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His address at the Hollywood Woman's Club in Hollywood, California, which is reproduced herewith, was received with enthusiastic applause and rapt attention by a mature and intelligent audience of American Christian patriots.

HIGHLIGHTS IN THE WORLD REVOLUTION

We need to remind ourselves that a civilization is not merely a material manifestation. Civilization is the incarnation of certain underlying values, and it is important to bear this in mind. The historians tell us that there have been approximately twenty-one or twenty-two civilizations. You can still see the material expression of, for example, the Greek or the Roman civilization if you go into parts of Europe today. You can see the wonderful architecture, the art, that the Greek civilization produced in the ruins of Acropolis. But we all know that the

civilization which produced those wonderful works of art is dead, because the values which produced them are long since dead. And one of the manifestations of a dying civilization is that the fact of death is masked by the great material achievements taking place. I wonder if you ever looked at, for example, government today. You share the same tradition as we do in a slightly different manner. Yes, Parliament still meets in a beautiful building; the best that a nation can provide. The machinery of government proceeds as it did one hundred years ago, the politicians talk; but there is something missing, and that something is a clear understanding today of the values which originally gave rise to this form of government.

And so, therefore, we delude ourselves looking at our Western world and saying: Look how we have mastered space, look at the wonderful techniques we have evolved, look how progressive we are, and overlook the fact that all this material activity can mask the fact that we are a dying civilization because the values which gave rise to it are no longer clearly understood; no longer does the great majority clearly grasp and believe in the values.

PLANNED EXPLOSION

And the reason for this, ladies and gentlemen, is the fact that the promoters of World Revolution have set out, not to blow up our beautiful buildings, not to blow up our Parliament. Oh no, they have set out to undermine our civilization by attacking the values, the spiritual principles undergirding it. And they have used all the techniques of mass propaganda, of what perhaps we can graphically describe as brainwashing, until we have reached the stage where it is true to say that, as far as the conventional media of information is concerned, you must treat ninety-five percent of it with suspicion, until you can check it against on-the-spot, independent, realistic reporting. Now that may, to many people, be a strong statement. Let me, therefore, take just two examples to demonstrate my point.

MADAME NHU TRAGEDY

You recently had, here in your country, a woman from South Vietnam: Madame Nhu. Madame Nhu, in your country, as in other parts of the world, attempted to tell you the truth about South Vietnam, in spite of one of the typical campaigns of smearing and lies. Now, we in Australia are perhaps a little more sensitive to what is happening in Southeast Asia today than you are. We are already starting to feel the hot breath of the Chinese Communist offensive on our neck, and we know that what happened in South Vietnam was almost the exact opposite of the picture presented by the controllers of world propaganda. Madame Nhu's great crime, of course, was not only that she was a strong, courageous patriot, standing firmly for her people and her nation against Communism. She realized that to fight Communism you must build up the moral strength and health of your own people. And so she had the audacity to suggest that the type of pornographic literature, which I doubt would be permissible in this country, produced by the type of people you know all about, was not the type of literature she wanted available to the youth of her country.

Madame Nhu also believed that women can have a great influence in improving the morale of a country, so she set about producing a woman's army, dedicated to the highest ideals of womanhood; the type of ideals which we who call ourselves Europeans and Christians have always held as sacred. Madame Nhu, in fact, struck at the type of influences that were rotting the soul of her nation. Then, of course, her husband and her brother-in-law were almost completely dependent, as you know, on the type of support your policy makers were giving them. Ngo Dinh Diem did his best within the framework of American support.

The stage was reached where, in high places and never let us forget St. Paul's famous words concerning evil in high places - someone decided that the time had come to sabotage Ngo Dinh Diem's government. And so in May of last year, we suddenly had stories appearing in the world press concerning Buddhist monks burning themselves to death in protest against what, allegedly, was a minority Roman Catholic government brutally oppressing the Buddhist majority. May I point out to you, in case you perhaps don't know this, that self-destruction by burning themselves to death is nothing new amongst Buddhists. You may not know that, since the coup which toppled the former regime took place, there has been a continuing number of Buddhist monks taking their lives in this traditional manner, but you have not seen this in the headlines of the world press.

The Buddhist movement, right from Japan down through South Vietnam, right around to Ceylon, has been so effectively penetrated by the Communists that, today, it must be regarded as one of their main instruments in furthering the Revolution in Asia. This is not a wild statement. Well informed observers, experts, have been pointing this out for many years. My publishing company in Australia, for example, only last year published perhaps one of the most authentic stories we yet have of the workings of the mind of the Chinese Communist leaders. This is the story told to Dr. W. G. Goddard, perhaps the greatest Australian expert on China, a man who taught there for a quarter of a century or more; by a defector from the Peking Foreign Office.

This man had been brought up in the Christian tradition, but nevertheless, was swept into the Communist movement, where his idealism was exploited until he could take no more of it, and he defected. He told his story to Dr. Goddard in Hong Kong. He told of the strategical maps inside the Peking Foreign Office, and he pointed to that part of Southeast Asia called West New Guinea and predicted how it would be toppled. He pointed to Indonesia. He also told Dr. Goddard of the coming fate of my country, which on this strategic map is listed as part of Asia. He also told of the deep penetration of the Communists right throughout the Buddhist movement. He told of the use of the Buddhist movement, not only with the type of subversion that aided the fall of the previous regime in South Vietnam, but also of how they were using Buddhists in the drug business to gain foreign exchange. You would have thought that this dramatic, firsthand story told to an expert would have been

welcomed by the people who conventionally are regarded as the upholders of our traditions. But we didn't find that was the case.

We found that, like all important books, Dr. Goddard's work was treated with silence. It wasn't even criticized, in case that gave it publicity. And exactly what that former top Chinese official told Dr. Goddard has taken place.

A DYNAMIC WITNESS

Last year another very distinguished Australian - in fact, a very distinguished world figure - Dr. Sir Raphael Cilento - a man I can tell this audience tonight could tell some most alarming truths concerning the history of that modern Tower of Babel, known as the United Nations, because he was one of the key figures in the creation of it until he was pushed out when he ran afoul of the Communists and the political Zionists. This was a man who was pressed into service in Germany, at the end of the war, because he was an expert on the types of diseases the Western forces expected to encounter there. This is the man who was present when Count Bernadotte was murdered in what today is called Israel; an expert on international affairs; a man who knows Asia. Last year he went to Asia; he went there just prior to the fall of the South Vietnamese government. He spoke to the former President, Ngo Dinh Diem, not through an interpreter, but in French, because he is a linguist and speaks a number of languages. He came back and predicted what was going to happen. It has happened. This is the type of truth about the world situation which courageous men know, but the big problem is to get adequate publicity for it, because all the instruments of publicity are in the hands of the enemy. And so, therefore, we have to rely on what we might term dedicated Crusading Movements; movements such as those to which you belong. These organizations have the great responsibility today to ensure that these truths do reach as many people as possible so that we have a chance of survival.

SUKARNO, THE ENIGMA

I am sure you won't be offended when, in concluding my remarks on Southeast Asia, I tell you that when recently, your Attorney General visited Asia to deal with the current problem - that of Dr. Sukarno's attack on Malaysia, many of us felt a chill run down our spines. We remember the formula which was used to push the Dutch out of West New Guinea in order that Dr. Sukarno could take control of part of this very important strategical island just to the north of us. We recall the double-talk, and we also have seen since the realities, and we know that behind Dr. Sukarno is the full weight of the Communist revolution. In spite of this we have had Sukarno presented to us as a man we should support in case worse should befall us; that in fact we might be thrown into the arms of the Communists.

Just think of that, and yet Sukarno has been firmly embraced by the Communists for over twenty years or more. The same formula is now being repeated that was applied for West New Guinea, and your Attorney General has gone to London to tell the British we must trust Sukarno. Australians are told that they also must trust him.

But we recall that Indonesia was described by one of the earlier Communists as the bridge between Asia and Australia.

AMYTH

Let me tell you about another myth. The world propagandists talk about the nation of Indonesia. There is no nation of Indonesia. That is a myth. There is a vast archipelago of islands right across the north of Australia with a wide variety of people - dozens and dozens of different and distinct languages - the people of Java with nothing in common and hating the people of Sumatra. Then there are the people of the Celebes and the Moluccas. A few years ago they revolted against government from Jakarta. You have people at all stages of development from what you might describe as cultured people of the island of Bali - you have all heard of the Bali dancing girls - ranging right along to the headhunters of Borneo. And this is pictured to us as a Nation. It is an assortment of people held together by the myth of Sukarno, the armed forces and the two and one-half million strong Indonesian Communist Party, the largest and perhaps the best organized in the whole world outside the Communist bloc.

I repeat: We are told we must accept Sukarno in case we throw him into the arms of the Communists. Yet only a few months ago he was dispatching his envoys to Moscow to get further military equipment - not bows and arrows to fight the headhunters in Borneo; oh no, sophisticated weapons which we Australians watch coming in with great apprehension. And so, therefore, the revolution in Asia is sweeping on, and just as China was lost, not in China, but in high places in the Western world by treachery; so is the rest of Asia being lost today by exactly the same type of treachery.

And this revolution will continue until sufficient patriots in the Western world demand that this treachery in high places cease, and that those personally responsible be brought to book for their activities.

AFRICA

Let's now leave Asia. Let's look at another part of the world - Africa. Let's first start with South Africa. Now you all know, as people who read your newspapers, that this is allegedly a police state. You all know the brutal Europeans are supposed to be right on the necks of the unhappy natives there, grinding them into the dust. You all know this. But, ladies and gentlemen, what is the truth? If this is a police state, it must be one of the most remarkable police states in the whole world. Now, if you talk about the police state in East Germany, I understand that, because the people were trying, until the Communists put the famous wall up, to vote with their feet - they were trying to get out of the place. There are two main features of a police state. The first is that the inmates of the police state (of the prison) naturally are all trying to get out; and the second feature is that the press is so controlled by the government that it merely endorses whatever policy the government wishes to pursue. Those are the two main features - there are other features, but those are the

two main features of a police state. We will, therefore, apply these two main features to South Africa and what do we find? We find that the Bantu, rather than wishing to get out of this police state, have to be prevented from coming in. In fact, there are one million illegal Bantu in South Africa today who so love being in the police state that they won't leave! And do you know, - no doubt you have all read this one of the great crimes of the South African authorities is that they are brutally asking all these illegal Bantu, amongst others, to have passes so that the authorities know who they are and where they are. Isn't that a shocking thing to do? And yet, before I came to your wonderful country, I had to go and see your Consul in Melbourne - rightly so - he wanted to know a little about me. He faced me with that very important clause concerning "had I at any time ever had anything to do with fostering Communism?". And, when he had been assured that I was not going to enter your Republic for the purpose of blowing it up, he gave me a visa. And I have it here - and wherever I go in your Republic, and rightly so, your authorities can ask me to produce that visa. And I don't feel humiliated. I feel it is a right and proper act by your government to take in protecting you and your friends against undesirables. And yet, this is all the South African authorities have done. But they are "murderous Fascists" for daring to try to control all these illegal migrants, who, as I say, so love the 'police state' they want to stay in it.

Well, you may say, they are only simple Bantu natives they may not know very much. I will presume that you will not measure the people of the islands of the United Kingdom in this way, and so I will have to point out when I visit Britain again shortly, I will have to issue a warning to the British about this police state, because they are flocking there also in very large numbers. Fifteen thousand went there last year, a record. Don't you think it is my duty to warn them about the terrible country they are going to settle in?

You see, ladies and gentlemen, once you start to bring common sense to bear on this problem, you immediately see that this propaganda against South Africa is phoney.

THE NATION UNDER SEIGE

Last, but not least, on the question of the 'police state': What about the press? All I have to say about the English speaking South African press in particular, is that if you can point out a more vicious and biased press, which every morning and every evening in its editorial grinds out anti-government propaganda, I would like to hear about it. And so, therefore, South Africa clearly is not a police state. South Africa is a nation under siege.

The forces of world revolution have been directed against South Africa for a very good reason. South Africa must be destroyed in order that the revolution can consume the whole of the vast dark continent of Africa. Now, the revolution has been successful in the North. You all know, of course, the role General DeGaulle plays in Algeria, and now the chickens are coming home to roost.

MANUFACTURING OPINION

We all know what is happening in other parts of Africa. The British, under the pressure of what is called 'world opinion', have been pulling out of Africa. I am always interested in who creates what is supposed to be 'world opinion'. The fact of the matter is that when the so-called representative of this or any other country criticizes what is going on in Africa, he is not speaking for you, he is not speaking for me; he is speaking on behalf of the promoters of World Revolution, and so the British, under the pressure of what is called 'world opinion', have been pulling out like the French. They pulled out of a place called Ghana. That was allegedly going to be a model democracy. The British were going to show how the natives could have democracy planted amongst them; those British institutions which took the British a thousand years to evolve, and which many thinking British don't think they are handling themselves too well today. But nevertheless, these simple natives in Ghana were going to show how it could be done.

And now, today, we find that Dr. Nkrumah has done exactly what every authority on Africa predicted would be done: He has established a dictatorship.

Now I want to tell you another truth about Africa. Contrary to what you read in your newspapers, there are no new nations emerging in Africa - not unless the word 'nation' has taken on another meaning to that normally accepted. I am prepared to concede that, of course, because black has become white. You have all perhaps read George Orwell's book, 1984. You will remember his famous observation that "all men are equal; all animals are equal, only some are more equal than others." And so there are no nations in Africa because there is no reality of nationhood. The basic reality of Africa is tribalism, and once the European jurisdiction is removed, at this stage in the development of the people there, the reality asserts itself and there is a reversion to tribalism.

LEGAL CRIMES

This is happening in Ghana. Oh yes, it is done in a more sophisticated form - a so-called legal form, by Dr. Nkrumah. But the fact is, he is now saying that he is the leading chief of the predominant tribe running Ghana. The same in Kenya. You have all heard of that "statesman" called Kenyatta; a man who had all the benefits of so-called Western education, the veneer of civilization, but the man who was responsible for the dreadful Mau-Mau. The British were pushed out of Kenya. But what is happening? The rule of the jungle is returning. In Zanzibar, exactly the same has happened. In Tanganyika, the same. And, ladies and gentlemen, let me ask you this question. As the dreadful realities emerge, are the political clergy, the left-wing sentimentalists and all the other starry-eyed people who have been sucked in on this question - mounting their rostrums, and are they apologizing to the people they misled concerning their claim that if these people had what they called independence, this would be a step forward for them?

Oh, no. And so all that is happening is that the Europeans are being driven out of

Africa - this is being done in your name and my name - with the result that the vote of what is called the Afro-Asian bloc in that Tower of Babel, the United Nations, increases. And isn't it a thought-provoking reality when you could have a small place such as the former French colony known as Gabon, elect as its first President a man who spent four and one-half years of imprisonment in a French jail for cannibalism.

I would like to deal, if I had the time, with this question of what has happened in the Congo. But I want to assure you of this, as one who has seen some of the results, and talked to people who have been through it, you would need mighty strong stomachs to stand even a short lecture on the subject. If, for example, you were to hear what was done in our name by the United Nations forces in Katanga. We helped finance brutal and bloody aggression. Then, there was the exploitation of all those sincere but misguided people who contributed to that United Nations fund which, allegedly, was to save the world's children. But part of that fund was misappropriated and used to finance the Congo aggression against Tshombe, the one stable native leader produced in Africa. So in fact, what the World Revolution is doing is sweeping, if it can, the Europeans from the whole of Africa in order to bring all these native votes into the United Nations.

And your future, my future and the future of our children, our civilization and all it stands for, could in fact be voted on by natives who at this stage of development are a little more than stone-age people. There is nothing comparable to this type of breakdown of civilization in the recorded history of man - nothing!

COURAGEOUS RESISTANCE

So, South Africa stands with Southern Rhodesia and the Portuguese territories as the only parts of Africa at the moment resisting what is proposed by the world revolutionaries. Therefore, they must be liquidated. And the way to liquidate them, of course, is how we liquidated the regime in South Vietnam; how we liquidated Chiang Kai-Shek. First of all there is mounted a world-wide propaganda campaign, in which the revolutionaries use every lie, every trick, play upon every emotion, and eventually, if necessary, as in Katanga, you justify the use of force to achieve their objective. But, I want to tell you this, ladies and gentlemen, although I am an Australian with Anglo-Saxon background, and would find it difficult to get along in South Africa with some of the Afrikaners, because they are of a different tradition, I must stand here tonight and tell you that, as far as I am concerned, in looking at the world situation, South Africans, that is the European community of a handful of three million, are today demonstrating a will and sheer guts not demonstrated by any other group of Europeans in the whole world.

And this is what we desperately need in order to halt the world revolution: an example of will. I want to say to you that the fiercer this campaign against South Africa becomes, the more the pressure is mounted, the firmer is going to be the stand of the South Africans.

This I believe, in the last analysis, is what is going to save our civilization; that right around the Western world there are going to be groups of people, perhaps at this stage small groups compared with the total population, groups like yours and mine are prepared to stand firm in faith in the engulfing darkness. The light that we provide is like that tiny match that is struck in a dark room. And, therefore, we in Australia take comfort from the fact that there are these groups of people; take comfort in the fact that the South Africans are standing firm, the Portuguese are still standing firm, and two hundred and fifty thousand Southern Rhodesians are still standing firm. What we have to do is to assure that they are not betrayed; not only for their sakes which, of course, is important, but also for our own sake, because every time we lend our support to the betrayal of our fellow Europeans, we are merely helping to dig a little deeper our own graves.

'SOAPY' DIPLOMACY

We, therefore, all of us, are taking part in a battle being fought on a world scale. But just remember those few facts I have given you about Africa, and also remember this, without being personal, when men like your Ambassador Mr. "Soapy' Williams and others go there, they do you - the sound traditional American people - a great disservice, because apparently to the embattled Europeans there, they speak in your name. You have got to make it clear they don't speak in your name.

Now, having dealt with those two important areas in which the revolution is sweeping today - Asia and Africa - let us as I have said earlier, stand back again and look at some of the other landmarks of the trail of revolution.

There is a story told by the biologists, and I believe it is true, that if you throw a frog into boiling water, his immediate reaction is such that he jumps out and saves his life. But put that same frog in cold water and slowly bring it to the boil, and the frog will permit himself to be boiled alive, because it is the slow increase of the temperature which lulls him into a sense of false security. He keeps adjusting himself as the heat gets hotter and hotter.

Now do you know, that type of technique has been applied to our civilization, and we don't realize just how hot the water is becoming. We don't realize that we haven't much time before it could reach the boiling point. Therefore, it is essential, as I say, to step back and have a look at just how far we have come.

A DEADLY DATE IN HISTORY

I always urge that the year 1903 be regarded as one of those dates in modern history which should be learned by everyone, and more particularly, its significance made clear, because this was the year in which Lenin, an evil genius, but a genius just the same, persuaded that movement we call the Marxian Socialist movement to move away from the concept of development which had been followed until then. Lenin outlined a program for making Communism a reality. He proposed that the techniques of terror, subversion, and corruption should be used scientifically. His program was not completely original. It can be read in other documents.

Whether you believe that they are authentic, forgeries, or plagiarism, you can study this revolutionary program in those documents known as *The Protocols*. You can also study the program as it was developed before the French Revolution. In fact, the roots of the Revolution go right back thousands of years into history - the techniques have merely been refined to meet changing situations. There is no doubt that Lenin drew heavily upon that revolutionary program. What he proposed was such, that even to many of the Marxian Socialists, it was so terrifying that they could not follow it. But he persuaded a number at that famous conference in London in 1903 to follow him, and to set out on the task he outlined. Now, I think it is very important to bear in mind that Lenin started with only seventeen supporters, because one of the myths so carefully propagated by those who want to lull us to sleep, is that because there are so few so-called Communists about, there is no internal Communist problem. But Lenin did not propose to conquer the world by the use of numbers. He set out to do something which we Christians, at least, should understand. He taught the principle of the dedicated few prepared to give everything; the whole of their lives, as he put it, not just their spare Sunday afternoons, in the service of World Revolution. That is the sort of people that Lenin wanted for his movement.

DESTRUCTION IN A GENERATION

If my arithmetic is correct, 1903 is a mere 61 years ago - less than an average man's lifetime; a mere flick in time. Now, remember that 1903 was just the turn of this century. This was before the first of the great upheavals which shook the foundations of our civilization - the first World War and the great economic depression of the thirties. This was a period of comparative stability in every part of the world. Apart from the Franco-German war, a boxing match compared with the total wars in this century, Europe had known stability since the Napoleonic wars. Material standards of living were rising. People were flocking out to the new countries, to America, Australia, New Zealand and Canada, bringing law and order with them. All in all, it appeared that Western civilization was slowly but surely expanding. The picture appeared to justify the hopes of those who believed that man was intrinsically good and that this expansion of civilization would go on and on indefinitely. It was in this situation that Lenin - and let us remember this now, with seventeen supporters - seventeen - said that his movement was not only going to undermine this civilization which it had taken two thousand years to build; it was going to conquer the whole world.

Just take yourself back in time and imagine yourself listening in to seventeen individuals in an obscure hall in London in 1903, talking about destroying the greatest civilization that man has ever seen. You would have said: "These men are screwballs; these men are really nuts, - their talk is pathetic."

But what has happened in the sixty-one short years? The movement of seventeen has swept the world to the stage where as we sit here tonight, one thousand million human beings - our fellow human beings, are directly under the control of this

Revolutionary movement and its organization, and there is not one of us who can honestly say that he is not affected in one way or another by this movement, because we all read the newspapers and look at TV; this being directly and indirectly influenced by propaganda and tension.

THE PENETRATION

This revolutionary movement has penetrated right into the very heart of our Western governments, into our most cherished institutions. As a Christian, perhaps a poor type of Christian, I say this with shame - it has even penetrated what should be the greatest bastion of our civilization - the Christian church itself. I repeat: All this in sixty-one years.

If we could draw a graph on the wall starting from 1903, and plot the progress of Lenin's movement, we come fast to 1917, when with forty thousand, a handful of desperadoes, Lenin and Trotsky and their gangster friends seized control of that vast country we call Soviet Russia, thereby establishing a geographic base for the Revolution, and then we come along to the many other signposts of the Communist advance. Our graph would show us just how long before the world revolution conquers the whole world. And how long is that? Twenty years, at the very outside, but probably much less. In preparing the graph I am talking about, we would have to show the great depression of the thirties as a period of tremendous importance to the revolutionaries.

There was a time when many believed the teachings of the certified economists: that the great depression was caused by natural forces over which man had no control. We had one learned economist in Australia, subsequently knighted for his efforts, who wrote learned articles in the newspapers suggesting that sunspots had something to do with it!

THE VILLAINOUS MANIPULATORS

Today you know, as intelligent, informed people, that the great economic depression was the result of deliberate policies imposed by the international manipulators of finance. It was a financial phenomenon. And that, of course, opens up the question of whether the great depression which gave the Revolution such a tremendous impetus, was the action of men who did not know what they were doing, or perhaps they were men well aware of the forces they had set in motion. Whatever the answer, the fact is that out of that great depression came two significant developments of tremendous importance. The first was in Germany.

The depression threw up the National Socialist movement known as the Nazis, and it helped bring Hitler to power. Now, one of the most unpalatable truths you can tell the Communists, and also any Nazi supporters if there are still any around, is that it is extremely unlikely that Hitler would have come to power in Germany if it had not been because the promoters of World Revolution wanted him in power. Hitler received support at a critical stage of his bid for power, from both powerful financial groups and from the Communists. An essential feature of Lenin's strategy

for world revolution, was to foster in every possible way another major war between the Western nations. Stalin worked to further this strategy, confident that another major war would exhaust all the Western Nations, create a revolutionary situation, and permit Soviet Russia to dominate the aftermath of the war.

Stalin directed the German Communists to permit Hitler to come to power, confident that this would increase the prospects of war.

The Communists don't like to be reminded that Stalin gave a direction to the German Communists to permit Hitler to come to power.

STALIN'S ESSENTIAL WAR

Stalin wasn't worried about Hitler's anti-Communist windiness; any more than the real promoters of Communism are worried about a lot of the windy anti-Communism that we have today. They wanted that second world war which Lenin said was essential to the revolutionary program. Hitler was an ingredient most likely to help produce it. There were, of course, people like me during the thirties, warning about this. We were regarded as being so peculiar then. We insisted that if you wanted to understand the revolution, particularly that part of it under the label of "Communism," the thing to do was to go to the authentic documents; to read what Lenin wrote, to read what Marx wrote, to read what other revolutionaries wrote, to see what the program was about. But you know our nations today are full of all sorts of conventional anti-Communists; they are opposed to Communism but ask them if they ever read anything authoritative on Communism and you will find that they haven't read anything. They remind me of the person who gets up and says, "I am now going to give you a sermon on Christianity, but I must tell you, of course, I haven't felt it necessary to read the New Testament." But I am one of those people who believe you have got to do your homework. You understand that term here in America. And I believe what Stalin taught and what Lenin taught, and all the other revolutionaries taught, is more important than what some sophisticated interpreter has to say in your State Department or the British Foreign Office or somewhere else.

So, those of us who had done our homework were pointing out that we couldn't take Stalin's opposition to Hitler at face value, and, of course, therefore, we weren't numbered among those who were shocked when Stalin turned around early in August, 1939, signed his non-aggression pact with Hitler and gave the green light for the start of World War II, which Stalin believed the Communists were going to win.

Here in this country of yours, very important in the overall scene because you are a big, strong, powerful nation; therefore, the revolution had to give you special attention, which brings me to the second significant development of the great depression.

ROOSEVELT RECOGNIZES THE KREMLIN

The great depression here threw up Franklin Delano Roosevelt, and you all know that his first major political act was to do something which no other President had

done - to recognize the visible spokesman for the Revolution in the Kremlin. And you all know, I don't need to tell you this, that by 1939 the penetration of the conspiracy in this country had reached the stage where your Administration was - to put it as moderately as I can as a guest - very naive indeed concerning the intentions of Josef Stalin and what he stood for. So we had the war which the revolutionaries wanted. You of course, had to be drawn into it, and we had that little incident at Pearl Harbor. I am sure you all know the real story about that as distinct from the phoney story told by the newspapers. Some of your real historians have told us the true story about Pearl Harbor.

So we move along then and we come to the question of "Did the war, in fact, further the Revolution?" and we can test it quite easily, very easily. The purpose of military war is not to bash up the furniture, as it were, and to knock others down; to kill one another just for the sake of doing it. You have to have an objective, a political or an economic objective. War is defined by the great German writer, Clausewitz, as "action taken to impose your will upon the opposition." Now sane people use the minimum of force to achieve their objective. And if, of course, you can reach your objective without war as the Communists are seeking, so much the better. But we the British and the U.S.A., had an objective when we went to war. At least we must hope that we did.

PAWNS

In Western Europe, what was the objective the British Government was concerned about? The issue was Poland. That was the objective: the independence and the integrity of Poland. But after four and a half years of wrecking Western Europe, not only destroying great wealth but also undermining further the moral values of the very heart of Western civilization, when the smoke had cleared away and we could look at the wreckage, had the objective been reached?

And the answer is "no." Poland had lost its independence; lost its integrity. We, therefore, lost the war in Europe. The only winners were the Communists who achieved their objective; not only by taking Poland, but the whole of Eastern Europe from the Baltic states in the North to the Balkans in the South. And so in Western Europe, we lost the war. The Revolutionaries won it. You can't escape that hard fact of history.

Let us now look at the Pacific war. What was the so-called issue of debate between your Administration and the Japanese government, led by the moderate leader Prince Konoye who was prepared to meet every demand but one, that concerning Manchuria. Prince Konoye said that no Japanese government could withdraw from Manchuria and still sustain the support of the Japanese people. Manchuria was the issue. The Roosevelt Administration said that Manchuria belonged to China; it must go back to Chiang Kai-Shek. As Manchuria was the issue which led to the start of the Pacific War, we must ask, in order to test the question of who won this sector of the world struggle: "What happened to Manchuria at the end

of the war against Japan?"

AN INFAMOUS CONFERENCE

The answer is that at the infamous Yalta Conference of early 1945, not only did Manchuria not go back to Chiang Kai-shek, but behind the back of Chiang Kai-Shek, it was handed over to Communist influence and control and proved the springboard from which the ultimate conquest of China itself took place. So, in Europe and in the Pacific, those who promoted the war, exploited the war and won the war, really lost. And so you can go on up to the present time, including the leaping of the revolutionary offensive to Cuba, a mere ninety miles from your own shores.

The revolutionaries have now firmly established a base here in the Western Hemisphere, from which they promote revolution right throughout the whole of Latin America. They even operate in Quebec in Canada at the present time, behind the mask of what is known as the Separatists. Sixty-one years of Revolution. Look at the picture. Don't you think we are like that frog being slowly boiled? Don't you think the temperature is getting so hot that at least a few of us should be starting to feel it? Has not the time come for action - to leap before it is too late? And should we not ask ourselves how the crisis threatening us has come about?

IDIOTIC HISTORY

Now there are only two answers concerning this question, and I want to conclude around this point. There are only two approaches, and I want to put this to you, and I want to leave it with you to think about. You can accept the first explanation that is given, and that is that this has all just happened. It is what I call the village idiot's theory of history. It's like Topsy, it just grew. Well, of course, that explanation fits neatly into the psychological warfare the Revolutionaries are directing against us. Because, you see, the Revolution, as I said at the outset of my talk, is directed not so much against our institutions in their material form; it is directed against our will to resist, and so every person in our communities who talks about "inevitable trends" and plaintively says, "there is nothing you can do about it, it is all part of the pattern of the history over which man has no control," that person does not need to be a communist, but he is spreading the disease of Communism.

That most dangerous person in the community, in an epidemic that is communicable, is not the person who has the disease, because he can be detected and he can be isolated; it is the person who does not actually catch the disease himself, but is the carrier, spreading it everywhere throughout the community. Our Western civilization today is full of such people. I have heard then referred to as "Typhoid Marys."

Every person who says, "Well, all this has just happened. It's too bad that we elected the wrong politicians, perhaps something will turn up and at least there is nothing poor little me can do about it," is already a casualty in the Revolution.

Look around your community and ask yourself how many of your friends are

already casualties. They are beaten because they, in fact, are saying that they as individuals can have no bearing and have had no bearing on the course of history. This is what the Communists want us to say because the underlying philosophy, if you can call it that, of Communism is what is called "historical inevitability." The individual doesn't count; he is merely swept along as the flotsam of history. The Communists sustain the morale of their own army, and break our will to resist, by saying: "Look at this tremendous program in sixty-one years, why surely that proves to any reasonable person that Communism is the way of the future, that history is on our side." We have got to make up our minds whether or not we accept this view.

ALTERNATIVES

I am now going to put briefly the alternative view. It is a very harsh view, but it is the only view that gives us any hope in this hour of crisis. Because, you see, if all I have mentioned has just happened, is the result of bad luck or something else, we might as well all go home now and prepare for the end, or perhaps do what many are doing in Southeast Asia today - trying to get on the winning side while it counts. There are many members of our Western society prepared to do the same thing. The selfish businessman prepared to look at the possible profit by exporting to Mr. Khrushchev, is already a casualty of the revolution. But I want to say to you, this revolution hasn't all just happened. It has not been the result of inevitable trends.

It has been the result of the greatest conspiracy, the most devilish conspiracy, in the recorded history of man, and this conspiracy has been carried out by men who have penetrated deeply into every part of our society, who have betrayed our confidence, who in every possible way, have worked to subvert us from within. The great defeats we suffered during the war, at Teheran, Potsdam, Yalta, the Quebec Conference, we know today it was at these conferences that we really lost the war - were only possible because we were betrayed. And we know we have been losing ever since because the betrayal has continued.

RIGHT VS WRONG

You and I know, if we are old-fashioned enough to admit it, that there is still right and wrong in this world; there is still truth and evil; there is still God and Satan. We know that evil manifests itself through individuals, but we also know that truth can manifest itself through individuals. And the one great truth that we can bring against this Revolution is the fact that you and I are not, as we are told, mere matter in motion. We are spiritual beings. We have a capacity for creative initiative.

The very civilization we still enjoy was not the result of inevitable trends. It was the result of dedicated men and women who down the long corridor of history, didn't accept the view that they couldn't change the course of events. They believed that dedicated individuals could change the course of history, and in their lives, and in many cases through their deaths, they demonstrated what our Christian faith has given us.

FELLOWSHIP IN PERSECUTION

As I see it, today we are almost like the early Christian fathers, a small group looking out on a dark and pagan world.

What a frightful problem it must have been for the first Christians. What a spectacle, one to turn the heart of even the most courageous. But they were men of faith, character and dedication. They believed that it was through the individual that God manifested Himself, in the world in which we live, and that those with sufficient faith in God could move mountains. How many of us today believe it? How many of us are prepared to take a risk - even risk a mere thing like social ostracism? Many fear loss of face, perhaps the loss of friends, rather than stand up and be counted and say, "I don't accept this view of history. I don't believe this Revolution has just happened; I believe it is the result of a conscious policy of wicked men, individuals who must be named and exposed, and it has got to be fought by men on the other side who believe in Truth, and goodness."

Therefore, my friends, I come back to what I said at the outset. Our civilization will stand against this onslaught only if we find a sufficient number of such people prepared to stand firmly for the eternal values.

I am pleased to say that right around the civilized world today we are finding them - their numbers are growing; they are coming together; they are meeting; they are learning, and I want to say for the benefit of the enemy, they are learning fast. They are mastering the type of techniques necessary for victory. They are demonstrating the necessary humility to appreciate what is necessary to advance against the enemy. And while I believe I would not be truthful if I did not say this to you, that the ravages of this Revolution will continue - while I believe that the worst of the night is still before us. I also believe that if sufficient of us dedicate ourselves to the task of defending the values of our civilization against its enemies, we will live to see the dawn of a new and better world.



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Corporations More Powerful Than Nations By Arnis Luks

Today, being the first day of 2025, previously secret Australian cabinet papers from 2004 have been publicly released.

https://www.abc.net.au/news/2025-01-01/2004-cabinet-files-unsealed/104723072

The topic that specifically caught my eye was the exploitation of the Bayu-Undan oil and gas fields located some 500 km offshore and north-west from Darwin, in the East Timor Sea, which also happens to be 250 km south-east of East Timor.

The establishment of that tiny nation of East Timor with a population of 1.34 million people, just happened to occur five years before the commercial exploitation of these vast hydrocarbon reserves began.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Timor-Leste

I have previously written about the Dutch/English East India Company, being the original corporate raiders in the relatively modern era - https://amp. theguardian.com/world/2015/mar/04/east-india-company-original-corporate-raiders

In assessing the plight of the world, in particular the Middle East, Northern Africa and the Ukraine, I see the same transnational corporate raiding taking place. The narrative is explained away by the MSM using different descriptors like the USA did this, or Russia did that, or Israel has done this, or Turkey has done that. But the transnational corporate raider MO - modus operandi is unmistakable. Governments the world over are doing the bidding of these corporations. Trump administration are the telltale – nearly all billionaires.

For many countries massive exploitation has occurred, looting by another name, but three in particular that Australian military have relatively recently been involved – Indonesia (East Timor), Iraq and Libya. Vast tracts of land (or minerals located offshore), have been separated from the host nation and exploited by these transnational corporations. We get confused when we think that Australia has done this, or Russia has done that, or USA has done that. Our governments' war escapades are on behalf of very powerful corporate interests.

The establishment of the new nation of East Timor occurred so that oil and gas reserves could be separated from Indonesia by multinationals with little, if any compensation being directed towards the new host nation. Trump, only recently, said he would invade Panama 'again' if the cost of using the canal did not come down.

East Timor today is still an impoverished nation with the general population living very poorly, although the massive Bayu-Undan oil and gas fields are a well established commercial exploitation. The East Timor administration is in massive debt. To understand this further the book title: 'Confessions of an Economic Hitman' is necessary to read and digest. The Liberal government under PM John Howard assisted in this commercial exploitation, with our armed forces doing the bidding of vastly powerful Oil and Gas interests, just as they were also involved in Iraq, Libya and Afghanistan, to achieve the same purposes. Afghanistan was all about Caspian Sea Oil as Justin Raimondo from AntiWar.com never tired in reporting.

PM John Howard made a big deal of deciding himself (for our nation) to go to war or not. He chose war to the benefit of these transnational corporate raiders at the expense of that host nation and our own Australian troop casualties.

The MO today utilised by USA, the City of London, Israel, Turkey and the United Arab Emirates to exploit Syria of its vast mineral reserves and landed areas is unmistakable. Mainstream Media presents the case that the previous Syrian administration was dictatorial and corrupt, this is while American military had already been siphoning off US\$20+ million per day of oil reserves since around the beginning of the war on terror. Now the MSM is silent while the looting continues.

https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2024/12/16/israel-strikes-missile-depots-air-defences-in-syrias-tartus-region

With the recent blitzkrieg (800+ bombing strikes in the early days since the fall of al-Assad) against the Syrian strategic forces, Syria has become incapable of defending itself. The corporate raiders no longer contend with that Syrian administration, having put their own puppet administration in place to keep the population subdued, they now have unfettered access to the mineral reserves and landed areas. Borders are now flexible, foreign military expansion coming against Syria from the north, east, and south-west. https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2024/12/15/israel-intensifies-syria-attacks-but-hts-leader-says-doesnt-want-conflict

In the New Testament book of *Acts 11:19-30*, it makes mention of that ancient Syrian city Antioch, being the place that those whose followed Christ were first referred to as Christians. These people who speak the same dialect as Christ, are again under siege. Will they reject the Zionist-CIA-MI6 imposed dark age? Vanessa Beeley along with others, discusses this, here:

https://beeley.substack.com/p/is-syria-a-failed-state-or-will-the?publication_id=716517&post_id=154065447&r=1h49yq&triedRedirect=true

There is a select branch amongst some denominations who are indifferent to the suffering of these Syrian and Palestinian Christians and others as being of no import in comparison to the chosen people. I find it inconsistent to think of one human being of less value before God than another. All are created in the image of God. Matt 25:40 *As long as you did it to one of these my least brethren, you did it to me* Matt 12:50 *For whosoever shall do the will of my Father, that is in heaven, he is my brother, and sister, and mother.*

Barbaric Paganism to me, by another name.

Ukraine is another country under significant exploitation. You may, if you listen to the MSM, believe that USA and Russia are antagonistic towards each other. Nothing could be further from the truth. Firstly, the Russian military bases located in Syria (prior to its recent invasion and takeover) have recently been relocated to Algeria, another failed nation that is carved up between USA and Russia proxy-military interests. Russia, having walked away from their own strategic partner Syria, is now finding relief from an un-supported Ukraine administration - the military aid diminishing from the USA, while Russian military forces are shifting the occupied border of Ukraine further westward. Almost as if the Ukraine and Syrian conflict is being conducted within a single orchestrated event, both theaters of war rapidly changing front-lines while providing lucrative opportunities for further looting of the mineral assets of the two nations by the transnational corporate raiders.

The mainstream media narrative may use labels such as USA or Russia, but make no mistake, behind these two administrations are central banksters working collaboratively to open the floodgates of massive profits.

I have recently opened the covers of some relevant books - *Descent into Slavery*, and *The Fourth Reich of the Rich* by Des Griffin. A third title: *The Empire of 'The City'* by EC Knuth builds on these other two important works by Griffin. All three are available from our PDF library for download and further research.

Reading the news article further, I see PM John Howard pictured in the White House with the then US President George W Bush along with his strategic advisors including VP Dick Cheney, who was the former CEO of Halliburton. Remembering the 'war on terror', and the collapse of the three towers, not two, triggered that 'war on terror', this perspective sheds new light onto those events and policy objectives.

Muammar Muhammad Abu Minyar al-Gaddafi's Libya is a failed state being exploited by transnational corporate raiders, as is Saddam Hussein's Iraq, which finds itself in similar circumstances. Palestine, Afghanistan, Iraq, Libya, Philippines, Indonesia, Pakistan, Somalia, Syria and Yemen all have felt the same military might led by the United States and Britain. Security analysts assert that there is no military solution to these conflicts, pointing out that terrorism is not an identifiable enemy, and have emphasized the importance of negotiations and political solutions to resolve the underlying roots of the crises. Truth be known, there is no desire to find a political solution while the unfettered looting of these nations continues.

Iran is now openly described by our own media as the next likely belligerent, even

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though we in Australia and the USA experience no existential threat from them, only the consequence of blow-back from current military escapades. If anything, it is the other way round with our own military presence in the Middle East exploitation.

Private Military Contractors

https://special-ops.org/top-9-private-military-companies-in-the-world/

While this link above only provides nine private military corporations - with G4S coming from Australia, no doubt there are many more that provide services to protect transnational corporate raiders' interests as they freely loot whole nations.

Most of today's front-page headlines are referring to acts around the world labeled terrorists. But the media generally won't join the dots of the massive dislocation occurring in the Middle East, Ukraine and Africa while the corporate looting occurs. Millions of people are being dispossessed from their traditional homelands to exploit the vast mineral reserves for private profit. Palestine is not alone. None of this is discussed because the mainstream media is sponsored by these same transnational corporate raiders. They also control our learning institutions with grants, most of our political parties with donations, and have an influence over anyone who offers some form of leadership. He who pays the piper calls the tune. The world is not governed by those the public think governs them, but by discrete but powerful people operating behind-the-scenes. At the core of these powerful people is central banking.

One Two Sucker Punch

https://www.theaustralian.com.au/nation/politics/anthony-albaneses-public-sector-splurge-costs-taxpayers-extra-5bn/news-story/7dd1066ca7f33456ad9385e3d65fbc46

Inflate this: PM's public service splurge costs taxpayers extra \$5bn

The Albanese government has added more than 26,000 new permanent public -servants to the payroll since (Labor) was elected...

Prime Minister Albanese has significantly expanded the bureaucracy while also massively increasing immigration, both to shore up his own voter base. Universities and Builders bleat of ailing profits at the expense of future students and homeowners by transferring profits onto both, student and home-byers with loan debts. Sen Malcolm Roberts, Libertarians and the Liberal party add fuel to the fire by endorsing the massive exploitation of our own mineral reserves with little compensation felt by never-reduced-taxes, and barely a breath of resistance from either against the tripling of immigration rates. This forces the price of housing through the roof to the point where debt is now multi-generational with little hope for the new homeowner ever able to achieve freehold. They all declare 'we are also open for transnational corporate looting – no expense spared' - including diminishing real jobs. There is no long-term re-industrialise plan, or debt-resolution offered from any political party.

Film maker Gary Newman in the *Sydney Morning Herald* declares socialism is now the Australian way – is it?

https://www.smh.com.au/national/don-t-say-the-s-word-out-loud-but-australia-secretly-loves-socialism-20240909-p5k8yw.html

Property as the Principal Asset of Most Families

2025 also brings incremental taxes on properties in Victoria. While I appreciate that the principal place of residence avoids some of these tax increases, the effect on renters is startling. The chance of the property owner absorbing some of these increased taxes and costs is remote, as they are still required to recoup all their costs and maintain some margin of profit, even if it is only in capital gains. Capital gains have all but disappeared across Victoria and New South Wales this past year.

The reality is that there is only a certain and limited amount of spare spending power within the community, and further increases in taxation (to repay state debts) provide no relief in this area. Both Victoria and South Australia state banks were deliberately driven into insolvency so as to avoid the ability of each state government to issue debt free credits, or obtain loans under favourable conditions, for projects within their respective borders.

The Bank of International Settlements has plans afoot to provide CBDC Central Bank Digital Currency services directly to retailers, thus driving the viability down, in Australia for instance, of our major banks and credit unions. The Bank of International Settlements, which is a conglomeration of major American banking institutions, is monopolising their control over all national currencies. As they are in a position of significant leverage, by controlling the provision of all new credits for all national governments, they are in an ideal position to influence particular policies favourable to themselves, over these governments. The book "The Confessions of an Economic Hitman" by John Perkins, available in our PDF library for download, is a must read to see how this inordinate leverage is placed over governments and political parties by financial institutions and their agents. This is not an obscure occurrence, but rather a readily repeated occurrence to compel policy over all national administrations. https://alor.org/Storage/Library/PDF/Perkins%20J%20The_Confessions.pdf

Centralised Media

Rather than government driving policy, if you monitor the articles within mainstream media as they surface, you will soon realise that it is the monopolised media that actually drives policy. This ability to compel policy over the governments by the media, was developed to its extreme monopolistic form under Liberal Prime Minister John Howard. We delude ourselves if we think, or hope for a change under a new Liberal federal government. They have repeatedly been just as treacherous against the Australian public as Labor ever has been.

The medical monopoly was consolidated under Abbott and Morrison with the no jab no pay/play policy, and brought to a head under the Covid regime. Informed consent is no longer tolerated in the medical sphere. Monopoly holds sway over the mainstream media and the bureaucracy and government. Our ancient rights and freedoms, including personal bodily autonomy, are a compelled 'thing of the past'. Exercising of these ancient rights and freedoms becomes a significant strategic event that may cost you your job, your friends, your family, and even your health. So be it; that is the price of freedom. You only need to look at the windfarms, and solar panels

and large battery storage facilities, to recognise that we have been sold another lemon that does less than nothing to alleviate industrialisation and CO2 emissions. It is an entirely spurious and fraudulent policy to increase indebtedness of national governments, with the debt transferred onto the public through increased taxation.

PM Scott Morrison Was Not The First

Former Australian PM Scott Morrison was not the only one who had been in the multiple-ministries-woodpile. Through this journal I have several times made mention of the fact that the 1972 first Whitlam ministry, of Gough Whitlam and Lance Barnard were sworn into 27 ministries between them by the then Gov General Sir Paul Hasluck. What I was not aware was, that in 1987 the Qld Nationals leader Mike Ahern, who replaced Premier Joe Bjelke-Petersen, was also sworn into a two-man ministry, pending the full distribution of portfolios to a complete ministry: "Letter by Sir Walter Campbell to Sir William Heseltine, Buckingham Palace, 25th of Jan. 1988: Campbell Papers". - P.149 Footnote: The Veiled Sceptre: Prof Anne Twomey 2018

Attendance as a Moral Act

Centralised power is exercised across the world by the fraudulent financial system - a gradual but definite descent into financial slavery-by-irredeemable-debt. There are political mechanisms developed that can curtail this centralising of all power. It is a limiting constitution, representative democracy and responsible government – specifically the Westminster system. However, these mechanisms have also been subverted by the political-party-system and are in much need of reinvigorating.

Individuals in the electorate must band together to gain effective control/influence over their representative. This is the only way forward, to re-establish the political initiative from transnational corporate raiders, back to the Parliament as the peoples' house, being the legitimate forum for the people to discuss these issues and curtail centralised power. It is a war over our very freedoms, our own and national assets, and our nation itself. There is no relief within the political parties, any of them.

At times and places, it may become a hot war, however, there is the scriptural promise that 'The meek shall inherit the earth', and, 'Not by might, nor by strength, but by my Spirit'. A certain level of bravery and incarnated faith-by-works must come together with a clear vision of a world sought after. Not for some remote land across the horizon, but in our own backyard and our very-own community - first.

Australian League of Rights Resources

The Douglas Social Credit legacy/inheritance provides legitimate resolution to this age old dilemma of the manipulation of the financial system to centralise power, and is found within the recorded works of CH Douglas and others within the ALOR libraries. The incarnation of this vision of greater freedoms, and decentralised financial and political policy, is also found within the recorded works of ED Butler and others also within the ALOR libraries. It is our job, our Christian calling, our duty, to protect, advance, and then ensure this cultural inheritance is used now, and remains available for future generations. Attendance is a Moral Act.

Australian League of Rights Expansion Fund

This year, 2025, is unique in the history of the League, in that there are plans afoot to considerably expand the number of League speakers going into the field. These unique individuals are deferring their own personal pursuits to set time aside – (in a position of service) to enter the battle to uphold and restore our ancient Rights and Freedoms. To spread this vital ALOR/Douglas Social Credit message, these individuals will require logistical and financial support. *An army marches on its stomach* - the logistical and financial support must be there in advance, ready to be used as each successive campaign occurs.

For over sixty years this journal, and this organisation (some 80 years since the end of WWII hostilities), has been recording the battle between the forces of freedom and totalitarianism. It has predicted what would happen if effective political action was not taken – (failure to deprive the forces of totalitarianism of their major weapon, a finance-economic policy which is used to drive mankind into bigger and more centralised groups and ultimately into the World State), - making individual resistance impossible. Fighting a series of rearguard battles, the forces of freedom have been increasingly mobilised in Australia under the clear and decisive leadership that the League of Rights offers. The League has more than weathered the storm, and it has planned this national programme of traveling speakers to take advantage of the increasing crisis. But that programme will fail unless adequate financial resources are made available to support these additional resources.

Calling for Donations and Bequests

The jaws of the totalitarian world state are progressively closing in on the free world. The logic of the situation would appear that the causes of freedom, of Christian Civilisation, has been defeated. But as has so often happened in history, the faith and dedicated effort of a few people has defied logic. The logic favoured Napoleon at the decisive Battle of Waterloo. It still favoured him late in the day when he threw his famous elite of veterans in for the decisive blow. But the British lines held, and the tide of the battle turned dramatically.

One of the League's great strengths has been its decentralised financial support. It has never placed itself in the position where it must rely exclusively upon only a few sources of finance. Advertising has never been accepted for its journals. It has been vitally assisted by Donations and Bequests from individuals who wished that all, or part of their material substance be devoted to the continuing battle for freedom, decency, and Christian Civilisation.

A handful of supporters have now contributed significantly to the Basic Fund. The balance is still to be made up to support the League's thin red line of defence. We seriously believe that it is now or never and ask all those who have not yet contributed to the League's Basic Fund and now the Expansion Fund, to prayerfully assess the maximum they can give. Details in the advert at the end of this journal.

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- (a) To promote loyalty to the Christian concept of God, to the Crown, and to the Country.
- (b) To advocate genuine competitive individual enterprise and personal initiative.
- (c) To defend private ownership and advocate its extension in order that individual freedom with security shall be available to all.
- (d) To attack and expose government-by regulation and bureaucratic interference with economic and social activities.
- (e) To take steps designed to secure to the individual very definite rights which no government can take away, and especially steps which defend the written constitution.
- (f) To defend the Rule of law which makes all equal before the Law.
- (g) To stress the value of our system of Common Law, originally built up in Great Britain, to protect the rights of the individual; and to that end, to expose corruption and partiality in all their forms.
- (h) To expose the manner in which the safe guards of individual rights and liberties are being destroyed.
- (I) To emphasise the value of the Senate and of Legislative Councils.
- (j) To expose and oppose all anti-British propaganda and actions, irrespective of their origin.
- (h) To take such other actions as may be deemed desirable to promote the policy of the League.

God is a trinity, a relational structure. Every work of the devil is to divide us into warring camps - Trump vs Harris, Ukraine vs Russia, Israel vs Palestine, Sport team A vs Sport team B, Liberal vs Labor, Democrat vs Republican, Husband vs Wife, Young vs Old. Resolution is to be found in upholding this relational structure, of community, of discussion, love if you like.

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The L.A. Fires, Climate Catastrophe & Other Problems By Neville Archibald

I have been witnessing the news reporting of many different incidents around the world. This of course is not something new, we have had large scale disasters and the aftermath to live through since we first created human settlements. Mankind has created, in many cases, a ripe environment for danger to himself and then had to learn the hard way, from nature, what he should have done better.

Whether we are talking fire, flood or famine, each problem we have faced has been considered and methods to avoid future occurrences have been developed. In the case of fire, the great fire of London, like the great plague, was largely caused by close settlement, combustible materials and little planning for fire extinguishing. With straw and animal feed for the horses that society relied on, as well as wooden buildings and poor refuse removal, you could say that the city of London at that time was ripe for destruction. Town planning and infrastructure development followed, with better building codes and the use of the observation of the things that helped to make it such a destructive time.

Likewise here in Australia our fire-prone country has seen the slow development of ways to minimise the impacts on our lives. Examination of reasons and preventative measures taken should have resulted in less damage being done. Not building in forest areas, clearing away overgrowth and debris regularly and having provision of water to combat an approaching fire, along with an active fire service and watchers to ensure we can stamp them out early.

Floods have also been a problem, with people building on flood plains or in areas often subject to extreme inundation at times. We have tamed mighty rivers with dams in the upper catchments and weirs or lakes to provide, not just reliable water, but also some form of flood mitigation. The ability to hold back a certain

amount of excess seasonal or unseasonable rainfall and let it go in a more controlled manner. This does not mean mother nature cannot surprise us at times, but that we are better prepared and able to cope in most cases.

Other forms of control that our society needs, like food reserves have also been largely dealt with. Since the Egyptian Pharaoh listened to the words of Joseph and stored food enough to feed his people, we have endeavoured to wipe out famine also. Our ability to share in world wide reserves and help each other in bad times has grown, as has our ability to ramp up production quickly. Famine, unless induced by war should be a thing of the past, abundance in other areas means enough can be found if need be.

When I look at the news reports and think back over the recent past, (the last twenty or so years), I see a change in the way we respond. Thorough investigation into why and how to deal with catastrophe was always the response: prevention of future occurrence, highest on the list. This seems to have taken a turn and reporting as well as reviews held later, seem less inclined to speak of any of the true reasons for it happening. The words 'Climate Change' slips off the tongue easily, more easily than responsible reporting on other potential reasons. With the recent L.A. fires, I heard Climate change, along with lack of rainfall, also Climate change, being the main culprits. That the climate induced it, is taken for granted, and the sighing about it, makes it look like this is what we are now in for if we don't do something about it (net zero). That is the over-riding message coming through. Our media has become lazy in their reporting, using pictures and soundbites to lure us to view, but no longer doing any real investigative work behind the scenes to attempt to explain why it is so bad. The 'climate change' response is so easy to trot out, and associated online statistics are so easy to reproduce. Who now goes out and looks at anything else? How bad was the build up that fed the fire? Was there less provision for fighting it? Is the area too densely settled or poorly planned? What can we do differently?

These are questions that seem to be beyond media's ability these days. Beyond political ability too, as the easy solution is to blame simply, something beyond our control, no votes to be lost or blame to be apportioned. Some attempts are made to explain the more obvious reasons, but the societal problems we face are more easily blamed on something that is too big to be able to find one scapegoat, one set of policies that might have contributed to it. No, the obvious answer is to blame society itself and our collective greed. We want too much! Besides, our policies couldn't be wrong, could they? We are an enlightened civilization!

Civilizations have come and gone over mankind's history. Each rise has been followed by prosperity, laxity and decline. The average length of many has been about the same, ten generations from rise to fall.

Read, Sir John Glubb: *The Fate of Empires*. For a short summary and commentary.

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We, as a civilization, are really no different than those that have been before us. If we look at recent catastrophes, we see parallels across the western world, not just with fires. Has our society reached our point of decline? Are we on this downward spiral to collapse? Who will rise out of the ashes?

Sir John Glubb lists the stages of a civilization in his short work, it gives us much to ponder, a stark reminder the we, the 'space age' civilization are not immune to this cycle.

Stage 1, the age of the pioneers

- 2, the age of conquests
- 3, the age of commerce
- 4, the age of affluence
- 5, the age of intellect
- and 6, the age of decadence.

We have seen the first five and I suggest we are in that sixth one now. This last, associated with defensiveness, pessimism, materialism, frivolity, an influx of foreigners, the welfare state and a weakening of religion. He mentions also, three things that I see as more personal faults arising out of society's collapse: selfishness, love of money and the loss of a sense of duty towards our own society.

For us to believe that we are immune from collapse, is to deny the past. Other ancient builders of great things probably thought so too. The builders of the pyramids and the societies that created giant stone cities (something that we would struggle to do even today), probably thought they too were incapable of collapse. Many of the technologies we have today would struggle to recreate what they made. Oh! I don't doubt that we could duplicate them, but at the point in which we find ourselves now, we are struggling to come to terms with the distinction between male and female, let alone the effective management of our lives. We have fallen into a depressed form of achievement. We are in what Glubb calls the 'discussion' stage, where we spend endless time talking about perceived truths and trying to become 'enlightened beyond sensibility'. What we are trying to achieve by this I am unsure. Rather than focus ourselves on the real world and craft it to suit us (responsibly and sustainably), we are living in an artificial construct, navel gazing and trying to discover the infinite varieties of humans that exist. Trying to define all manner of insanities that fail to stand up to close scrutiny in the real world around us. Thus, it is in that real world and our interaction with it, that we see the greatest of disconnects

Back to that real world, the L.A. fires and the resultant tragedy that is unfolding. A city being devastated by wild fire, leaving untold misery and destruction in its wake. The disruption of millions of lives in one small area. With a population of many millions, this is not a stretch of imagination. How has it come to this?

News reports and Government comments have been fairly predictable with the 'climate' being the biggest reason; failures of individuals, while mentioned, are less 27

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the problem than the, 'it's your own fault for living beyond your means', problem affecting the planet.

What are some of the truths behind this?

The (Greater) Los Angeles <u>County</u> population in the late seventies was around 7.5 million. The water supply at that point was showing signs of being overextended. Fast forward to now, where they have a population of 9.7 million, and that same water supply has barely increased in size, in fact, green policies have seen a lot of the recent excess rains run to the sea rather than being saved for use. New dams or water diversions have been on hold or actively stopped, despite that enormous population increase. How do you account for this? Surely infrastructure improvement should follow, or better yet precede, the population rise!

Add to that the vegetation restrictions and management. This area has seen a large rise in eucalyptus and other non native 'drought tolerant' species. When I was there in the late 80s-early 90s I was amazed at the number of gums around.

Forest management, like here in Australia, has been subject to green policy that is not truly embedded in the real world. Lack of undergrowth clean up, little to no fuel reduction burnings and the expansion of fire prone species, meant that management needed to be done properly. To live within environments like these, means taking threats of fire seriously.

Fire department heads have come under some scrutiny for spending vast sums on gender equality and diversity, rather than focusing on what the job actually entails: preparedness for fighting fires! (time spent by senior management pushing hard for better water availability for one). Having no water at the cities hydrants or serious lack of pressure, makes what fighting can be done ineffective at best. There are many day to day city management problems that have been building too. Homelessness and cardboard encampments have risen and have not been seen as the danger they are. Add to that the general 'dirtiness' and lack of pride found in the city and you get rubbish in the streets and unkempt backyards (this latter is also due to lack of time and money to maintain property). In a vast, spread out city like L.A. with all its traffic problems, time and ability to respond is paramount, as is what I would call, just general housekeeping.

Instead of managing the environment for people to live in it, the prevailing thought now seems to be that we are the problem and we no longer deserve to be here. We have intellectualised the thought that the 'planet' is more entitled to exist in its natural state (whatever that looks like) than we are to live with it. A complete disconnect from the reality of how we are to live. Little to no alternative provision for human settlement is discussed in these green policies, just nature being left alone.

So I see these fires as little more than result of policy. Policy that fails humans each time. Are they elsewhere in the world? Yes! We saw flooding in Australia in 2022 that was the direct result of overfull dams in the catchments and poor management. The inquiry into it, focused on how to clean up better next time, I kid you not! Fires here are also subject to poor forest management and ill prepared lead

up into the 'fire season'. Each time the issues are raised and pointed out, the Climate change charge is trotted out. Mismanagement or policy failure is washed away by, essentially a 'prepare for more' scenario. 'We are helpless unless we meet net zero'. As if that will magically halt all destruction by nature.

These catastrophes waiting to happen are indicators of where we are at this point in time. We spend a lot of time and energy on the frivolous, we concentrate on selfish concerns like being easily offended by words and wanting legislation to ban them, on the pursuit of monetary gain and little on any form of service to the society that we live in.

In a more important vein, if we are in this descent into decadence, can we recognise it and turn it around? Can we halt the rise of greed and selfishness by the few who push it hardest? Are we too enmeshed in the framework of this decadence to pull ourselves out and insist on once again thinking of societal benefit and our future, rather than our own immediate needs? Can we replace the self serving leadership/dictators with those who are willing to bring this civilization back on track to advance further, rather than fall back into decline.

I give you three quotes from Glubb, near the end of his twenty six pages:

'In a wider national sphere, the survival of the nation depends basically on the loyalty and self-sacrifice of the citizens. The impression that the situation can be saved by mental cleverness, without unselfishness or human self-dedication, can only lead to collapse.'

'Indeed it often appears in individuals, that the head and the heart are natural rivals. The brilliant but cynical intellectual appears at the opposite end of the spectrum from the emotional self-sacrifice of the hero or the martyr. Yet there are times when the perhaps unsophisticated self-dedication of the hero is more essential than the sarcasms of the clever.'

This last quote to me says it all:

'Men are interminably different, and intellectual arguments rarely lead to agreement. Thus public affairs drift from bad to worse, amid an unceasing cacophony of argument. But this constant dedication to discussion seems to destroy the power of action. Amid a Babel of talk, the ship drifts on to the rocks.'

Sir John Glubb: *The Fate of Empires*.

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God is a trinity, a relational structure. Every work of the devil is to divide us into warring camps - Trump vs Harris, Ukraine vs Russia, Israel vs Palestine, Sport team A vs Sport team B, Liberal vs Labor, Democrat vs Republican, Husband vs Wife, Young vs Old. Resolution is to be found in upholding this relational structure, of community, of discussion, love if you like.

The Benefit of Hindsight By Arnis Luks

The wildfires in California reflect the level of destruction that wrong policy, and/ or inadequate planning and thinking, can achieve. I recently travelled along the east coast of Australia, south to north and back again, and there were homes in forested areas that had been equipped with a sprinkler system around the perimeter of the roof, supplied from buried water tanks, and a remote started, independently powered, pump. There was also the clearing of grounds and a lawned area around the home perimeter to ensure a low fuel load. This type of remote and autonomous firefighting system can be operated from the other side of the world via the internet if it is fully automated. While this system guarantees nothing, it's functionality at the critical time could prove decisive. Construction materials used for the home is also another decisive factor to consider when planning to minimise the effects of a firestorm.

When the firestorm went through the Adelaide Hills in 1980, some 45 years ago, I was several miles away from the front at my home observing the pathway of carnage, including a fuel depot going up. Across several years, I travelled through the affected areas and observed the regrowth, and the rebuild. Houses were retrofitted with independent water supplies and a sprinkler system for firefighting. This was SOP to achieve construction-permits and home-insurance.

Preparedness and Planning

Just before each fire season before the beginning of summer, I ensure the fire water tank is full, prime the fire pump and hose with water, check oils and fuels on the motor, and run the system for an hour recirculating back to the fire water tank (once the system is thoroughly flushed). I also draw the firehose out to its extremity, to check the range of coverage in the event of a real fire. I have clothes especially suited to cover my full body for protection. Goggles are also important, as the smoke can certainly limit your ability to function under duress. This does several important things as part of the preparation of summer. Firstly, it reinforces SOP Standard Operating Procedure for using the fire protection system. It also ensures the equipment is serviceable for use, and, is available almost at a moment's notice.

While I have trained with professional members of the fire department across many years as part of my training within the oil and gas industry, I still need to reassess the plan and strategies with changes in my own circumstances. Electrical isolation requirements for instance, change with the introduction of solar, batteries and even wind power.

A mud map of the important electrical isolation points has been placed within the main electrical switch board which the fire department would be keenly interested in, had they a need to address a fire within my home. In the kitchen, it is good practice to have access to a fire blanket, or woollen blanket, for smothering oil-fires. Evacuation and abandonment, for me, is not the only part of my plan. Preparedness beforehand is.

When I first joined the RAN Royal Australian Navy 1970, wildfires were

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occurring on the greater outskirts of Sydney, not far from where I was based. I was sent as part of an inexperienced team to support the CFS Country Fire Service.

At one point I stood several hundred metres from the boundaries of a forest while the fire storm approached. The flames, to my mind went at least 100m into the air. The heat and smoke, even from several hundred metres away, was intense. The noise, the angry cracks and fury of the firestorm, swirling surges of the increasingly aggressive wind patterns, all added to the terror of the situation.

How could you possibly consider holding your ground under circumstances like that? That is a valid question of which each man and woman must answer for themselves

Artificial Intelligence Induced Jobs Carnage

I have come across several articles on driverless tractors and other automated machinery for modern farming. These facilities (of satellite positioning, sensors to control the processes, and driverless control) can be retro-fitted to some modern tractors. Modern technology is doing away with labour. Paddocks could be fenced, ploughed, seeded, sprayed and harvested, by driverless, automated machinery. This is not a thing of the future, it is happening now. Advanced control machinery can be set and then almost forgotten (monitored for standard tolerances).

Heavy machinery operating within mine sites are also becoming increasingly driverless. Virtual doctors are attending patients, as could teachers and preachers. Lawyers, no doubt, are, or will soon be doing the same.

If we only narrowly focus on the diminishing distribution of wages through reduced employment opportunities; to consider this affect only, we will miss this golden opportunity to take a significant cultural and civilisational step forward. This is the neo-Liberal and Libertarian focus, of increased profits and reduced costs/wages by the replacement of human labour with AI/Robotics and automation. The producer/manufacturer may also achieve a reduced market share as the available spending power in the community will be reduced by less employment opportunities. Whyalla, with the closed-down shipyard and power generation, and now with the significantly reduced steel production, is a ready example. With all those industries going elsewhere, and now with total wages significantly reduced for the townsfolk, this has a flow on affect to many, many other businesses in the greater surrounding area, without further employment opportunities with new projects.

But what happens with those who lose their employment, or never achieve a job at all? What of them? They have done nothing to deserve destitution, but that will be their fate. We should be looking very carefully at this moment in time, as we could miss the wood for the trees, a golden opportunity to reset the financial system, to make it an equitable system of distribution that could reconcile 'prices' at the marketplace without incurring debt. For Whyalla folk, which is close to home and still current, this question has 'gone begging for considered thinking' for 50 years. The Luddites responded by smashing machinery to maintain a viable income.

There was little considered thinking at that First Industrial Revolution. Only the short-term goal of increased profits, as is the same today by the Liberals and Libertarians alike. Promises of 'smaller government' by the Liberals, is code for ready access for exploitation - looting, at the expense of the disenfranchised voting public. The voting public are feeling the hot-flame of ever-increasing taxes to make up the shortfall from a diminishing tax base as jobs disappear. Look at Victoria.

Nuclear power generation is also promoting monopoly, at the expense of our abundant coal reserves and thousands upon thousands of ancillary jobs from the smaller workshops and service providers that support that primary industry.

NewHope chairman Robert Millner says Australia must cut red and green tape!

New Hope will ramp up its New Acland coal mine after striking a legal deal around water use, ending more than a decade of litigation

Peter Dutton speaks from confused thinking, or maybe a forked tongue. He and the coalition represent the mega-wealthy's interests only. He is following the same policy as Malcolm Fraser did in 1975, but under a different name. Eventually, but not before the next election, this policy will drive his voter base towards the welfare/socialist monopoly of the Labor party, just as the Labor Party policy (welfare and taxes) is deliberately driving their voter base towards less government (which never equates to less taxes for the average voter). Victorian tax rates have eroded confidence with their socialist government, and they cannot identify any alternative, let alone a legitimate option of less (smaller) government AND less (smaller) taxes.

However, there has been considered thinking with the work of CH Douglas as to the ramifications of this Fourth Industrial Revolution – AI and Robotics with little or no labour requirements. It's no longer a question of manufacturing. We can set the machines to work and produce all the goods that is necessary. It's now a question of an equitable <u>distribution</u> system that balances 'prices' with 'available spending'.

Wages, salaries and dividends are insufficient to purchase what we make. The custodians of the fraudulent financial system have been progressively garnishing this cultural inheritance from the industrial arts, which rightfully belongs to us all, unto themselves since the first industrial revolution. This cultural inheritance needs to be distributed equitably, so that the community can buy what machines and robotics can produce. We can't stop this wave of progress, and nor should we. We must accommodate it and serve every individual in this accommodation. This requires a financial dispensation – to all, equally, so we can purchase from the economy what the economy can produce, and without incurring debt - both held in equilibrium.

This policy of decentralised purchasing power, just as voting (theoretically) offers decentralised political power. There will still be those who are able to game the system to their advantage, no doubt, but if everyone is assured of adequate food on the table, living in a home of their own, while being debt free and devoid of exploitive taxes, who cares!

I'm the last chance to reverse Australia's decline: Dutton

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Peter Dutton is warning Australia may never recover if Labor is re-elected at this year's federal election. Peter Dutton says the election of a Coalition government this year will be the 'last chance' to reverse the economic and social decline of Australia, as he begins his campaigning in 2025 in the Melbourne seat of Chisholm.

The Douglas proposal of a National Dividend distributed equally to every member of society, is designed to make up the chronic shortfall of spending power, to purchase what is produced, and, without incurring further debt - irredeemable.

The Douglas proposal of a Consumer Price Subsidy ensures that inflationary pressures are held in abeyance, (as was done during WWII), so the value of the currency is stabilised - permanently.

The Douglas proposal - of the establishment of a National Credit Authority, (being separate from the permanent bureaucracy and government), would be constituted by Letters Patent, or a Royal Commission or Royal Warrant.

Acting autonomously from bureaucratic and government interference, a National Credit Authority performing a regular assessment of the available spending power to the public (from wages, salaries and dividends), compared to a regular assessment of all prices at the market place (produced goods from the economic system), would enable the National Credit Authority to set the value of the National Dividend based on this shortfall of spending power. If the nation chooses to de-industrialise, the National Dividend would be reduced accordingly. If the nation chooses to reindustrialise, the National Dividend would be increased accordingly, to compensate for the increase in production of available goods – reflected in total 'prices'.

Universal Basic Income is No Option At All - Just Bigger Government

The spurious proposal of a Universal Basic Income UBI, is a tax-based redistribution of existing spending power. This does not make up the shortfall of total spending power available to the community, to ensure future and accrued debts (from manufacturing and services) are reconciled. All new money coming into existence into the economic system is 'borrowings' from central banks. No new money is issued by Treasury to offset this lack of spending power to purchase what is produced. Proposing that governments issue a UBI is not a decentralising policy, but rather a capitalist/socialist duopoly - cradle to grave bureaucratic interference with the economy and the public - called socialism.

If some consideration is directed towards these Douglas proposals, and more detailed thoughts arrive, there is an animated-video-series - 'Douglas Social Credit' available on the Rumble video service here: https://rumble.com/c/c-1018734, that goes some length to explain these concepts in a more detailed fashion. These short-animated-lessons build progressively to develop the thinking of the willing student. The several ALOR online libraries also provide an abundance of written and well researched analysis of the Douglas' proposals, to consolidate knowledge of this novel science of the 'Social Credit'.

There is also the weekly 'thecross-roads.org' Broadcast and Podcast available from the front page of 'alor.org', along with the most current issues of the journals *On Target* and *New Times Survey*.

To compliment all these digital services is the online bookshop *VeritasBooks.org* which carries many important and difficult to obtain printed titles. The truth is: there is an embarrassment of affordable resources available for the willing student.

Poilievre and Dutton are taking a stand for pragmatic working-class conservatism

— (yea right says Arnie Luks!!)

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Both opposition leaders in Canada and Australia have little concern for the progressive agendas and opinions of affluent elites, writes Matthew Doman for the Australian Financial Review.

The opposition leader Peter Dutton is currently marketing himself (and the Liberal party) to the Australian electorate as the only viable alternative to the Labor socialists. Truth be known, he is also promoting monopoly, just as/were the Liberal predecessors Scott Morrison, Malcolm Turnbull, Tony Abbott, and John Howard. Even Robert Menzies described himself as a practical socialist. Neo-Liberalism and Libertarianism offer monopoly in another form, but monopoly none the less.

The average Joe or Mary does not stand to inherit the earth, but, is promised a spot in the park, or on the sidewalk, as they scramble for any type of existence sleeping in the streets, while the robots and AI produce all the goods and services necessary – increasing profits for the monopolists. Liberals provide no resolution nor considered thinking to the AI/Robotic phenomena (approaching as a runaway steam-train to all types of jobs across the world). The Lima Declaration was short-sighted, and thoroughly promoted and advanced by the Liberal PM Malcolm Fraser (John Howard as Treasurer) and every other Liberal leader since 1975. Labor has promoted the policies of the Socialist International, the UN as world government, and Fabián Socialism ever since the Hawke era. Both parties promoting monopolies, at the expense of the public – the average Joe and Mary and their families.

Fixed Term Parliaments Not Any Better

With Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau announcing his conditional-resignation as leader of their (socialist-ed) Liberal party and also proroguing the Canadian Parliament while the entire membership of their Liberal Party goes through the selection process of the new leader, the Canadian government is placed in caretaker mode for several months, possibly till the fixed 4 year term election falls due in October. In Australia the unpopular Federal Labor government appears to be limping slowly to an election due no later than May 2025, four months away. Australia, as does Canada, needs a federal election sooner rather than later.

Joe Biden was absent from the USA Presidential Election Campaign.

British Prime Minister Keir Starmer was elected July last year, achieving only 33.7% of the popular vote (the lowest on record), and has become a huge liability

for the Labor party as he was the Director of Public Prosecutions, and Head of the Crown Prosecution Service which failed to prosecute the Asian paedophile grooming gangs who violated thousands of young girls and boys across Rotherham, South Yorkshire, Northern England, from the late 1980s until 2013. Being a fixed term Parliament as is USA and Canada, a national election in Britain is not due until August 2029, $4^{1}/_{2}$ years away. They also need an election now.

A National Recovery Program

No political party is promoting Australian independence, nor re-industrialisation, resourcefulness, self-reliance, nor is promoting any policy that would produce real jobs. No political party is even discussing amelioration of the irredeemable debts (due to the fraudulent financial system), just accepting that debts across multiple generations is the new norm - including national debts of just a trillion dollars or so.

Is any party advocating withdrawal from the political and economic powerbases of the UN and the TPP; not law, but, rules-based-order? These are the very questions and considerations towards policies for a National Recovery Program that will never be placed on the table for the public to legitimately decide at any election.

The problems are obvious and many, but the presented solutions offered up by the mainstream media while pressuring all political parties, never legitimately provides relief from, and resolves, these issues. We, the ordinary public, must provide our own alternative solutions to the many and varied problems (now correctly stated).

Lines Of Defence

The first line of defence for 'the money power versus the people', is political parties. They are captured by the money power and only present policy that is fed to them by the monopolised mainstream media.

The second line of defence for 'the money power versus the people' is the cartelised and monopolised industry, generally with headquarters located overseas and supporting manufacturing policy of 'interdependence' across all nations.

The third line of defence for 'the money power versus the people' is central banking, again located overseas, and if they get their way: all new credits will be provided exclusively by them for every nation, every industry, every retailer and every person, and only issued as a communist rewards-and-punishment system.

The core, the heart, the centre of this worldly-power, in 'the money power versus the people', are the families of 300, who rule the world. This centre of power is Luciferian and Occult - hidden.

Knowing this to be so, is only half an answer. We, the voting public, must provide countermeasures for each point of contact. Consistently regaining some effective influence from our current elected representative is only the first step, the first cab at the rank that needs to be successfully navigated over to get to the core. We, the voting public, must identify and implement a lasting mechanism, perhaps CIR in combination with open and public meetings, identify policies that result in effective solutions experienced on the ground. No small task for the days ahead. ***

Constitutional Clarion on YouTube

Prof Anne Twomey, University of Sydney, is producing regular videos on her YouTube channel about constitutional matters which I find relevant and of interest. While the work of former Australian High Court Judge and Labor Attorney General HV Evatt have been part of my previous research, Prof Anne Twomey sets herself apart with more thoroughly researched titles, and a deeper consideration and appreciation of the subject matter, even compared to HV Evatt as former high court judge. The books on the subject matter she has researched and published are not cheap, one being over \$150, which is a small price to pay in comparison to the pain experienced in the public arena or the courts if you're not thoroughly prepared.

The more I watch and listen, the more I read from her three books, the more I am convinced she is much closer to the truths-of-constitutional-law that I am keenly interested in and drawn towards.

The first title '*The Chameleon Crown*' elaborated on the accommodating and changing nature, and descriptor of our monarchy.

The second title 'The Veiled Sceptre' is a mammoth work of some 860 pages which I am only halfway through, dealing with the reserve powers of Heads of State in the Westminster system. Prof Twomey has not limited her research to nations within the Commonwealth, but includes many examples of other nations whose legal framework of constitutional government is similar to the Westminster system.

The third title 'The Australia Acts 1986' - Australia's Statutes of Independence, is still to come. My understanding of these Acts has come from works by other noted writers on constitutional law. I am fortunate to also have access to an extended library, which carries constitutional law and legal theory back several hundred years. Should sufficient time allow, this is where I will go as the needs arise.

If you only have a little time watch the videos. If you share increasing interest in the subject and wish to know more, read the books. She has spent a good part of her lifetime researching, advising, debating across the bar, teaching at university level, and now informing the public on constitutional and legal matters of historical importance. She has set herself apart as a significant authority. I find, that on this compelling subject, Prof Anne Twomey is in a league of her own.

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Executive Orders Bypass Congress, or Parliament

Donald Trump's first act as president was issuing over 200 Executive Orders bypassing Congress and any bureaucratic oversight. For those who think this would or could not ever happen in Australia; think again.

This act of rapid-fire policy change is of the same type as the 1972 First Whitlam Labor Ministry/Government, Gough Whitlam formed a triumvirate of himself, Lance Barnard (holding 27 portfolios between them), and, Gov General Sir Paul Hasluck – the Federal Executive Council requires a quorum of three.

Making 40 Executive Council policy determinations in its brief 2 week tenure (5th – 19th Dec 1972), including the removal of Australian troops from Vietnam, the immediate release of all draft resisters, and recognition of Communist China.

Trump may have done this across 2 days while Whitlam took 2 weeks, but the bypassing of Parliament/Congress demonstrated the same type of unaccountability and irresponsibility, whether you agree with the policies or not. No discussion, no debate, and no option to put any type of proviso conditions (brakes) on either of the processes.

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In 1987 the Qld Nationals leader Mike Ahern, who replaced Premier Joe Bjelke-Petersen, was also sworn into a two-man ministry, pending the full distribution of portfolios to a complete ministry:

"Letter by Sir Walter Campbell to Sir William Heseltine, Buckingham Palace, 25th of Jan. 1988: Campbell Papers".

- P.149 Footnote: The Veiled Sceptre: Prof Anne Twomey 2018

Presidential Immunity

Prof Anne Twomey's latest video 'US Presidential Immunity - An Outsider's Analysis' dissects the USA Supreme Court's findings against Donald Trump in the dying days of his previous presidency.

https://www.supremecourt.gov/opinions/24pdf/24-656 ca7d.pdf

The US Supreme Court's majority decision determining immunity for the President to extend across a very broad range of circumstances. Former President Richard Nixon would not have been impeached – 50+ years ago, under this Supreme Court ruling.

Constitutional Clarion: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XeL3Wu2f9UU

The Question of Pre-emptive Pardons, By Ian Wilson LL.B https://blog.alor.org/the-question-of-pre-emptive-pardons-by-ian-wilson-ll-b

...President Biden in the last moments of his presidency issued pre-emptive pardons to Dr Anthony Fauci, Gen Mark Milley, the January 6 Committee, and most of the Biden family. Hunter Biden, his son, was previously pardoned for crimes tried (already trialled and convicted-ed), but no-one else was under trial or convicted of a crime, although speculation was... that most should be. So, what is wrong with pre-emptive pardons.?

Such pardons undermine the rule of law and are contrary to the US constitution's separation of powers of the executive and judiciary. They are open actions to prevent judicial inquiry and hence usurp judicial power. Further, such a system if widely practiced would make many undesirable things permissible, as all matter of crimes under investigation could be covered up. Guilty parties would thus escape investigation, as the President, ... pardons all the wrong doers. Biden has already done this for 8,064 people. ...

Further reading:

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Rules Based Order - Rule of Law No More

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I'm not surprised Donald Trump wants Canada, Panama and Greenland to come into the union. This is just a continuation of the same plan for world government developed by the Council on Foreign Relations and the Club of Rome many years ago. He rubs shoulders with some of the wealthiest people in the world. He holds the keys to the most powerful military machine the world has ever seen. Coupled with the diverse branches of the intelligence community at his disposal, the Federal Laws: Patriot Act, Homeland Security, the Surveillance State etc.., the authority to pardon his many allies and summarily punish or discretely emasculate his enemies, the authority to issue Executive Orders not requiring legislative passage through Congress. Combined, these provide him (as president) the mechanisms and unfettered authority to do almost as he pleases, of which I hold grave fears for the 'home of the free'.

The groundwork had previously been laid by past administrations and the latest Supreme-Court finding, now providing almost unfettered legal immunity for the President, with multiple articles already appearing of the possibility of a third Trump term in defiance of their Constitution.

https://theconversation.com/how-trump-could-try-to-stay-in-power-after-his-second-term-ends-246722

Should the MSM collaborate sufficiently to support this presidency, thiscumulatively leads my thoughts towards a dictatorship forming in the USA. Elon Musk's salute may be more indicative of the days ahead than is realised.

Stargate

Multiple technology chiefs had front row seating at the inauguration ceremony. Trump rescinded a previous Executive Order that established oversight measures for companies developing powerful AI models.

"The removal of these protections... and the investment promised... means AI is likely to develop very fast in the US, but in directions that benefit only the few".

Microsoft and OpenAI's Stargate: A \$100 Billion Leap in AI Supercomputing https://www.33rdsquare.com/microsoft-and-openais-ambitious-hundred-billion-dollar-ai-supercomputer-project-stargate/

The Stargate Project is a \$500 billion Artificial Intelligence AI project led by Japanese giant Softbank, Oracle, ChatGPT-creator OpenAI, will create an AI infrastructure for the US, the construction of 20 "colossal data centres", each requiring 46,000+ square metres of floor space.

Why AI of this level? – Control; includes Militarised Pre-emptive Healthcare **Essential reading:**

'Evidence-Based Healthcare Revolution is Technocracy On Steroids': https://www.technocracy.news/evidence-based-healthcare-revolution-is-technocracy-on-steriods/and further:

Trump throws his weight behind new generation of mRNA gene-therapy injections...

https://leohohmann.substack.com/p/trump-throws-his-weight-behind-new

Project 'Stargate' explains why Trump never backtracked from his disastrous 'Operation Warp Speed': President OKs control grid (StarGate-ed) and mRNA shots on 2nd day in office. (Operation Warp Speed, a 2020 Trump administration initiative to manufacture COVID-19 vaccines as fast as possible) and again here:

$https:/\!/www.youtube.com/watch?v = fkT4bPEQCjc$

Trump is not the saviour figure people hoped, but is bypassing all governmental limitations-and-oversight for rapid exploitation at a military level - without proper due diligence and protection against adverse events and contra-indications from a medical procedure. We haven't learnt anything since Covid-19! We will get more of the same but at a much faster pace. There is anarchy within the administration. Trump condemned Biden over pre-emptive pardons for Fauci and others, but supports Gates and others with Stargate – what humbug.

Welcome to this age of *laissez-faire* (unfettered) Capitalism, or Libertarianism if you like.

Read further of this revolutionary Impunity:

The Revolutionary Catechism By Sergey Nechayev https://alor.org/Storage/Library/PDF/Nechayev_S-The_Revolutionary_Catechism.pdf

Who is Running this Show? - Just so You Know By William Waite

Facebook, Amazon, Google and X front row at the Trump inauguration. RFK takes a back seat. They're not going to be subtle anymore.

Like so many others I have been loosely watching the wake of Zuckerberg's announcement that Facebook will no longer use fact-checkers to screen content on its platforms. To be clear, he didn't say there would be an end to censorship. My suspicion is that the role of "independent" fact checkers can now be better performed by AI and it's more of a cost-cutting measure than a return to principles.

Just a quick reminder. During the great flu-panic Zuckerberg oversaw a massive censorship campaign which deleted and demoted posts that didn't support the government narrative on Covid. In short, Facebook, along with pretty much every other news and corporate media outlet, played a vital role in the information operation necessary to manufacture consent for multi-dosing a dangerous, ineffective gene therapy to much of the Western world. Amongst the banned content were posts that criticized vaccines, publicized side-effects, objections to masks and lockdowns and anything which suggested that Covid may have had its origins in lab. Covid censorship is the most egregious and overt abuse of the truth by Facebook but they censored all sorts of things. I've had articles pulled from Facebook that had nothing to do with Covid

Zuckerberg describes in a conversation with Rogan¹ the point at which he folded to government pressure and went over to the dark side. The government was saying "You have to take that down. And we said, no. We're not, we're not gonna take down humor and satire. We're not gonna take down things that are true. And then at some point, I guess, I don't know, flipped a bit."

Just a bit.

In his three-hour confab with Rogan, Zuckerberg attempts to locate the cause of the flip anywhere but with himself. It was the government people yelling orders down the phone or the rogue "third-party" fact-checkers with political agendas. It wasn't me, is Mark's recurring point. He just believes in "giving people a voice" and "the power to share and make the world more open and connected."

As to the government pressure Zuckerberg explains, sort of, "It was people in the, in the Biden administration. I think it was, you know, I wasn't involved in those conversations directly, but I think it was." I suppose he was too busy to be involved in conversations that would convert Facebook into a propaganda outlet of the global government. A minor side issue in the world of pig-shooting, jiu-jitsu honing,

general mad-dog Zuckster.

Undeserved government persecution of Facebook is a recurring motif throughout the conversation. Zuckerberg says:

Yeah, I mean, so the, the issue is that there's the, there's what specific thing an agency might be looking into you for, and then there's like the underlying political motivation, which is like, why do the people who are running this thing hate you? And I think that those can often be two very different things. So, and we had organizations that were looking into us that were like not really involved with social media. Like I think like the CFPB, like this financial, I don't even know what it stands for. It's the, it's the financial organization that Elizabeth Warren set up. Great. And it, and it's basically, it's like we're not a bank.

It's amusing to listen to Zuckerberg pretend that Facebook has nothing to do with banking. In 2019 the company attempted to launch a global currency, Libra, which was blocked. Zuckerberg himself appeared before the Financial Services Committee. In addition Meta, Zuckerberg's umbrella company, runs a payments system, Meta Pay, which holds money transfer licenses in nearly every state in the US and in most countries. From 2008 to 2022 Facebook's chief operating officer was Sheryl Sandberg who was Larry Summers research assistant at the World Bank and Summers chief of staff when he was Secretary of the Treasury during the Clinton Administration.

In addition to its forays into financial services Facebook has been had up on charges by the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) multiple times for privacy violations as well as injunctions against tracking children for targeted advertising. You might also remember the Facebook-Cambridge Analytica Scandal for which Facebook was fined a record breaking \$5 billion.

In a speech at the University of Pennsylvania in 2022 called *Reining in Repeat Offenders*² current head of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) Rohit Chopra, who also filed complaints against Zuckerberg when head of the FTC, uses the FTC action against Facebook as a case study for exploring the problem of corporate recidivism and the potential problems associated with these companies getting into financial services:

I raise Facebook not only because it is such an egregious case but also because of the potential of very large firms entering financial services. It's clear that Big Tech wants to get into the market, as we saw with Facebook's failed attempt to create a new global currency. We've also seen Alibaba, Amazon, Google, and Tencent entering financial services, including with payments, money management, insurance, and lending. Given their size and customer reach, their entry has the potential to transform the industry. How these companies engage in other business practices is how we can expect them to engage in financial services, so it is worth going into some detail about the FTC case against one of the biggest players in this space.

Zuckerberg going on Rogan and pretending that the government is coming after his company because they hate him reminds me of Bush claiming that 911 happened because Arabs hate freedom. Whatever his motivations are he's a lying b*&%# and Rogan might do well to be more careful about having people on who are perfectly comfortable with treating his audience like idiots.

If comments are anything to go by nobody is buying the Zuckerberg rebrand but the episode is suggestive of a darker story about the increasingly central role that "private" technology firms are assuming in our society.

Consider this article by <u>Mark Goodwin</u> from Unlimitedhangout.com which directly links big tech companies and their founders to military and intelligence networks:

Facebook, not unlike Palantir, was one of the vehicles used to privatize controversial U.S. military surveillance projects after 9/11, having also been birthed out of one of the MDDS (Massive Digital Data Systems) partners, Harvard University. PayPal and Palantir co-founder Peter Thiel became Facebook's first significant investor at the behest of file-sharing pioneer Sean Parker, whose first contact with the CIA took place at age 16. What Facebook became after the involvement of Thiel and Parker bore such an uncanny resemblance to another shuttered DARPA project of the same era, known as LifeLog, that LifeLog's architect and project manager at DARPA (Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency) has even noted the direct parallels. One of these parallels, though left unmentioned by former DARPA project managers, is the fact that Facebook launched the very same day that LifeLog was shut down. Facebook's long-standing ties to the military and intelligence communities go far beyond its origins, including revelations about its collaboration with spy agencies as part of the Snowden leaks and its role in influence operations – some have even directly involved Google and Palantir.³

What we saw with Facebook, and the media generally, during the flu panic was the maneuverings of a well-connected network of corporate and political operators furthering their own financial and power ambitions at the expense of the general public. The "pandemic" was enormously profitable for these people, especially those in the tech industry, and absolutely disastrous for everyone else especially their small and medium sized competitors. With inflation and interest rates the attrition continues. It is a mistake to view the relationship between government and international corporate monopolies as adversarial, especially now, it seems, as we move into Trump's second term.

With the incoming Trump administration the cooperative relationship between government, intelligence and the tech monopolies is coming out of the shadows. I addition to the procession of tech giants paying homage at Mar-a-Lago Trump has just announced he will establish a biometric tracking system "on land, at sea and in the air." The ambition of the tech oligarchs is to develop and apply the technology

to monitor, record and analyse every aspect of our lives while at the same time monopolise our time and attention. It's referred to as total information awareness. What ten years ago most people would have considered impossible is increasingly our reality. With the power and money of the tech companies and the likely imminent withdrawal of regulatory authority accelerating the development of AI and virtual reality, something like the Matrix is moving out of the realm of metaphor. If we value freedom and privacy at all we need to think carefully about what programs we choose to interact with.

And let's not forget we have a choice. That is the one thing which is not countenanced in these discussions with the transhumanists. We are supposed to accept without reservations that our future will be dominated by devices, surveillance, AI, digital games and entertainment and all the other modern trivialities which seek to colonise our existence. We're being led to believe that no tolerable alternative exists.

Let me tell you something. I get up in the morning, have a coffee and a read. We breakfast mostly on food grown within a 100 meter radius of the kitchen. We milk the cow and let the sheep and the chooks out. I work either on or off-farm depending on the day. My wife either takes the kids to swimming lessons or a craft class with other conscious people or stays home to garden, prep and preserve food, educate the kids and any number of a million other things industrious people can do to maximise value in the home economy. There is always useful work to do. It's mostly pleasant, interesting, satisfying, palpably *real* and not easily exploited by parasites (the sheep and cattle do get ticks). None of it whatsoever depends on the virtual, ersatz experiences dreamed up by the tech giants.

There is nothing novel about what we're up to, in fact it's far closer to how people have lived for centuries than the overcrowded urban deserts that draw people in. The work is light to moderate, especially if one takes advantage of the assortment of simple machines, and much easier than twiddling your thumbs in a bullshit job. It is probably not the only solution to escaping your pod but if you're casting around for an exit you'd do worse than finding a bit of ground and learning about what you can do with it.

I've used this quote from Huxley before but it's too perfect not to repeat: Indeed, unless we choose to decentralize and to use applied science, not as the end to which human beings are to be made the means, but as the means to producing a race of free individuals, we have only two alternatives to choose from: either a number of national, militarized totalitarianisms, having as their root the terror of the atomic bomb and as their consequence the destruction of civilization... or else one supranational totalitarianism, called into existence by the social chaos resulting from rapid technological progress and the atom revolution in particular, and developing under the need for efficiency and stability, into the welfare-tyranny of Utopia.

You pays your money and you takes your choice.⁴ I'm off to post this on Facebook.

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A New way of Thinking By Neville Archibald

With the new year, comes the usual round of promises or resolutions. Sometimes these are less cemented in reality and more of a jocular form. Many are of things we are willing to give up on, as if we were approaching 'lent' on the Christian calendar.

I would like to encourage readers to challenge themselves this year and instead of the focus on giving up something, or of doing without; to focus instead on taking up something, or of doing within!

Harry Potter fans might be referenced here as the book would suggest you become more like the sword of Gryffindor, only taking in that which makes you stronger. For those of you who are older perhaps consider the words of Neitzsche, 'Was mich nicht umbringt, macht mich starker!' Sadly if your German is as good as mine, the above is almost meaningless, but it means essentially the same as J.K. Rowlings parable. That, overcoming adversity can make you stronger and more resilient. Or, 'What doesn't kill you makes you stronger'.

With this in mind the last four years have been an abject lesson in this. COVID, far from being the end of the world, has brought with it a stark reminder of just how close a line we tread between totalitarian control and the idea of democratic representation and freedom. In a softer set of words, either having 'good' done to us, or ourselves doing 'good' within our community.

This emphasis on 'good' is the crucial part here.

The distinction between <u>our good</u> and the <u>authoritarian good</u>.

Jeremy Bentham, 1748-1832. An english philosopher, jurist and social reformer was the founder of modern Utilitarianism. He is credited as saying,

'it is the greatest happiness of the greatest number that is the measure of right or wrong.' (which I totally disagree with)

Taken to it's logical conclusion, real truth does not matter as long as the greater good is served. In a high functioning society of equals, perhaps those truths might not be lost, but in the reality of the world, mob rule is often a bigger factor.

Playing into that theory of mob rule is Propaganda and influence. Two parts of our modern society that are used so much that many no longer see it happening, let alone recognise the falsehoods or lies often contained within it. (deceptive

advertising, political promises, etc) In a declining society, such as we have now, where education is more of a spitting out of accepted facts rather than learning the art of considered thinking, this loss of spiritual concept and fundamental truths is on the decline also. The concept of Philosophy itself, is almost dead, just a fancy intellectual word of the past: it's meaning lost with it.

With the 'pandemic', Government and media tied themselves together in a partnership that permitted no outside comment on the serious business of COVID. No tolerance of other scientific view was allowed. Experienced and previously well regarded scientists were, and still are, silenced, de-funded or ridiculed to ensure the 'greater good' was served. The 'greater good' as decided by decree, not wisdom. It was this 'greater good' that prevailed.

Just whose idea of greater good was it?

What we are now beginning to see is just whose benefit all of this espoused truth was for. Greater profit for some and increased control over us!

As the year progresses we will see more and more come to light about the dangers of allowing a small group of people, with this Bentham attitude, control the notion of what is the greater good.

From the virtual dictatorship of Andrews in Victoria, to the Federal sphere where the Prime Minister took on all the ministerial roles needed to force his idea of truth upon us, whether it was that we agreed or not. We saw virtual dictators rule over us, with travel permits, gaol time for dissenters and even those who made casual remarks on social media. Enforced medication of unwilling people was only missed out on by the wording alone, in all practical terms it was real. No jab! No job! Coercion without doubt, but in legal terms, not forced.

This is what they cry when when it is contested, that a mandate is not an enforcement. Safe in their own little world – the decision makers had no problem ordering us to do what they exempted themselves from. They were never under the same compulsion because of job loss, social exclusion or the resultant financial difficulty.

Why do I remind you of these things? For many it was hard to see it at the time. The pressure of fear, of children at home, not school, made life a turmoil for many who relied on their way of life to get by. Both parents working has meant school is the de-facto baby sitter and without it, one parent or Grandparent, becomes indispensable at home. The 'Granny Killer' picture painted of this novel virus meant one more reason for worry, none dare risk the older generations to look after kids while two still worked to make ends meet.

Isolation was fostered, encouraged and even ordered, so community cohesion suffered. Community opinion was not allowed to develop, each in this isolation felt they could not discuss or disagree due to the virulent and often vicious attacks on those pointing out the disparities in the rules or requirements.

The chief of these was the masking, it still is! People I had done PPE (personal protective equipment) courses with, who knew how to select the appropriate gear

for a given situation, argued and demonised me when I compared the virus as an aerosol size droplet being stopped by what they were calling masks. Keeping out the flies with weld-mesh screens, is how I put it. Logic and learning went out the door in favour of political dictate, a response to constant fear, hype and derogatory remarks by those we allow to 'influence' us.

Now that we have that ability to step back and consider what went on , our resolution must be to take a better look at these failed approaches.

Our new way of looking must also be a consideration of the ways in which many were divided, for holding, what turned out to be a correct view, of the situation. Despite all the hype and daily statistics published, the overall result ended up being not that much worse than a bad flu year. Couple that with the fact that they were turning away people who presented with low level flu like symptoms and telling them to 'come back when your lips turn blue'. You can surely see the reason many suffered from flu far worse than they otherwise would have. Normally something would be prescribed to minimise symptoms and help the body cope, but given nothing and left to get sicker before treatment will always lead to a higher mortality. This, I suggest, is probably the biggest factor in death rates worldwide, not COVID itself.

Add to that the 'no medications for it' attitude, that is not normal procedure, meant Doctors were not permitted to prescribe as they saw fit. Lessening symptoms that allow the body to recover is always one of the first calls made. A doctor will often prescribe an 'off label' safe medication if he thinks it will help. Instead of the body fighting many things, the worst of the symptoms can be lessened to allow the body to concentrate on the cause. This was denied us.

So what is the truth? Will it be simply whitewashed and fall into history as a less than optimal approach. Will the Prime Ministers COVID response report become the the final say on the subject. That it was only loss of faith in Government to blame, because they did not present a unanimous 'truth' to us? That not all spokespersons for the 'pandemic' could see this 'truth' and speak it to us in the same manner. They end their report with a a conclusion that their story must be the same across all government bodies next time, that any 'mis-information' must be more completely overwhelmed or removed. What does this mean? That for the next pandemic, and they keep telling us there will be more, their response will be much the same!

Realise, please, that the pandemic was only one part of the systems of control that these people are implementing or continuing to use. There are many areas where there is increasing control over our lives, look for them and determine the outcomes of them as related to the individual. Increased profit by the giant corporations world wide that we are increasingly seeing is having direct impact on every individual world-wide also. The wool being pulled over our eyes by scare tactics of every kind is resulting in our loss of power over our own lives. We must see this for what it is and look through the jargon used to explain it. It is mostly propaganda without true fact behind it. Like the chief health ministers recommendations during COVID, will

they ever be seen? Are they even based on reality? Much of the convenient fact left out of some of the claims being made, across a wide range of so called information, would make you dubious about them if you knew. Like the people in days past, who were used to snake oil salesmen and wooden nickels on offer, they learnt, often the hard way, to think for themselves, to use fundamental truths to see through false claims and point them out to all around them. This is something we all must relearn to do, it must be our development that we do within ourselves this year.

If <u>you</u> do not make a resolution to look more closely at <u>your</u> own outcomes in life, YOU WILL GET THE 'GREATER GOOD' THAT IS FOISTED UPON YOU BY THOSE WHOSE IDEA OF 'GOOD', IS FOR YOU TO OWN NOTHING AND BE HAPPY EATING CRICKETS! (or jabbed like a pin cushon-ed)

Who Controls Us and Does it Really Matter? By Neville Archibald

Does it matter who we name as the problem. Who it is that is controlling this 'anti- people' movement we find ourselves facing?

As Christ intoned, 'by their works we will know them'.

Getting sidetracked into the 'Conspiracy' field, plays directly into the hands of those doing the conspiring.

Yes, I do believe that there is a conspiracy to remove the general populations freedoms. We have come far enough down that road, that the trend is clearly visible. Did we get asked? Are we clamouring for more and more restrictions in our lives? No! We are being manipulated to believe these things are necessary for our future, but we are being largely deceived as to the reasons behind our 'necessary' sacrifices. The restrictions imposed have been slow and steady ones. Each time a reason for their imposition has been whipped up into a scare, so that we accept the presented solution. A largely uninformed and compliant public has bought into the need for these restrictions and the landslide has gone on from there.

So again, do we need to identify a specific group to finger point at, to, tut, tut and say we see you – stop being naughty!

If you, like me, can see this is occurring, do you ask yourself how we are to confront this evil – and let us call it what it is!

Do we protest and take a plane to Davos, or again bus ourselves to our capital cities to protest en-masse?

Do we tilt at the windmills like a Don Quixote – an aged and confused bunch looking to hold someone or some larger group out there, accountable.

The windmill in this case is a shimmering projection, which can very easily disband and re-emerge somewhere else, still doing its foul deeds. Whether global groups or national parties, these chameleons change tactics but still push for more control over us.

We are not playing a video game here! Where the hero can vanquish the evil

overlords given unwavering devotion to the various levels, tricks, points or magic health restoratives. We are ordinary people who must spend much of our lives making ends meet, raising families and securing our place in the world around us. For most, all we really want, is just to be left alone to get on with life. Who among us is ready for a quest after these evils, these gigantic windmills of change that have the time, money, and minions. Who can and do, still live their luxurious lives while making ours harder and harder.

I think you must begin to realise this tilting at an amorphous enemy is part of the game they play. They know they are virtually untouchable and can say and do as they please. They have governments, courts and even armies at their disposal. This is meant to deflate you, to stop you from trying. It is meant to be too big to deal with.

While they are eating their caviar and discussing buying their next mansion or small country, we are being slapped in the face by the dead fish it came from. All this is being done by their minions!

'Get back in your box, play the game', these minions tell us. 'Obey!'

So does it matter who <u>they</u>, the biggest players are? Do we need to get lost in the identifying of these loathe-some characters? Are we to personally get involved in their prosecution for crimes against mankind?

As I see it, we mere mortals have not the finance or the ears of the systems we need to pursue this – by their prepared methods - at this time. We are playing their video game in doing it that way, they have written the program. Like a good player, we must find the glitches and work out our strategy.

Maybe a good player can attempt it! Maybe we will see Donald or Elon go through the motions – maybe not! I for one will not be holding my breath and waiting for them to do so.

The answer is, as usual in life, entirely up to you, in your own backyards. The very organisations we are supposed to control locally are those who have these minions in them. If we are to start anywhere it should be there. We must gain both experience and control of these, <u>our</u> organisations, to turn this around.

We are many, they are few. Only by us, playing their game, do they succeed. These local organisations have become the tools the Globalists (for want of a better name) are using to enslave us.

As a microcosm of what we face, our local councils are a starting point. In Victoria at least, councillors now have little say in the day to day running of business. The CEOs and their appointees decide most of our future direction at this level. We lost the use of councillors in all but a perfunctory role after amalgamations. We need to recapture this! Our lives should be decided by us, through elected councillors, not government or WEF trained and appointed CEOs. This will necessitate resolving state government issues as well. So in Victoria, at least, to gain local council we need to focus heavily on state elections too.

Realise at this point, please, that it was the Kennett lead government that implemented the amalgamations as well as a series of labor governments that have manipulated this to the globalist benefit. Both must go!

Playing the Globalist game is not for me, I intend to switch off from their methods and play my own version. Much of this, my version, is still ours to use here in Australia.

We still have the right to elect our own council.

We still have the right to vote true representatives into state government.

We still have the right to vote in Federal members, who believe as we do.

We must stop taking the advice of parties who continually fail us and pick our own people for the job.

As for the minions of the globalists, with their empty fish, they need to be either removed from their positions or prosecuted locally for the crimes they are inflicting on us, the people they are supposed to be serving. Either way, these are the people in reach to be changed, unlike some amorphous group elsewhere that they serve. It is on the same grounds as 'what if they held a war and no one came?'

We must play our own game, not theirs. The top people need to be held accountable, but it is where the rubber meets the road that we must start. The obvious presence they work through, that is our area to resist or push hard against. The larger picture can only be solved by a nation presenting a strong case as a nation, via it's Government. That is the purpose of Government, to be our spokesmen. We cannot expect that to happen until we regain control of it.

Locals must regain their local identity and decide for themselves what it is they want. The reflection of this will push the change into the larger spheres. If we don't want freedom locally, then we are truly lost.

God is a trinity, a relational structure. Every work of the devil is to divide us into warring camps - Trump vs Harris, Ukraine vs Russia, Israel vs Palestine, Sport team A vs Sport team B, Liberal vs Labor, Democrat vs Republican, Husband vs Wife, Young vs Old. Resolution is to be found in upholding this relational structure, of community, of discussion, love if you like.

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Australian League of Rights Expansion Fund

This year, 2025, is unique in the history of the League, in that there are plans afoot to considerably expand the number of League speakers going into the field. These unique individuals are deferring their own personal pursuits to set time aside – (in a position of service) to enter the battle to uphold and restore our ancient Rights and Freedoms. To spread this vital ALOR/Douglas Social Credit message, these individuals will require logistical and financial support. *An army marches on its stomach* - the logistical and financial support must be there in advance, ready to be used as each successive campaign occurs.

For over sixty years this journal, and this organisation (some 80 years since the end of WWII hostilities), has been recording the battle between the forces of freedom and totalitarianism. It has predicted what would happen if effective political action was not taken – (failure to deprive the forces of totalitarianism of their major weapon, a finance-economic policy which is used to drive mankind into bigger and more centralised groups and ultimately into the World State), - making individual resistance impossible. Fighting a series of rearguard battles, the forces of freedom have been increasingly mobilised in Australia under the clear and decisive leadership that the League of Rights offers. The League has more than weathered the storm, and it has planned this national programme of traveling speakers to take advantage of the increasing crisis. But that programme will fail unless adequate financial resources are made available to support these additional resources.

Calling for Donations and Bequests

The jaws of the totalitarian world state are progressively closing in on the free world. The logic of the situation would appear that the causes of freedom, of Christian Civilisation, has been defeated. But as has so often happened in history, the faith and dedicated effort of a few people has defied logic. The logic favoured Napoleon at the decisive Battle of Waterloo. It still favoured him late in the day when he threw his famous elite of veterans in for the decisive blow. But the British lines held, and the tide of the battle turned dramatically.

One of the League's great strengths has been its decentralised financial support. It has never placed itself in the position where it must rely exclusively upon only a few sources of finance. Advertising has never been accepted for its journals. It has been vitally assisted by Donations and Bequests from individuals who wished that all, or part of their material substance be devoted to the continuing battle for freedom, decency, and Christian Civilisation.

A handful of supporters have now contributed significantly to the Basic Fund. The balance is still to be made up to support the League's thin red line of defence. We seriously believe that it is now or never and ask all those who have not yet contributed to the League's Basic Fund and now the Expansion Fund, to prayerfully assess the maximum they can give. Details in the advert at the end of this journal.

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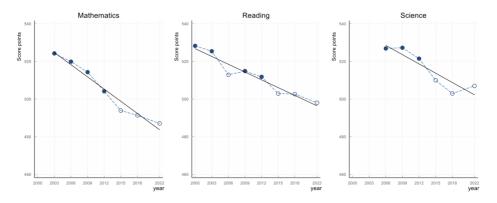
Student Performance, Behaviour and Equity in Public Schools By William Waite

The other day I was going through some things and came across my Grade 1 writing pad. It was amusing to be reminded of that little person, long gone. There are some interesting observations like, "When it rains I see ducks", "Men are big, sometimes they work." and "There are jumping Jigarees in space." Besides the 'Jigarees' what jumped out at me was the neatness and care which had obviously gone into the writing and the pictures that accompanied each entry, a standard many high school students fail to obtain.

There is one thing on which agreement is unanimous. Education in Australia is failing. It's a live political issue. True to form the opposition blames the government and the government, unable to disagree that the whole thing is a catastrophe, runs around saying how important young people are and throwing taxpayer money at it. Enrolment in NSW public schools is declining and teacher retention and attraction is top of the agenda. As of last year a starting teacher salary runs to six figures, more than the average beginning engineer and accountant.

Probably the most authoritative data we have on educational performance is the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) that consists of a series of tests in maths, reading and science. "Almost 700,000 students across 81 countries and economies participated in the last cycle of PISA (2022)." Our results from this latest round of testing conformed to the Australian trend line of the last 20 plus years.¹

Figure 1. Trends in performance in mathematics, reading and science



Note: White dots indicate mean-performance estimates that are not statistically significantly above/below PISA 2022 estimates. Black lines indicate the best-fitting trend. An interactive version of this figure is available at https://oecdch.art/a40de1dbaf/C620. Source: OECD, PISA 2022 Database, Tables I.B1.5.4, I.B1.5.5 and I.B1.5.6.

Alongside the main event of academic testing PISA undertakes a survey of students' perceptions of classroom disciplinary climate. The 2018 survey is described thus:

PISA asked students how frequently ("never or hardly ever", "some lessons", "most lessons", "every lesson") the following things happen in their language-of-instruction lessons: "Students don't listen to what the teacher says"; "There is noise and disorder"; "The teacher has to wait a long time for students to quiet down"; "Students cannot work well"; and "Students don't start working for a long time after the lesson begins".²

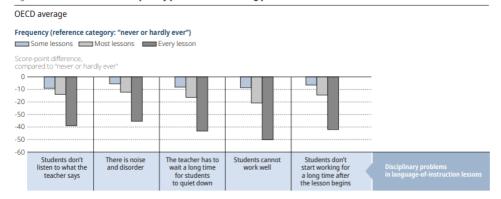
Australia does not perform well. In the 2018 disciplinary climate survey, out of 77 countries, Australian students ranked their classrooms at 70th in the OECD.³

The 2022 results on disciplinary climate were not good either. Survey results returned that in Australia:

Many students study mathematics in a disciplinary climate that is not favourable to learning: in 2022, about 25% of students in Australia reported that they cannot work well in most or all lessons (OECD average: 23%); 33% of students do not listen to what the teacher says (OECD average: 30%); 40% of students get distracted using digital devices (OECD average: 30%); and 37% get distracted by other students who are using digital devices (OECD average: 25%).

So what is the relationship between student performance and disciplinary climate? Students who describe disciplinary problems as occurring in "every lesson" experienced a 40-to-50 point drop in reading performance compared with students who reported that these problems happened "never or hardly ever" (see table below). This means that the disciplinary climate alone could explain Australia's deterioration of student performance over the past 20 years.

Figure III.3.3 Prevalence of disciplinary problems and reading performance



Notes: All values are statistically significant (see Annex A3).

All regression models account for students' and schools' socio-economic profile. The socio-economic profile is measured by the PISA index of economic, social and cultural status (ESCS).

Source: OECD, PISA 2018 Database, Table III.B1.3.8. StatLink III.B http://dx.doi.org/10.1787/888934029413

Conspicuously absent from the public discussion about 'what's wrong with education' is the perspective of the classroom teacher. So here it is. Based on my 20 years of experience the PISA results accurately reflect the reality in public school classrooms. At all times in my teaching career, across two states, a want of classroom discipline has been the most important obstacle to effective curriculum delivery. In 2020, at the school where I worked there were more than 14,000 negative incidents recorded against students. That is roughly 10% of the school population reported on per day and most of these incidents occurring in the classroom. Keep in mind that this represents a fraction of total disruptive incidents. What follows is something of a deep dive into the educational policy and legislation which has led to the toleration of student misbehaviour in schools. It's a bit of a monster and not my usual topic, but education occupies such an important role in our society as such a large part of our children's formative years are spent in school. I apologise in advance for the wordiness of the sources but that's 'Edu speak' for you. I have tried not to indulge in it. The sources cited have all directly informed the current policy of the NSW Department of Education.

Responsible for the deterioration of discipline in the classroom is a radical shift in how education departments consider, and therefore deal with, student misbehaviour. This shift is encapsulated in the following quote from the NSW Ombudsman Inquiry into Behaviour Management in Schools⁴, published in August 2017:

Student behaviour does not exist in isolation – it is influenced by a wide range of internal and external factors and responsibility for behaviour should not be fully located with students.

The Ombudsman's report was heavily influenced by another paper: Report of the Expert Panel on Students with Complex Needs and Challenging Behaviours⁵, 2015. "Complex needs and challenging behaviours" has become how the school On Target January 2025

community thinks about misbehaviour in schools. The Ombudsman report uses the term 68 times. The Expert panel defines it as:

Any pervasive behaviour or set of behaviours, regardless of cause (or even without any apparent or identified cause) which disrupts the capacity of the person or other persons to learn within the school environment, and requires targeted or personalised interventions.

You will see this is not so much a definition as a recommended course of action that can be condensed to something like: regardless of the cause of the behaviour, disruptive students require interventions. Curiously it will be noticed that the 'complex needs' part of the term cannot be made to fit into this definition, unless it is captured by 'cause', which it seems can simply be ignored.

While causes of behaviour may be difficult to determine the expert panel takes a firm line on what is not the cause of disruptive behaviour:

Most, if not all, students with complex needs and challenging behaviour do not 'choose' to become disruptive at school. Disability, social background and/or current life circumstances, including school life, influence how these students perceive and interact with the world, and it would be unfair or a mistake to believe that the problem is strictly 'in the student.'6

We find this deterministic view elaborated in another report commissioned by the NSW Department of Education, and carried out by the Telethon Kids Institute entitled, Strengthening school and system capacity to implement effective interventions to support student behaviour and wellbeing in NSW public schools: An evidence review⁷. In the section on 'Guiding Theory', under the heading of the Individual Student we find the following:

Characteristics of the individual student such as age, sex, personality and temperament, mental and physical health and special needs status can interact with factors in the environment to influence outcomes. For instance, genetic variations in how the body responds to stress ... the body's ability to produce certain hormones ... functional differences in the brain's reward circuit ... Individual variations in biology will also affect the development of resilience by influencing personality and temperament.

This description of the individual considers people as quantities that change under the influence of 'risk' or 'protective' factors located in 'layers' of immediate to remote environments e.g. family, school, community, culture etc. This notion claims that behaviour is the inevitable result of an admixture of hormones, neural circuitry, genetic particulars etc. Not even the personality is capable of conscious development. Personal development is not generated by such non-material illusions as these, but the result of "individual variations in biology."

It is not surprising then that this Social-ecological Systems Theory, as it is called, comes up with the following solution to support students to "develop along 'normal'

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trajectories" and "avoid disorder":

As the opportunities for change are the interactions between the student and factors in these immediate environments, behaviour and wellbeing can be effectively supported by modifying the school environment i.e. social contexts can either attenuate or exacerbate the effect of individual characteristics on behaviour. It is not necessary to change the student or to remove them from the school environment.

It will be seen that in this conception nothing is required of the student. No appeal can be made to decency or self-restraint because these things are only the inevitable products of biological and social conditions over which the student has no control. It is the environment that must change and be changed for each student. Classroom disruption is to be tolerated until such time as the social and physical conditions can be altered to ameliorate the frustrations that are presumed to be causing the behaviour. Reference to this model can be found on the NSW Education website⁸. Once personal responsibility and choice have been ruled out as possibilities for self-improvement (or destruction), it follows that disruptive behaviour must be the result of disability or disadvantage located in the individual or his environment; 'internal or external factors'

Aside from omitting the conscious adaptive powers of the species as a factor in behaviour, this approach of environmental modification is impractical in the school setting. The machinery of mass education, basically tasked with teaching the essential academic tools for life in a modern, technical society cannot provide a different environment for each student in the same physical environment. Anyone who asserts that this is possible, or even desirable, is simply not aware of the realities of teaching and classroom management, and perhaps not aware of the limitations of reality generally.

It is at this point that the NSW Education Act operates causing schools to take up their legal responsibility for "mitigating educational disadvantages arising from the child's gender or from geographic, economic, social, cultural, lingual or other causes.9" And since persistent misbehaviour, as we have seen, can only indicate a disadvantage or disability of some kind these students become by default candidates for behavioural intervention.

Be assured that when it comes to disability the relevant legislation provides ample opportunity for labelling. The Disability Discrimination Act 1992, to which schools are subject, reads from point "g" 10

(g) a disorder, illness or disease that affects a person's thought processes, perception of reality, emotions or judgment or that results in disturbed behaviour:

and includes a disability that:

(h) presently exists; or

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(i) previously existed but no longer exists; or

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- (j) may exist in the future (including because of a genetic predisposition to that disability); or
- (k) is imputed to a person.

To avoid doubt, a **disability** that is otherwise covered by this definition includes behaviour that is a symptom or manifestation of the disability.

If we combine this absurdly broad definition with the 900 plus pages of the DSM-V (Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders) we have a formula that allows for the interpretation of all errant behaviour as being caused by mental disability.

As if this was not enough the NSW Education Department fills the gaps with the following guidance:

A disability does not need to be 'confirmed' for it to come within the definition in the legislation. The department uses the term 'confirmed disabilities' to refer to disabilities that have been confirmed using established disability criteria, which provides eligibility for targeted provisions only.

The definition also covers disabilities that presently exist, previously existed, or may exist in the future.

So an official disability confirmation is not even required (and they're easy enough to get) before a student's behaviour can be legitimately described as a behaviour disorder. I see this scenario playing out all the time. It is pretty common to hear teachers discuss student behaviour in terms mental health disorders which have not been diagnosed.

All this adds up to the startling fact that the insanity defence is the *default* explanation for misbehaviour in schools.

A perverse outcome of all this is that students who are misbehaving at school and might be turned around by resolute disciplinary action are being told they have a mental disorder. It is common for schools to require students to attend appointments with paediatricians where they are often pressured into taking psychoactive medication. Let's just say that the intersection of education and psychiatry is a matter of serious concern and leave it at that.

If a reason for persistent misbehaviour in the vast category of metal disorders can't be found we can opt for the "external factors" that influence (negative) behaviour given in the Ombudsman's report; "difficult personal or family circumstances (including socio-economic factors, drug/alcohol use, and family breakdown)"; circumstantial descriptions that cover a large and growing proportion of the student population.

These interventions take a myriad of forms. Endless discussions with the student about the inappropriateness of the misbehaviour from all levels of staff; curriculum adjustments; frequent phone calls home and meetings with parents; the formulation of individualised behaviour and learning plans; teaching and implementing strategies to help the student manage his or her behaviour; mediation; staff and/or student

mentoring programs; the granting of exceptions to normal school routine; one on one case management by a member of staff taken off classes for this purpose; specially targeted programs; consultation with outside agencies; counselling; the bringing in of "behaviour experts" to assess the student; partial attendance schedules; voluminous incident record making; functional behaviour analysis and the list goes on. It is becoming increasingly common for misbehaving or truant students to be assigned a teacher aide full time to follow the student around all day. In a more recent development chronically misbehaving students are given a dubious "diagnosis" of disability by the school or department, and concentrated in additional classes in special education units. Here, a class of fewer than 10 students will have a dedicated teacher and aide as well as all the resources of a normal sized class. It is now widespread practice that all students are subjected to infantile lessons on how they should behave at school as a sort of prophylaxis against misbehaviour. As to the effectiveness of these interventions my experience leads me to agree with the review from the Telethon Kids Institute when it says, "most behaviour interventions implemented in schools have no or very limited evidence of effectiveness."

Aside from the considerable expense in time and money required by these interventions, they are undertaken while disruptive students continue to attend classes. Staff and classmates are expected to endure persistent disruptions to their work while the student receives their treatment, and with no definite end in sight. I have seen this situation persist for years, and only find its end when the student is eventually 'transitioned' into work or some other program outside of the school. Interestingly, on entering the workforce many of these students, literally overnight, become prompt, productive, presentable and polite; apparently cured of their social and mental ills by McDonalds' code of conduct. The egregious loss of educational opportunity suffered by a majority of conforming students barely rates a mention.

At the school level open opposition to the inclusion agenda that I have described is almost non-existent, though there is certainly a profound disquiet among teachers about the behaviour in many classrooms. As the behaviour problem worsens the ranks of the true believers in the post-disciplinary system swell to meet the demands for interventions pursuing 'welfare', as opposed to academic, outcomes. Dissenters, where they can be found, are looked at askance, considered relics of the age of corporal punishment and labelled as "cultural resistance." All the while the educational opportunities of our children are wasted along with billions of tax dollars purloined by government for "education."

The other point I would make is that I doubt that most parents view their children as dumb products of environmental circumstances or passive victims of mental, neural and hormonal conspiracy. In the main, the community whom we serve believe in personal responsibility and moral judgement and action. The criminal justice system still locates the proximate cause of behaviour in human choice and its preferable that kids learn this at school rather than by a run in with the law. It probably goes against the views of most of society this idea that people

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are not responsible for their wrong-doing and it is an arrogant condescension when academics and teachers treat our children as though they are not responsible human beings. It is interesting to observe that many of the keenest proponents of these ideas in government schools send their own kids to Christian schools where the operative principle remains moral responsibility.

Providing adjustments for disability and mitigation of genuine student disadvantage are commendable objectives, but we are supposed to, as per the *Disability Standards for Education 2005*¹¹, "in determining whether an adjustment is reasonable" consider "any effect of the adjustment on anyone else affected, including the education provider, staff and other students, and the costs and benefit of making the adjustment". It is possible that a correction could come in the form of legal challenges brought by students or staff who have had their educational or career opportunities curtailed as a result of persistent misbehaviour. I certainly think that the records exist to sustain such challenges.

The ascendence of the inclusivity agenda and the toleration of misbehaviour is undoubtedly impeding schools' ability to educate. If the government is serious about reversing the decline of educational outcomes in this country this problem needs to be honestly confronted. The institutional adoption of a narrow brand of academic mumbo jumbo that insists students (and by logical extension people generally) are not responsible for what they do ties the hands of those who would ensure orderly and productive classrooms. In my view the current policy settings are disastrous for the academic and moral development of children and need the most urgent revision.

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Growth - It's Still the Plan By William Waite

The following excerpt (edited for readability) was taken from a recent discussion between Joe Rogan and Marc Andreessen. Andreesen is an American tech billionaire and Trump donor — a pairing which listeners of Rogan's podcast are becoming accustomed to. We pick up the discussion with Andreesen talking about the approach of the newly elected Republican party to the economy and the \$35 trillion dollars of U.S. debt.

Andreesen: So the, the two headline things you hear from them when, whenever they talk about this, the two headline things are number one growth. You just need faster growth. But by the way, it's the only way to resolve the long-term fiscal situation. It's the only way to resolve the debt. There's only two ways to do it. You can inflate your way out of it and end up in 1930s Germany with hyperinflation like that, that's one track you can get on, which is a very bad track. And you don't want to go there. Or you can grow faster because if you grow faster, then you, your economy can catch up to the debt and you can pay down the debt as you grow. And so they wanna go for a higher rate of growth.

And then the other thing is they want America to win. And this you know, my partner Ben and I were able to spend time with Trump this summer. And that was like his adamant thing he kept coming back (to), which is like, look, America has to win and specifically what that means is America has to win in business and in technology and in industry generally globally. Like our company should be the ones that win these, you know, broad, we should win global markets. Like our, our company should be, should be the global state $(?)^1$

Rogan: How can anybody be against that?

Andreesen: I happen to think that makes a lot of sense. Yes (laughs)

Rogan: I know. I mean, obviously you're a wealthy man and I am as well, but it's like, how could you not want that?

Andreesen: Yes. By the way, if you are in favor of a high level of social support, if you want there to be lots of welfare programs and food assistance programs. Yes. All these things. I would argue you also want that because yes, it's the growth that will pay for all the social programs. Right? Like that's how you square the circle. That's how you actually have your cake and eat it too. Which is like first your economy just generates a fountain of money through, through growth and economic success. And then you can pay for whatever programs you want. I actually don't personally, like I'm totally fine. Like set up all the programs you want, all the social spending you want, all the safety nets you want. And if as long as it's easy to pay for 'cause you're growing so fast, then everybody wins. Yeah.²

Firstly is this frankly *dumb-arse* narrative about money and debt? Modern money *is* debt. Whether the public pays for it in taxes, increased prices or in servicing consumer debt directly it doesn't really matter. The debt remains. I know it, Andreesen knows it, Trump knows it, my mum's aged care worker knows it. But, largely as a result of nonsense like this, it hasn't found its way into the working consciousness of the general public and while this remains the case there is little hope of untangling the mess we're in. This is gaslighting, to use one of Rogan's favourite words. That is, they want us to believe that something which everybody can see is happening is not happening. It's a blatant attempt to obscure important facts.

"You need faster growth... it's the only way to resolve the debt." Seriously? And what about this: "Or you can grow faster because if you grow faster, then you, your economy can catch up to the debt and you can pay down the debt as you grow." No you can't. You're actually not permitted to pay debt down with beads, or computer chips or potatoes or any other physical thing. Debt must be paid with money borrowed from the banks.

You can't catch up to it. Especially now. What Andreesen and the merry men at Mar-a-lago plan to do is increase GDP relative to debt so the government can satisfy the banks' conditions re. GDP-to-debt ratio. It just means they can keep borrowing. There is no long-term plan here to actually 'resolve' the debt problem. How does he expect to pay for the growth? How are people expected to pay for the consumables? The more productive you are the more money you need and it all comes from the banks as debt.

Why this growth? Money stupid. What else is there? That non-entity the bean counters conjure out of thin air. Then once we have 'generated a fountain of money' by all our growth we can pay for 'lots of welfare programs and food assistance programs.' Thanks Marc. To quote you from literally 45 seconds earlier in this

podcast:

if you're making somebody dependent on you because you're giving them money, then you're in a tremendous position of power. 'Cause you can make their life horrible by, by pulling the money away. You know, it's, it's, it's, it's on the, it's on the spectrum to a form of like domination.

Andreesen's promise of social programs should not be taken as an idle threat. He's deadly serious. The desire to control large swathes of debt-impoverished people with so-called safety nets is the unholy alliance between socialism and big money. A lot of people don't understand the common ground here but Douglas was all over it.

What will farmers do? Build farmdroids? How will they pay for that delicious looking food from that vibrant looking soil. It can sow and weed around the clock and hardly pay an income. That's growth.

Or maybe they'll figure out how to 'square the circle' once they have applied all the processing power of Nvidia to collect, store and process everything there is to know about everybody on the planet. Finally, they'll have the answer to the ultimate question and we'll have an entrenched voyeuristic dictatorship. Until then just grow, and fountains of money and social programs will surely follow... three cheers for the genius and generosity of wealthy men!

Douglas dealt a death blow to the growth delusion with the first thing he ever published in 1918 called the *Delusion of Super-Production*. England, following the First World War, faced a similar dilemma. A massive industrial capacity and a political class committed to producing their way out of the war-debt. We've been on this merry-go-round for more than a hundred years with no intellectual progress at all. Douglas explains why there is no economic solution found in revving up production. Read it carefully.

The factory cost — not the selling price — of any article under our present industrial and financial system is made up of three main divisions — direct labor cost, material cost and overhead charges, the ratio of which varies widely, with the "modernity" of the method of production. For instance, a sculptor producing a work of art with the aid of simple tools and a block of marble has next to no overhead charges, but a very low rate of production, while a modern screwmaking plant using automatic machines may have very high overhead charges and very low direct labour cost, or high rates of production.

Since increased industrial output per individual depends mainly on tools and method, it may almost be stated as a law that intensified production means a progressively higher ratio of overhead charges to direct labour cost, and, apart from artificial reasons, this is simply an indication of the extent to which machinery replaces manual labour, as it should.

Now, for reasons which it is hoped will be clear from what follows, the factory cost, including management and indirect labour, of the total factory output

of any article is always more than the total sum paid in wages, salaries, and for raw material, in respect of it. Consequently, the total output of the world's factory system is inevitably costed at a figure greatly in excess of the salaries and wages which go to the production of it. Selling charges and profit merely increase the price and decrease the purchasing power of money, as, of course, caeteris paribus (all else being equal) do general rises in wages. In order to realise clearly this most important relation between factory cost, and money released, it must be borne in mind that manufacturing, or, what is commonly called production, is conversion, and just as the conversion of mechanical energy into electricity or heat into mechanical energy involves a dispersion, which for practical purposes is a loss, so the conversion of manufactured articles can never take place without a similar economic dispersion. Obviously the balance, which is represented by this economic dispersion must go somewhere. A little reflection will make it clear that it represents depreciation, obsolescence, scrapped material, etc., all of which are charged to the consumer instead of being a charge against the value of the product.

In consequence of this the book-value of the world's production is continuously growing more and more in excess of the capacity to absorb or liquidate it, and every transaction between buyer and seller increases this discrepancy so long as the exchange takes place at a figure in excess of the total wages, etc., which go to the various conversions of the product; with the result that a continuous rise in the cost of living absolutely **must** take place, apart and above that represented by currency inflation; palliated by intrinsically more efficient productive methods, but leading along a path of cumulative fierce competition and harder toil to an absolutely inevitable breakdown. The money required for public works can only be provided by loans or taxation, a decreasing amount of which is returned in wages and salaries; an increasing amount going to swell the mortgage held by the banker and the manufacturer on the effective effort of the world's population.³

Will someone please tell me what he got wrong. The growth that Andreesen talks about has nothing to do with providing goods and services to the American people — that's more or less incidental. Debt and inflation are hard baked into the system. There can be no resolution until we change long-established financial conventions so that industry exists for the support of the free individual and not the power ambitions of a financial oligarchy.

The limit they fear is the patience of the public and there are indications it's wearing thin. But where is the frustration to be channeled if no solution to these problems is known? The solution is simple: "We must give the consumer purchasing power which does not appear in prices." That or Andreesen's global state.

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Turbocharging Productivity - Another One on Growth It's Still the Plan By William Waite

In all the animal kingdom the obsession with money is unique to late stage economic man

We are this morning (Monday 6.1) told in *The Australian* that our standard of living is declining and we shouldn't expect a recovery to pre-flu panic prosperity until at least 2030.¹

This is a Coalition conclusion based on Treasury figures that predict Australians' disposable income over the next decade or so. In the two dimensional world of economics our 'standard of living' can be easily calculated by dividing after-tax pay (disposable income) by population. Voila! standard of living measure.

According to Treasury figures for the last two years disposable income has been in negative territory before it is predicted to break through zero sometime in 2024-25. It creeps upwards for the next few years; 1.5, 1.6, 1.6%. At this point shadow treasurer Angus Taylor gets hold of the numbers and follows the trend to 2030 and Kapow! Labour's done a terrible job on the economy! Again! 'The lost decade' they're calling it.

The solution according to economist Chris Richardson is simple, "We need to become more productive; that's what will return our living standards. And you turbocharge productivity to some extent through bipartisanship, through both sides agreeing such and such is a mess and needs to be fixed." ² In other words, the political class agrees that we all have to work more. Great. Another moralising rich person, whose fee range for a speaking engagement is between 5 and 10k, telling us to work harder.

These remarks remind me of something Geoffrey Dobbs wrote in his introduction to the fourth edition of Douglas' *Monopoly of Credit*:³

I have long ago come to the conclusion that it is virtually impossible for any mind which has accepted the axioms implicit in first-year Economics to come to grips at all with the realistic thinking of an engineer such as Douglas.

The concept of the real credit: the capacity to make and deliver what is wanted, which is basic to the production of anything for sale to the public, is quite

inconceivable and unreal to an economist unless it incorporates the accountancy arrangement we call money, which, despite its well-known and wholly symbolic nature, is still credited with the properties of a real entity — a commodity such as gold, for instance — of which there can be a quantity, a stock, a store. Upon this illusory basis the whole vast and subtle structure of economic thought has been built, so there is no escape from circular thinking.

On illusions. There are any number of reasons why disposable income isn't a very good indication of standard of living. For starters, disposable income takes no account of the cost of necessities like food, housing and energy without which numbers in a bank account are utterly meaningless. What is the use of a standard of living measure that doesn't consider prices on essentials during a cost-of-living crisis?

But Dobbs is talking about illusion at a deeper level than the mere obfuscation of economic speak:

An actual capacity to produce, or a need and want for the product, cannot be made effective without money; hence there is no "reality" for economists except in monetary terms. And since practically all economic concepts, however complex or abstract, incorporate this idea of money as if it were a neutral "unit of account", "medium of exchange", "measure and store of value" and so forth, the possibility is eliminated ab initio of comparing the economics which is determined by the nature and use of bank credit with that which could exist if the accountancy were secondary and not a determining factor.

Considered in this light the false calculus of economists like Richardson becomes clear. The call for turbo-charged productivity is not a case for the generation of goods and services backed by consumer demand. The actual provision of goods and services is a by-product of the more important objective of spreading money (and debt) around i.e. the distribution of incomes. Afterall 'standard of living' is only after-tax income much of which is siphoned off as interest before it is even available for buying anything in the physical economy.

This explains a lot which is otherwise logically inconsistent, like why would a "capitalist" economy maintain millions of bullshit jobs? That is work that serves no purpose outside the money it distributes. Recently we have seen a Labor government bloat the public service: "More than 575,000 people who joined the jobs market in the two years to June (2024) were employed in public sector or care economy roles, mostly funded by the government, including the healthcare, social welfare, education and disability sectors." ⁴ Does anyone think that means a proportional improvement in services?

I realise this is largely a reiteration of my last post but these articles and commentators that latch onto growth as the solution to our problems is an irritation which I feel compelled to scratch. We, the people, have to stop letting this through as

though it made sense because it forms the justification for what comes next.

Forced growth is a recipe for a society of mindless drones and environmental catastrophe. Where are the environmentalists on this issue? Are they all sidelined into hyperventilating about carbon. The biggest threat to the environment is unrestrained industry chasing full employment which is what is meant by 'turbocharging' productivity. The entire left (whatever that means) seems missing in action. One would think that all the hand wringing about social justice and economic equality would lead to a sensible examination of "the nature and use of bank credit" where the solution to this problem will finally be found. But alas, the financial system and the havoc it wreaks remains as inevitable as a tropical cyclone and apparently far less interesting. At least we know something about cyclones which is more than can be said for the cultivated ignorance that swirls around money.

Why such a fundamental question is so studiously avoided I can't say for sure. Maybe we can't explain things simply and clearly enough, or perhaps there is a vast conspiracy keeping people in the dark. Maybe its the madness of crowds. Maybe we are dumb animals that must merge with machines before cyborg reasoning shows us the way. Don't laugh. The public mind is being steered in this direction. Maybe we need to try and educate people about the deceptions involved in bank accounting processes to better understand the alchemy of money creation as Pat Cusack suggests. I can't honestly say. What I can say is that there is very little interest in understanding how our economics is "determined by the nature and use of bank credit"

One thing that has been repeating itself in my mind is that maybe we have come to love our enslavement or "love our servitude," that most chilling phrase of Huxley's. There was evidence of that during the great flu panpanic. A mass Stockholm Syndrome; "a psychological response to captivity or abuse that can cause victims to develop positive feelings toward their captors or abusers." Afterall the debt-slavers feed us, entertain us, they make us comfortable, and they give us things to do. Like children or cattle. But they are not good parents. They steal from you, kill you, poison you, lie to you, surveil your every move and there is every indication they will mistreat your children the same. So even if we don't care about our own preservation we might make an effort for theirs.

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Conventional Economic and Political Spectra as Ideological Control Mechanisms By Patrick O' Brien

In this short essay, I wish to explain how and why the conventional economic and political "left-right" spectra are, in fact, ideological control mechanisms of an overarching power. That power, the reigning oligarchy, is a hidden power, but we can identify it under the rubric of "International Finance" or "Big Finance". The basic claim is that we are living under an occult dictatorship to some significant extent, a dictatorship that will only expand its degree of control if it is not neutralized in time *via* monetary reform in the genuine interest of the public. One of the key tools which Big Finance deploys in order to maintain its hegemony and to expand its power base is the conventional spectra. They are the glasses which are placed on our noses and through which we are forced to both perceive and conceive of the world. But these glasses are distorting glasses that don't provide us with an accurate picture at all. Instead, they skew our perception and hence the way in which we interact with the economic and political worlds in favour of Big Finance.

The spectra in question are most typically arranged on an axis with two extremes, a left-wing extreme on the one hand and a right-wing extreme on the other. Between these two sides, every possible combination differing in degree can be found, depending on its closeness or distance from the one extreme or the other.

The economic spectrum typically ranges from Marxist socialism to *laissez-faire* capitalism, passing through various permutations of the mixed economy. The leftist extreme, Marxist Socialism, is characterized by public or national ownership of the means of production, a command economy, heavy regulations, and redistribution from those who can produce to those who are in need of production. The right-wing extreme, *laissez-faire* capitalism, opts instead for private ownership and the free market, but does so in such a way that the owners in productive property tend to be a small minority. Those who are not capitalists must sell the only thing they have, i.e., their labour, to the capitalist class in exchange for the means of subsistence. Both systems thereby tend to monopoly, the one public and the other private. The mixed economic models that fall in-between simply combine, in various ways and to various extents, private monopoly with public monopoly.

L - Marxist Socialism ----- Mixed Economy ---- "Laissez-Faire" Capitalism - R

The political spectrum, by contrast, typically ranges from totalitarianism to anarchism, passing again through various intermediate stages. We can also place these two extremes on a left-right axis. The leftist extreme of totalitarianism subordinates the individual to the state to such an extreme extent that he literally has no inalienable rights or meaningful independence from the state. There is an excess of collective authority over personal liberty, with the former being maximized and the latter minimized. On the other extreme, anarchism does away with coercive state or government institutions entirely. This results, at least in theory, with the

maximization of personal liberty to the utmost degree possible, since collective authority of the coercive institutional kind is non-existent. All points in-between involve various combinations between collective authority and personal liberty in terms of varying degrees, but these two components are seen as, or are often presented as, antagonistic, such that to the degree that one expands, the other must retreat. It's a quantitative rather than qualitative assessment of the range of possibilities in the political realm.

L - Totalitarianism ----- Mixed Polity ----- Anarchism - R

Now, the first thing I wish to point out is that both of these spectra fail to truly represent the full scope of economic and political options or possibilities.

In the case of the economic spectrum, the only options on the menu are: public monopoly (socialism), private monopoly (capitalism), or some monster mixed system involving various disjointed combinations of both public and private monopoly.

But what about an economic regime that involves a widely and equitable distributed private ownership? Distributism, understood here in the broadest of terms, is not allowed to emerge as a possibility where the conventional economic spectrum is concerned.

In the same way, the political spectrum is grounded on the incorrect idea that there is a necessary or inherent opposition between authority and freedom, such that one is asked to choose between them (in the case of the extremes) or to choose one's preferred degree of amalgamation between them. I would also argue that this boils down to a competition between an anti-social public monopoly over coercive power (totalitarianism) with no real personal freedom for the majority, or an antisocial private monopoly over coercive power (anarchism) with no real personal freedom for the majority in that case either (since, in practice, anarchism basically means that in the absence of state or governmental power, the law of the jungle will re-emerge as the richest and most powerful enforce their self-serving policies But what about a political regime that views authority and on everyone else). freedom as being on the same side, i.e., which promotes authority but only when and to the extent that that authority serves to maximize the freedom of each individual? As C.H. Douglas once put it: "... we are confronted by the fundamental alternatives of freedom and authority. But it should be possible ... to see that these are not necessarily alternatives at all – they are policies each fundamentally 'right' on its own plane of action."[1] What we might term "Political Functionalism" is also not permitted to emerge as a possibility where the conventional political spectrum is concerned.

The second thing that I wish to point out is that this failure to capture the full range of options is quite deliberate, because it enables the reigning oligarchy, i.e., Big Finance, to achieve the following objectives as part of their "running interference" tactics:

- 1. Limit Options Since most people rely on this pre-given spectral framework for conceptualizing the range of economic and political options, the range of acceptable or conceivable discourse is artificially restricted to a set of linear alternatives by the conventional spectra. Models not found on the spectrum, models that may offer more effective solutions to economic and political problems, are marginalized or ignored from the outset. People are led to think only within certain imposed parameters.
- 2. Obscure Truth I would also argue that since the conventional range of alternatives (the narrow band of acceptable ideologies) represent more or less false answers to the basic economic and political questions, while the correct answers to those questions lie beyond the spectra, the conventional framework also hides the objective truth from view. It locks people in an ideological prison, something akin to Plato's cave. They are distracted from the real issues and the real solutions.
- **3.** Divide and Conquer Finally, precisely because the range of false answers provided are opposites or antagonistic, the population can be divided into warring camps where people can fight over whose false answer is correct, thus consuming much time, energy, and good will in utter futility. Not only are the people placed

"in the cave" by the conventional spectra, but they are set against each other in the cave, i.e., fighting each other "over the false images that appear on the cave wall", as per the Platonic allegory. These resources could have been used in a collaborative effort to find the correct answers instead and to challenge, on that basis, the status quo for the betterment of mankind.

Now, when it comes to this specific aim of dividing and conquering, the various political parties, which are designed to ostensibly represent the range of false options (and only that range), play a very special role: they serve to directly strengthen the two main proxies of International Finance, namely Big Business and Big Government. While their supporters fight unceasingly against each other, the parties bring ideology to bear on policy in the interests of those who were behind the false ideological narratives in the first place.

Conventional right-wing parties are there to introduce policies that favour Big Business (and/or to introduce leftist policies that would only be accepted by a right-wing constituency if they were brought in by a right-wing party). These policies might include deregulation, tax cuts for corporations, and policies that benefit the über-wealthy under the guise of promoting economic growth and "freedom".

Conventional left-wing parties are there to introduce policies that favour Big Government (and/or to introduce right-wing policies that would only be accepted by a left-wing constituency if they were brought in by a left-wing party). Their policies might focus on increasing government size and power, often through welfare programmes, increased regulation, and increased taxation, purportedly for the benefit

of the less fortunate.

The unending dialectical struggle that these parties engage in as they vie for power mirrors the ideological struggle that naturally arises between the extremes on the conventional political and economic spectra and everything in-between. This struggle is essentially a fake one because no party ever holds power with any kind of finality, or successfully resolves political and economic oppositions in its favour. Beyond that, they certainly don't intend to truly change the system or to do anything in the genuine interests of the common people, which is why massive dissatisfaction with political parties and contemporary politics in general is endemic.

Instead, the parties survive and thrive in a sick symbiosis, siphoning off some of the cream that Big Finance milks off of the economy in exchange for their complicity. That is, the parties are not truly opposed to each other at all, but are interdependent, playing roles in a scripted political theatre reminiscent of professional wrestling. As they alternate in the holding of power, each party gets its turn to govern in the interests of Big Finance. They do this by: a) maintaining the illusion of democracy and choice in the minds of the voting public (thus acting as a stress-relief valve), by b) leaving the real or underlying power structures unchallenged, by: c) implementing whichever policies strengthen Big Finance's favoured proxy *du jour*: Big Government or Big Business (often times both), and by d) delivering the worst of both worlds from the extremes of the conventional spectra so that Big Finance can privatize profit and socialize wealth. The resulting regime might be most properly described as 'anarcho-tyranny': a breakdown in right order and justice (anarchy) coupled with oppressive government control and interference (tyranny).

To summarize the foregoing:

- 1) Anarcho-tyranny is achieved through a regulation mis-match. Things that should be prohibited or regulated in view of the genuine common interest are not (this is the false liberalism, the anarchy), while things that should NOT be prohibited or regulated as they are in view of the genuine common interest, because they are unnecessary and/or harmful, (this is the false conservatism, the tyranny).
- 2) Big Finance is in a position to impose anarcho-tyranny because it has the means, due to the nature of the wealth and power-centralizing, dishonest and dysfunctional, financial system which they operate, to buy politicians, political parties, the media, celebrities, and everything else needed to push the policies that most favour Big Finance itself, while manipulating public opinion in its own favour. For Big Finance is also in a position to ensure, by its ownership or influence of the mass media, that only the views it approves of are to be given widespread airtime and people tend to believe what they hear most often. The result: the manipulation of public opinion in its own favour is a foregone

- conclusion. At the same time, they can punish the recalcitrant by withholding monetary favours or via active persecution.
- 3) Finally, Big Finance imposes anarcho-tyranny because it is the set-up which is most beneficial to their own interests (even though it is the most destructive to the common interests of citizens). The arch-policy of Big Finance is TOTAL MONOPOLY. They want to transform their power to create money out of nothing into a total domination of everything that money can buy. This is the New World Order. Anarcho-tyranny strengthens public and private monopolies, i.e., Big Government and Big Business. Since both of these are controlled and subservient to Big Finance, Big Finance is the chief beneficiary whenever they grow in power, control, and influence.

As an alternative, we could have the opposite policy to Big Finance's policy of Total Monopoly, i.e., the decentralization of social power up to the limits of each individual. But this would require the implementation of the Douglas Social Credit proposals for monetary, economic, and political reform in the genuine common interest. DSC is the set of solutions which transcends the conventional spectra entirely and thus may be described as "the radical centre". It would enable economic and political systems to fulfill their true purposes well, restoring full functionality to economic and political association, and thus resolving the useless conflict between the conventional right-wing and left-wing of conventional politics ... all the while doing away with Big Government, Big Business, and Big Finance above all.

In place of the false dichotomy of socialism and capitalism, the Douglas Social Credit monetary reform would enfranchise all citizens as shareholders in their economies. This would, through the payment of a periodic dividend, ensure that the beneficial ownership of productive property is widely and effectively distributed. This is not left or right on the economic spectrum, nor some make-shift combination of the two extremes. It represents something entirely novel that lies beyond the conventional spectrum.

In place of the false dichotomy of totalitarianism and anarchism, the Douglas Social Credit political reform proposals would champion legitimate authority for the purpose of maximizing the freedom (both in the positive and negative sense) of each citizen. Legitimate authority, founded upon truth, especially in the sense of the natural law, is respected and obeyed because it is freeing: "Whose Service is Perfect Freedom". This way of conceiving of the nature and purpose of authority in relation to freedom is, once again, beyond the conventional political spectrum and therefore cannot be described as left, right, or as representing the conventional centre.

Conclusion

It is necessary to recognize the sophisticated manipulation that is inherent in our ideological systems. When we come to understand that the left-right spectrum is an artificially constructed dichotomy designed to serve, in various ways, the interests

of a financial elite, we can see the necessity of rethinking the nature of our political engagement. We need to look beyond partisan politics and towards a new system where genuine choice is respected and indeed empowered by the system itself. We need a new political and economic model that truly represents the needs of the populace, rather than the interests of an oligarchic few at the upper echelons of the financial hierarchy. Only thus can real change be achieved instead of a situation in which our political activity is inadvertently reinforcing the status quo.

• **Political Influence:** Through lobbying, funding campaigns, and revolving doors between finance sectors and government, Big Finance ensures that both left and right-wing policies serve its interests, whether through deregulation or through government contracts and bailouts.

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Herding Cattle By Neville Archibald

When you work with cattle you begin to realise a few things. First it is important to have a good dog, to do your barking and nipping at the heels. If it is a big herd, maybe several dogs, who are trained well and work in unison. Second, it is important to keep them on a better pasture than is available through the fence, otherwise, that 'grass is always greener' saying, will see them pushing down or through the fences in which you wish to keep them contained (safe). Third, if you want to milk them, you need to let them do what they do best, feed and breed. Your lane-ways to the milking shed need to funnel the cows past other paddocks with their shut gates and right up to the dairy yards, where they wait patiently to be milked. If you feed them in the bale as an incentive then they are all the more willing to enter. Loud noises and violent actions will not endear you to them, nor the shed itself. The milking itself is a form of release for them, so they can be induced to willingly come up to be milked. Pretty soon they do not need the dogs to nip at their heels, and they arrive at the shed without the dogs encouragement. Even later they come up to the shed by themselves with-out dogs, only the new ones need that reminder at the start of their season.

Once your cattle are well versed in the operation it becomes routine and the newer ones are pacified by the older, more experienced ones.

To be put out to pasture, is a saying that you are going to retire and graze peacefully till the end of your days. This saying was more applicable to the horses or dogs used to round them up than it was to the cattle themselves. Maybe old Bertha, the house cow, got to live out her days, a promise to others to look at what happens when you are good. (this, of course, does not really apply to cattle - but it sounds good to say it!) there is some hope of a nice retirement.

All their working life they are looked after and maintained (while they are useful).

If they are poor milkers or develop an expensive problem they are eventually culled to make way for more profitable stock. Vet bills aside, production is also important. When it comes to better management and less work in the rounding up and taking to the dairy or market, there are other ways to improve the valued outcome. This has been seen in the development of large shedding and feeding with supplemented silage or hay. In this way, paddocks can be used for high output foodstuffs like maize or other green edibles, the intention being all sorts of other things can be added into their feed to make them cheaper to manage. Also, being in a small area, they move around less and are less subject to the elements, so they use less energy and produce more, for less input. These are the many ways that it can be said improvements are made in the industry.

It is against this that many of the so called "greenies" protest.

Cattle, being cattle, do not tend to ponder on these things, although at times you do see a wistful type of glance being made to the open grasslands if they can see them (or so it seems to me). Like the 'grass is always greener' example, if these sheds are shielded by desolation or greener pastures are blocked from view, then this wistful remembering will die out. Cattle will become used to the new environment and be productive at least, if not actually thrive. They will roam nothing and be happy.

The figures are good enough to keep the farmer happy, the cows are just a means to an end.

This story, this observation, is one that draws many parallels for me. I wonder if it does for you? I have seen greener pastures and pictures of desolation to run away from. I have heard the barking dogs and seen some of those put out to pasture.

When you are happy in your new shedding, will you remember what it was like to roam free? To choose your life? Will your feed be supplemented and your usefulness calculated to allow you to remain as a guest?

Fifteen minute cities, agenda 21/30 and the global administrators of the WEF, will be glad to see you!

Is it at this point that the 'greenies' will protest outside our shedding? ***

