, marking the beginning of fifty years of informed political comment through 'On Target'. Fifty years continuous service is a significant event in the life of any movement and is part of the service to League supporters. 'The New Times' goes back even further with the first issue dated 31st May 1935.

The archived records are available on the Australian League of Rights website at <http://www.alor.org/> or can be purchased on disk from League Book Shops. It is a wonderful resource of Australian political history and a commentary on world

events that is easily searched for relevant information.

As this is also the time for making 'New Year resolutions' then a worthy resolution which is not too onerous would be to **recruit just one new paid subscriber to 'On Target'**. Your efforts would be greatly appreciated.

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The Abbott Government was elected last September with a considerable majority but it already appears to be short of suitable people to carry out 'liberal' policies unless, of course, it is 'liberal socialist' policy.

Former Prime Minister, Julia Gillard, created the office of 'Global Ambassador for Women and Girls' and now the Abbott Government has appointed Natasha Stott Despoja as the second person for the role. Why appoint Stott Despoja to this role? Why not abolish the 'Global Ambassador' office and use the money elsewhere, say in 'health care'?

Another question needed to be asked is 'why former union boss and Gillard minister, Greg Combet, was appointed to an Abbott government

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commission to look into the SPC failure which has affected so many people in the Goulburn Valley'? **Surely this is akin to asking the fox how to manage chickens.** It is not just the workers at the canneries but fruit-growers and

the flow-on effects throughout the rest of the community.

Answers to the foregoing questions should be sought from Abbott government back benchers. Put the 'heat' on them and insist in policies that put Australians first!

A reminder that support for the 'basic fund' has slowed over the Christmas holiday period so I would like to ask supporters to help us to reach our modest target which is necessary to spread the message of Social Credit — see bottom of page 7.

National Director.

TIME TO ARREST THE TRAITORS ...

Time to Arrest the Traitors in the White House/Congress:

A very clear-headed man, 27 December 2013. As a marine Kenneth O'Keefe fought against Iraq, it shattered his view of the world. Ever since, he has been

fighting a war against war. He lists the many reasons for the war on Iraq and they are not what our present 'leaders' claim. The US invasion of Iraq was a

result of Israel's meddling and long-term goal of 'Greater Israel Project'. He also sees people are waking up to the reality of their enslavement by Big Money.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NbJlvsO9GCg&list=WL2677EE4A46137ECC>

Wallace Klinck's comments on the O'Keefe video:

"I have little respect for people who 'head for the hills' with nothing but their own interests in mind. In my opinion, they are the problem - far more than the undesirable power-mongers who they irresponsibly have allowed to take over the affairs of the nation or polity in which they live. Such people in my opinion are ignorant, self-centred, cowardly and positively immoral - probably fully

deserving of rule by the powers to which they have bowed, or the fate from which they vainly and futilely seek to avoid. 'He who would have his life will lose it.'

O'Keefe obviously is not one of these. He appears to be intelligent, ethical, courageous and willing to take up the cause of what he sees as right. Ancient hatreds might possibly be understood in the context of a world where actual

scarcity was a factor. Today the hatreds are fostered almost entirely by a diabolical financial system which by maintaining a scarcity of effective, cost-cancelling purchasing-power, gives the illusion of scarcity in the midst of actual and potential real abundance. It is in this area that we must seek understanding and concentrate our fire-power."

YOU NEED TO SEE THE BIGGER PICTURE OF HOLDEN'S SA PULLOUT

General Motors Holden is becoming China Motors....

http://www.youtube.com/watch_popup?v=Lvl5Gan69Wo

Same Old Betrayal – Just Different

'leaders': What Big Money did for the Soviet Communists they have now done for the Chinese Communists. Eric Butler wrote of the earlier betrayal of the West to Soviet Communism in *Censored History*: "In his last book, *The Bolshevik Invasion of the West* (1966), the late Louis Budenz, the former top Communist and Managing Editor of *The Daily Worker* (U.S.A.), who eventually came back to his Christian Faith, warned of a growing alliance between 'Wall Street' 'international financial groups' and Moscow.

However, the evidence presented by Sutton is much more concrete than that presented by others. Once it is grasped that Western technology and industry has been primarily responsible for the creation of the formidable Soviet military machine, and the expanding Soviet naval power, the reality takes on

a chilling significance which those who wish to retain freedom can only ignore at their peril.

British-born Antony Sutton, former professor of economics at California State University at Los Angeles, began a study late in the 1950's of the transfer of Western technology to the Soviet Union and how the Soviet economy and military-industrial complex had benefitted from this flow of Western assistance. The first work was completed in 1966 and published in 1968 by the Hoover Institution at Stanford University under the title *Western Technology and Soviet Economic Development, 1917 to 1930*.

Deeper students of International Communism quickly perceived that an outstanding academic had carefully documented in detail the vast technological and economic aid which the West had been supplying to the

Soviet Union since 1918, confirming what they already knew.

The second volume of Sutton's study was published by the Hoover Institution in 1971 under the title *Western Technology and Soviet Economic Development, 1945 to 1965*.

Although Sutton's studies are of the greatest significance, they were only publicised in reviews in a few conservative and anti-Communist publications. But the media generally ignored what is beyond doubt the most significant work of the last 50 years. However, a few Members of the Republican Party grasped the vital importance of Sutton's research work with the result that he was invited to testify before a sub-committee of the Platform Committee of the Republican Party at Miami Beach, Florida, on August 15, 1972..." And now it is China's turn for 'star billing'!

Read Censored History further here....<http://www.alor.org/Library/Censoredhistory.htm>

THE LEAGUE OF RIGHTS DID TRY TO WARN YOU... *To the Point* in 1950

"More Socialism", *The New Times*, 18 August 1950: In a forthright article in the *Melbourne Age* of August 8, Mr Latham Withall, Director of the Associated Chamber of Manufactures of Australia, clearly outlines the dangers of the trade and tariff agreements, which the International Trade Organisation is seeking to impose upon the nations of the world.

Mr. Withall writes: "The knowledge that the Australian Government has decided to take part in the conference at Torquay (Eng.) next month and to pursue the policy objective of free trade internationalism as set out in the general agreement on tariffs and trade (GATT) - a policy which, in Opposition, members fiercely attacked and, on division, voted unanimously against - will come as a very great shock indeed to Australian industry. With every good reason, industry had confidently

expected that Australia would this year end its three years' unhappy association with the movement that had its origin in bureaucracy - that strange exotic by-product of the last war. **"This movement aimed to establish world regimentation of trade, based upon completely outworn and wholly discredited economic shibboleths,** and with the very practical purpose, of course, of destroying completely the principle of British preference.

"Australian industries, both primary and secondary, small and large, will, at the conference, which starts on September 28, become the subject of international horse-trading of a most sordid and demoralising kind, carried out, it will be alleged, in the interests of the United Nations Organisation, but in fact working out only in the interests of the Communist countries, which will be efficiently represented on the spot by Czechoslovakia"..."

THE MAN AND ONE OF THE MEDIA MYTHS OF OUR TIME - Betty Luks

On 5 December 2013 the man Nelson Mandela died at the grand age of 95 years. According to Wikipedia the "Former President of South Africa Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela was a South African anti-apartheid revolutionary, politician, and philanthropist who served as President of South Africa from 1994 to 1999.

Born: July 18, 1918, Mvezo, South Africa Died: December 5, 2013, Houghton Estate, South Africa."

I would like to present the viewpoints of others who were witnesses of the times:

Much of Mandela's 'martyrdom' is based on the misapprehension that he was a political prisoner. This was never the case. The bleeding-heart liberals forget - if they ever knew - Mandela's real record. He joined the A.N.C. in 1944, and spent the next 18 years becoming a leader of both the A.N.C. and the South African Communist Party (S.A.C.P.). He was jailed for terrorism in 1963, after he and his A.N.C./S.A.C.P. colleagues were caught red-handed in a calculated act of terrorism - sabotage; they had 48,000 Soviet made anti-personnel mines and 210,000 hand grenades at their disposal, and were caught with documentary proof of their involvement with foreign powers in planning a Communist seizure of power in South Africa.

It is generally forgotten that Mandela admitted his guilt, was sentenced to life imprisonment after a fair, open trial, and was very fortunate not to have been hanged for treason. Amnesty International, in a letter responding to an enquiry, rejected Mandela's glorification as a political prisoner because he "has participated in planning acts of sabotage and inciting violence..." (*The New Times* September 1985).

In his July 1988 newsletter *Behind the News* (BTN), Ivor Benson, a former South African and Fleet Street journalist, asked in "The Anti-Apartheid Mystique": "In minds not already deprived of the power of connected thought, the sheer

magnitude of the operation should give rise to" such questions as: "Why all this fuss about Mandela, a Communist proved guilty in open court of planning urban violence, when vast numbers of political activists in many other countries are known to be in prison?"

In January 1990 BTN Benson wrote world events revealed that by "1990: The Mould is Broken" explaining: "The statement that the mould has been broken is one way of compressing into the fewest words an account of the stirring events which have made 1989 a year of unforgettable importance in the history of all the nations of the west, and even of the world.

Cracks had begun to appear in that mould several years before, but it was only in 1989 that it fell apart, and unfolding history began suddenly to take an excitingly different shape - a process by nothing better symbolised than by the tearing down of the Berlin Wall. What we need to know before we can even begin to understand is that happenings of major importance on both sides of the so-called "Iron" and "Bamboo" curtains all belong together - just like pressings from one and the same mould.

Leading historiographers were saying this in different words shortly after the end of World War II: Two world wars and their intervening wars, revolutions and crises are now generally recognised to be episodes in a single age of conflict which began in 1914 and has not yet run

its course. It is an age that has brought to the world more change and tragedy than any other in recorded history. Yet, whatever may be its ultimate meaning and consequences, we can already think of it as a historic whole..."

In February 1990 BTN Ivor Benson noted "The Revolution Changes Shape":

"Blazoned across the front pages of the world's newspapers on February 3 were headlines announcing the end of White rule in South Africa, and two days later came the even more astonishing news that 300,000 people had marched on the Kremlin demanding "democracy" and an end to Communist Party rule. "The mould which gave shape to the politics of the first nine decades of the 20th century has been shattered, but frantic efforts are now being made by world-revolutionary forces to create another. Communism as a method of population control having had to be cast aside, the idea now is to replace it with socialism or some other kind of "democracy"; instead of terror and compulsion, gentler methods of deception and persuasion... It can be taken for granted that the "300,000 march on the Kremlin" was carefully planned and organised by those now in power, designed to strengthen President Gorbachev's hand as he proceeds to transmogrify the Soviet Union's totalitarian politics, leaving ultimate control where it always was.

What we now see in the Soviet Union is

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not another revolution or counter-revolution; it is the original Bolshevik Revolution with the blood of that revolution still on its hands, adjusting itself to the exigencies of a new set of historical circumstances..."

On 8 May 1998 (On Target) Eric D.

Butler, who, being in South Africa at the time, actually attended the Rivonia trials*, summed up the situation including Nelson Mandela's role as the 'chosen front man for the globalists' in "The Realities of Darkest Africa": "A number of factors were responsible for the European retreat from Africa. There was Moscow's long term anti-British campaign strategy with its stress on "anti-colonialism", a strategy which relied upon "student intellectuals" educated at British and other European Universities; there was the disease of "liberalism" which spread like a cancer through Western societies; and there was the imperialism of International

Finance which, in its campaign to create a "New World Order", fostered and exploited both Liberalism and Communism.

The strategic importance of Africa, with its vast natural resources was not overlooked by the globalists. The recent visit to Africa by President Clinton, the current hero of the globalists, was not unrelated to the grand global strategy. Needless to say, Clinton was full of praise for the new Africa, particularly South Africa, which was the final and most important African target. Having betrayed Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe), which was for a decade a major stumbling block to the globalists' African strategy, South Africa is being destroyed by the forces of anarchy which are a feature of the new Africa. Nelson Mandela was the chosen front man for the globalists. Zulu leader Chief Buthelezi who offered a moderate form of apartheid (separate development in the form of a Swiss-type federation) was ruthlessly elbowed aside by the

globalists.

Waiting in the wings to replace Mandela after he has played his part are the type of Communists, now known as social democrats, who are collaborating with the representatives of International Finance to create the new Russia. But, as in the new Russia, a major feature of the New South Africa is escalating crime and social integration..."



Nelson Mandela and the 'black power' salute.

Read further here... <http://www.alor.org/Volume34/Vol34No16.htm>

*** Rivonia trials**

www.alor.org/New%20Times/pdf/NT6107.pdf

<http://www.alor.org/Volume2/Vol2No41.htm>

Mr. Butler wrote as follows in "The Bulletin" of October 22 1966:

"At the Rivonia trial in South Africa Mr. Nelson Mandella admitted that he was deputy-general of the African National Congress, that the ANC and the South African Communist Party co-operated closely, and that he had drafted the document 'How to be a good Communist.'

"Giving evidence under oath at the Rivonia trial, Mr. Walter Sisulu, former secretary-general of the ANC, admitted that he had traveled extensively behind the Iron Curtain while he was at the same time a member of the national executive of the A.N.C. He said that the ANC and the Communist Party were closely affiliated and that their aims were the same. Sisulu told the court that the

Communist Party had assisted the ANC with sabotage."

"Abmed Kathadra admitted at the Rivonia trial that he was an active member of the banned Communist Party and that he had worked closely with the ANC. Mr. Lionel Bernstein told the court that he was a leading Communist, and that the Communist Party was closely allied with the ANC. "Much more evidence could be submitted, including the fact that Moses Kotane had been secretary-general of the Communist Party while at the same time being on the national executive of the ANC, but an examination of the proceedings of the Rivonia trial reveals the absolute falsity of Mr. Resha's claim that the ANC is not Communist-

influenced at all."

"People who dance on charred corpses have nothing whatever to offer South Africa"

The following Youtube documentary which includes comments by the Hon. Kim Edward Beazley, a former cabinet minister and member of the Australian Labor Party, is a more realistic coverage of the ANC's and Nelson Mandela's role in South Africa's tragic history. Warning - scenes of barbaric cruelty. A strong stomach is needed to watch victims of rubber-tyre 'necklacing' dying in agony.

ANC - VIP's of Violence Part 1 of 3 – YouTube— www.youtube.com/watch?v=IAqXOfJQQTE

Apr 5, 2009 - Uploaded by MisgavAm Part 1 of 3.

A fully factual, well researched and presented documentary on the actions of the ANC ...

MANDELA RECEIVED WEAPONS TRAINING FROM MOSSAD – Gilad Atzmon

On 20 December 2013, Gilad Atzmon posted on his website: *Haaretz* reported a few hours ago that, "Nelson Mandela was trained in weaponry and sabotage by Mossad operatives in 1962, a few months before he was arrested in South Africa. During his training, Mandela expressed interest in the methods of the Haganah pre-state underground and was viewed

by the Mossad as leaning toward communism."

Haaretz continues, "a letter sent from the Mossad to the Foreign Ministry in Jerusalem reveals that Mandela underwent military training by Mossad operatives in Ethiopia during this period. These operatives were unaware of Mandela's true identity. The letter,

classified top secret, was dated October 11, 1962 – about two months after Mandela was arrested in South Africa, shortly after his return to the country." The letter states, "as you may recall, three months ago we discussed the case of a trainee who arrived at the [Israeli] embassy in Ethiopia by the name of David

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Mobsari who came from Rhodesia," the letter said. "The aforementioned received training from the Ethiopians [Israeli embassy staff, almost certainly Mossad agents] in judo, sabotage and weaponry." The phrase "the Ethiopians" was apparently a code name for Mossad operatives working in Ethiopia. The letter also noted that the subject in question "showed an interest in the methods of the Haganah and other Israeli underground movements. It added that "he greeted our men with 'Shalom', was familiar with the problems of Jewry and

of Israel, and gave the impression of being an intellectual. The staff tried to make him into a Zionist," the Mossad operative wrote."

We have to remember that in the 1960's Israel believed itself to be a socialist state and it naturally looked for allies within Left and Communist organisations and paramilitary operators around the world. *Haaretz* quotes the newly revealed document, "in conversations with him, he (Mandela) expressed socialist worldviews and at times created the impression that he leaned toward communism".

This letter was kept for decades in the Israel State Archives and was never

revealed to the public. It was discovered there a few years ago by David Fachler, 43, a resident of Alon Shvut, who was researching documents about South Africa for a Masters thesis on relations between South Africa and Israel at the Hebrew University's Institute for Contemporary Jewry. Born in Israel, Fachler grew up and received his Masters of Law degree in South Africa. "If the fact that Israel helped Mandela had been discovered in South Africa, it could have endangered the Jewish community there," Fachler told *Haaretz*.

AND THESE PEOPLE CRITICISE THE WIKILEAKS PARTY!

"WikiLeaks under fire after delegation travels to Syria to meet Bashar al-Assad"

ABC News:



The Syrian presidency posted this picture showing Bashar al-Assad meeting with the Australian delegation (Twitter: @Presidency_Sy)

The Federal Opposition has accused the WikiLeaks Party of irresponsibility after some of its members travelled to Syria to meet with the country's president Bashar al-Assad. The Syrian president released a Twitter photo on December 23 which appeared to show the meeting. The delegation reportedly included WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange's father John Shipton, who is currently the WikiLeaks Party chairman.

In a statement posted on the Wikileaks Party website in the lead-up to the meeting, a spokesman said the purpose of the trip was to show solidarity with the Syrian people and to voice opposition to Western military intervention. "While the WikiLeaks Party recognises the needs for political reforms in Syria and to fight against corruption and abuses of human rights, it does not support achieving this by violence, Western military intervention and destruction of the country," the statement said. "Due to security concerns and because of the high levels of violence in Syria, we cannot give detailed information about the delegation."

Labor frontbencher Chris Bowen says sending a delegation to Syria was not appropriate. "That is an extraordinary thing for them to do," he said. "[It] underlines their irresponsible approach. The Assad regime has been widely criticised and correctly criticised around the world. And for an Australian political party to think it's sensible to go and have discussions and try and provide some legitimacy, is something I think which they have to explain." Comment: Maybe the representatives of the Wikileaks Party wanted to get a more balanced report than they do from the Australian media and present politicians?...ed.

WHAT'S THAT YOU SAY CHRIS? 'TIME TO BE THANKFUL FOR THE MARKET ECONOMY'?

Chris Berg would have us believe that the Christmass/New Year Season was "A time to be thankful for the market economy (really)". (ABC News, Tue 24 Dec 2013)

He wrote: "Thanks to the technology and wealth generated by a market economy and consumer society, it has never been easier to share Christmas with friends and family."

What Chris wrote did nothing to fill my soul with joy and gladness. Pure materialism is what he was promoting.

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2013-12-24/berg-a-time-to-be-thankful-for-the-market-economy/5143816>



The classic Australian Christmas is no longer a trip to the bush but a suburban backyard barbecue. (State Library of Victoria)

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SCENE GENERATED BY THE MARKET ECONOMY AND CONSUMER SOCIETY?

The stark differences in the two scenes speak for themselves.

Andrew Bolt's Blog 2 January 2014:
Socialists and greens don't pick up rubbish Fitzroy in a "progressive" area, filled with people with a "social conscience" particularly when it comes to the environment. Its council reflects this, comprising three Greens, one socialist, three Labor members and two independents. Fitzroy's federal member is Adam Bandt, the sole Green in the House of Representatives. And when 15,000 people in one of the country's most progressive and green areas hold a party in the local Edinburgh Gardens, they naturally leave the park looking like this:



Alexander Solzhenitsyn anticipated the Chris Berks of this world as recorded in his book "Rebuilding Russia: Manifesto for a Rebirth of Russia", English translation 1990:

"Unless one craves revolution, a state must possess the qualities of continuity and stability... Beyond upholding its rights, mankind must defend its soul, freeing it for reflection and feeling.

(Wouldn't you say 'the classic Australian Christmas' depicts the qualities of continuity and stability more so than does the 2013 new year's eve party in the Edinburgh Gardens, Fitzroy Melbourne?...ed)

Taking Our Own Measure - the strength or weakness of a society depends more on the level of its spiritual life than of its level of industrialization. Neither a market economy nor even general abundance

constitutes the crowning achievement of human life. The purity of social relations is a more fundamental value than the level of abundance.

A Tree Rotten to the Core Cannot Stand: If a nation's spiritual energies have been exhausted, it will not be saved from collapse by the most perfect government structure or by any industrial development: a tree with a rotten core cannot stand. This is so because of all the possible freedoms the one that will inevitably come to the fore will be the freedom to be unscrupulous: that is the freedom that can be neither prevented nor anticipated by any law. It is an unfortunate fact that a pure social atmosphere cannot be legislated into being. And that is why the destruction of our souls over three quarters of a century is the most terrifying thing of all..."

WARNING: TRANS-PACIFIC PARTNERSHIP LARCENY BY GOVERNMENTS:

Jonathan J. Ariel article is from *Online Opinion* 24/12/2013:

The one thing many Australians don't want to find under their Christmas trees tomorrow is news that the super secret Trans Pacific Partnership has edged closer to being inked. The haste with which successive Australian governments have expended resources allegedly to negotiate – but perhaps merely to roll over and accept – the Obama imposed TPP, while keeping the electorate in the dark about just what's in the treaty, makes one wonder whose interests are being served? And frankly all we can do is wonder, given the draft has been kept away from the prying eyes of voters. One of the world's most important trade deals you've never heard of is being negotiated between 12 Pacific Rim countries, including Australia. But you wouldn't know it, from all the attention it's not been getting. The most recent round of talks took place in Singapore between 7 and 10 December, and was met in Australia with some minor news reporting. So why is the Abbott government now (and previously the Rudd/Gillard two-step) doing everything it can to keep the Trans Pacific Partnerships details a secret? After all, isn't this agreement all about aggressively expanding trade and creating jobs? Answering the questions: just whose

trade will grow and at what cost together with whose jobless numbers will fall may be the reasons for the cone of silence. Last Friday, the Huffington Post in a roundabout way asked what good signing the TPP would do for Canada, and it came up short. Very short. Opponents of the TPP, it is claimed, maintain that Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper is keeping mum because he fears it will be controversial among Canadians. Everything from the rules surrounding internet downloads, to supply chains in some foodstuffs, to what you can photocopy legally will be affected. But legal expert Michael Geist confirmed that documents he secured under Canada's Access to Information Act, showed Ottawa was "overwhelmed with negative comments urging officials to resist entry into the TPP" particularly with respect to intellectual property. Australians are much like Canadians in this case. Both are treated with disdain by their governments and both peoples don't know how much they don't know about the TPP. Some of the worries Canada has could be a prelude to the nasties that we'll find in the TPP, after it has been concluded. No doubt, both electorates will be subjected to a crass dog and pony show before too long, by

politicians doing Corporate America (and for that matter, Corporate Australia's and Corporate Canada's) bidding.

Amongst the HuffPo's concerns about the TPP are:

* Whether it could criminalize at home downloading, as the TPP could force Canada to institute criminal penalties even for small-time downloaders, according to a number of consumer advocacy groups. Canada's top negotiator at the talks last (northern) autumn refused to say whether Canada would fight for its new copyright laws in the TPP deal.

* Could it turn your friendly ISP into a internet cop waiting to make a collar?

Article 16 (p 32) of the Wikileaks 2011 draft of the TPP mandates that countries create "legal incentives" for internet service providers to do their own copyright policing online. Does this mean that li'l ole Optus or TPG will be held legally responsible if subscribers download illegally? Will subscribers have their browsing history logged for possible unauthorised downloading? What does this mean for privacy? What will this mean for monthly charges?

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* What will it mean for rules governing Australian content in the performing arts?

It is known that a menagerie of media companies from the United States has been lobbying the U.S. Trade Representative to pressure Canada into repealing Canadian content rules as part of the TPP. This has raised concerns that Canada's cultural industries could be steamrolled by the TPP. Will the Hollywood Heavies bully us into surrendering Australian content in music, film and television?

* Is the TPP "A Corporate Giveaway"?

U.S. House Rep. Alan Grayson, (Democrat -Florida's 9th District) was recently allowed to see a draft copy of the TPP. While he's been banned from telling anyone what he read, the populist Floridian described the agreement as one that "hands the sovereignty of our country over to corporate interests." It undermines America's middle class,

working class and is unjustly skewed in favour of Big Business.

The takeaway? If middle America is being given the finger; just how bad will the treaty be for non-Americans such as us or our cousins in Ottawa?

Columbia University's Joseph E. Stiglitz on 4th July in a syndicated column alerted anyone interested to the reality that any agreement signed must be symmetrical. If the US for instance, demands we open our market for its apples and pears then we should be able to sell our fruit, any fruit into the US, without any US fruit grower enjoying any subsidy of money or water of any kind.

Also no trade agreement should put Big Business ahead of broader national interests, especially when non-trade-related issues like financial regulation and intellectual property are at stake. Stiglitz is livid about America's trade agreement with Chile that runs over Chile's use of capital controls – even though the International Monetary Fund now recognizes that capital controls can be an

important instrument of macro-prudential policy.

And as a warning to Australia is implied.

Big Pharma, which wields considerable clout with the office of the USTR, has triumphed in imposing on other countries an unbalanced IP regime, which is designed to fight generic drugs. Tooth and nail.

Finally, there must be a commitment to transparency. Stiglitz is convinced that Big Business (aka the "US") is committed to a lack of transparency in any negotiation process. Heck, the USTR's office has been reluctant to reveal its negotiating position even to elected members of the United States Congress! Ditto Ottawa, when it comes to Canadian consumers.

Ditto Canberra, when it comes to Australian consumers.

Where are Julian Assange and Eric Snowden when we need them to publish the balance of the TPP? Huh?

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Source: <http://www.onlineopinion.com.au/print.asp?article=15872>

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THE MACHINE STOPS series... by Arnis Luks

'Climate Priest' Prof Chris Turney (<http://www.christurney.com>) and colleagues at the University of NSW have made fools of themselves by very loudly and boldly predicting they will find irrefutable evidence of man-made anthropogenic global warming by repeating Mawson's footsteps of 100 years ago, only to be frozen in mid-summer pack-ice and having to be rescued by helicopter. Hundreds of tonnes of incremental carbon dioxide being produced during this escapade - only to fail dismally by the mid-summer pack-ice formation. Humbug!

I look out at my garden to see light rain falling for the third day in the middle of summer and get the feeling that the weather is cooler than average for this time of year. Like most things of importance, I alone need to open my eyes and look for myself to gauge what is actually going on. I cannot and should not trust the politically motivated scientists, media, priests and politicians for information that has proven time and

again to be misleading. The machine stopping is causing me to think for myself at last - hooray!

The garden is lush with vegetation and the fruit is setting nicely although it appears about four weeks later than average. The honey production is down 80% on average; that puts it into perspective as cherries are also down 80% on average for this area. How the seasons vary.

The Parable of the Good Samaritan Luke 10:25-37: And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read?" And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself." And he said to him, "You have answered right; do this, and you will live."

But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbour?" Jesus

replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, And went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii (two days wages) and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbour to the man who fell among the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed mercy on him." And Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

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An economy of exchange that no longer dwells within the realm of gift turns into one in which exchange is itself dishonoured, and in which there is space neither for the gift nor the graciousness that are essential to the experience of God. In such a debased economy all becomes contract, and broken contract at that. It is to such a world that Christ came as Gift from the Giver, a Jubilee from Nazareth, to renew the gift and to call for a response: the remission of the debts that had accrued, the remission of the debts of those who had been violated by an exchange economy that had in its turn forgotten the condition and purpose for which it had been given." – Peter Selby. Price \$38 inc. p/h.

"Decoding Mammon, Money as a Dangerous and Subversive Instrument" by Peter Dominy: He has served as missionary in Nigeria for fifteen years before pastoring two parishes in the UK. He is an Emeritus Canon of Chichester Cathedral. The book is a condensed version of the author's PhD thesis for the University of Exeter, approved in 2011, entitled "Decoding Mammon: Money in Need of Redemption," which is available on the university Web site (to which readers are referred for a more detailed treatment of the subject) at <http://hdl.handle.net/10036/3065>

"Decoding Mammon" is an exposition of the negative assessment of money implied in Jesus' statement: "You cannot serve God and Mammon". On the basis of the theology enshrined in the Old and New Testament and in the long-term tradition of the church, it is claimed that problems associated with money do not arise simply from the way it is used but from the nature

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