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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Cartoon by Rich, based on ‘Staunch defenders of free press’ attend Paris rally

It would be hard to come up with a satire to do justice to the farcical scene in Paris on Sunday when our leaders masqueraded as defenders of free-speech. Probably one of the best comments was a sketch by Rich, the cartoonist for London’s House of Commons blog, Guido.

What would Israel’s Benjamin Netanyahu, author of last summer’s Operation Protective Edge bombardment in which more than 2,100 Palestinians and at least 7 journalists were killed, say to the man the West has chosen to lead the Ukraine, Petro Poroshenko who has been shelling and starving out civilians in Donetsk for months.

After days of flailing around, Europe’s elites have agreed on a line – free speech is sacrosanct, but only when it comes to mocking Christianity and Islam. The Holocaust is off-limits as is any questioning of immigration or multiculturalism.

And now they have found an enemy they are brave enough to take on – ordinary White people who dare question the elite immigration consensus. Across the continent phony conservatives are joining forces with the left to exclude the anti-immigration lobbies from the debate. Any democracy pretence has gone. It is all about power now... More:

<http://www.theoccidentalobserver.net/>

**Letter to the Editor,
The Australian**

Liberal senator Dean Smith is misinformed ('Honour our faith in freedom of expression', 13/1) when he claims that 'the citizens of France' uphold 'their cherished principle of freedom of expression'. They do not. France is an intellectually repressive nation as can be seen from the long-term legal harassment of historical revisionist Robert Faurisson (including the passing of a special law to try to silence him), as well as the nation's inability to bring to justice those persons who once nearly beat him to death. And who can forget the appalling anti-intellectualism of French education minister Alain Devaquet in cancelling by government decree the doctoral degree awarded to Henri Roques by the University of Nantes in 1986 for his exposure of the 'confessions' of Kurt Gerstein?

-- Nigel Jackson, *Belgrave, Victoria*. 13th January 2015

PARIS ATTACK DESIGNED TO SHORE UP FRANCE'S VASSAL STATUS

Dr. Paul Craig Roberts, Jan 10, 2015: A former White House official says the terrorist attack that killed 12 people on Wednesday in Paris was a false flag operation "designed to shore up France's vassal status to Washington."

Dr. Paul Craig Roberts, who was Assistant Secretary of the Treasury in the Reagan Administration and associate editor of the *Wall Street Journal*, made the remarks in an article published on Thursday. "The suspects can be both guilty and patsies. Just remember all the terrorist plots created by the FBI that served to make the terrorism threat real to Americans," he wrote. He said that the French economy is suffering from the US-imposed sanctions against Russia. "Shipyards are impacted from being unable to deliver Russian orders due to France's vassalage status to Washington, and other aspects of the French economy are being adversely impacted by sanctions that Washington forced its NATO puppet states to apply to Russia." Dr. Roberts stated that French President Francois Hollande this week said that the sanctions against Russia should end. "This is too much foreign policy independence on

France's part for Washington." He added that the CIA has apparently resurrected a policy that it followed against Europeans during the post-WW II era when the US spy agency would carry out attacks in European states and blame them on communist groups. Dr. Roberts said now the US agencies have planned false flag operations in Europe to create hatred against Muslims and bring European countries under Washington's sphere of influence. He noted that "the attack on Charlie Hebdo was an inside job and that people identified by NSA as hostile to the Western wars against Muslims are going to be framed for an inside job designed to pull France firmly back under Washington's thumb." The widely read columnist stated that the US "government tells Americans whatever story the government puts together and sits and laughs at the gullibility of the public."

GJH/GJH Source:

<http://www.presstv.ir/Detail/2015/01/10/392443/CIA-carried-out-Paris-attack-Roberts>

CIVILISED AND CULTURED PEOPLE FREELY DISCUSS IMPORTANT ISSUES

Wallace Klinck's correspondence to a Canadian newspaper: "Unfortunately the *Herald* will not accept an e-mail reply and forces one to join Facebook which is something I am not interested in doing. I really resent this sort of imposition. In any case here are the comments that I composed and would have posted:

"Mark Mercer introduces a welcome element of sanity concerning freedom of expression which appears all too often to be both misunderstood and deliberately distorted by vested interests. Issues surrounding politics, philosophy, religion, history etc. have been debated by saints and scholars from time immemorial and in a healthy society should continue to be debated.

"To imagine that a court of law can adjudicate such matters is to imply that judges and jurors actually understand such matters--an assumption that is both ridiculously onerous and preposterous. Civilized and cultured people discuss and debate such subjects with interest and sometimes with spirited enthusiasm which may disturb or offend other persons. No society which hopes to persist can afford to stifle such debate and discussion because truth or an approach to it can be achieved in no other way.

"Suppression of opinion can only be successful by imposition of force and if any social elements achieve control over opinion they will inevitably utilize it for their own interests at the expense of society at large. Anti-"Hate" laws are promoted by those who have no idea or respect for objectivity or truth and want a monopoly of opinion-making reserved to themselves. Such laws are clearly an abuse of the system of courts and jurisprudence. Attempts to pass such laws or to use them must be regarded as motivated by selfish and personal advantage.

"Existing laws of this censorious kind should be rescinded forthwith and attempts to revive them or to pursue them in a court of law should be regarded as a mischievous abuse of the legal system. If anyone's "God" is so frail that He or She cannot withstand examination and needs the support of a mere mortal follower, then such a Deity

must be very frail indeed.

"Hate almost defies description. Different people can take genuine or feigned offence at different things. I am thoroughly "offended" by many statements and conditions--but I do not run off to some Bolshevik "Human Rights" Commission to complain about such incidents. After all most even moderately educated persons know that most expressed views on historical, philosophical and religious matters are mere matters of opinion in any case. So what? Be wary of those who would censor their fellows! Ideological and religious battles should be fought in the court of public opinion where they belong. Freedom of speech carries with it the fundamental right also of the listener to hear. That is what the censors fear."

-- Sincerely, *Wallace Klinck, Canada*

CHARLIE HEBDO: NOT EXACTLY A MODEL OF FREEDOM OF SPEECH

Gilad Atzmon, January 09, 2015: Diana Johnstone wrote the following yesterday concluding her extended report from Paris: <http://www.counterpunch.org/2015/01/07/what-to-say-when-you-have-nothing-to-say/>

Charlie Hebdo was not in reality a model of freedom of speech. It has ended up, like so much of the "human rights left", defending U.S.-led wars against "dictators".

In 2002, Philippe Val, who was editor in chief at the time, denounced Noam Chomsky for anti-Americanism and excessive criticism of Israel and of mainstream media. In 2008, another of Charlie Hebdo's famous cartoonists, Siné, wrote a short note citing a news item that President Sarkozy's son Jean was going to convert to Judaism to marry the

heiress of a prosperous appliance chain. Siné added the comment, "He'll go far, this lad."

For that, Siné was fired by Philippe Val on grounds of "anti-Semitism". Siné promptly founded a rival paper which stole a number of Charlie Hebdo readers, revolted by CH's double standards. In short, Charlie Hebdo was an extreme example of what is wrong with the "politically correct" line of the current French left. The irony is that the murderous attack by the apparently Islamist killers has suddenly sanctified

this fading expression of extended adolescent revolt, which was losing its popular appeal, into the eternal banner of a Free Press and Liberty of Expression. Whatever the murderers intended, this is what they have achieved. Along with taking innocent lives, they have surely deepened the sense of brutal chaos in this world, aggravated distrust between ethnic groups in France and in Europe, and no doubt accomplished other evil results as well. In this age of suspicion, conspiracy theories are certain to proliferate.

JE SUIS - I AM - GAZA!

January 11, 2015 - Gilad Atzmon



QUEENSLAND STATE ELECTIONS: 100 YEARS AFTER ANZAC

"Campbell Newman, Why Did We Even Bother Going?" asks Dr David Pascoe BVSc PhD OVH Repro, 9 January 2015.

Two Questions

- Is this the real reason for the looming massive job losses in Australia?... Robb heads to India today to finalise his next FTA.

Is this the real reason the Wagner Airport was built?

Happy news this week with announcement of plans to turn it into the next international airport. While we all know it's for the broccoli, we were just wondering if Broccoli can speak any

English? The good thing about isolated international airports is that the cheap labour from India and China can be shipped in during the night and then transferred onto small flights direct into the mining campus - and those stupid whining locals begging for jobs to feed their kids will never get to see them! Brilliant, Campbell! Every good politician knows you never say no to those who finance the party for you. Duh! Silly old me. Never mind, mums the word,

Campbell. You can trust us not to say a word.

Easy entry for skilled foreigners:

www.afr.com

"Companies would be allowed to bring employees to Australia for up to a year without applying for 457 skilled worker visas under a liberalisation of migration rules being considered by the federal government, by Joanna Mather."

(http://www.afr.com/.../easy_entry_for_skilled_foreigners_NAsg...)

BOOK REVIEWS

David Smith, Wollomombi: Read "*In the Company of Cowards*" (read Howard's) by Michael Mori over the break and it was a fascinating look at how the scales dropped off the eyes of this young marine appointed to be David Hicks' defence attorney as he saw the political nature of the whole show and the puppet that our own P.M. was, his cowardice (as well as Downer and Ruddock) to stand up for one of their own countrymen when Britain had already had their detainees returned to Britain.

There were several quotable quotes

but this one shows the disregard for the rules of law that epitomizes those in power.

Quote. "It appeared that the Bush administration turned away from the US federal courts-martial, and instead created the Military Commissions so it could make up new war crimes and war criminals, to prosecute ex post facto. With a few keystrokes, Lietzau, the drafter, and Haynes, the man who signed the Military Commission Instruction, believed they had solved their problem: the law was whatever they decided it to be, whenever they

decided. It was disheartening to see such legal action so blatantly contrary to the US constitution and the founding principles of our country. One of the complaints of the USA's founding fathers in our Declaration of Independence was that the King of Great Britain was 'transporting us beyond the seas to be tried for pretend offenses'. It seemed we were now doing the same to others." (p. 66) There is nothing new under the sun.

See further on page 7...

LET'S SUM UP SOME OF THE ISSUES OF CONCERN FOR QUEENSLANDERS

It has been quite inspiring to follow Dr. David Pascoe's Facebook page as the Queensland State electioneering rolls on – and heats up! Dr. Pascoe and his team have certainly livened up politics in that State.

Three issues of concern, so far, have been highlighted on his Facebook pages:

- [1] rural debt, drought, bank foreclosures and the human costs of it all
- [2] cheap fly-in-fly-out foreign labour for the mining groups/multinationals and
- [3] the sell-off of our prime farm land to foreigners and/or multinationals/big business mining groups.

I see they are also promoting a group wanting to boycott businesses that have links to the LNP. Careful. Don't divide and weaken the support gained. Australians have been down the road of big protests many times before and the question has to be asked – what gains were there? A brief search of the *On Target* archives came up with the following:

The Danny Johnson 50,000 Strong Melbourne Protest March

18 January 1990: <http://www.alor.org/Volume27/Vol27No1.htm>

Those who know Danny Johnson, the small businessman from Warracknabeal, Victoria, who triggered the grassroots movement which brought over 50,000 Australians to Melbourne on January 4th (1990), are agreed that Danny Johnson acted as a type of catalyst in an increasingly tense State and national situation, even surprising himself with what he had set in motion with a letter which first appeared in the well known regional paper, *The Wimmera Mail Times*. The letter was a classic of its kind; it was a cry from the heart of a typically decent Australian who was fearful of what was happening to traditional Australia and its value system. The letter struck a deep chord among the hundreds of thousands of Danny Johnsons across Australia... As the Danny Johnson phenomena gathered momentum, the cynics in some sections of the media convinced themselves that there must be some carefully coordinated movement operating behind Danny Johnson. It was quickly decided that the force behind the Danny Johnson movement was the "sinister" League of Rights, and a massive campaign was set in motion in an attempt to link the League with Danny Johnson. This

campaign was a classic of its kind, and during its later stages was obviously a defensive strategy to intensify the smearing of the League to the point where it might have its impact limited as a grassroots revolt movement starts to sweep the nation...

Then There Was the 'Canberra Blockade'

31 January 1992 : <http://www.alor.org/Volume28/Vol28No3.htm>

The proposal to blockade the Commonwealth Parliament until a list of demands are met by the Prime Minister could eventually be seen as counter productive, unless objectives are clearly defined. We agree with the general strategy to force a change in policy direction on issues such as deregulation, "free trade", interest rates, the creation of credit, and others...

The following points should be carefully considered:

- 1) The concept of a vigorous, limited objective campaign cannot be achieved by a "blockade". For many years the League has taught actionists the merits of such a principle, often with spectacular results, like those on the Eyre Peninsular Bankwatch campaign. www.alor.org/Bankwatch/Library/OperationBankWatch.htm If all available resources, including energy, money and time, are focused on one simple, limited objective, results are much more likely.
- 2) It is a great temptation to believe that if only a large number of people will concentrate in one place, sheer weight of numbers will force a change in policy. Unless the numbers are truly great - 100,000 or more - recent history demonstrates that this is not so. The Melbourne rally, led admirably by Mr. Danny Johnson, is a prime example. A mob of people energetically shouting demands and chanting slogans every time a television camera is pointed at them is little threat to Members of Parliaments. Mobs can in fact be exploited, with tragic results.
- 3) The personal cost, and logistics of running such a blockade are daunting. If, say, 1,000 people take part, travel, living expenses, and suspension of income earning activity must cost \$100 per person per day. That is, \$100,000 per day! A great deal of effective grassroots campaigning could be achieved for such a

sum; an election campaign for an independent candidate, an advertising campaign for a limited objective, etc. The League's annual Basic Fund is less than three quarters of such a figure!

The Application of Pressure

In order to change policy, only one strategy is successful - the application of sufficient pressure on Members of Parliament to FORCE a change. A great many tactics are available, but the individual action of hundreds of people who take personal responsibility for their actions is the key. This is the hard option. In comparison, it is easy to gather with 1,000 others and demonstrate for a few hours, a day, or even a week. It is not what these people do at a demonstration that counts. It is what they do when they get home that counts. How many will commit themselves to the long-term grassroots activity necessary to change policy? Only those with the longer vision... One or perhaps two limited objectives should be identified, and agreed upon. The issues should be well understood by all concerned. All those who take part in the Blockade could be organised to personally visit their own Member, and press for the limited objective. A blunt declaration that the M.P. is the electors' servant, and that electors will vote according to the response to the limited objective, should ensure that M.P.'s. get the message. Such a visit must then be followed up with written demands from as many electors as possible...

Role of the Independent

If, as is possible, the grip of the party machine upon M.P.'s. is too strong, the ultimate action programme is to replace an unco-operative M.P. with an independent representative. The example of Mr. Ted Mack is invaluable. Mack has done something that only a very few Commonwealth M.P.'s. have ever done - he has been elected in his own right, on the strength of his integrity, his commitment to his electorate, his track record, and his ideas - not simply as a party nominee. Such qualities are rare, and increasingly sought in Australian politics. No political party nominee can offer them. Perhaps an intelligent assessment of all vulnerable rural seats should be made, and committed independent candidates sought to contest them, with a major effort concentrated in a few seats...

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RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT IN A FREE SOCIETY – A REAL DEMOCRACY!

Dr. Geoffrey Dobbs delivered a paper to an Adelaide gathering in 1969 on the fundamentals of a real democracy: "Since nearly all the words dealing with good and useful things in our civilisation have by now been twisted or corrupted in meaning, it will be as well to start with some definitions.

By a Society I mean a large, complex and permanent association of human beings for their mutual benefit; and not any sort of collective abstraction which is used to oppose the interests of the individuals who comprise the Society. By a Free Society I mean a society which is characterised by the freedom of the people who compose it - freedom being defined as power to choose between real, not artificial, alternatives as they arise; i.e., to choose one thing at a time and not between "package deals", and to "contract out" of undesired alternatives. This negative aspect of freedom, the power to contract out, is of immense importance in any thinking about democracy. It constitutes, for instance, the sole difference between employment and slavery.

By this I mean, answerable for, and experiencing, the results of one's actions. This "feed-back" or "return" to a person from his actions is so fundamental to all human, indeed, to all living, activities that we tend to take it for granted. The more firewood one chops, the more one has to burn - naturally! The more successful the business, the bigger the income from it - of course! What a glimpse of the obvious! This is the basis of all education, all improvement, all progress, all science. But it is not so in the modern, financially controlled, centralised state. Here, the worse the financial crisis, the higher the pay of the Government and the Bureaucracy and the leaders of centralised Industry; and, in fact, through the centralised organising of labour, this now applies to a large proportion of the working population, for whom working harder or longer hours is likely to be a threat to their financial security and bargaining power...

It is not as if it hadn't happened, often enough, in half the countries in the World. The important point to note is that it requires the combined operation of two forces, often quite erroneously supposed to be opposed: the top-level manipulation of finance, and the organised control of the working population and of revolutionary and socialistic propaganda.

This brings us to the word "government"

A government is the administration of a society, but here again there is a

confusion between two opposite and incompatible meanings. Any ordinary voluntary society, such as, for instance, a golf club or a scientific society, has to have a number of officers and a committee to organise its activities on behalf of the members; but their sole function is to carry out the purpose of the Society, which is the reason why people join it. If they fail to do so they would normally be replaced by another group of administrators; but if these also fail to further the purpose of the Society, the members would most probably "contract out" and the Society would cease to exist. Notice that, in this sort of "free" or "voluntary" society, the "government" exists to carry out the policy agreed upon by all the members, who pay the running costs of the society, and are entitled to share in all the benefits arising from its operation..."

A nation exists to further the purposes of its members

The point I want to make here is that the Government of a Free Society must be of the first type, existing solely to further the purposes of its members, and must not be any sort of Management, employing and using the population for its own purposes, especially as people cannot contract out of a general society such as a Nation, except at the heavy cost of abandoning their homes and their native environment. But since a nation is not an association for any specialised purpose, but exists to serve the general, and innumerable and various purposes of all its members, it is clear that the proper function of the Government in a Free Society must be to provide those conditions of security and stability which are necessary if people are to live their own lives and to ensure that they gain the full benefits of the association. Read further here... <http://www.alor.org/blog/index.php/responsible-government-in-a-free-society-by-geoffrey-dobbs>

'Naked Executive Power' Must Be Restrained

30 October 1992: <http://www.alor.org/Volume28/Vol28No41.htm>
We now note that the restoration of Queensland's Upper House is exactly what is proposed by Sir Max Bingham, the retiring Chairman of the Queensland Criminal Justice Commission. Sir Max specifically called for an Upper House in

order to control "the naked power of the executive". He pointed out that across the country, the proliferation of Royal Commissions and other high-level enquiries supported the view that the Parliamentary system throughout Australia had suffered by the dominance of Parliament by the executive.

Wheels Coming Off

In his criticism of burgeoning executive power, Sir Max is reported as having said (*The Australian*, 22/10/92): "Parliament doesn't really have much in the way of power these days and any intrusion on executive power is treated (by governments) as an attack. You've only got to read today's papers to get a glimpse of the problem through the W.A. Inc. report. It's a problem that has emerged out of what we used to call the Westminster system, and slowly the wheels are coming off that system because the roles of the executive and Parliament have changed..." Sir Max pointed out that the Parliamentary committee system, which could be drawing attention to the excesses of the executive, just isn't working. Mechanisms need to be found to renovate the Parliamentary system, and reduce the potential for the abuse of power. Even in States with Upper Houses, Premiers like Brian Burke, Cain, Dowding, Bannon, Greiner, Wran, etc., have all manipulated Parliament.

In Queensland this could be minimised in two ways

The first way to minimise abuses of power is to reconstruct Upper Houses to operate independently of party power politics. For example, perhaps Legislative Councillors should serve without the prospect of superannuation payouts, and be ineligible to serve in the Executive (Cabinet).

The second useful mechanism, of course, is direct participation by the electorate, with the system of initiative and referendum. According to *The Australian* report, Queensland's Legislative Council was abolished in March, 1922, by the vote of the majority of Labor Councillors, in line with A.L.P. policy after the Theodore Labor Government appointed sufficient A.L.P. Councillors to ensure a Labor majority. Queenslanders were left without effective protection from the executive.

IT HELPS TO KNOW THEIR BACKGROUND

“State's top public servants are jumping ship to join the CSG industry they assessed”

John McCarthy, *The Courier Mail* April 1, 2013

An impressive list of senior public servants and spin doctors have found their way into the CSG industry. A ‘brain drain’ of Queensland top talent has left the public service, with some of its best workers opting for the coal seam gas industry.

Public servants who did much of the key assessment work for the CSG to LNG projects have jumped the fence into the private sector, with some of the biggest fish being caught by the Flinders Group, a privately-owned project management company that has contracts with UK energy giant BG Group's Queensland CSG subsidiary QGC. Many of the top talent have direct or indirect links to Premier Campbell Newman.

Shane McDowall, a former deputy co-ordinator general with the Government, now sits on the board of the Flinders Group as managing director. He will work with former senior public servants Phil Dash, who worked on the assessment of QGC and Santos's Gladstone LNG project, and former deputy co-ordinator general Geoff Dickie at Flinders.



An impressive list of senior public servants and spin doctors have found their way into the CSG industry.

The links don't stop there.

One of Flinders' directors is John Cotter Jnr, whose father, also John Cotter, runs the Newman-appointed Gasfield Commission which liaises between farmers, regional communities and the CSG industry. Mr Cotter Snr said there had never been any conflict-of-interest issues despite the Flinders Group consulting

to companies such as QGC.

"It has never come up in discussions with landowners or companies that I am pushing his barrow and I wouldn't do that anyway," he said.

One of the Gasfield Commission's directors is former Taroom mayor Don Stiller, whose daughter is Deb Frecklington, now an LNP MP on the cusp of joining the ministry.

The Gasfield Commission's general manager was until recently Andrew Brier, who was with Santos and before that headed the Government's LNG enforcement unit. Mr Brier resigned from the commission for health reasons.

There are also a trail of links between the companies and the Government that raise questions over whether the loss of talent will affect the Government's ability to assess resource projects effectively.

Santos's GLNG project has certainly benefited, with four senior bureaucrats moving over to the company. It has also snared a government media operative, Mitch Grayson, and Brad Burke who worked with Mr Newman in his days as Lord Mayor at Brisbane City Council.

The links to Mr Newman extend further with his current chief of staff Ben Myers, who previously worked for QGC. His brother, Luke Myers, is a lobbyist for Government Relations Australia, a company which has QGC as a client.

Arrow Energy's former media adviser, Lisa Palu, also now works within the Newman Government's media unit.

Origin's APLNG project hasn't lured any public servants but has two former senior Labor advisers, Anne Syvret and Steve Keating, within its communications office.

Activist Drew Hutton said the CSG industry had changed the state's governance system.

"There seems to be an open door between the industry and the Government," he said.

"There is obviously a close relationship between the Government and the CSG industry and there is a conflict of interest inherent in that."

The issue is a sensitive one for the companies which all refused to comment while the State Government said it was a personal matter for each person and not something in which it would get involved.

100th anniversary of first Islamic attack in Australia

Posted by: [Bernard Gaynor](#)

Of the hundreds of commemorations that will take place to remember Australian sacrifice during World War One, there is only one that can remember life taken on Australian soil. But due to political correctness, there will be no official commemoration of it at all.

I am referring to the Battle of Broken Hill, in which four Australians lost their lives (none of whom were in uniform) and seven more were wounded.

It started, as these things mostly do, with the sound of "Allahu Akbar" ringing out. This time it was on the outskirts of Broken Hill. The date was 1 January, 1915. Shortly

thereafter, two men began shooting at a train taking 1,200 men, women and children to the annual New Year's Day picnic.

What was supposed to be a family day of fun was turned into a raging chaos of carnage.

The two perpetrators were Gool Mohamad and Mullah Abdullah. And no, don't judge them by their names. Instead, just read their suicide notes, written as they prepared for their lead role and walk-on part in the war in Australia.

Mullah Abdullah's note said that his actions "were in obedience to the order of

the Sultan of the Koran" and he signed it off with an oath to Allah and Mohammad's big book of peace. As Mullah Abdullah was the local imam of the first mosque ever built in New South Wales, it's fair to say that he knew a little more about the Koran and Allah than your average new-age journalist writing fairy tales about the religion of peace today.

Mullah Abdullah was also responsible for the local trade in halal meat, which had twice been shut down because he had been found guilty of butchering sheep without a license. So, in his note, Abdullah

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Review by Louis Cook: 'In The Company Of Cowards' by Michael Mori.

"Bush, Howard and Injustice at Guantanamo"

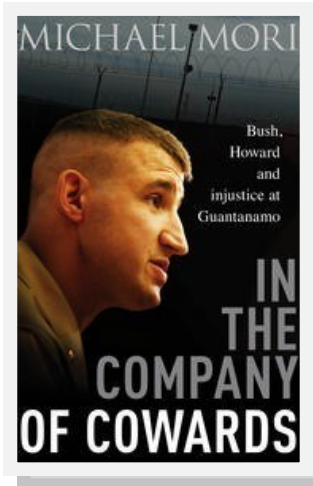
Following on from the 'Book Review' on page 3.

To live harmoniously in any society it is important all participants know the rules – what you can do and what is unacceptable. In our society, this is worked out in advance by trial and error over time but in a way that does not conflict with good manners. Just as cricket is played by the rules by players, with umpires fairly adjudicating as the game is played, so our society operates in a similar manner with separation of Powers between accused, judge and jury. The bowler appeals to the umpire for an LBW decision and any doubt favours the batsman. How fair would cricket be if the bowler only, decided who was fouled LBW? Very shortly the game would be unplayable. But what happens when this all goes awry?

It becomes a case of 'Might is Right'! And what happens if 'Might' has an agenda we all do not understand? Read this book and you will see first-hand that we are all at risk by the uncontrolled hand of the omnipotent bureaucrat. This is the story of David Hicks from his attorney ... it is an indictment of the US Military Justice system and our own political representatives. Michael Mori earns our thanks as he exposes real threats to our individual freedom from 'cowards in high places'. Source this book from your local library and encourage others to read it, too. It makes a fitting start to a year when we celebrate the 800th Anniversary of Magna Carta... the accepted foundation of our individual freedom.

"In The Company of Cowards" by Lieutenant Colonel Michael Mori, US Marine Corps.

Bush, Howard and injustice at Guantanamo. VIKING an imprint of Penguin Books – 2014



25 YEARS OF UNSCIENTIFIC 'ACTION' AGAINST CARBON...

Don't wait for the science... writes Joanne Nova:

In 1988, way back before the data was in, the CSIRO was already push-pumping the public awareness campaign against carbon dioxide. There was never a debate about the science. Nobody checked the things that matter first, they just stepped straight into pointless action. (Why?) Twenty five years later, nothing has changed. There is still no one paid to make sure the science is right, to make sure Australians are not being taken advantage of. When will conservative governments recognise that they can't leave this vital area to unpaid volunteers without staff, funding, access to scientific libraries and full government data? BOM and CSIRO research that suggests billion-dollar policies must be checked and

replicated independently by a group with no interest but finding holes in it. In a law court, there is a defence whose job is to poke holes in the prosecutor's case, but in science and public policy it's like being back in the Middle Ages with only the prosecution's accusations getting a hearing. Only with a proper science defence will the Australian taxpayers and the environment be served.

The Australian, Graham Lloyd

"...the CSIRO and the Commission for the Future were at the forefront of international research and public awareness campaigns on reducing CO2 emissions by 20 per cent to 2005, as decided at the Toronto conference in 1988.

And as early as 1989 the Australian government was already paying to set up vested interest groups to push for carbon reduction.

"Following his landmark Our Country, Our Future statement on July 20, 1989, prime minister Bob Hawke wrote to ministers requesting a working group be set up to evaluate options to reduce emissions. He said it was clear "we cannot afford to wait until we are certain of all aspects of global climate change before action is taken ..."

What working group would ever produce a report saying that reducing emissions was a waste of money? These would become the paid lobbyists to propagandize the issue. (emphasis added...ed)

Source: joannenova.com.au/.../25-years-of-unscientific-action-against-carbon-dont-wait-for-the-science/

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also stated that he was also going to kill the local inspector. Who says halal certification is not linked with terror? Now, Islamic apologists are quick to claim that Abdullah's grudge with the inspector is proof that Islam did not really have much to do with the Battle of Broken Hill. In response, I will point out that halal lamb chops are very much part of Islamic life and that Abdullah's disdain for the law regarding animal slaughter a century ago

very much resembles the disdain that modern-day 'Australian' Muslims have for today's laws, such as those prohibiting marriage to 12 year-old girls. And besides, the Islam Australia Network defends Abdullah's actions because he was subject to 'religious persecution'. In fact, the Islam Australia Network claims that Muslims were placed in an impossible situation because they were required to obtain a license to slaughter animals, like every other Australian butcher.

The good news from Abdullah's point of view is that more than half of Australia's lamb chops are now halal certified. He did not die in vain, but was just the first to give his life to impose Sharia law on the rest of Australian society. And I suppose some would say it's not a bad thing either. We don't want any other trains coming into contact with weapon-wielding maniacs crying Allahu Akbar on a warm and sunny New Year's morning. That usually ends in tears for all involved.

Read more here... <http://bernardgaynor.com.au/100th-anniversary-of-first-islamic-attack-in-australia/>

THEY ARE A SPECIAL BREED – THEY ARE ‘DIFFERENT’

By Betty Luks

I have been following Dr. David Pascoe’s Facebook pages since I first happened upon it. We reported on how it all came about in last week’s *On Target*. He and his team’s actions have awakened a lot of fellow Australians from their lethargy – bravo to him and his team!

Over the Christmass/New Year break I, along with the other League folk, took my annual break and allowed myself the luxury of reading books simply for personal pleasure and relaxation. Included were two books by Scotsman Ian Hamilton Q.C.

The Stone of Scone returned to where it belonged

He wrote of his daring escapade – along with others – of ‘returning’ the Stone of Destiny (Stone of Scone) back to Scotland. Of course those who know the story will interject and remind me that they broke into Westminster Abbey to ‘retrieve’ it! But I do not bring the story to mind just to recount some well-known 1950s history but because of the values that these young Scots displayed throughout the adventure.

First, it was as patriotic Scots that they were motivated. The Stone of Scone was a symbol of their history, their nationality and their love and loyalty to their community, land and people.

Another is that ‘a man’s word is his bond’; and the love of money, or betrayal for filthy lucre, did not enter into their considerations. I especially appreciated the part about young newspaper man Tom Dawson who could have ‘broken’ the story for a lot of money, but assured Ian Hamilton:

‘Ilan,’ he said. ‘I may be a newspaperman and I may have the biggest story ever. I’m hoping to go to Fleet Street soon, and I’m not much interested in Home Rule. But by God, I’m a Scotsman first. Don’t worry. I’ll never sell you.’

Hamilton mused: ‘It is times like these that make me very humble. What else can a man say?’

We shook hands on it and I went down town. Thereafter, while the newspaper world went mad, and bid and rebid for news of the Stone, Tom went quietly about his work and said nothing. He could have retired on the price of that story, but he kept his word. He kept his honour also, and that perhaps is the greatest thing of all.’

The Might-Have-Been of the Stone of Destiny

In his autobiography “A Touch of Treason”, Ian Hamilton 40 years later wrote of that escapade: ‘I regard my greatest failure as the-might-have-been of the Stone of Destiny... The-might-have-been of the Stone of Destiny is this. Having seen it once brought back to Scotland, and the acclaim that the episode created, people thought it could only be of value as a symbol when it was once again returned. That is not so at all. I confess now to a secret longing that I had then and still have. That longing is to see it as an ambition of every young Scot to attempt to spend a night’s vigil before the Stone, like the vigil of the knight before the altar. It would also, for each individual, be his personal affront to the foreign government of Scotland, and an affirmation of his faith in the future of his country. He would be arrested, I expect, and charged with disorderly behaviour. I deny the right of any English court to punish any Scot for attempting to dedicate his life before the talisman of his people... All it needs is one youngster who is not afraid of being laughed at to start.’

And now to return to the present day and the hardy breed of people of the Queensland outback. We salute you.

You have demonstrated the values that most decent people also value - as did those young Scots all those years ago. And for this we appreciate you.



Coronation Chair: Made in 1301 for Edward I

The title of the books are: “The Taking of the Stone of Destiny” (Corgi Books) and “A Touch of Treason” by Ian Hamilton, Q.C. (Neil Wilson Publishing, Glasgow, Scotland).

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