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THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

True Social Order: Social order flows from the natural bonds of friendship, co-operation and family loyalty, within the context of a local culture possessing a strong sense of right and wrong. It cannot be imposed by force, and indeed force should never be employed except as a last resort and in self-defence.

- - Anthony Cooney in "Social Credit: Economics of the Third Way"

In 1866, as Surrogate of New York, Gideon John Tucker - February 10, 1826 – July 1899 - wrote in a decision of a will case: "No man's life, liberty or property are safe while the Legislature is in session." Those words are as true today as they were a hundred years ago.

Gideon John Tucker was an American lawyer, newspaper editor and politician.

Target for the Week

Ricky Muir uses maiden speech to lash Government over lack of consultation on key policies

http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-03-05/senator-ricky-muir-delivers-his-maiden-speech-in-the-senate-cha/6283892

Supporters are urged to write to Senator Muir and request a copy of his Maiden Speech. Address your letter to Senator Ricky Muir, Parliament House, Canberra 2600. Why? Because of the following... The Victorian senator admitted to the chamber he "came up pretty bad" in the interview with Mike Willesee, when he had to walk out of the exchange briefly after failing to answer a question about the aftermarket industry for cars. But Senator Muir said he was not going to let that experience bring him down and he had treated it as a learning exercise. "... To everybody sitting in this chamber, if you think \$20 a week is nothing, or just a pack of cigarettes or a few beers, you have never lived in the real world." He said it was frustrating to discover after the 2013 election that the Government intended to fix the budget "by hurting the disadvantaged in a barrage of measures that were mute in the election campaign". "I do not recall a mandate for education reform, for Medicare reform, or to completely damage confidence and investment in the renewable sector," he said. "This is just the tip of the iceberg, and to add insult to injury this was done with little to no consultation. "That doesn't sound like democracy to me."



The Price of Freedom is Eternal Vigilance —

What's Happening to Canada? Open letter to P.M.

Ralph Nader, February 18, 2015 The Right Honourable Stephen Harper, P.C., M.P. 80 Wellington Street, Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Dear Prime Minister:

Many Americans love Canada and the specific benefits that have come to our country from our northern neighbour's many achievements (see Canada Firsts by Nader, Conacher and Milleron). Unfortunately, your latest proposed legislation—the new anti-terrorism act—is being described by leading Canadian civil liberties scholars as hazardous to Canadian democracy.

A central criticism was ably summarized in a February 2015 *Globe and Mail* editorial titled **"Parliament Must Reject Harper's** Secret Policeman Bill," to wit:

"Prime Minister Stephen Harper never tires of telling Canadians that we are at war with the Islamic State. Under the cloud of fear produced by his repeated hyperbole about the scope and nature of the threat, he now wants to turn our domestic spy agency into something that looks disturbingly like a secret police force. Canadians should not be willing to accept such an obvious threat to their basic liberties. Our existing laws and our society are strong enough to stand up to the threat of terrorism without compromising our values."

Particularly noticeable in your announcement were your exaggerated expressions that exceed the paranoia of Washington's chief attack dog, former vice -president Dick Cheney. Mr. Cheney periodically surfaces to update his pathological war mongering oblivious to facts—past and present—including his criminal war of aggression which devastated Iraq—a country that never threatened the U.S.

You are quoted as saying that "jihadi terrorism is one of the most dangerous enemies our world has ever faced" as a predicate for your gross over-reaction that "violent jihadism seeks to destroy" Canadian "rights." Really? Pray tell, which rights rooted in Canadian law are "jihadis" fighting in the Middle East to obliterate? You talk like George W. Bush. How does "jihadism" match up with the lives of tens of millions of innocent civilians, destroyed since 1900 by state terrorism-west and east, north and south—or the continuing efforts seeking to seize or occupy territory? Reading your apoplectic oratory reminds

one of the prior history of your country as one of the world's peacekeepers from the inspiration of Lester Pearson to the United Nations. That noble pursuit has been replaced by deploying Canadian soldiers in the belligerent service of the American Empire and its boomeranging wars, invasions and attacks that violate our Constitution, statutes and international treaties to which both our countries are signatories.

What has all this post-9/11 loss of American life plus injuries and sickness, in addition to trillions of American tax dollars, accomplished? Has it led to the stability of those nations invaded or attacked by the U.S. and its reluctant western "allies"? Just the opposite, the colossal blowback evidenced by the metastasis of al-Qaeda's offshoots and similar new groups like the self-styled Islamic state are now proliferating in and threatening over a dozen countries. Have you digested what is happening in Iraq and why Prime Minister Jean Chrétien said no to Washington? Or now chaotic Libya, which like Iraq never had any presence of Al-Qaeda before the U.S.'s destabilizing military attacks? (See the New York Times' editorial on February 15, 2015 titled "What Libya's Unravelling Means".)

Perhaps you will find a former veteran CIA station chief in Islamabad, Pakistan, Robert L. Grenier more credible. Writing in his just released book: 88 Days to Kandahar: A CIA Diary (Simon & Schuster), he sums up U.S. government policy this way: "Our current abandonment of Afghanistan is the product of a...colossal overreach, from 2005 onwards." He writes, "in the process we overwhelmed a primitive country, with a largely illiterate population, a tiny agrarian economy, a tribal social structure and nascent national institutions. We triggered massive corruption through our profligacy; convinced a substantial number of Afghans that we were, in fact, occupiers and facilitated the resurgence of the Taliban" (Alissa J. Rubin, Robert L. Grenier's '88 Days to Kandahar,' New York Times, February 15, 2015). You may recall George W. Bush's White House counterterrorism czar, Richard Clarke, who wrote in his 2004 book, Against All Enemies: Inside America's War



In the Public Interest by Ralph Nader

on Terror—What Really Happened, "It was as if Osama bin Laden, hidden in some high mountain redoubt, were engaging in longrange mind control of George Bush, chanting, 'Invade Iraq, you must invade Iraq.'"

Mr. Bush committed sociocide against that country's twenty-seven million people. Over 1 million innocent Iraqi civilians lost their lives, in addition to millions sick and injured. Refugees have reached five million and growing. He destroyed critical public services and sparked sectarian massacres-massive war crimes, which in turn produce ever-expanding blowbacks. Canadians might be most concerned about your increased dictatorial policies and practices, as well as this bill's provision for secret law and courts in the name of fighting terrorism—too vaguely defined. Study what comparable practices have done to the United States - a course that you seem to be mimicking, including the militarization of police forces (see The Walrus, December 2014). If passed, this act piled on already stringent legal authority, will expand your national security bureaucracies and their jurisdictional disputes, further encourage dragnet snooping and roundups, fuel fear and suspicion among law-abiding Canadians, stifle free speech and civic action and drain billions of dollars from being used for the necessities of Canadian society. This is not hypothetical. Along with an already frayed social safety net, once the envy of the world, you almost got away with a \$30 billion dollar purchase of unneeded costly F-35s (including maintenance) to bail out the failing budget -busting F-35 project in Washington. You may think that Canadians will fall prey to a politics of fear before an election. But you may be misreading the extent to which Canadians will allow the attachment of their Maple Leaf to the aggressive talons of a hijacked American Eagle. Canada could be a model for independence against the backdrop of bankrupt American military adventures steeped in big business profits...a model that might help both nations restore their better angels.

Sincerely, Ralph Nader

Source: http://us6.campaign-archive2.com/?u=c5cfd22327c3214afb5955d02&id=b4954f046c&e=3414ff81e8

WALLACE KLINCK RESPONDED TO CANADIAN JOURNALIST PETER EWER

"Good to see that you are stepping up the pressure, Peter. The very fact that the present Government is willing to discard the Constitutional protections secured over the past many centuries is a certain indicator of their mind-set and that they will not hesitate to use their power to suppress anything which they do not like. This is as inevitable as the rising and setting of the sun and the incoming and outgoing of the tides.

I believe that there is abundant evidence of the incitement and even support of terrorism as and where it serves a purpose as a pretext for introducing draconian legislation. I don't recall even thinking about "terrorist threats" from the Middle East some decades ago. Why has it become an issue more recently? As if Western (especially "U.S.") policy in the region has not been an incitement and provocation! Surely, any balanced

perspective would identify the real terrorists in this grim and gruesome parody. The world is in the thrall of some dreadful policies being pursued relentlessly by absolutely ruthless and unethical players.

I note that the B.C. Civil Liberties Assoc. is participating in your public meeting. What are they doing in the "Radical Press" case currently moving through the courts in B.C.? Or are they being selective about "human rights"? I note that the Ontario Civil Liberties Union is intervening on behalf of the defendant. I believe that Canada Customs functioning under "Canadian" anti-"Hate" legislation includes in its list of prohibited items for importation even books questioning "financial systems"! (Might be "destabilizing" to the economy!) One can be assured that the censorious mind knows and accepts no limitations on

restriction of freedom of enquiry, speech and association—other than temporary limitations to gain credibility before their next censorious move. Such minds do not trouble themselves over the niceties of the rights of others to access information, to think independently or express their opinions openly in public forum. We have a supreme mess on our hands—and the thoroughly annoying thing about it is that if people were not dead in their heads there simply could, and would, be no such absurd and bizarre restrictions on human freedoms. Freedom is a right that applies for all-otherwise it is a fraud and a charade which can only lead to unrest and eventual violence. No one individual, group or Government has a monopoly on truth and none can be allowed to assert such a claim by force or deception.

GERMAN PEOPLE SLOWLY REGAINING THEIR VOICE

86-Year Old German Woman lays charges against the Central Council of the Jews in Germany writes "justice4germans" 12/17/2014.

Here is a story you won't read/hear in the "mainstream media" or the alternative, unless it is first put through the wash and spin cycle. Thus, I will do my best to simply translate and present this important and very newsworthy story to the world for consideration as provided by the original author, whom I shall introduce, as well as provide some context for her perspective, as well as mv own.

Frau Ursula Haverbeck, born in 1928, is an 86 year old survivor of the genocidal Allied terror bombing, the Russian onslaught of rape and pillage on Germany's Eastern frontier, the anti-German pogroms and expulsions, and the post-war Morgenthau Plan of mass starvation perpetrated against Germany, the enslavement and mass murder of surrendered German soldiers as well as, of the post-war cultural genocide of the German nation by the

criminal victors. Many today still live in "denial" of these obvious and provable crimes, but no law prevents anyone from voicing their denial, so no one has ever been jailed for denying these facts. Nor is any notion of "collective guilt and punishment" forced upon the citizens of the nations which perpetrated these monstrous "war crimes" and "crimes against humanity". The peoples of the Allied nations have not been divided, and had their land, culture and heritage stolen. Nor have they been forced to pay reparations to the Germans for this "Unholicaust". No one has ever been jailed for spreading "false news" and "inciting hatred" toward the German people, though it is committed daily in the mass media; in books, films, TV shows, newspaper articles, schools, and in everyday average conversation amongst people everywhere.

Frau Haverbeck is a very learned, lucid and articulate lady, who is in good physical and mental health. She holds several university degrees, including in the field of Education. She, along with her late husband (a professor and former Eastern Front soldier) were both, in past years, very involved with environmental concerns in Germany, and were activists for the preservation of the German language and culture. On November 20th, 2014, Frau Haverbeck made history by laying criminal charges against the Central Council of the Jews in Germany, under S. 344 of German Penal Code with "False Prosecutions" perpetrated against innocent Germans concerning their "denial of the holocaust" (TM). The crime of False Prosecution is punishable with up to 10 years imprisonment.

Link: http://justice4germans.com/2014/12/17/86-year-old-german-woman-lays-charges-against-the-central-council-ofthe-jews-in-germany/

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THE SAD SAGA OF DAVID HICKS by Louis Cook

David Hicks terror conviction: US court reverses Guantanamo decision from *The Australian* 19th February 2015. **The report in** *The Australian* should be read with circumspection by readers http://www.theaustralian.com.au/news/nation/david-hicks-terror-conviction-us-court-reverses-guantanamo-decision/story-e6frg6nf-1227224853646 Readers are urged to acquaint themselves with '*In the Company of Cowards*' by Major Dan Mori who was Hick's attorney appointed by the US Government, also '*Guantanamo: My Journey*' by David Hicks. He was in the wrong place at the wrong time.

The Australian also has a 'timeline' of Hicks' life in his troubled times; read here ...

http://www.theaustralian.com.au/news/photos-e6frg8zf-1227225328049?page=1.

The timeline is intentionally subjective and misleading to the reader:

- The first picture is 'Photo-shopped' i.e. 'cropped' for effect; the original picture is in his book.
- Picture 3 is of the 'burning Twin Towers' Hicks was trying to leave Afghanistan to return home when it happened.
- Picture 4. Hicks is captured among Taliban forces by the Northern Alliance in Afghanistan and handed to the US military (for a financial reward)... the media now have him guilty without trial. Pictured is Northern Alliance soldiers in Afghanistan in 2001, which tell you nothing of substance related to Hicks.
- Number 5 is "picture of a detainee in an orange jumpsuit, thought to be David Hicks, led by US military police in Guantanamo Bay". Not David Hicks but 'believed to be'.
- Picture 6... Daryl Williams (Australian Attorney General at the time) alleges Hicks is a terrorist and one of the world's most dangerous people. A laughable assertion when the facts are made known.
- Number 7. Pictured are unidentified detainees at the military prison... but NOT Hicks. One of many 'allegations'.
 Picture 12 is an 'open shot' of Guantanamo Prison; US military authorities blocked a request by Hicks to undergo an independent mental health assessment. Pictured are unidentified detainees at Guantanamo Bay.
- As the 'Demtel man' said "there is more'... too much for here.

Hicks was not brought before a regular Civil Court or a Military Court Martial where 'justice is the watch-word' but brought before a 'Military Commission'. The Commissions were a 'political setup' and later found to be illegal! That's enough from me; go read the books for yourselves! Both books are available through your Library Service and while you are about it, order '*Breaker Morant*' by F.M. Cutlack.

When 'truth' is in the hands of government and 'sensationalist news media', then there is little doubt why Truth is the first casualty in war!

LIARS, CHEATS AND THIEVES: REMARKABLE TESTIMONEY OF JOE HILL

David Pascoe's Facebook page: There was an extraordinary address given to the Senate Inquiry in Toowoomba yesterday by a Darling Downs (Qld) farmer. Joe Hill explains how he has managed to keep four separate mining companies off his farm for years and then he says something right at the end that needs to be carved in bronze right across this nation. Please watch it to the end. Then step up and join us. Our special thanks to John Reid-Carew whose work as war correspondent has faithfully and evocatively documented the mining invasion and the crimes that have been committed against the Australian people and the Australian farmland by foreign mining companies.

Watch: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9YwsnVCyul8&feature=youtu.be

Joe Hill at Senate inquiry

Grazier Joe Hill speaks to the Queensland Senate Inquiry on the impacts of Coal Seam Gas and mining on Queensland's farming communities. Joe explains in part how he successfully kept the mining companies off his property. Joe is not a member of Lock the Gate - Joe simply uses the common law Trespass Laws and refuses to negotiate with mining companies...

The video is unedited in any way and

and the Australian farmland by foreign mining companies.

subject to copyright. Found this on David Pascoe's facebook -important for impact, Frackman - Big Gas is Coming...

http://frackmanthemovie.com/

LETTER TO EDITOR: NO SPACE FOR GM IN ORGANIC MARKET

The Organic Industry Standards & Certification Council recently rejected a WA Agriculture Department application to allow genetically manipulated products in organic foods. Zero-tolerance, for GM in organic foods remains, despite the department's plea for a 0.9 per cent threshold of allowable contamination. The council received 3000 petition signatures and 200 comments, emails and calls, all supporting zero tolerance. Stock Journal 20/11/14

Since November 2013, China has rejected 1.4 million tonnes of US GM corn on contamination grounds, despite attractive prices. (Food not good enough for the Chinese to eat – but it's okay for Australians to eat contaminated food from China?...ed)

Most Australian farmers remain GM-free, along with more than 500m other farmers in 160 countries. The biggest shipment of Australian canola, guaranteed GM-free, left WA for Europe last month. The MacSmith brothers at MSM Milling supply exclusively GM-free oils and stock feed. Demand for GM-free products is booming, so a comprehensive list of foods in this category will soon be available. Meeting customer needs is always a winner.

- - Bob Phelps, Gene Ethics, Vic.

THE RISING TECHNOCRACY by James Reed

Patrick Wood's "Technocracy Rising: The Trojan Horse of Global

Transformation," (Coherent Publishing, 2015) states on its inside cover: "The dark horse of the New World Order is not Communism, Socialism, or Fascism. It is Technocracy." But what is technocracy? Technocracy is a political system where those who control technology, be it physical, biological or social, rule. It is the rule of the expert, typically the global expert and it is seen in programmes such as Agenda 21, global warming/climate change, sustainable development, common core state standards, smart growth and many other programmes linked with the environment. Behind these schemes are globalist organisations such as the Trilateral Commission whose aim is for a one world government and the elimination of race and nation. Founded by David Rockefeller and Zbigniew Brzezinski, the organisation aims to achieve technocratic ideals that were only dreamt of by Enlightenment thinkers. Brzezinski in his book "Between Two Ages: America's Role in the Technocratic Era," (Viking Press, 1970) says that the technetronic/technocratic era "involves the gradual appearance of a more controlled and directed society. Such a society would be dominated by an elite, whose claim to political power would rest on allegedly superior scientific know-how. Unhindered by the restraints of traditional liberal values, this elite would not hesitate to achieve its political ends by using the latest modern techniques for influencing public behaviour and keeping society under close surveillance and control." (p.97)

This will involve the elimination of the nation-state and its replacement by world government: "Today, though, the old framework of international politics - with their spheres of influence, military alliances between nation-states, the fiction of sovereignty, doctrinal conflicts arising from nineteenth century crises - is clearly no longer compatible with reality." (p.246) International finance and multinational corporations now rule the world: the nation -state era as a fundamental unit of man's organised life has ceased to be the principal creative force: International banks and multinational corporations are acting and planning in terms that are far in advance of the political concepts of the nationstate." (p. 246)

Wood details the influence of the Trilateral Commission on the globalist agenda, in building a New World Order. He shows that the other globalists groups of super-elites, such as the Bilderberg Group and Council of Foreign Relations act as think-tanks for oneworld idealism while the Trilateral

Commission is the "task force". It is a task force that has incorporated all US presidents since jimmy Carter and most Secretaries of State and the majority of World Bank presidents, and US Trade Representatives (USTR). The Trilateral Commission, as an unseen government, has produced NAFTA and the programme for economic and ultimate political integration of the US, Canada, Mexico, Central America and parts of South America. Senator Barry Goldwater in his book "With No Apologies," (Morrow New York, 1979) sums it up: "The Trilateral Commission is international and is intended to be the vehicle for multinational consolidation of the commercial and banking interests by seizing control of the political government of the United States. The Trilateral Commission represents a skilful, coordinated effort to seize control and consolidate the four centres of power political, monetary, intellectual and ecclesiastical." (p.280)

The economic system of technocracy is based on energy and the technocratic elites look forward to money being replaced by energy credits, which has started to be done with carbon credits. Where all of that leads is that technocrats would "micromanage every last detail of your life according to the formulas and algorithms created by enlightened scientists and engineers." (p.78) This lines up with the United Nations another interrelated set of technocrats (John D. Rockefeller donated the land for the UN headquarters) - promoting the "green economy" and "sustainable development", all of which are foul plants growing from the toxic seeds of Agenda 21. Agenda 21 itself arose from the UN's first Rio conference in 1992, itself influenced by the Club of Rome's "Limits to Growth" report of 1972. In a nutshell, resources are running out, so freedoms need to be restrained and what remains, managed by the ecocrats, an environmentalist branch of technocrats.

Agenda 21 is important but it has now mutated into something even more monstrous - sustainable development or the green economy - which now dominates environmental thought. The ideas are everywhere, penetrating all aspects of politics and the economy, and even religion, where Christianity is seen as "dated because it puts humans in dominion of nature". Science thus, for the technocrat must replace Christianity (other religions are, presumably, to remain intact), in the names of multiculturalism and ecumenicalism. Wood neatly sums up the problem with environmentalism, the cult of Climate Change and Sustainable Development:

"Sustainable Development is the Trojan horse that looks good on the outside but is filled with highly toxic and militant policies on the inside. It promises a utopian dream that it could not possibly deliver ... There is no economic satisfaction if people cannot easily enjoy and transfer real property or accumulate wealth and savings." (p.97) "Technocracy Rising" discusses the ultimate dream of technocrats, to transcend human biology, and hence humanity itself, and upload consciousness into super-computers as in the Terminator movies. Artificial intelligence (AI), quantum computing and nanotechnology will lead to thinking machines vastly smarter than humans. The champion of this "trans-human" idea is Ray Kurzweil, "The Singularity is Near: When Humans Transcend Biology," (Viking Press, 2005).

Why an "inferior" human intellect would be considered worthy of uploading is not explained. It is much more likely that thinking machines would terminate us. So much for the technocrats becoming "gods". "Technocracy Rising" recognises that it will be difficult for freedom fighters to combat many aspects of this technocratic system. Leaks by Snowden have shown that the NSA has already brought in the "total surveillance society": its new super-supercomputer has a capacity of one trillion gigabytes. The rather good TV series Person of Interest, shows within the limits of Hollywood, how freedoms can be eroded by such technological advances. This is one limit of this book. The conspiracy literature on globalism is sound insofar as it outlines the agenda of those seeking to enslave us. However technological advancements also occur outside of democratic control and are imposed upon us. The scientists and technologists have a Dr. Frankenstein attitude; thus those physicists involved in the super-collider project in Europe, in the search for Higgs Boson (the "God particle") did the experiment even though there was a non-zero probability of creating a black hole which could have destroyed the Earth. Controlling our mad scientists and technologists is an outstanding, unsolved problem.

While all of this seems overwhelming Wood turns to the ancient Chinese military genius Sun Tzu, who recommended attacking one's enemy at its weakest point. The weakest point is at the local level. Oppose those advocating Agenda 21, Sustainable Development, global warming and smart growth. I would add as well, foreign takeovers and mass immigration, which is not discussed in the book. We need to take the enemy apart, one chunk at a time.

Further information can be found at www.technocracyrising.com.

In short: an excellent book which shows that freedom and human life itself is at risk of annihilation.

RETURN OF SUBPRIME?

Source: The Daily Reckoning: 'Long into the European night, the talks to save Greece continue. In today's Daily Reckoning, we'll do something we can barely stand to do: we're going to write one more time about Greece. If you can stand to read it, you may come to the same conclusion we reached. My former DR colleague Dan Denning wrote that in one of his classic essays. Here's the catch: he wrote it in February 2012. Here we are three years later and Greece is still on the front pages.

--Does anything really change in the financial world? Well, you could argue no if you happened to read the Wall Street Journal this week. What gives? Check it out:

---'Loans to consumers with low credit scores have reached the highest level since the start of the financial crisis, driven by a boom in car lending and a new crop of companies extending credit.'

--You guessed it: the subprime borrower is back! According to the WSJ, almost four of

every 10 loans for autos, credit cards and personal borrowing in the US were to subprime customers in the first 11 months of 2014. That's 50 million customers borrowing \$189 billion.

--With figures like that, you can see it's a lucrative business to be in. And there are plenty of 'nonbank' lenders keen to get in on the action. Venture capitalists, private investors and hedge funds are backing these lenders, 'seeking higher returns in the low-rate environment' and 'such lenders face far less regulatory scrutiny than do big banks.'

--Does anyone really believe anything about the system — you know, the one that collapsed in 2007 — has really changed? One lesson from history is that it doesn't take long for banks and lenders to get around whatever regulations are put in place after a crisis and get back to the business of shovelling credit where the money's good.

WHY DANISH POLLIES HAVE HIGHER IQS THAN AUSTRALIAN OPPOSITES



Proof at last! (duh!)

CHINESE BUY OUR BERRIES – REJECT THEIR OWN 'HOMEGROWN'



Chinese buy our berries; reject their own as Hep A scare sparks fair-dinkum labels push - Samantha Townsend, *The Daily Telegraph*, 19 February 2015.

SHOCKED BY HEP-A BERRIES PRODUCED BY POISONOUS WATER IN CHINA? David Pascoe suggests you come and see what is happening in this country:

Well, come and visit some of our Australian farming activists. They will show you the horrifying abuse of our own water by mining companies who have the right *to use all they want for free!*

The plans for the Galilee Basin will turn a vast chunk of farming Australia into the Galilee Desert instead - and our state politicians are telling voters its a great idea because there will be 28,000 jobs building a railway. The fact that there will be nothing much left behind except something out of Mad Max doesn't worry the dumbeddown Queensland State Politicians one bit.

Activists can show you where coal mining companies are "officially" allowed to "flush" their storage ponds and dams into local rivers during "rain events". Activists can show you where CSG (Coal Seam Gas) companies are illegally draining toxic water into creeks to get rid of it, where CSG companies have bought isolated farms for no other purpose than the dumping of toxic salty water, where CSG storage dams filled with salt and toxic water are literally just sitting waiting for the next big flood to wash them away.

If that's not enough, then Activists can show you where BTEX chemicals have been used in CSG fracking at Gloucester. So don't get on your high horse about dirty Chinese water around us! Please step up Australia and come and join us. Don't allow foreign mining companies to destroy our water like the Chinese allowed them to destroy theirs.

Source: https://www.facebook.com/OVHRepro

ICELAND CAN CONVICT BAD BANKERS... WHY NOT OTHER NATIONS? Reuters 12 February 2015. http://www.cnbc.com/id/102422785#

Iceland's Supreme Court has upheld convictions of market manipulation for four former executives of the failed Kaupthing bank in a landmark case that the country's special prosecutor said showed it was possible to crack down on fraudulent bankers. Hreidar Mar Sigurdsson, Kaupthing's former chief executive, former chairman Sigurdur Einarsson, former **CEO of Kaupthing Luxembourg Magnus** Gudmundsson, and Olafur Olafsson, the bank's second largest shareholder at the time, were all sentenced on Thursday to between four and five and a half years.

The verdict is the heaviest for financial fraud in Iceland's history, local media said. Kaupthing collapsed under heavy debts after the 2008 financial crisis and the four former executives now live abroad. Though they sometimes returned to Iceland to collaborate with the court investigation, none were present on Thursday.

Iceland's government appointed a special prosecutor to investigate its bankers after the world's financial systems were rocked by the discovery of huge debts and widespread poor corporate governance. He said Thursday's ruling was a signal to countries slow to pursue similar cases that no individual was too big to be prosecuted.

"This case...sends a strong message that will wake up discussion," special prosecutor Olafur Hauksson told Reuters. "It shows that these financial cases may be hard, but they can also

produce results." Not all of Iceland's prosecutions have succeeded. But the country's efforts contrast with the United States and particularly Europe, where though some banks have been fined, few executives have been tried and voters suffering post-crisis austerity conditions feel bankers got off lightly.

No safe haven

Iceland struggled initially to appoint a special prosecutor. Hauksson, 50, a policeman from a small fishing village, was encouraged to put in for the job after the initial advertisement drew no applications. Nor have all of his prosecutions been trouble-free: two former bank executives were acquitted in one case, while sentences imposed on others have been criticized for being too light. However, Icelandic lower courts have convicted the chief executives of all three of its largest banks for their responsibility in a crisis that prosecutors said highlighted the operations of a club of wealth financiers in a country of just 320,000 people.

They also convicted former chief executives of two other major banks, Glitnir and Landsbanki, for charges ranging from fraud and market manipulation. Parliament relaxed bank secrecy laws in Iceland to help the prosecutors investigate bank documents without court orders. "Why should we have a part of our society that is not being policed or without responsibility?" Hauksson said. "It is dangerous that someone is

too big to investigate - it gives a sense there is a safe haven."

Seven criminal cases involving bankers have made it to the Supreme Court, which upheld six of them. Five more, including cases of CEOs - are due to be heard by the top court. Another 14 cases are awaiting possible prosecution, Hauksson said. Many bankers were seen as symbols of Iceland's budding economic prowess before the crisis when sector's assets grew to 10 times the country's GDP, producing a bubble. All of the accused have maintained their innocence.

Slow justice

Many Icelanders have been frustrated that justice has been slow. The prosecutors' office has been hit by budget cuts since it was set up, reducing its staff from 100 to around 50 now. Hordur Torfa, a musician who helped organize anti-government protests after the financial crisis, said: "Due to a lack of funds, not enough staff has been available for investigations of individual cases." But Hauksson believes the existing rulings mean there is less chance of similar scandals in the future. "There is some indication that the banks are more cautious. We have sent a strong signal criminality," he said. Asked whether he would take the job again knowing how complex the prosecutions would be, Hauksson replied, laughing: "Yes. And I'd probably be the only applicant again."

LETTER TO THE PRESS

The Editor, The Chronicle, Toowoomba - 24/2/15

In the wars of the twentieth century we were asked by our leaders to sacrifice the lives of our youth, in order to save our rights and freedoms. Now in order to save our lives, the Prime Minister is asking us to surrender our rights and freedoms, in order to save us from the terrorists who have been moved inside our nation. The leader of the Opposition has

indicated his support for the PM,

knowing before very long in order to receive his large salary; he will have to further curtail our rights and freedoms as demanded.

What everybody seems oblivious to, is the fact that the terrorists don't actually take anything from us! Their well-paid role is extortion, operating on the same principle as the Mafia. They are paid to blackmail our politicians and will disappear into

lucrative retirement when the politicians have completed the terrorists' agenda, as elsewhere around the world. As Lenin foresaw:- "The west will buy

the rope to hang themselves on". J. Brett, Highfields, Qld.

P.S. The Mafia principle. Give us 5% of your income, or we will bash your head in.

BRITAIN'S HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL

A new Holocaust Memorial complex is to be built in the centre of London, most likely located next to the Tower Bridge. It will be the largest of its kind in Europe. The taxpayer is putting up an initial £50 million with the equivalent expected from private sources. British PM David Cameron said that this was "Ensuring that the memory and lessons of the Holocaust are never forgotten lies at the heart of British values as a nation." So why now? An article at *Haaret.com*, February 1, 2015 "Britains (Britons?) Like Israel Better Only Than North Korea, Poll Finds," may enlighten us. The Chatham House YouGov poll says that 35 percent said that they felt unfavourably to Israel, two points worse than Iran.

The results may have been due to the war between Israel and Gaza and the high Palestinian civilian death toll, so the report hypothesises.

Readers would find a report in The Social Crediter, Vol. 3, No.10, December 9th 1939, p.10 headed "Chatham House" of interest in the light of the above report.

It commences with these words: "In plain terms we have to re -transfer the prestige and the prerogatives of sovereignty from the fifty or sixty fragments of contemporary society to the whole of contemporary society--from the local national states by which sovereignty has been usurped, with disastrous consequences, for half a millennium, to some institution embodying our society as a whole.

"In the world as it is today, this institution can hardly be a universal Church. It is more likely to be something like a League of Nations. I will not prophesy. I will merely repeat that we are at present working, discreetly but with all our might, to wrest this mysterious political force called sovereignty out of the clutches of the local national states of our world. And all the time we are denying with our lips what we are doing with our hands, because to impugn the sovereignty of the local national states of the world is still a heresy for which a statesman or a publicist can be--perhaps not quite burnt at the stake, but certainly ostracised and discredited."

The above extract is from an address given by Arnold Toynbee to a group of Internationalists in Copenhagen in 1931. Professor Arnold Toynbee is a director of the Royal Institute of International Affairs, an organisation for the support of which the Government has recently voted the sum of £35,000. The Royal Institute of International Affairs* was a bye-product - and a not unimportant one - of the Peace Conference of Paris in 1919, which, fructifying also brought forth the Treaty of Versailles and the League of Nations*...

In the intervals of the business of treaty-making the British experts at work had time to wish for a permanent organisation to keep them in contact, and, coincidently, the United States felt a similar need at precisely the same time, as did also Germany. The United States and Great Britain had a joint meeting during May, 1919, and it was decided to form an international institute (their minds were working towards centralisation just then) with branches in the United States and Great Britain..."

Read full article here... Vol.3 No.13, 9 December 1939: http:// alor.org/The%20Social%20Crediter/Volume%203/The% 20Social%20Crediter%20Vol%203%20No%2013% 20December%209%201939.pdf

* The League of Nations led on to the United Nations and Australia has its equivalent of The Royal Institute of International Affairs, it is The Australian Institute of International Affairs.

FOR OUR CANADIAN FRIENDS CONCERNED FOR THEIR FREEDOMS

On Feb 24, 2015, at 2:40 PM, Peter Ewart <peter.ewart@shaw.ca> wrote:

Public meeting in PG (Prince George) on March 10 Anti-terror legislation – a threat to the rights of all Canadians? The federal government is bringing in more "anti-terror" legislation. Many feel that this legislation could endanger the rights of all Canadians, whether they be workers, First Nations, environmentalists, or anyone who disagrees with the federal government. Come out and discuss this important issue.

7pm, Tuesday, March 10, Room 1-306, College of New Caledonia, Prince George, BC. Speaker – Josh Paterson, Executive Director, BC Civil Liberties Association

Organized by: Stand Up for the North Committee Sponsors: Faculty Association of CNC; Sea to Sands Conservation Alliance

For further information call: (250) 562-0015 or email: peter.ewart@shaw.ca

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