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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

“ONE of the most fundamental fallacies which has ever afflicted a just cause is the delusion so dear to the sentimental propagandist of the Labour Movement, that Labour (by which the broader-minded of such advocates mean labour both by hand and brain power) creates all wealth. With this idea goes inevitably the assumption that Capital and Capitalism are one and the same thing, both being of the devil. Mention has been made of this matter before —“*Economic Democracy*” —but the subject is of such outstanding importance at this time that no apology seems necessary for a further effort to clear away a little of the misconception in which the actual relationship of Capital, Labour, and the Community has become involved, as much from the distortion and suppression of facts by the Financial Hierarchy as from the misdirection of organised Labour by persons of more zeal than discretion; a misconception which is tragic in its influence on the strategy of the Labour Movement, since it results in forever placing that strategy in a position of antagonism to the interest of the rest of Society. Before proceeding to the further examination of the facts, it may not be without value to note the willingness with which the orthodox i.e., capitalistic Press is prepared to allow this contention, or, at any rate, its implications, to go by default. Witness the unctuous agreement, heard on all sides, with the sentiment that Labour, as such, should increasingly share in the “control” of industry.

This sentiment is, of course, derived from the major premise, because it is clear that if Labour produces all wealth, then the democratic control of Labour by itself i.e., elective and representative industrial administration means the democratic control of the production of wealth. It is amazing how this error has misled millions of men and women, determined to assert their claim to consideration, whose experience of life is yet sufficient to expose the fallacy of it. The foreman controls the workshop and all who labour therein; does he then control production? But perhaps the manager, who controls many foremen, is the ultimate focus of power? Ask him, and he will tell you that he is the slave of the sales department on the one hand and the chairman of the board on the other. The chairman must clearly be seated on Olympus; but observe this demigod when, faced with a deficit on the year's working, he endeavours to convince a shareholders' meeting that all is well with their undertaking, because the staff is contented and the product is unrivalled. It will avail him little that each shareholder may be a believer in democracy in industry. Yet in the face of the determination of organised Labour to “share in the control of industry,” see how a broad-minded Press agrees with them. It is all for a Guild Socialism of the glorified Whitley Council variety.

The columns of any metropolitan newspaper in England or America are open to the description or discussion of such “committee” schemes, and will print reams of articles by their more distinguished advocates, even where they condemn their conclusions. From which the cynically minded may justifiably conclude that there is no danger to capitalism in a bushel of them. But to resume our search for the true seat of power; it is clear that if we replace the foreman, the manager, and the chairman, each by a committee, all that we do is to affirm our belief that it is better to have half a dozen men giving orders than one man. A belief that may or may not be well founded, but, in any event, is not likely to result in the democratic control of production. The shareholders, it is true, are already a committee, and would seem at first sight to have no master; but how much latitude in making decisions have they? Now, this is the citadel of the fortress we are attacking, for power to make decisions is freedom for the individual, and a shareholder in a trust-capitalistic manufacturing enterprise has no power to change the fundamental policy of the concern, which is to pay its way as a means to the end of maintaining and increasing its financial credit with the banks. Hence we see that the last word on policy is with finance, not with administration, and is concerned with the control of credit by the banks; and to democratise the policy of production we have to democratise the control of credit.”

A POSSIBLE SOLUTION TO THE NUCLEAR WASTE PROBLEM By James Reed

I love nuclear power, even the waste is exciting, at worst creating super-heroes, but it need not be like that. Now it looks like nuclear waste can be zapped by lasers, making it safe enough to kick around as one would a football:

<https://www.zerohedge.com/energy/>

nobel-prize-winner-suggests-blasting-nuclear-waste-lasers

“But now, for the first time, there may be a solution to the previously unsolvable nuclear waste issue.

Nobel laureate Gérard Mourou has proposed a novel solution that smacks of science fiction and revolves around blasting nuclear waste with lasers.

Mourou and his research partner Donna Strickland won their Nobel Prize in 2018 for their work with Chirped Pulse Amplification (CPA), a revolutionary invention that creates extremely rapid and ultra-powerful laser pulses with lots of different potential applications.

“The original research focused on applications like laser machining and eye surgery,” reports ExtremeTech, “but scientists could also use it to observe atomic processes that happen at almost unfathomable speeds. If we could speed it up a bit more, Mourou says CPA could have a use in processing nuclear waste, too.”

According to Mourou’s hypothesis, CPA could turn even the most nuclear waste we have sitting in secure storage facilities around the world, where it will otherwise remain radioactive for millions of years, into a substance so safe you could hold it in the palm of your hand. Of course, the CPA process will require a bit of tweaking to get to this point of capability.

“Currently, CPA can produce laser pulses as brief as one attosecond — that’s a billionth of a billionth of a second. To transmute nuclear waste into something safe, Mourou says you’d need to increase the pulse rate by roughly 10,000 times,” says ExtremeTech. “That might sound like a tall order, but CPA itself was an order of magnitude increase over previous lasers. Another innovation like CPA, and we could be in the ballpark.” The method would work by blasting nuclear waste with a laser pulse so strong and fast that it could knock protons out of the nuclei of dangerous substances like uranium 235 and plutonium 239, rendering them harmless. If this technology, which other experts agree makes sense in theory, could actually be invented and applied in the next couple of decades, it would be difficult to overstate the impact it would have on our energy sector and, indeed, the entire world. In order to avoid the fast-approaching tipping point for catastrophic climate change, we need to decarbonize fast and starting right now. Solving the problem of nuclear waste would make that a whole lot safer and more attainable. “

Great stuff. Even though I believe that the current climate hysteria, is hysterical, and that carbon-based fuels are a gift from God, and should be burned until the cows come home, maybe coughing a little, but otherwise happy, nuclear is even better, with the amount of stuff that could fill your mouth powering entire cities, or some fantastic statistic like that. Solving the waste problem will give us plenty of power, enabling lights to eternally be left on, and material comfort to always embrace us, in this age of plenty. Bring on the lasers! ***

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

It was reassuring to read in *OnTarget* that Mr Morrison is showing signs of consistent patriotism lately, but his cruel attack upon cash and the poor remains unrepentant of, and this is evident of, something else entirely. By attacking the freedom inherent in the use of cash money, and by his cold and callous attitude to the unemployed hundreds of thousands of Australians, he has demonstrated himself to be a tyrant, and a slave of the money power, as all the rest are. Many do not seem to realise the ramifications of his horribly unjust restriction of cash to our unemployed and unemployable (as there are no jobs).

It necessitates the enforced use of electronic funds transfer. This means that farmers markets, roadside stalls, second-hand shops, and all private commercial interactions, are forbidden, when these are more often than not the mainstay of survival for poor people. No longer will they be able to buy the furniture second hand,

as in shops or from their friends, let alone the food and clothes, nor will they be able to hire the help of friends for jobs like lawn mowing, house cleaning, childcare, and wood cutting, to name a few! They will be forced to buy overpriced food at official shops, together with overpriced new clothing and furniture, because of the availability of eftpos at such places.

They will be forced to hire overpriced professionals for house and yard work, and for the care of both children, the infirmed, and the elderly. And they will be forced to use overpriced cabs (if they do not own cars or have driving licences), as they will no longer be able to offer cash to a friend for a lift in the vehicle, for shopping, or in other times of need. Mr Morrison’s campaign against cash is one of the most evil crimes committed by an Australian administration, and amply demonstrates his true nature and character.

For God and the Queen – *Steven Harrison*

PRESIDENT ASSAD ON WHO IS KILLING WHOM? By Bruce Bennett

That title was almost a lesson in grammar, what with the “who” and “whom,” and when to use what. Anyway, this is an interesting one, about who is getting killed by whom, stated by President Assad, who is a bit more in the know than me:

<https://www.zerohedge.com/geopolitical/assad-goes-red-pill-interview-epstein-bin-laden-baghdadi-liquidated-they-knew-vital>

‘In a wide-ranging new interview with Russia’s Rossiya-24 television on Thursday, Syrian President Bashar al-Assad addressed the death of White Helmets founder James Le Mesurier, who had been found dead Nov. 11 after an apparent fall from a three-story high balcony outside his Istanbul office. Le Mesurier was a former British military intelligence officer and founder of the controversial White Helmets group which Assad has previously dubbed the ‘rescue force for al-Qaeda’ and his reported suicide under mysterious circumstances is still subject of an ongoing Turkish investigation. In an unusual and rare conversation for a head of state, Assad compared Le Mesurier’s death to the murky circumstances surrounding the deaths of Jeffrey Epstein, Osama bin Laden and ISIS leader Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi. Assad said what connects these men are that they “knew major secrets” and were thus “liquidated” by “intelligence services” — most likely the CIA, in the now viral interview picked up by Newsweek and other mainstream outlets. “American billionaire Jeffrey Epstein was killed several weeks ago, they said he had committed suicide in jail,” Assad said during the Russian broadcaster

interview. “However, he was killed because he knew a lot of vital secrets connected with very important people in the British and American regimes, and possibly in other countries as well.”

“And now the main founder of the White Helmets has been killed, he was an officer and he had worked his whole life with NATO in Afghanistan, Kosovo, Iraq and Lebanon,” he explained. Both of us know that they [representatives of the White Helmets] are naturally part of Al Qaeda. I believe that these people, as well as the previously liquidated bin Laden and al-Baghdadi had been killed chiefly because they knew major secrets. They turned into a burden once they had played out their roles. A dire need to do away with them surfaced after they had fulfilled their roles,” Assad continued. Concerning White Helmet’s founder Le Mesurier’s death, he pointed to the CIA or an allied intelligence service, such as Turkey’s MIT:

“Of course, this is the work of the secret services. But which secret service? When we talk about Western secret services in general, about Turkish and some other ones in our region, these are not the secret services of sovereign states, rather these are departments of the main intelligence agency – the CIA.” “It is quite possible that Turkish intelligence agencies did the job upon the instructions of foreign intelligence services,” he qualified.’

Yes, and I would not be surprised if the elites do not have Assad’s name on a list in their little black book of murder. ***

PERCEPTION, NOT SEX, AND THE CITY By Brian Simpson

City people have their brains basically wired for city things, and lose connection, at a most basic level with nature. That is why some of us have this feeling of world weariness living in the concrete jungle, and long for a green lush luscious jungle complete with poisonous snakes if necessary, and the like, a new Eden:

<https://www.naturalnews.com/2019-11-16-city-living-causes-brain-stop-recognizing-objects-natural-world.html>

“Ambiguous images are widely recognized as a valuable tool for probing human perception. Perceptual biases that arise when people make judgements about ambiguous images reveal their expectations about the environment. While perceptual biases in early visual processing have been well established, their existence in higher-level vision has been explored only for faces, which may be processed differently from other objects. Here we developed a new, highly versatile method of creating ambiguous hybrid images comprising two component objects belonging to distinct categories. We used these hybrids to measure perceptual biases in object classification and found that images of

man-made (manufactured) objects dominated those of naturally occurring (non-man-made) ones in hybrids. This dominance generalized to a broad range of object categories, persisted when the horizontal and vertical elements that dominate man-made objects were removed and increased with the real-world size of the manufactured object. Our findings show for the first time that people have perceptual biases to see man-made objects and suggest that extended exposure to manufactured environments in our urban-living participants has changed the way that they see the world.”

It may be time for many of us to abandon the Australian cities, which are no longer traditional Australia anyway, and in white flight, turn to the Aussie countryside, like our own iron man John Steele, to wait for the end of the story to be read. ***

THE MASTER AND HIS EMISSARY

by Iain McGilchrist

March-2020 speaking tour in Australia

Go to his website for details:

<http://iainmcgilchrist.com/upcoming-events/>

UNCLE LEN, COMES OUT AS BLACK, DISABLED, LGBT (?) AND A WOMYN

Emails fly into the *ALOR* mail box, where once pigeons blissfully slept, constantly asking questions about Uncle Len. Questions like: what is the thickness of the corrugated iron in his shed, and why is a product, which is obviously steel (having a carbon content, and hence by definition, mild steel) called “iron” anyway?

Then there are email letters asking about Uncle Len’s gender status. I am pleased to publicly respond that I now identify with all genders, and all creatures, making my sexuality completely multidimensional, universal, cosmopolitan and global. Just as the good folk of the University and College Union (UCU) propose:

<https://www.breitbart.com/europe/2019/11/17/>

[university-and-college-union-anyone-can-self-identify-black/](https://www.breitbart.com/europe/2019/11/17/university-and-college-union-anyone-can-self-identify-black/)

‘The University and College Union (UCU) has declared that anyone can “self-identify” as “black, disabled, LGBT+ or women”. “UCU has a long history (from predecessor unions) of enabling members to self-identify whether that is being black, disabled, LGBT+ or women [sic],” a six-page position statement from the union, which “represents over 120,000 academics, lecturers, trainers, instructors, researchers, managers, administrators, computer staff, librarians and postgraduates in universities, colleges, prisons, adult education and training organisations across the UK.” “UCU supports the right of all women (including trans women) to safe spaces... UCU also supports a social, rather than a medical, model of gender recognition that will help challenge repressive gender stereotypes in the workplace and in society,” the statement added. The document focused primarily on gender like this, but that reference to “enabling members to self-identify whether that

IS GOD RACIST AND SEXIST?

By Mrs Vera West

Eric Butler once gave a terrific speech, “Is God a Racist?” where he argued that, for a reduction to absurdity, that God in making the races, distinguished between kinds of people, and by crazy liberal standards that must be “racist.” The same argument applies, even more to the creation of the sexes, and differences between them:

<https://www.counter-currents.com/2019/11/is-god-sexist/#more-111378>

If the liberal was right, then the world, including all of nature should have different moral order than the natural order a mind unperverted by liberalism observes; yet, here is the world, all contrary to the dictates of modern political correctness. Hence, something is going to have to snap, just as if an engine was pushed beyond its natural limits. This world of abominations cannot continue forever. ***

is being black, disabled, LGBT+ or women” was repeated three times. On the topic of gender identity more particularly, the UCU conceded that “There has been argument that debating gender identity is a matter of academic freedom”, and claimed that the UCU is itself a defender and promoter of academic freedom — but that “academic freedom is bound up with other civil liberties and human rights so therefore does not give the right to discriminate.” The UCU repeatedly stressed their self-proclaimed status as “champions of equality” and “commitment to intersectionality”. “UCU is committed to an intersectional approach within all its work,” the position paper declared. “This is UCU’s position [sic]. The strength of the Union is to bring members together and to build bridges rooted in equality. UCU believes that for true solidarity we need to be speaking to and working with each other and acknowledging and celebrating our intersectional differences.’

Yes, I agree with all of the above, and maybe more depending upon how much cheap plonk I have guzzled down my gullet. That is why I intend to start my athletic career, at least at the master’s level, in women’s sport. I intend to compete in the ladies over 80-years egg and spoon race, to gear up for the next Olympics, whenever that is, in one of my gender identities. I am collecting all of the necessary sports clothes from opt shops, even though the older ladies there think that I am metaphysically creepy. Well, welcome to the modern gender bender blender world folks! All aboard for the train ride to clown town with Uncle Len standing in for Thomas the Stank Engine! ***

RECOMMENDED CHRISTMASS READING-GIFT

On Planning the Earth (circ. 1951) - Geoffrey Dobbs

The Local World (circ. 1990) - Geoffrey Dobbs

Ten Advantages to a Federal Constitution -

Geoffrey de Q. Walker

Human Ecology and Social Credit - Michael Lane

Creed or Chaos - Dorothy L Sayers

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