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**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: Draining Australia's Political Cesspools and Swamplands by James Reed**

With all the anti-Trump articles in the mainstream media, two more balanced ones did catch my eye, those articles making high quality comments.

Professor Ramesh Thakur (*The Australian*, November 18, 2016, p. 14), rightly noted that “Trump is neither a threat to democracy nor a symptom of its flaws but the people’s chosen instrument to refresh and regenerate democracy.” The people voted against a corrupt elite symbolised by Hillary Clinton, who represented both the cultural globalism of the politically correct Left and the economic globalism of the super-capitalist Right.

Commenting on section 18 C Professor Thakur says that the “same danger exists in Australia with weaponisation of identity politics to polarise voters.” Discussing the failure of the Human Rights Commission to protect the student’s rights, he says “It beggars belief that many politicians see no problem with section 18 C and reject the call to review and tweak it.” Thus, in conclusion: “If mainstream Australian politicians belittle, deride and dismiss popular beliefs and anxieties, they make the rise of populist demagogues inevitable. Australia awaits a champion to drain the Canberra swamp.”

Jennifer Oriell (“Prepare for Rise of the Populists,” *The Australian*, November 22, 2016, p. 12), says that on the “business-as-usual” path of the major parties, it seems likely that a Trump-style politician will arise in Australia. All of the common causes of the rise of populism are present in Australia, including the erosion of national sovereignty by globalist groups (the UN, Big Business); open borders, mass immigration and refugeeism; a loss of the standard of living through economic globalisation; political correctness and thought police and the censorship of dissenters from the PC party line.

There is yet to emerge any one with the capacities of Trump, but the position is open and opportunity knocks. One Nation, for example is predicted to win over 20 percent of the vote at the next state election in Queensland and share power with a major party. (*The Australian*, November 21, 2016, p. 1)

Perhaps some young, highly educated person will enter politics in through this door, and turn Australia on its head, draining our own fetid swamp. \*\*\*

**ROBERT MANNE ON THE ECLIPSE OF THE ELITES by James Reed**

I vaguely recall that way back in the 1990s, when Pauline Hanson released her book, Professor Robert Manne was, among others, critical of the use made of conservative thought on the new class and the new class elites. Hanson’s supporters had pointed to an abyss between these primarily university educated progressives and the beliefs of the ordinary people.

Robert Manne, “Elites Smashed by ‘Parochials,’” (*The Weekend Australian*, November 19-20, 2016, p. 20), penned a good piece about the causes of the present populist revolt. First, there was the cultural revolution of the 1960s overturning Western values that had been held for centuries. Then, beginning in the 1970s was the economic revolution of neo-liberalism and free trade, all part of globalism. The cultural revolution was embraced wholeheartedly by Left-leaning cosmopolitans and the economic revolution by Right-leaning cosmopolitans linked to money and big business.

These revolutions were opposed by the “parochials,” ordinary people such as blue collar workers, who stood to lose from jobs being exported to the Third World, to Christian groups who resented the politically correct assault upon their values.

All of this produced a cleavage in Western, primarily Anglo societies, between the globalists and the parochials, or as I prefer, the localists/nationalists.

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In the US this division was particularly sharp and Trump recognized this and attacked both political correctness and neo-liberalism. The localists arose, awakened by suddenly having a political leader and voted to put him into power.

Manne correctly observes that most media discussions of the Trump victory have focused on the revolt of the localists against neo-liberalism, and not political correctness. In a nutshell Trump's triumph was based on a revolt against the two revolutions of the 1960s, and Hillary Clinton was the perfect symbol of both cultural and economic globalism/cosmopolitanism.

This is, I think, a perceptive analysis, but all of these points have been argued for over the years by journalists at this site, so it is no wonder that I am so sympathetic to Manne's analysis. And to his credit he correctly distinguishes "Trumpism" from fascism because not all anti-liberal movements can be reduced to one form. He says that this newly-forming movement is set to reshape politics. I welcome this.

I would add one thing which is missing from this analysis: immigration. This issue unites both the cosmopolitan Left and Right who both want open borders. The Left want it to destroy (1) the white race and (2) capitalism, so that an authoritarian world based on Third World peoples can be built. The Right are more basic and rub their scaly hands with glee about all of the money they can make with cheap labour, a reserve army of the unemployed, and rising real estate prices. The two worlds come together often, with George Soros being a good example.

The relevance of immigration to the issue of populist revolt was discussed by David Aaronovitch in *The Times* "Migrant Crisis Ignited West's Populist Revolt," reprinted in *The Australian*, November 18, 2016, p. 10. Apart from the Brexit victory, Marine Le Pen of France; Geert Wilders of the Netherlands; Frauke Petry of Germany; Matteo Salvini of the Northern League, Italy, and Norbert Hofer of Austria, all will contest upcoming ballots and challenge the pro-immigration Establishment. A recent opinion poll carried out by Odoxa for French television station France Z, found that 72 percent of conservatives

## TRADE MERGES INTO ORGANISED CRIME by James Reed

One of the inconvenient truths that the "let's make Australia part of Asia" mania do not openly discuss, is the penetration of Asian organised crime into Australia. A recent article, "China Deals 'Launder Drug-Trade Billions,'" *The Australian*, November 23, 2016, p. 7, quotes the NSW Crime Commission, in stating that trade deals with China are being used as cover for multi-billion-dollar money laundering, from drug profits. The NSW Crime Commission said that the over 600 major crime figures are "beyond its reach."

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wanted Le Pen to play a more influential role in French politics, and her popularity is even growing among the Left: <http://www.express.co.uk/news/world/717073/National-Front-party-Marine-Le-Pen-poll-France-anti-migration>.

Some politicians in Australia are becoming aware of the dark side of neo-liberalism and economic globalism.

Andrew Hastie, Federal Member for Canning, and previously, a courageous soldier who put his life on the line for his country, said (*The Australian*, November 23, 2016, p. 12): "we have been given a rather blunt lesson that treating people as *homo economicus* — the idea that our political problems can be reduced to economic questions and that people act rationally to secure their interests — denies the existence of social and cultural capital inherent to Western polities. Not everything can be put up for sale.

The reflexive protectionism that defined the Brexit and Trump movement reminds politicians that, despite the benefits of globalisation, there are always losers in the transfer of labour and capital offshore. Loss of identity through vocational irrelevance is a real anxiety in communities that prize skilled labour.

People are also worried about their local customs and national identity. They are worried about the preservation of a shared inheritance — what Burke regarded as a line of obligation between the dead, the living and unborn. They see threats to their national identity from without and within. This is why immigration is such a fraught issue for people, especially when competing for employment with foreign workers.

The desire to preserve culture, tradition and history is not a bad thing. In a previous era we called it patriotism — the love of one's country. Trump captured the spirit of this anxiety superbly: Make America Great Again."

### The same must be said for Australia.

The Aaronovitch article, while correctly understanding that immigration is the key to the present European populist revolt, still dismisses it as just based on groundless fear. Journalists at this site are busy at work on a special on the European refugee/migration crisis which will refute the likes of Aaronovitch, so stay tuned. There are real reasons to be afraid of mass migration, and the fear is not groundless. \*\*\*

Its law-enforcement efforts have been ineffective in dealing with the problem of the masses of drugs coming into Australia.

The problem now is that Australia, in becoming part of Asia, has also absorbed the Asian crime networks as well. These, no doubt, deeply penetrate into the heart of government, as probably older mafia networks did, and still do.

At the deepest level, government, finance and crime all connect up in the Two Towers. \*\*\*

# EVERYONE IS RACIST, INCLUDING THE ABC, AND SBS – EXCEPT PAUL KEATING

by Tom North

Some media statements by notable people need to be quoted rather than paraphrased for the full impact to hit. Thus, consider Aboriginal leader Noel Pearson's comments about the "racist" ABC (*The Australian*, November 22, 2016, p. 1) in the context of Paul Keating's promising reforms which had been:

"Wrecked by ignorant ministers and malign bureaucrats, aided and abetted by the media, not the least the country's miserable, racist national broadcaster."

The ABC was "a spittoon's worth of perverse people willing the wretched to fail."

How so? "They need blacks to remain alienated and incarcerated, leading short lives of grief and tribulation because if it were not so, against whom would they direct their soft bigotry of low expectations? About whom could they report of misery and bleeding tragedy?"

And between the ABC on the Left and *Quadrant* on the Right, is "the common ground of mutual racism."

Oh, the SBS has been now added to this list, along with most major newspapers, by others: *The Australian*, November 23, 2016, p. 5.

Thanks for that, I will remember it all, and especially when it comes to the Constitutional referendum, voting "No." I, for one, am a bit fed up with being told that I am a racist, sexist, homophobic etc. etc. My revenge, like yours will come in voting.

As for reports about "misery and bleeding tragedy" I think not enough is heard. I did not find Noel Pearson or Paul Keating's response (which is not to say that there was not one, just that I couldn't find it), to the story ran in *The Australian* (November 18, 2016, p. 1),

**"Culture 'an Excuse' for Violence."**

Quoting from the article, three Aboriginal women at a panel on indigenous community violence at the National Press Club said that "(s)hocking rates of domestic violence among indigenous Australians are being excused as "a matter of culture" and left unpunished to reduce the number of assailants being sent to jail." This "reverse racism" involved "an indefensible adherence to traditional law" which "was denying women and children their human rights."

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, while just 2 percent of the adult Australian population, account for 27 percent of the prison population. Academics, mainly whites in city universities, say that such arrests are a product of institutionalised "racism"; I was at a sociology seminar once where a (white) professor basically said that almost all of these people were innocent, essentially framed by crook cops.

That could be true for some, but is unlikely to be generally true, accounting for the full statistic.

Those claims by the sociologists need to be evaluated in the light of the domestic violence data. The article from *The Australian* cites facts: almost 10,000 indigenous fathers are in gaol for acts intended to cause injury, sexual assault or other crimes and "almost a quarter of the indigenous population older than 15 reported that they had been victims of physical or threatened violence in the past 12 months; that indigenous females were 32 times as likely to have been hospitalised as non-indigenous females between July 2011 and June 2013; and that indigenous males were eight times as likely to have been hospitalised for assault as other males." In remote and very remote regions, indigenous hospitalisation rates for assault were between 28 and 23 per 1,000 people respectively.

The rate in major cities was four per 1,000 people.

**Is all of this a product of white "racism"?**

Not so according to one indigenous woman at the panel: "we can't keep pointing outwards and blaming the non-indigenous people... for our problems."

"There's a social inability to criticise anything indigenous, and Aboriginal people are encouraged not to evolve with the rest of humanity... our leaders need to be held to account. It is not acceptable that any human being has their human rights violated, denied and utterly disregarded in the name of culture. It is a national shame that in our recent history Aboriginal male perpetrators have got away with their crimes based on the argument that they are operating within their culture's confines."

I would be very interested in knowing, if comments have not already been made which I am unaware of, Noel Pearson's and Paul Keating's thoughts on this issue. Especially you, Keating. \*\*\*

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## THE INCREDIBLE, DISAPPEARING NUCLEAR WASTE DUMP by Uncle Len Who May Not Glow in the Dark After All

Remember the proposal by the South Australian Labor Premier Jay Weatherill to build a facility for holding the world's high-level nuclear waste, which would, given Murphy's Law, ultimately kill us all and make Australia into a radioactive multicult, culturally diverse but radioactively green? Yes, that's what your nightmares have been about. That is the real reason why you, like Uncle Len, have had insomnia, high blood pressure and an aching back.

Now our premier is going for a referendum for the doomsday dump (*The Australian*, November 15, 2016, p. 7) that is sure to kill us all, did I say that, for a few dollars. The Greens and Aboriginal groups have been strongly opposing this, all in accordance with my grand plan. And opposition leader Steven Marshall has withdrawn his support and opposed the project: God bless you Stevey!

Oh, the referendum requires bipartisanship because Jay thinks there is no point having a referendum if the "No" side is likely to win. That's the spirit!

So you in the east and west, be thankful that our cash-strapped pollies may not unleash a nuclear holocaust on you. Behind the scenes Uncle Len letter-boxed daily and has even neglected his writing, disappointing his many thousands of fans, who looked forward to his zany style of dark humour, or near-humour, to wash down each week, the bitter news of politics in the age of Spenglerian decadence. What's that Uncle Len, a literary allusion? How long before you burst into song? Well, talent I may not have, but at least I don't glow in the dark. For now, at least. \*\*\*

## 'THE HUB' TO CLOSE OVER CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR BREAK

We would like to thank our loyal supporters, both old and new, who never falter in the heat of battle. They have demonstrated that traditional Australia and traditional values are still very much alive.

We extend Christmas Greetings to all, trusting that they and their families have a Happy and Holy Christmas, that they benefit both physically and spiritually from the Christmas break, prepared to return to the ongoing battle for freedom.

Please note the Melbourne Office will be closed from Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> December 2016 and will reopen Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2017, thus allowing our hard-working team to have their well-earned annual break.

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