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Thought for the Week: ***Confabulate*** (shameless fabrication), from a psychological perspective, particularly if the right hemisphere of the brain (for most right-handed people) has been disabled through medical-intervention or physical damage, the in-tact left hemisphere of the brain when questioned about circumstances that the left hemisphere has no idea at all about, without shame, will create an entirely fictitious excuse *(apart from themselves)* to justify that view.

CONFABULATION By Arnis Luks

This divided-brain left hemisphere's phenomena of 'shameless fabrication of the unknown', from my layman's perspective, regularly appears in MSM news articles.

Global warming may be slowing Earth's spin and affecting how we keep time:

https://www.abc.net.au/news/science/2024-03-28/global-warming-may-be-affecting-planetary-timekeeping/103638476

I searched for articles on atomic clocks, and time-measurement in general. The glaring anomaly, to my mind, is that mankind is attempting to define reality in a context for which language and measuring-instruments in our modern, sophisticated laboratories are inadequate. Initial claims by atomic-clock-scientists were that these devices would be accurate for billions of years. The demonstrable anomaly of unknown variables was that the earth's spinning and this atomic means of measurement were not an exact fit. They are man's attempt to exactly-define the nature of things to the 'nth' degree.

A NASA website attempts to explain 'everything' on this matter

https://www.jpl.nasa.gov/news/nasa-study-solves-two-mysteries-about-wobbling-earth

To my mind, this is another illustration of shameless fabrication of the still-unknown. Other examples of this phenomena can easily be found:

Planet Earth Wobbles As It Spins, and Now Scientists Know Why

https://www.livescience.com/63655-why-earth-wobbles.html

Claims that the clocks' exquisite precision, outlined in Nature today, means they can now measure how space-time 'distorts' under gravitational forces

https://www.nature.com/articles/s41586-018-0738-2

Science is not, nor ever will be, settled. Searching out and inquiring of these mysteries will continue across every generation.

Impertinence: *...audacity, boldness, brazenness, ... presumption, shamelessness, gall, chutzpah*

The other week I wrote about Earth's orbit and the gravitational influences from the other planets in our solar system, having a variable effect, depending on their own orbits in proximity to the earth, and other, as yet unknown and unidentified, variables. The re-setting of the Republican, Julian, and the Gregorian calendars has not been an exact science and periodically requires adjustment, even in this modern, highly technological age. It is in this realm of setting time 'exactly' against the Earth's rotation around its slightly offset and wobbly axis that is the intellectual folly. Adding a second here or taking a second away there is man's acknowledgment that trying to put time into a straitjacket/box, cannot readily be done. There are 'other' unknown variables that have not been included into man's calculations. Trying to put the infinite into a finite box.

https://www.abc.net.au/news/science/2022-08-02/earth-shortest-day-may-lead-to-leap-second-deletion/101289964
https://www.abc.net.au/news/science/2018-11-16/the-definition-of-the-kilogram-is-about-to-change-heres-why/10502194
https://www.abc.net.au/news/science/2018-11-29/atomic-clock-physics-relativity-satellite-geodesy-ytterbium/10553936

Koalas

In another article of how science can be incomplete, in the 1920s 18 koalas were introduced onto Kangaroo Island, situated about 100 km south of Adelaide. In 2019-20, 100 years later, there were an estimated 48,000 koalas on the island (during that extensive bush-fires previously reported in the *OnTarget*.)

8,500 koalas were thought to have survived after the fires, however a later survey showed that 15,000 was closer to the mark, of which 20% were within the 'blue gum plantations', which had also been introduced and planted out on farmland around the year 2000. The telling point is that they were not native, neither were the blue gum plantations, and both are now in plague proportions, again, competing for available food sources. Loggers are felling the plantation trees and

footage is emerging of koalas coming down as the tree is felled.

Rabbit Calicivirus Disease (RCD), causing rapid and fatal rabbit haemorrhagic disease

https://pawprintz.com.au/wildlife/wildlife-management/rabbit-calicivirus/

At the outset of the release of Rabbit Calicivirus Disease (RCD), rabbit numbers were estimated at
two to three hundred million across Australia.
The rabbits compete with livestock for available pasture, kill young trees and shrubs, contribute to soil erosion and disturb the soil during burrow construction, this being a major threat to native mammals...

Rabbit Calicivirus Disease (RCD) was first reported in China in 1984, and has since spread through over 40 countries, killing millions of rabbits. The virus was imported into Australia to be used as a biological control agent for wild rabbits. It's premature escape from Wardang Island South Australia in October 1995, was followed by the official release throughout Australia in October 1996. Scientists predicted that 60% of the total rabbit population would be eliminated. Later tests showed the virus would kill 99% of all adult rabbits infected.

Rabbit Calicivirus Disease (RCD) can be found in every State and Territory within Australia.…Current data (circa 2000-ed) shows that rabbit numbers are down in many regions, but it varies. Farmers and rangers working in the dryer areas have reported an extraordinary comeback of native vegetation since the release of RCD, and have seen an increase in native wildlife populations.
In one area kangaroo numbers have risen sixfold…

The Cain Toad is yet another story.

The Conquest of Nature

David Blackbourn's book title intrigued me – *'The Conquest of Nature - Water, Landscape, and the Making of Modern Germany'*. Blackbourn's writing about harnessing the giant Rhine River system, realising the industrialisation of Germany as being the powerhouse of Europe. That once meandering river, with bogs, swamps and tributaries has now become a fast-moving torrent of water navigable for trade. The Austrian Schools of Economic Thought incorporates a similar perspective of conquest, even using the bold descriptor '*Red In Tooth And Claw'*. There is no resonance, nor harmony, nor husbandry from this philosophical point of view with the natural world - of conquering nature.

I regularly push back against this philosophical perspective because it is in the ascendancy and has grave repercussions on our lives and the planet.
Many advocates of this philosophical trend are good people but misguided.
This error in thinking must be responded to.

Matthew 17:23-26 *And when they were come to Capharnaum, they that received the didrachmas (tax collectors), came to Peter and said to him: Doth not your master pay the didrachmas? He said: Yes. And when he was come into the house, Jesus prevented him, saying: What is thy opinion, Simon? The kings of the earth, of whom do they receive tribute or custom? of their own children, or of strangers? And he said: Of strangers. Jesus said to him: Then the children are free. But that we may not scandalize them, go to the sea, and cast in a hook: and that fish which shall first come up, take: and when thou hast opened its mouth, thou shalt find a stater: take that, and give it to them for me and thee.*

Fishermen realising a sufficient catch for the day, don't look for a coin in the mouth of each fish. The psychological presumption is there though, of a correspondingly-proportional amount of money in man's system of finance, with every successful harvest or advancement in production technology - the same hope with every producer, that the money will be realised in the marketplace by the payment for goods. However, working harder and producing more will not resolve the financial-debt question. The financial system is rigged to never be able to redeem debt, and operates separately from the economic system.

The levels of debt are so astronomical that everything that has ever been produced from the beginning of mankind onto our modern industrial age,
had it been placed into the marketplace today and been sold today,
the funds received, if they were there which they are not, would still be insufficient to redeem all levels of debt.

Does this make sense yet? I know this statement is inflammatory and not able to be substantiated, however, it does illustrate my point. No matter how much we produce, no matter how hard we work, we will never redeem debt.

Australia is open for business all right; as a massive quarry for export. The giant excavating machines gorging the iron ore, bauxite and coal, copper, gold and uranium ore from the earth at unprecedented rates is still insufficient.

Irredeemable Debt Must Be Considered As A Major Problem

If there is no realistic resolution to financial debt-redemption, the financial enslavement of the world will come while the abuse (read 'conquest') of the planet to reconcile these irredeemable debts will continue.

Every nation, every industry, every individual family, directly or indirectly, is financially enslaved to the international moneylenders.

Australian history of the 1930s depression years; the NSW Labor Premier Jack Lang refused to pay back state debts to overseas banksters. All the political powers of that day, MSM, industrialists, politicians including the Gov Sir Philip Game turned against that patriotic leader. His sacking is our hi-story that needs to be reconsidered in the light of this irredeemable debt.

The philosophy of utility, or utilitarianism, or mechanistic utilitarianism, however you want to describe it, is wrong, and yet many advocate this thinking. The synchronism of political-antagonists becomes obvious from this perspective. Both collaborate against the natural order of husbandry, nurturing and care.

While I regularly travel around Australia, I see the wind turbines and solar panels as an environmental scourge on our beautiful planet, yet the religion of 'environmentalism and sustainability' advocates these monstrosities as a necessary evil to save the planet.
This is a divergence from common sense.

I rather quickly uncovered my own divergence

My wife and I practice husbandry on our block of land, by planting out nitrogen-fixing trees in between the fruit trees, by occasionally practising companion-planting around the veggies, ensuring our bees have an adequate supply of water and flowering flora, and making the effort each day to feed our chooks a good amount of greens which result in a vivid yellow yolk in their eggs.

While that previously written sentence appears to say nothing controversial, the fact is that I cannot substantiate scientifically that the trees I have called nitrogen-fixing do perform that task. I have taken it on face value from the Permaculture website, having watched the videos and bought and read their books, that this does occur, nitrogen is fixed by these trees, firstly into their root-nodules, and that lightly pruning (chop and drop) causes these nodules to release supplementary nitrogen to other flora in the area.

I came across a Youtube video that challenged this theorem (a general proposition not self-evident but proved by a chain of reasoning) by a young Canadian gardening practitioner-and-theoretician who has spent a year looking for scientific evidence to substantiate this theorem. Now while a year is not a long time, it's hardly a blink in the history of husbandry and Permaculture management. However, this person is convinced, that because they couldn't find any scientific literature in a year of searching, this 'chop and drop' and nitrogen fixing nodules perspective amounts to scientifically-unproven. What this challenge does is reinforce how readily I was prepared to mimic what others (holding some authority of practical application) were saying.

He paid a debt He did not owe, I owed a debt
I could not pay, "Amazing Grace,"

Can I substantiate with my regular pruning - 'chop and drop' of these nitrogen fixing trees, that they enhance the vitality of my fruit trees by providing supplementary amounts of nitrogen? It's a valid question. The thoughts on my self-evident mimicry lead me directly back to René Girard, and how quickly I was prepared to repeat what I had been instructed. I need to always substantiate my thinking by seeing the results incarnated in the real world.
It's that simple – try it on the dog as Douglas said.

Well, we periodically do prune the nitrogen fixing trees, and the other flora in the immediate area does not appear to suffer, but rather, they all appear to thrive. The explanation of nitrogen fixation may not be the exact scientific answer, but the husbandry practice appears to work. 'How' is a question deserving further and ongoing investigation, that can be trialled without producing a more conclusive answer than 'it's a theorem' I am working under. To the best of my knowledge, it appears to work. This question and answering can go on forever - rhetoric. At some point you choose to hang your hat onto a theorem that you can accept. An explanation as to 'why things are so?'

Jennifer Marohassy writes:

.... entire official temperature series that the Australian Bureau of Meteorology feeds into the IPCC network, our ACORN series. It is a fraud, and in The West our institutions seem to care more about appearance…than authenticity
https://jennifermarohasy.com/2024/03/easter-sunday-give-to-the-sepik/

Prof Julius Sumner Miller was an American physicist and television personality on the TV series *'Why Is It So?'* which ran in Australia on the ABC from 1963 until 1986. For any inquiring mind, a quick search on YouTube will find many videos from this series.

The important point for this essay is that the inquiring mind must continue to investigate, while recognising that a theorem is only that, a theorem (a general proposition not self-evident but proved by a chain of reasoning).
For the level of knowledge that is currently held, the theorem appears to work, but that is all.

Political Humbug From the Liberals

The recent Tasmanian state election results were not what the Liberal leadership were hoping for. The election result saw Jacqui Lambie Network - Rebekah Pentland achieve election. Her platform amongst other things, is against the annual taxation of the landowner.

"We are taxed on the income we earn to save to be able to buy the land.
We are taxed a percentage of the value of the land on purchasing.
We are taxed on the income we make from the land investment.
Tasmanians should not then have to pay an additional annual tax just to own the land. This is just another tax that is contributing to the huge cost of living pressures that face Tasmanians. Land tax should be abolished."

JLN Rebekah Pentland being present in the crossbench and the Liberal Party needing that support to govern makes for interesting days ahead.
Oh God that she be that shining example of realistic thinking in our parliament.

Last week's *OnTarget* recorded the Gareth Hutchins ABC article proposing taxing land even further. The roots of this progressive-taxation goes back to Henry George from the von Mises/Austrian School of Economics, and is from a Libertarian perspective. This glaring anomaly between newly elected Rebekah Pentland and the Liberal Party in Tasmania will certainly test her political mettle. I wish her well in her endeavours to have some positive impact on policy.
https://www.spectator.com.au/2024/03/south-australian-voice-flops-with-abysmal-8-7-per-cent-turnout/

Voice Vote Fails Again

The SA Premier Peter Malinauskas can say whatever he likes about the result, but the reality of only 8.7% voter-participation in the election of the SA Voice to Parliament has been a political disaster. While the SA Liberals are claiming the moral high ground based on this exceptionally low voter turnout, the Liberal representatives' voting in the federal parliament is one of humbug:
https://www.thenewdaily.com.au/news/national/2023/05/31/voice-legislation-pass-mps

In this post-modern era, the more I find a person is 'assertive and adamant' about something, the less likely their assertions are able to be substantiated by demonstrable fact. SA Premier Peter Malinauskas is silent about the remaining Aboriginal population who failed to participate in this recent Voice to Parliament election. There is also the 96+% of the whole South Australian population who do not claim any form of Aboriginality, that were not invited to participate in this election. You are more than welcome to utilise your own

sources of information to extract the facts from this fiasco. I used the Australian Bureau of Statistics to determine the number as 2.4% of South Australians who identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander from the 2021 Census here:
https://www.abs.gov.au/articles/south-australia-aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-population-summary#population
This set of statistics does not identify to separate those younger than the voting age being excluded from that percentage. It could be, but I do not know for sure that the percentages held across both-groupings for voters as well. I used the Electoral Commission of South Australia election results here: ***https://www.ecsa.sa.gov.au/elections/2024-south-australian-first-nations-voice-to-parliament***
Perhaps you may find a more authoritative source elsewhere. Either way, those numbers, only 8.7% from the 2.4% of the entire state who claim Aboriginality of some degree, voted. However approximate, this shows a representative farce. Statistically, the 'Voice' issue is entirely political and not typical from the state of South Australia. It has other purposes inherent within.

Similar Political Humbug Occurring In Ireland
https://www.irishtimes.com/politics/2024/03/09/family-care-referendum-counts-live-updates-tallies-no-votes/
... the Government proposed expanding the definition of family in the Constitution to recognise "durable relationships", such as cohabiting couples and their children, and replacing the language around "women in the home" with language recognising care within families. Some 67 per cent of those who cast ballots on the 39th amendment to the Constitution – the family amendment – rejected the Government's proposed changes to Article 41.1.1 and Article 41.3.1 of the Constitution.
...The proposals had the backing of the three Government parties as well as Sinn Féin, most of the Opposition and a range of well-known campaign groups. However, those endorsements, albeit qualified in several cases, counted for little in a campaign that failed ...

My final thoughts are in regard to 2 other headlines from 'our' ABC. One being that 30-year-old Australians are showing signs of some financial hardship. The inference from the article is that these young are missing out because of previous generations poor decisions and/or personal exploitation for their own advantage:
https://www.abc.net.au/news/2024-03-28/data-on-30-year-old-australians-shows-financial-hardship/103528726
The other headline from 'our' ABC is that for one euro, (1'€'), it is possible to buy a home in Sicily, Italy. The catch is to renovate the home within three years.

I and my two brothers, each separately and also together, have been involved in building our own homes, and assisting other family members to do the same. It's a big call that has required a significant degree of tenacity and perseverance across a lifetime. No one did it for us. We had to pioneer our own way through the maze. I previously referred to that aspiring politician JLN Rebekah Pentland requiring a certain degree of mettle in the coming political days ahead. Having five children of my own, I note that helping my children too much can result in limiting their own personal development.

Avoiding some degrees of difficulty and hardship, in the end, doesn't always pay off. However, when the odds are so stacked against them, achieving a just result may be impossible. This is the point, the thought, the summary conclusion of this week's *OnTarget,* the odds are so stacked against them, achieving a just result is impossible.

If the collective level of debt, of private, corporate and government is so astronomical as to be irredeemable, then even those that hold some equity in their existing homes will find it increasingly difficult to continue treading-financial-water. The next generation experiencing financial hardship will find it *nigh on* impossible. Opting out of the system, as the Sovereign Australia movement advocates, also provides no enduring solution against the philosophical riddle of this age.

The Calvinistic/Puritan perspective that *'if a man does not work then he shall not eat'* needs to be reconsidered in the light of the modern-industrialised-age of robotics, automation and abundant supplies of energy. If the work is not there for the next generation, which previous governments have ensured it is not, with various trade agreements and such like, then this next generation has no chance within our existing financial apportionment. The system must be re-addressed as we fall deeper and ever deeper into this debt quagmire.

If we fail at this time to address this specific issue, regardless of who, and how honourable our intentions are within government, we will own nothing.

The longest road back begins with the first step. As a nation, we must turn back to regain control of our representatives - away from the political parties. Political power must reside within communities, from which come legitimate, cultural and philosophical right as recorded in our Limiting Constitution.

Being aware of the inherent flaw of progressive debt within the financial system, we can then take small but deliberate steps towards restoring our ancient rights and freedoms, as has been previously done across millennium.

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Further Reading: *The Lost Ways* by Claude Davis
https://ia803207.us.archive.org/17/items/the-lost-ways-3rd-ed-claude-davis/The-Lost-Ways-3rd-Ed-Claude-Davis.pdf

***The Struggle For Freedom* by W Murdoch**
https://alor.org/Storage/Library/PDF/Murdoch_W-The_Struggle_for_Freedom.pdf

Essential reading from the Judy Wilyman's Newsletter:

Big Pharma designed WHO's Global Health Policy from 2000-2009
By Judy Wilyman PhD
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vaccinationdecisions.net/

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