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**"WE SWEAR BY THE SOUTHERN CROSS TO STAND TRULY BY EACH OTHER
& FIGHT TO DEFEND OUR RIGHTS & LIBERTIES" - EUREKA REBELLION OATH 1854**

MORE OF THE SAME

The Victorian state government's support of the extension of the Bass Strait gas and oil fields only puts the inevitable off a few years. The key to energy security doesn't lie in bankrolling more expensive privately owned centralised energy facilities with public money. We don't need more polluting coal mines and fossil fuel carbon emitters coming on line or the establishment of nuclear power plants to provide energy security.

Centralised energy production facilities make communities vulnerable to economic exploitation because these facilities are invariably owned by a handful of foreign owned transnational corporations. They make society vulnerable in times of war and during terrorist attacks. Twenty first century problems need twenty first century solutions. We can't expect to find solutions to carbon emission problems by continuing to support the same industries that caused the problem in the first place or by supporting the nuclear energy industry, an industry that has its own set of special problems.

The problem of energy sufficiency and greenhouse emissions can be tackled simultaneously by nationalising the national grid, supporting research that helps to develop decentralised energy technology and by fitting every home, office and factory with solar panels and energy saving technology so that everybody in the community, not just a few coal mines, oil fields or nuclear power stations produce energy.

What seemed a fanciful idea when it was first floated in the mid 1970's has gained so much traction the City of London has thrown its support behind decentralised energy production hoping to be able to provide over 50% of its energy needs within the next twenty years from clean green decentralised production facilities within the city. If the City of London, with their climate, can attempt to achieve energy efficiency by promoting and supporting decentralised energy production, why can't Australian local, state and Federal governments go down the same path and exploit the sun rays in the sunburnt country.

REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS

Australia has three tiers of government - local, state and Federal. Local government is a creature of state government and the states and the Federal government's role in Australia is enshrined in the Australian constitution. Over the past century the Federal government has gained more constitutional power through High Court decisions that have increased its power at the expense of the power the states were able to exercise.

The balance of power has altered so radically, state governments are now creatures of the Federal government. Successive Federal governments are beginning to raise the idea that states should be abolished and power should be centralised in Canberra to prevent duplication of services, stop buck passing between state and federal governments and decrease costs and improve services through the efficiencies that can be achieved through the economies of scale.

This view seems to be gaining more and more support especially in Federal government circles. People seem to forget that centralisation of power brings its own problems. The more power is centralised, the less public accountability occurs. The greater the centralisation of power, the less direct influence people have on government decisions. One way of approaching the problem of abolishing state governments and keeping power at the local level is by creating strong geographically based regional governments that are responsible for providing the bulk of public services and retaining the Federal government to look after international affairs and external security.

For over 40,000 years the Australian land mass was divided into five hundred different regional communities by indigenous Australians that were based on geographical realities. These communities were relatively self-sufficient as far as their human needs were concerned and traded with surrounding communities for products they didn't have access to.

The establishment of regional governments on the Australian land mass should be based on geographical realities

not cultural, social or political considerations. Basing regional governments on geographical realities gives them the opportunity to develop economically sustainable patterns of production and allows them to become relatively self-sufficient. Change develops from the geographical realities people are faced with as the geographical situation changes and we move from a period of relative abundance to a period of scarcity establishing self-sufficient, sustainable regional governments seems a much more rational way of governing ourselves than centralising power in Canberra.

"JULIA DUCHESSED"

Reading about the Deputy Prime Minister's visit to the land of the brave and the free "Gillard wants Business in schools" (Sunday Age 27/7), I couldn't help think that Julia, conservative Australia's left wing bete noire had well and truly been duchessed by corporate America. Labor Party parliamentarians have a long history of having their attention distracted from reality as a consequence of being mesmerised by the antics of the puppet masters.

It seems Julia, true to Labor Parliamentary tradition, has swallowed the corporate codswallop that was served up with breakfast at the Carnegie Corporation of New York bash she attended. It's time the Rudd led Labor government began acting as a Labor government and stopped taking their orders from that small section of society that owns the means of production, distribution and exchange.

Why rely on corporate "philanthropy" to fund public education when the government has the means at its disposal to ensure the corporate world funds public education by paying their fair share of tax. Why waste billions of dollars of taxpayers money every year bankrolling religious and privately owned schools at the expense of public education. If people want their offspring to enjoy a private education they should dig deep into their own pockets, not the taxpayers pocket, and pay for the "best education money can buy".

Relying on corporate philanthropy to help fund public education is an abrogation of the government's duty to its citizens. If

governments don't have the courage to pass legislation to ensure all its citizens, not just those with the resources to buy the "best education money can buy", have access to good public education, they may as well resign and let somebody with the courage to govern for all Australians do the job the Howard government was unwilling to do and the Rudd government hasn't the stomach to do.

"WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD" (Apologies to Louie Armstrong)

Life's funny, very funny if you're not one of the two billion people who are currently having problems buying enough food to keep body and soul together. In the race to get enough clean green fuel into gas guzzling four wheel drives, the amount of land available for food production has decreased despite the world's population growing at a 100 million per year. Over the past twelve months the race to produce ethanol from grain crops has resulted in the price of rice increasing by 120% and the price of wheat nearly doubling. Speculators, seeing an opportunity for an easy buck, have added to the problem by speculating on the price of basic food stuffs on the futures market artificially driving up the price of food.

If gets better, a four wheel drive filled with ethanol uses you guessed it, the same amount of corn it would take to feed a child for one year. Fifty full four wheel drive gas tanks, fifty children go hungry. If the world population increases by 1.5% per year, world food production will have to rise by fifty percent by 2030. When you add the problems caused by speculation and ethanol production to the equation, world food production will have to increase by a 100% by 2030 for the world to maintain the status quo.

Just in case you think genetically engineered giant marrows are going to save the world, think again. During the past twelve months one third of the U.S corn crop has been switched to ethanol production and 50% of Brazil's agricultural land is used to produce ethanol or food for livestock. Not a very efficient use of agricultural land when you realise it takes six kilograms of grain to produce one kilogram of beef and two kilograms of grain is needed to produce one litre of milk. When you add the little fact that over 600 million people in China and India have joined the middle classes and are developing the same tastes for meat and milk, their western counterparts have, hey presto, less land available for rice and grain production. Don't worry, be happy, you can still have fries with your hamburger and you can supersize your order.

THANK YOU

I'd like to thank the Howard government for giving Australians the opportunity to witness the investiture of another member of the Tongan Royal Family as the hereditary absolute ruler of Tonga. When the people of Tonga sick and tired of being ruled by an absolute monarch revolted in

2006, The Australian Armed Forces and Federal Police were sent into the country to put down the revolt and restore the rule of the absolute monarch.

Considering the Howard governments Herculean efforts to introduce democracy into Afghanistan and Iraq you'd think they would have jumped at the chance of supporting the people of Tonga when they took to the streets to overthrow a feudal system that allows a hereditary ruling class to exercise complete control over their lives.

The new absolute ruler who will officially take over the reins of office from his father who died 2 years ago, seems to be more interested in ensuring his investiture is accompanied by the necessary pomp and ceremony for a man of his stature and standing than the welfare of his citizens. In Tonga the people directly elect nine members of a thirty four member parliament, the king appoints the other 25 members and chooses the cabinet and the Prime Minister.

Next week, the Tongan Royal Family, courtesy of the Rudd Labor government which continues to maintain Australian Federal police and military personnel in Tonga will continue to exercise absolute authority over Tonga despite the presence of a strong democratic opposition. Left to their own devices, the Tongan people would have dealt with the problems caused by the domination of the economy and the country by a feudal system that benefits few families at the expense of the rest of the population who have one of the lowest standards of living in the Pacific and who continue to be denied basic rights and freedoms other Pacific Island people and Australians, take for granted.

ANARCHIST QUESTION AND ANSWER

Q. Would shops, restaurants, bars, entertainment facilities exist in an anarchist community?

A. Much of the day to day social and economic activity in a capitalist society revolves around purchasing goods and services. In today's world about 50% of the working population is involved in selling goods and services while another 25 percent is involved in the financial sector. Only about 25 percent of the population in a capitalist society is directly involved in production.

Many of the activities we take for granted in a capitalist society would rapidly disappear in an anarchist community. Many people involved in small and large businesses would be freed from the drudgery of the work they do. Shopping centres and malls would be quickly transformed into social centres. The restaurant and entertainment sector would also undergo major changes. About three quarters of the people currently employed in entertainment, shopping and restaurant facilities would be freed to work in more useful and productive activities.

A living wage, the idea that everybody has access to the goods and services and facilities in the community they live in because they are part of that community not because of the work they do, would channel them into socially useful and productive work. Working hours would decrease and more people would have the time to develop their natural abilities, not waste their time doing boring, meaningless work to make a wage to keep body and soul together.

In an anarchist society people sink or swim together. The more people involved in productive activity, the better lifestyle everybody enjoys. The transfer of large numbers of people from non-productive to productive activity will provide the impetus needed to improve most peoples lives in an anarchist society.

The number of shops involved in selling goods would decrease dramatically, the number of outlets and people providing services would increase, entertainment and social venues would also increase. During the early states of the Paris Commune in 1871 and the Spanish revolution in 1936, the most enduring comments in the memoirs and accounts of participants was the increase in social activity and the euphoria surrounding the economic transformations which occurred when the grip capitalist relationships had on peoples lives was broken and they were free to pursue a more collectivist and communal agenda.

ACTION BOX

"EXTRA LEG"

Wednesday 3rd December 2008 marks the 154th anniversary of the Eureka Rebellion. This year the Anarchist Media Institute will once again be hosting The Reclaim The Radical Spirit of the Eureka Rebellion celebrations. We celebrate the Eureka rebellion not as a historical fossil but as a living breathing entity. We celebrate the spirit of the Eureka rebellion not specific personalities and events.

The Eureka rebellion was neither the beginning or the end of the struggle for radical egalitarian change. It is part of a continuum of events that will continue to play a major part in people's lives. On 3rd December we celebrate the essence of the rebellion DIRECT DEMOCRACY, DIRECT ACTION, SOLIDARITY, INTERNATIONALISM

Direct Democracy – Denied political rights miners and shopkeepers across the goldfields, not just in Ballarat, used mass meetings, established committees and elected and appointed delegates to carry out their wishes – Direct Democracy In Action.

Direct Action – Denied access to the political institutions that ruled them, the miners were involved in countless conflicts with the authorities which required them to put their bodies on the line to claim the inalienable human rights they believed they should enjoy.

Solidarity – The miners understood that only by working together they would be able to breakdown the ability of the state to impose its will on them through the states arbitrary exercise of power.

Internationalism – People from around the world of all colours, nationalities and of all religious beliefs put their differences behind them and worked together to fight the common enemy. The Eureka Rebellion was one time when the government's divide and rule tactics did not succeed in dousing the flames of revolt.

This year we will be adding some new activities to the day to Reclaim The Radical Spirit of The Eureka Rebellion.

We encourage you to take part in all or as many legs of the program as possible. It doesn't cost anything, you don't have to book in advance, you don't have to telephone anybody all you have to do is turn up.

Things get off to an early start at 4:00AM we gather at the Old Eureka Monument at the corner of Stawell and Eureka St Ballarat for a moving dawn ceremony. Each participant explains to everyone at the ceremony what Eureka means to them. We wait for the dawn to break on the very ground the miners and their supporters shed their blood to defend their rights and liberties and our rights and liberties.

6:00AM We have a communal breakfast at Eureka Hill bring your own food and drinks.

9:00AM We march from Eureka Park to Bakery Hill to reaffirm the Eureka Oath. *"We swear by the Southern Cross to stand truly by each other and fight to defend our rights and liberties"*

10:00AM Presentation Eureka Australia day medals at Bakery Hill speeches from medal recipients.

10:30AM Walk from Bakery Hill down the main street of Ballarat to Ballarat City Hall to voice our concerns about the Ballarat City Council's refusal to fly the Eureka Flag from the main flag pole on City Hall on Eureka Day, 3rd December.

11:00AM Walk from Ballarat City Hall to The Old Ballarat Cemetery to pay our respects to the diggers and soldiers (workers at either end of a bayonet) who died at the Eureka Stockade 154 years ago.

12:00PM Walk from the Old Ballarat Cemetery down the main road of Ballarat to the Ballarat Art Gallery to look at the original Eureka Flag.

1:00PM Walk from the Ballarat Art Gallery back to Eureka Hall (corner of Stawell and Eureka St) for a late lunch and conversation, bring your own food and drinks.

4:00PM End of the day.

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE PAST BY RECLAIMING THE PRESENT AND CHANGING THE FUTURE

AUSTRALIAN RADICAL HISTORY

"THE LITTLE DOCTOR"

The name of William Maloney often pops up in Australian radical history but few know much about him. Chummy Fleming organised the first Melbourne May Day celebration outside the Melbourne Anarchist Club in Dr. Maloney's office in Trades Hall in 1890. William Maloney started life as a humble bank clerk in the Colonial Bank of Australia's Melbourne office. One day in 1872 disgusted by a customers rude behaviour, Maloney, a little over five foot tall, challenged the customer to a fight. Maloney an advertisement for the ninety pound weakling who had sand kicked in his face by a "real man", came off second best.

Humiliated, he joined The Melbourne Deutscher Turn Verein Club in LaTrobe Street, Melbourne. Little did he know that his decision to join the club would radically alter his life. The Turn Verein Club was formed in 1860 by German immigrants who had joined the gold rush. Many were political refugees who had been driven out of Germany after the failed 1848 revolutions. A number of influential German radicals eventually made their home in Melbourne.

Gustav Techow and Hermann Puttmann, two of the most important radicals in the 1848 German uprising, were heavily involved in the Club. William Maloney trained with Techow who made a living in Melbourne teaching physical education to the Education Department. The collapse of the Paris Commune in 1871 led to a number of French radicals coming to Melbourne. William Maloney was influenced by the left wing radicals who used the Turn Verein Club. His hard work paid off, he soon achieved the greatest chest expansion ever seen at The Club and thrashed the living daylight out of the rude customer who had humiliated him in front of his friends.

William Maloney used the contacts he made among émigré left wing radicals in Melbourne to study medicine in Europe. When he returned home he never forgot his humble beginnings. A dapper little man the "little doctor" was drawn to parliamentary politics. He was elected to Federal parliament as one of the Labor members for Melbourne in 1904. The little doctor was a skilled debater. He was re-elected to Federal parliament at every election between 1907 to 1939. He died in office in his eighties in 1940. He never amounted to much in the Labor Party because of his radical ideas. The most important piece of legislation he was involved in was having the Australian Federal parliament pass legislation that allowed the electorate to recall non-performing politicians. The legislation never became law because parliament was dissolved before the bill received Royal Assent.

William Maloney always carried a resignation letter with him when he was in parliament. His proud boast was that if 51% of the electorate signed a petition that they were not satisfied with his performance, he would resign in between elections. People in Melbourne still remember the little doctor. A play about his life was performed at the North Melbourne Town hall in 2006. If any reader has any personal recollections about William Maloney I would be interested in talking to them about their recollections.



I've never heard of George Carlin 'till Amir handed over *Amir's Mix* and asked me to have a listen. Now just in case, like me, you have no idea who George Carlin is he's one of North Americans great political stand up comedians. Judging by the applause on the eleven tracks Amir downloaded onto the CD, he had the ability to pull in a crowd in the land of the brave and the free. I hate to say it, but I've heard it all before, not from George Carlin but from his mentor the late, great Lenny Bruce who pioneered the genre of using four letter words, sexual references and biting political satire directed at the rich and powerful. A heady undergraduate mix. That's the key word in this genre – undergraduate. George Carlin is funny, he has an eye for the absurd, his social commentary is sharp, well delivered and biting.

You can learn a lot about a stand up comedian's delivery by listening to the audiences reaction. Laughing at somebody else's stupidity especially those who exercise power is easy, recognising yourself in George Carlin's routine and laughing at yourself is a little bit more difficult. Track ten *Free-Floating Hostility (1996)* is a track in point up to track ten George Carlin was slaughtering sacred cows the audience hated - Dumb Americans, religion, politicians, advertising, businessmen, god (notice the small "g") and extreme human behaviour. The audience laughed with him telegraphing their punches at George Carlin's bete noire's – the audience's black beasts. Track ten is a different matter, George turns on his audience making fun of baby boomers. It takes a while to warm up the audience, you can tell they love it when George dishes it out to their enemies, but when he points the finger at their absurd lives, they're not very amused.

Did I enjoy *Amir's Mix*? Sure I giggled a few times, laughed out loud, I'm afraid not. His litany of complaint sounded all too familiar to me. I understand George Carlin died a few months ago. His death will be a great loss in a comedy scene that is so frightened of its own shadow. Comedians use four letter words, make a few not very clever observations about the community they live in, throw in a few clitoris and penis jokes and hey presto! It's comedy night. The rich and powerful seem to escape most comedian's attention. I can hear you scream "what do you know about comedy?" "What do you know about the human condition?" "You couldn't raise a laugh if your life depended on it". Well I think I'm audacious enough to give comedy a la Lenny Bruce and George Carlin a go. Book me a room at the next Melbourne Comedy Festival and I'll see what I can do. Thanks to Amir from Melbourne for introducing me to George Carlin's wit.

PERSONAL OBSERVATION

One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen four wheel drives parked one behind the other in a small suburban shopping strip. I did a double take, turned around and counted them again one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen. I wasn't mistaken, fourteen four wheel drives on the left side of the street in a strip shopping centre that could at most park twenty cars on the left hand side of the road.

The minds numb, fourteen four wheel drives (Toorak tractors) in a suburban street in 2008. fourteen gas guzzlers independently parked on the same stretch of road. Let's see where this line of thinking takes us. Fourteen 4WD's, 14 gas tanks, fill each gas guzzler with ethanol, hey presto! You save \$3.50 on each tank. If you use fifty tanks a year, that's 175 dollars savings a year, a figure not to be sneezed at.

Let's take it one step further, a full tank of ethanol uses as much corn as it takes to feed a child for a year. Fifty tanks a year, fifty children can be fed with the corn it takes to make the ethanol a 4WD uses every year. Multiply 50 x 14, that's 700 children can be fed per year from the corn it

takes to produce enough ethanol to feed 14 4WD's for a year. Let's take it a little bit further, most families that use this shopping centre have relatively good jobs and send their children to private schools (courtesy of the generosity of the Australian taxpayer, actually not the whole population just the suckers who are pay as you earn taxpayers). Toorak tractors are normally used to ferry the kids to and from school, shopping trips and a few other odds and ends.

Let's look at things a little more objectively, 700 children in the third world will go hungry this year so that 14 first world families can save 175 dollars per years by using ethanol in their four wheel drives to drive their children to and from their private schools. Seems fair to me, what do you think?

STOP PRESS TOUGH LOVE!!

I'm devastated, absolutely devastated that Australia's big four banks are having such a hard time. You'd think that enjoying a virtual government endorsed monopoly on banking services in a deregulated economy would have been enough incentive for the big four to turn a trick or two. Unfortunately it isn't, the poor shareholders seem to be all cut up about the fall in banking shares over the past few days.

If you and I were in business and we made the mistakes the big four made, we'd be told to take it on the chin and pay off our creditors; we'd be expected to carry our losses and if we couldn't meet our financial obligations, we'd have to declare bankruptcy. Fortunately for the big four the rules for companies that have a government license to print money are a little different.

You make bad business decisions that lead to billion dollar losses all you need to do if your one of the big four banks is give borrowers and customers the honour of paying off your debts by increasing interest rates and fees. If that doesn't work you can lay off staff, decrease staff wages and trim banking services. If things get really difficult don't worry you're so important to the capitalist system, the state will step in and bail you out with taxpayers money that could have been used to build infrastructure, provide security and social security benefits for Australians who are too old to work or have fallen on hard times.

Executive and board wages, hold on a minute their sacrosanct as they keep telling us if you pay peanuts, you get monkeys. Sometimes I think monkeys could do a better job of running Australian banks than current banking board members and executives have demonstrated.

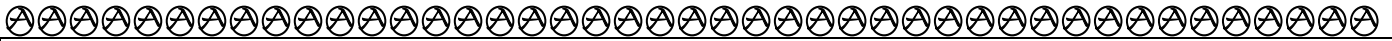
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POEM – Stephen Roberts

A POLICY TO FAIL

Carbon emissions
like Bombers' Missions
will cause millions of deaths
if not reduced drastically
Temp rise 2 degrees catastrophically
affects water, health, energy security
Tourism, agriculture, coastlines
Rudd's policy to boost mines
increase fossil fuel power stations solution
despite 60% emissions cut by 2050 – a no win situation





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REBEL WORKER Vol 27 No.3(200), JULY-AUG '08, Paper of the Anarcho-Syndicalist Network - "Congratulations to Rebel Worker on their 200th edition", PO Box 92, Broadway 2007, Sydney, Australia
SICILIA LIBERTARIA No.274 JUNE 08 (Vol32), Giornale anarchico per la liberazione sociale e l'internazionalismo, Via G.B Odierna, 212-97100 Ragusa, Sicily ITALY. Email : info@sicilioliberalitaria.it

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**** JOIN US RECLAIM THE RADICAL SPIRIT OF THE EUREKA REBELLION 4am - 4pm WEDNESDAY 3RD DEC 2008. EUREKA PARK (Cnr STAWELL & EUREKA ST, BALLARAT) ****

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DEBT ELIMINATION APPEAL

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(Corner Stawell & Eureka Streets, Ballarat, VICTORIA)

Download poster from anarchistmedia.org
Email poster to your friends, print it off, distribute it around your community.

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NOMINATION CLOSE - 31st OCTOBER 2008

Send in one nomination or as many as you like. Send us the following information:

* The name of the person nominated

* A few sentences outlining why they should receive the award

* A contact address for the nominee (We need to contact them if they wish to receive the award)

* The person you nominate can be a public figure or somebody only known to a few people.

SEND YOUR NOMINATIONS ASAP TO

EUREKA AUSTRALIA DAY MEDAL, P.O. BOX 20, PARKVILLE 3052, VIC, AUSTRALIA or email your nomination to anarchistage@yahoo.com

WRITE TO AKIN SARI TODAY!

Akin Sari has recently been moved to FULHAM PRISON

outside Sale approx 200km from Melbourne. New contact details -

FULHAM PRISON

Hopkins Road, West Sale,

Victoria AUSTRALIA

Postal address: Private Bag 30A, Sale VIC 3850, AUSTRALIA

VicRoads Reference 98, H3

Tel: +61 3 5142 3800 Fax: +61 3 5142 3801

Akin Sari a 29 yr old Turkish political refugee who was granted political asylum in Australia has been sentenced to 2 years & 4 months imprisonment for offences related to his involvement in the G20 protests in Melbourne in November 2006. Akin has already spent months in prison awaiting trial & sentencing. He has been set a minimum 14 months sentence. Akin will have to serve the maximum sentence of 2 years & 4 months if he fails to obtain parole in October 2008. If you write to Akin don't worry if he doesn't reply as he is having problems sending mail back.
KEEP WRITING

RABBLE ROUSERS AND MERRY PRANKSTER

A HISTORY OF Anarchism in New Zealand with references to the history of anarchism in Australia in the 1960's and 1970's. Contact - Toby Boraman for Irrecoverable Press, PO Box 6387, Te Aro, Wellington, New Zealand. Email: fyddless@yahoo.co.nz
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COMMEMORATION**

To mark the 167th Anniversary of the execution of the Indigenous Freedom Fighters Tunnerminnerwait and Maulboyheenner at the spot they were executed
MIDDAY - TUESDAY 20th JANUARY 2009

Cnr Bowen & Franklin St Melbourne - (opposite City baths next to RMIT)

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ALL WELCOME - We encourage you to come and join us on these vigils

ANARCHIST MEDIA INSTITUTE OBSCENITY OF THE WEEK

Has been awarded to the Federal Labor government for not mentioning the C word - Capitalism - in its green paper on global warming and carbon trading.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"Economics the science created by those who exercise power to justify exploitation"
- Joseph TOSCANO - JULY 2008

