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The Price of Freedom is Eternal Vigilance

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Thought For The Week: “No method of procedure has ever been devised by which liberty could be divorced from local self-government. No plan of centralization has ever been adopted which did not result in bureaucracy, tyranny, inflexibility, reaction, and decline. Of all forms of government, those administered by bureaus are about the least satisfactory to an enlightened and progressive people. Being irresponsible they become autocratic, and being autocratic they resist all development. Unless bureaucracy is constantly resisted it breaks down representative government and overwhelms democracy. It is the one element in our institutions that sets up the pretense of having authority over everybody and being responsible to nobody.”

Extract from Eric Butler’s booklet ‘*Sack the Bureaucrats and Win the Peace!*’ – original comment attributed to US President Calvin Coolidge

https://alor.org/Storage/Library/PDF/Butler_ED-Sack_The_Bureaucrats_and_Win_The_Peace.pdf

Bureaucratic Failures By Arnis Luks

Several important historical papers prepared by Jeremy Lee of the *Institute of Economic Democracy* are timely reminders that most of the predicaments we are currently experiencing have been previously observed and challenged back with viable solutions. Inflationary pressures are financially crippling the middle classes as policy. The source of the financial outcomes of rising debt and increasing taxation comes from policy administered by the bureaucrats running Treasury.

Jeremy's booklet ‘*The Commonwealth Treasury... Servant or Master?*’ goes so far as to name-to-shame those position-holders in an organisational chart. That the level of incompetence of those department heads, and their positions being so entrenched, is breathtaking. The booklet’s **Conclusion** summarises this way:

“The way to take a new step in overcoming inflation is to take costs out of prices, reducing overheads, reducing taxes and finally developing techniques to increase consumer purchasing power without at the same time increasing productive costs. It is time for a little un-orthodoxy!

The only alternative is increasing dislocation, industrial unrest and unemployment - leading finally to drastic shortages which need not have occurred. This is the path the Treasury has set for Australia... The time has come for a change.”

Jeremy specifically directs the responsibility of our inflation woes at the feet of those people administering the financial policy in Australia, the Treasury. Also skulking behind the scenes is the political-party-leadership; read on.

The elected government Ministers responsible for managing the Treasury, are more so performing a public relations role, running interference to protect these bureaucrats and their policy direction, when in fact these bureaucrats are the ones that need to be held to account for the failure of their own financial policy, not holding inflation at zero, nor achieving affordable housing e.g. The barriers protecting these unaccountable bureaucrats, by allowing only the politicians facing up to the public each election cycle, is inadequate under our current political structure. If the politicians won't change-out the bureaucrats driving this policy, then we need to continually change-out all our politicians until they do.

Jeremy provides other titles to reinforce his research: *'Censored Economics - The Establishment Attempt to Kill The Petersen Plan'* is one title, building upon *'Consumer Price Discounts: The Answer to Inflation'* being another, to illustrate primary culpability of financial policy sits squarely with the Treasury bureaucrats. *'The Case For A Queensland State Bank'* was another document produced by Jeremy as a response to Sir Robert Sparkes (National Party President) interference in the political processes in Queensland.

Experience has repeatedly shown us that it is not any external threat that is our greatest danger to our national way of life, but it is the entrenched political-party-leadership and the embedded bureaucrats that are doing the greatest dis-service to the Australian people and our way of life.

Total Australian state and federal government debt to double to \$2trn

<https://www.afr.com/policy/economy/total-australian-state-and-federal-government-debt-to-double-to-2trn-20210623-p583fz>

... Total debt held by Australian governments will more than double from pre-pandemic levels to a record \$2 trillion, and peak above 80 per cent of gross domestic product by 2024-25, according to global investment bank UBS.

June 2021 article

Selling Australia's Future

https://treasury.gov.au/sites/default/files/2021-05/171663_institute_of_public_affairs_supporting_document_1.pdf

Key findings

- Between 2007-08 and 2020-21, Commonwealth debt increased from 4.7% of GDP to 42.5% of GDP...
- Between 2007-08 and 2020-21, Commonwealth debt per person increased over ten-fold, from \$3,260 to \$33,130 in real terms.
- ...This will make interest payments the third largest expenditure item, behind health and income support for seniors, and equivalent to 7.5% of the Commonwealth budget...**end**

A legitimate financial policy, for the benefit of the Australian nation and its peoples, could separate Australian banking from the rest of the world in a heartbeat, as was happening 1912-1924. Restoring State banking to finance State programs, and Commonwealth banking to finance Commonwealth programs, under long-term low interest loans, written off over the life-cycle of the project - such as a bridge, or sewerage upgrade, or even a war. This would rightly call into question State and Commonwealth financial grants towards local government for selective state and commonwealth programs, rather than allowing local government to pursue their own independent agenda.

Fixed-interest, long-term, low-interest loans could also be made available for the homeowner, farmer and business owner. This policy is on the record as having been implemented before, and could readily be implemented again – being a financial policy of freedom with responsibility. A Just Weight and Measure builds on this policy objective to bring a moral answer into the fore (not stealing the value of the currency). This is not rocket science, but with a monopolised media, no word of our actual history ever enters into ‘the conversation that must be had’.

There was a time traditional Liberal/Nationals and traditional Labor both held a legitimate vision of who they were and what they were about, with the Liberal ‘We Believe’ document of 1950s, a twelfth reprint as late as September 1982, and also A New Charter for Australia by a thoughtful Australian Labor supporter from that era. <https://alor.org/Storage/Library/PDF/Liberal%20Party%20of%20Australia%20-%20WeBelieve.pdf>
https://alor.org/Storage/Library/PDF/Labour_Policy.pdf

The major political parties have been subverted from within, with each now holding an internationalist perspective, surrendering our national way of life once held as their own philosophical foundation.

Police Used as a Political Army of Occupation

A recent observation through the alternative media was that the Victorian Police were acting as an occupying army for the Labor Leadership during the Covid

lockdown. As public servants, the police are there to uphold the law – the law being common amongst the people. Not enforce ‘decrees’ by a wayward bureaucracy and politicians alike. The very-selective lockdown, as a ready example under scrutiny, allowed public servants – council ground-staff – to perform parks and garden maintenance as usual, while private contractors performing exactly the same task were compelled under house arrest as were the remainder of Victorians. The Selective Lockdown is a more apt description.

This situation is further developing, with the future administrators of NIEO policy being sourced from the young and inexperienced, being the bureaucracy of the future. Political candidates are already carefully scrutinised before being given endorsement from their party executive. From this perspective, Pauline is the greatest culprit of all, personally holding an iron grip over her executive, being an inversion of what occurs in the other majors – those executives rule the roost. Neither form is right nor correct for a representative body. The electorate hold no sway whatsoever, except to align with a political party endorsed/selected for you - candidate, similar to the Soviet candidates, all coming from and endorsed by, the Communist Party Executive.

The Liberal candidates for the NSW local government elections next month, were not registered at the electoral office in time. This could have been human error, but somehow, I hold doubts. More will be revealed in due time.

Calvin Coolidge spoke of natural law - unavoidable, that ‘No method of procedure has ever been devised by which liberty could be divorced from local self-government.’ We are to govern ourselves as the foremost civic-objective. Pauline would do well to devolve her PHON Party to allow the branch membership to be trained against subversive infiltration, and then let them participate in the processes more readily.

Jo Nova’s recent website article is another news-point worth considering, whereby the NSW Chris Minns Labor Government has deferred shutting down a coal fired power plant a further 2 years, temporarily avoiding \$4.4Billion in price-rises until after the next state election. How cynical of that Labor government, trying to hide the true cost of renewables as policy of the Lima Agreement, relabelled Global Warming, and again relabelled now as Climate Change. The propaganda-driven-policy (of these agreements across more than 50 years), is monopolising electrical power-generation towards nuclear as the only viable option to placate the monopoly driven propaganda, of which Jo Nova and Liberal Leader Peter Dutton both misleadingly support – while we have our own physical-mountains of coal and LNG being exported to other industrialised nations for them to ontrade/utilise at their leisure. The communist-capitalist Nexis as policy objective, completely missed by her report and Liberal policy to boot.

<https://joannenova.com.au/2024/08/smart-but-deceptive-nsw-govt-keeps-big-coal-plant-on-until-just-after-the-next-election-to-avoid-3b-electricity-bill-shock/>

Another article of import over the power generation policy-fiasco is the 32% increase in profits for Origin Energy :

<https://www.thenewdaily.com.au/finance/2024/08/15/origin-energy-year-profit-surges>

Power giant Origin Energy has posted a surge in full-year profit as households struggle to pay bigger electricity and gas bills. Origin, one of the largest suppliers to the east coast domestic gas market, on Thursday reported a net profit of \$1.397 billion for the year to June 30, up from \$1.055 billion a year earlier.

They, the bureaucrats and political-party-leadership, **Are Not Serious About Tackling Inflation: They Never Were**. Raising interest rates to arrest inflation, impoverishes all the people for the direct benefit of central bank power/profits. They fiddle while Australia and Australians are being burned through increasing Debt-and-Taxation which both directly leads into higher Prices causing further inflationary pressures - greater and greater convulsions. We can look further into the RBA Board in further issues of OnTarget:

RBA Senior Executives here: <https://www.rba.gov.au/about-rba/people/>

What Churchill Said In 1930

https://alor.org/Storage/Library/PDF/Murray_HM-Struggle_For_Money.pdf

“Who would have thought that it would be easier to produce by toil and skill all the most necessary or desirable commodities than it is to find consumers for them? Who would have thought that cheap and abundant supplies of all the basic commodities would find the science and civilisation of the world unable to utilise them? Have all our triumphs of research and organisation bequeathed us only a new punishment - the Curse of Plenty?

Are we really to believe that no better adjustment can be made between supply and demand? Yet the fact remains that every attempt has failed. Many various attempts have been made, from the extremes of Communism in Russia to the extremes of Capitalism in the United States. “They Include every form of fiscal policy and currency policy. But all have failed, and we have advanced little further in this quest than in barbaric times. Surely it is this mysterious crack and fissure at the basis of all our arrangements and apparatus upon which the keenest minds throughout the world should be concentrated. Lasting fame and great advantage would attend the nation which first secured the prize.”

(Winston Churchill, in his *Romanes Lecture*, “Parliamentary Government and the Economic Problem,” delivered at Oxford on 19/6/30.)

If we can't change a defective policy by changing politicians nearly every election, then we need to get rid of “all” the politicians to change the bureaucrats to change the defective policy.

The Pendulum of Control By Neville Archibald

While all concerned people want to fix the problems we have in society, there are those who are happy to let them continue. Our ability to control this society could be seen as a swinging pendulum bearing a two-edged sword. Hanging at its centre point, its influence over us, is just a weight we bear to keep ourselves free. At either extremity, or on the journey to and from, the cutting-edge damages us and wreaks havoc on our society. I see this analogy as a useful tool to remind us of what can happen if we let it swing, rather than tie it down at its midpoint.

Excessive government, or total control by government, is just as bad as excessive control by private groups or a dictator. Just as a bunch of thugs or a drug cartel, rule cruelly over their subservient members and workers, so too does excessive government and an out-of-control bureaucracy (is it really ever in control?) This form also ends up in repression and feeds off those doing the real work of the nation.

We are at a point in time where we have excessive and controlling government, looking only to get bigger and achieve more control (*to better fix things – sarcasm*). Yet the presentation of an alternative, which is beginning to be a force, must not be accepted without a thorough look at it.

Libertarianism is being touted as the solution, let us all decide what we want by economic *laissez-faire*. Sadly this concept, while being followed by many well meaning people, is flawed in its final destination. Like many proposals, the journey looks great, with friends and a problem-solving destination a view in the distance. Those at the top of this movement need to be investigated by you, who are they and what do they really stand for. What is the policy of *laissez-faire*? Like all movements, you need to go behind the curtain to see who the great Oz truly is and what strings he is pulling. He creates the policy to be followed, which leads to ... what exactly? Free market Solutions being proposed? What is a “Free Market”?

Whilst I have listened to and have admired many of the talks given at the Mises Institute (which follows the Austrian school of economics), where they talk freedom and truth and decry the problems we now face (and more power to them for that) the underlying solution they offer; however, begs for serious questions to be answered. A fully free market, let the market decide, plays right into the hands of those who currently control it. If you did level this inequality up and go on to apply it, you would still end up at a “wild west” solution, where the unscrupulous and immoral end up in control. For without some form of moral limitation by our community, that is where it goes.

The US Army *Oath of Enlistment* is interesting here, in that they pledge to defend “against all enemies, foreign and domestic.”. This does not just mean terrorists in the

usual sense, but it should also include the enemies of a free and moral society. Those within our very society, who use unfair advantage to force others into some form of slavery, need to be included. This moral limitation is vested in a form of Government with limited power over us, as defined by a functioning constitution.

There are two main streams of thought within the Libertarian movement and the discrepancy between the *Ayn Rand* version and that of some of the other major players, is this very role of limited government. Once again we see the use of divide and conquer by a small group of powerful people who corrupt a potential solution. Just as they present two party systems world-wide, where you are essentially voting for the same thing no matter which you pick, the lure of “free Market” is also divided. The power play within this, obscures the real forces behind it. Presenting many part-truths but with a faulty backstop, yet it is enough to garner support and a following. Like the Labor party here, there are still those who believe it supports the workers, or the Liberals’ (*supporters-ed*), whom people believe, support small business and enterprise, while both have been globally focused for decades. This reliance on “free market” forces is all about the financial system and its control. This is the most crucial part of any real reconstruction of our societal controls, for ‘he who controls the money supply, controls us all’.

It scares me sometimes that people do not look deeply enough at this end point. One does not have to know monetary theory backwards, to intrinsically recognise flaws in a system. The overriding endpoint of its policy can sometimes be enough.

Down through history from the 1800’s on, monetary theory has been seen as a means to an end. Many different proposals have been put forward as to why we have inflation, why we have boom and bust cycles? The recognition of this problem is definite, the solution, apparently not so; that all the solutions proposed so far have not worked should, by now, be obvious. The one thing it has solved is how to make the rich richer. I am not trying to sound like a Marxist when he wishes for the rise of the proletariat or worker, I am just stating a fairly obvious fact. *Wikipedia*, among many others, say that the richest 1 % own 43 % of the world’s wealth. Does that sound like the monetary system is working for you? It doesn’t stop there, for the hidden side of this, are the ones among them that do not “own” anything, but have it in trusts. They do not appear in these statistics. The Rothschild family for example, “as the *Financial Times* once put it, ‘The family empire is divided among a web of descendants and a few external shareholders. The ownership structure is opaque, which makes it hard to estimate the family wealth, although it is one of the richest in the world.’”

<https://www.politifact.com/factchecks/2019/jan/09/viral-image/meme-way-rothschild-family-wealth-they-do-not-cont/>

This last from a political fact checking group. Just so you don't think I am being biased.

This applies to many who do not appear on the billionaires list. I'd say yes, the financial system does work, - for them!

So we follow these proposals at our own risk. The Austrian school of economics, while opposing the current Keynesian school, is really little different in its endpoint, and it is the end we are concerned about here!

The founder of the Mises Institute, Llewellyn Rockwell Junior has in his bio,

“Llewellyn Harrison Rockwell Jr. (born July 1, 1944) is an American author, editor, and political consultant. A libertarian and a self-professed anarcho-capitalist,[1] he founded and is the chairman of the Mises Institute, a non-profit promoting the Austrian School of Economics.”

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lew_Rockwell

Wikipedia says of this article,

“This article may rely excessively on sources too closely associated with the subject, potentially preventing the article from being verifiable and neutral.”

So apart from following the flawed Austrian school of economics, he and others also support the concept of “anarcho-capitalism”.

“An anarcho-capitalist philosophy extends the concept of ownership to include control of private property as part of the self, and, in some cases, control of other people as private property.[4][5] In the absence of statute, anarcho-capitalists hold that society tends to contractually self-regulate and civilize through participation in the free market, which they describe as a voluntary society involving the voluntary exchange of goods and services.[6][7][8][9] In a theoretical anarcho-capitalist society a system of private property would still exist, and would be enforced by private defense agencies and/or insurance companies that were selected by property owners, whose ownership rights or claims would be enforced by private defence agencies and/or insurance companies. These agencies or companies would operate competitively in a market and fulfill the roles of courts and the police, similar to a state apparatus.”

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anarcho-capitalism>

All this is interesting you might think, but how does this affect me?

Most of the people pushing economic theories are doing so from a position of wealth and privilege. Of course it looks good from their standpoint, where do you think they will fit in within the system they propose? This end point of private control and private enforcement scares me witless, we have all seen the things that

these ruling elite are capable of. Some of the richest people in the world have little in common with us, they use us all now, for their benefit. Do you seriously think allowing them open slather would be better! As for operating competitively, those with all the money always have the best advantage and tend to trample those who don't.

Unlike all these, so called, competing economic theories; the Douglas Social Credit theory is based on a Christian viewpoint with the individual strictly the benefactor. When presented to the economists of the day, both Keynesian and others, it was soundly rejected. Douglas thought that a solution to the problems, which at that time were obvious, would be welcomed with open arms. That it was not, tells its own story. Current financial policy is not there for the individual, it is this fundamental axiom that you must question with each proposed solution, "How does it affect the Individual?"

If you don't like the idea of private control, the other side of this pendulum blade is total government control and when it boils down to its rarefied components, you see the exact same people controlling government policy. Those who can afford the ears of the politicians, or the party in control of them. Economic theory is their crucial tool of control and their Achilles heel. Correct this and they lose the ability to control us.

Once again the initial depiction of a swinging blade from left to right is really a full circle, meeting at the top with a poised blade ready to fall in either direction down on us if we resist or complain. Look carefully at the pedigree of the solutions being provided, ask yourself exactly what does this road they present, have at its final destination.

All I see are camps of one form or another, that have strict compliance rules and unforgiving control awaiting us if we venture down them. We cannot throw out government entirely, rather we must rein it in. It must be an effective limited government under OUR control.

Free from party or other outside influence, the elected member should be bound to vote as he believes the electorate desires, or on his own conscience. This is the only way to tie this pendulous broadsword in the centre, and it must remain suspended, so that we can see the sharp edges and learn to keep it in control.

Once we lose that control, or can no longer see the threat it poses, others will always be there to climb up and set it swinging again for their own amusement and benefit.

Organic Society By Edward Minton, 2015

Can we rediscover ourselves? Could we then discover each other? Whether these questions are as crazy as they may seem at first sight, is the subject of this essay.

In earlier times cultures were slowly grown over centuries by individuals, acting as individuals and in association with their fellows. Few lives didn't contribute to this in some way. It might be a word, a phrase, an observation, an idea, or a technique, method, refinement or style in agriculture, tool making, husbandry, dress, song, play, or some other aspect of life. It was always democratic in the sense that what was contributed remained, only in so far as those within the culture elected to keep and adopt it. This is authentic culture as the *Vox Populi*, that which arises spontaneously from within and from the bottom up.

Culture was organic; a distillation of that contributed by once living people. It was never static, any more than life can be static, but changed, usually but not always slowly, with the bringing into focus of the natural world and of the nature of ourselves.

That changed with a loss of innocence. In today's language, it changed with the realisation that people can be artificially programmed. This is perhaps most evident in advertising practice. Incessant repetition across all media for two years can establish brand recognition as a household name, though it began as an unknown. There is not thought to be any defence from this, and countless billions are spent every year on the basis that there is not.

If Pontius Pilate asked his famous question "What is truth?" of modern advertising executives they could only answer "That which we have been told the most often!" Newspapers (and other media) are not intended to inform us, to entertain us, or to educate us. Their intention is primarily to sell merchandise, and of course to win its advertising fees, with all else being considered as secondary, and ancillary to the main game.

Here is but one example of the endeavour to programme and capture culture, rather than grow and share it. There are plenty more.

In the field of health, cancer research is a case in point. The support of millions of charitable people and organisations is funnelled, amidst much urging and publicity, into finding a cure. All research however, is confined within strict limits. Unless the "cure" turns out to be a patentable drug or procedure, there cannot be any return upon investment.

Cancer cells, for example, consume eighteen times more sugar than do normal cells.

At least once cancer is diagnosed, radically reducing sugar in the diet and those food types which the human body can turn into sugar, would seem to be worthy of investigative research. This research will never take place however, except at an alternative and amateur level? Why? Because even if it does prove to have great value, and bring benefit to many lives, there can be no financial gain to the researchers. They may as well have poured their money down the drain; there is no patentable and saleable cure at the end of the rainbow.

Health research is primarily aimed at the prospect of a financial result, with a “health result”, hopefully, being only the means towards getting it.

The environment is also a battleground for the conquest of dollars. When the environmental movement was miniscule, full page advertisements appeared in the major media to Save the Whales. Saving the whales is an excellent thing, commendable and simply sane, but the adverts were paid for by the “Seven Sisters” because they had a product to displace the special applications of whale oil. It couldn’t compete, being more expensive, until the whales were “saved”.

Some years ago I spent a few weeks in the company of one Geoff MacDonald of Footscray in Melbourne, an ex-communist who had been raised in a communist family, and spent his youth in the Young Communist Movement. Although having broken with communism, he met a comrade from his youth (let’s call him Tom) in a Melbourne bar. They exchanged news of their lives.

Tom had spent a decade in America and was designated by the Party to opposing the use of the chemicals 24D and 245T, the famous defoliants of the Vietnam War.

In the first years they got nowhere. Then a fellow walked through the door, said he liked what they were doing, and said he may be able to help. Seven million dollars and several years later they found out who he was. He was Mafia. The Cops were despairing of the courts, and were taking to the air with 24D to spray and kill their drug plots. The Mafia fought back using the “useful idiots” (Lenin’s term) in the Communist Party.

Those well placed to import and exploit the use of cheap timber produced by clear felling in environmentally backward countries, always support (read fund) and campaign against measured and regulated forest harvesting in developed countries. Competition is a sin. Even limited opposition from production in high wage areas is to be removed.

A time was, when where people lived was within easy distance of the food, fibre and building materials upon which they drew to sustain themselves. Ninety per cent of people lived in villages, had known the other families in the area for generations,

were largely self- sustaining, and constituted in these ways a quite organic society. It is now estimated that the food which modern Americans eat has travelled on average, over 2,000 miles.

For centuries it was difficult to communicate with larger numbers of people from rural areas, but this has ended. Modern communications and transport puts us in as close touch with each other as we may wish, from pretty much anywhere. So why are we living in great congested urban jungles?

Excessive urbanisation is not the product of public choice, nor is it decreed by Government. In this, financial policy and practice rules. It is more difficult to get a loan to build a house in a rural area, and the interest rate is higher than in a city. The general level of house prices is determined wholly by the Banks, in their propensity to lend us the money with which to outbid each other with their money. Build a house in a city and an identical one in the country, and the former will fetch twice the price of the latter.

We discuss organic gardening, organic farming and organic food, but perhaps the thing we are most in need of is an organic society in which to live. How could we achieve an organic society? One thing that it certainly involves is the decentralisation of decision making back to the individual, so that decisions are made from a standpoint of enhancing human satisfaction rather than financial outcomes.

One of our difficulties is that people imagine that the big decisions are made by voting. They are, but certainly not by voting for Politicians. The really important voting is done by all of us every day. And yes, there are elections every day and everywhere.

There are two types of ballot papers. One is only used for making choices in politics. The other is used to elect all of the products and services upon which our lives depend every day; we speak of course of money. Of the two, the latter is usually the most influential, so our money elections are worthy of a little inquiry.

When we work hard and long, most of us will say that we are making money. Making money is a criminal offence. What we are really saying is that we are acquiring money. We acquire money from others who in turn acquired it from others, who had it from others again, but somewhere, somewhere way back, somebody did make it. And I really mean, make it.

Oh! You mean the mint? No, I don't mean the mint! Only 2% to 5% of money

is ever made visible by representing it in the form of notes or coins. The 95% is a record. A record printed on a bank statement or held in the form of magnetic blips in computers and neither the Mint nor Government has the least thing to do with its creation or initial allocation into society.

This is a private monopoly shared by a few entities, and of course it carries with it the ability to own and/or control any and all things which are for sale. It was at this point, the centralised private control of the creation of our money supply, that organic society died. It is not my intention to have it RIP.

This is the very heart of 90% of our social problems.

95% of money is created by private entities, at no cost at all as it does not need to be visible, and they make it available to us on the condition that we accept it as repayable debt and pay interest, and as this is the actual origin of our economic ballot “papers”, can we really pretend surprise that we don’t have economic democracy? Both laughing and crying are entirely in order.

But some of us, standing in the cold dawn of this unfurling light, know that there is nobody else. There is only us and we have, thankfully more apparently than really, nothing.

Ending the omnipotent monopoly of money creations does not call for heroes. It calls for fools. If you are one, or think you may be able to learn to become one, please step forward.

Ours is a life of quietly and peacefully demesmerising our fellows to awaken a new age towards economic democracy. As there is no personal gain to be had with immediacy in this, its lot falls to nature’s fools.

What changes are needful to democratise the issue of money and its distribution has been developed over the last hundred years, starting with C H Douglas in 1917. It is available in the libraries of <https://thepeoplescredit.com.au/>

The biggest problem in the economy now (2015) from an environmental and organic standpoint is that it is so constructed that it must continually grow, or it falls into recession and drastic dysfunction. Growth, growth and more growth is not needed in the developed world where productive capacity is already sufficient to meet all sane needs.

The difficulty is in selling the production, not in making it. It is a problem of distribution, and this problem is financial in nature.

If we can assume that there is at any time insufficient purchasing power in the hands of consumers to allow their purchase of what is currently on offer to them (proof of this is available, but it is not for this essay ... see the website above) then businesses will be unable to sell a portion of their product.

This will cause a contraction of production and employment, which reduces the purchasing power distributed through employment further again. This worsens the situation and brings on another contraction of money available for consuming available product. This continues if un-remedied through the stages of recession and then depression until the economy is pretty much totally inoperable. The social consequences of such a state are self-evident.

Only two suggestions have ever been made as to how to solve this dilemma. One is to issue more debt-money in the form of government works/services, or private capital production (whether for domestic use or export), or in the form of consumer loans, which increase our ability to buy now (with or without additional employment), but which will, in the case of increased production that is not exported, also increase future production costs, at which time even more debt-money will have to be brought into existence in order to compensate. This is the contorted model in current use.

The other option is to distribute economic votes (money), in the same way as are distributed political votes, that is, free of charge and on the basis that we all get an equal share, and in an amount equal to the deficiency of purchasing power at the time.

This re-empowering of individual choice is the road to economic democracy. Its tendency to progressively reduce activity inspired only by the compulsion to expand the money supply through growth, and to engage us less in those needless activities decreed by the allocation of money to them by our banking system masters, will allow the motivating force in the economy to be increasingly ours and aimed at human satisfaction. ***The purpose of organic society is in increasing efficiency in terms of human satisfaction.*** ***

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