



The Green Monster Socialism and the Environmental Movement

Most baseball fans know the 37' 2" left-field wall in Boston's Fenway Park as the *Green Monster*. Literature calls envy a green monster while in Shakespeare's *Othello*, jealousy is the *green-ey'd monster, which doth mock the meat it feeds on*. To the politically aware, there is a more formidable *green monster*, lurking on the horizon with its tendrils threatening to ensnare every feature of American life in a socialist embrace.

Conservation Roots

Socialism is a hydra-headed monster that throughout history has assumed many different postures, factions, and disguises. Its latest guise is the green head of a radical environmentalism that is beginning to alter the American economic and social landscape. This *Green Movement* has an elaborate plan to increase its political power, through a propaganda barrage about the dangers to the planet unless the Greens' proposals are implemented.

Since one of the Greens tactics is the perversion of the language, it is important to demonstrate how it differs from traditional conservation. True environmentalism is a diverse scientific, social, and political enterprise. Its advocates work for the wise management of resources, and protection and restoration through reasonable means and fair legislation.

The United States showed its concern for the natural environment in 1739, when Benjamin Franklin and other Philadelphia residents petitioned the Pennsylvania Assembly to stop waste dumping and remove tanneries from Philadelphia's commercial district. By the early 19th century Henry David Thoreau expressed his concern for preserving the country's natural beauty. Thoreau introduced civil disobedience as a means of raising the public's concern for the wanton destruction of the country's natural resources and his book *Walden* urged people to become involved with nature.

As a government policy, conservationism began when President Theodore Roosevelt laid the foundations for a government-sponsored program that attempted to preserve and protect the nations' natural resources and its scenic beauty from the extensive capitalist expansion in the early 20th century.

Watermelon Socialists

Today's radical environmentalism is primarily a political movement, emanating from a socialist ideology. While the Green radicals have borrowed from conservation and ecology, they have added a neo-Marxist twist with more bureaucracy and regulation than any of the predecessors.

It was the Marxist roots that prompted scholars such as Petr Beckmann and Warren T. Brookes, both conservative critics of radical environmentalism, to label the radicals *Watermelons*, that is *green on the outside but red on the inside*. This pejorative term emphasizes the Greens' plan to put social justice above ecological justice. According to Mark Levin's 2009 book, *Liberty and Tyranny: A Conservative Manifesto*, the Greens have *abandoned the laws of nature, reason, experience, economics and modernity*. As a result they are using power and coercion to protect the environment, not just from big business but also from mankind.

Their rhetoric is riddled with false claims that they are *saving man from himself and the earth from man*. Mankind is an unwelcome intruder on the earth. Radical groups such as Earth First declare that it *does not accept a human-centered worldview of nature for people's sake*. Human beings are expendable and the planet would be better off with an 85% reduction in its population.

According to Steven Milloy, author of *Green Hell: How Environmentalists Plan to Control Your Life and What You Can Do to Stop Them*. Barack Obama is the first green president. The early endorsement of his candidacy by the Sierra Club and League of Conservation Voters in February 2004 has been credited for his rise from the Illinois Senate to the U.S. Senate.

Thinking Green

While many Greens truly believe their own propaganda about the planet and the imminence of its meltdown, they have no qualms about distorting the truth to force their will on the general population. According to author Levin, fear is one of the Greens' most productive weapons and they exercise it with virtual impunity. The *more dire the threat* whether it be the weather, food, sweeteners, bird flu, swine flu, dioxins, water or disease, the *more freedoms people are willing to surrender*.

The fear mongering began in 1962 with the publication of biologist Rachel Carson's book *Silent Spring*, which legitimized many of the erroneous claims of the Green Movement. Her book condemned the indiscriminate spraying of DDT in the US and questioned the logic of releasing large amounts of chemicals into the environment without fully understanding their effects on ecology or human health

This led to the creation of the United States Environmental Protection Agency in 1970, which banned the agricultural use of DDT in the US in 1972. Not only has DDT never been directly linked to one cancer death, it has been responsible for saving lives during the last 25 years; but since its 1972 ban, many have died, especially in Africa and Asia from mosquito-borne diseases, especially malaria.

The fear of over-population has been a strong selling point. The Greens have skillfully played on Thomas Malthus' false predictions of world famine in 1798 and his modern disciple, Paul Ehrlich, wrongly predicted global starvation in his 1968 book *The Population Bomb* which has been used as a textbook in many schools.

The Green Formula

Because of the so-called *greenhouse effect*, Green Scientists predict *rising sea levels inundating wetlands, beaches, and coastal cities as well as fires, and insect plagues*. They have oiled the machinery of government coercion, presumably through their *green president*, to seriously shrink or even erase man's environmental impact, or carbon footprint.

Many scientists dispute whether there is any truth to a man-made global warming, based on their research, which states: *the Northern Hemisphere actually experienced a cooling period between the 1940's and the 1970's*. According to Milloy there is no scientific evidence indicating that carbon dioxide emissions control measurably impacts global climate.

Americans need to understand that climate change is a natural fact of human life. Many theories are examples of politics dictating the course of scientific research. It should be realized that the Greens' goal is not the saving of the planet from mankind, but the global redistribution and reallocation of economic resources. Because of their addiction to the government's largesse, countless scientists have let their pocketbooks determine their scientific speculations to favor a man-made global warming. The 2007 book, *Unstoppable Global Warming: Every 1,500 Years*, by Fred Singer and Dennis Avery presents irrefutable scientific evidence for the cyclical nature of global climate change.

Milloy's book warns that the obsessively green vision is conditioning Americans to "*think green*." Greens believe that man's *carbon footprint*, or his environmental impact, is the product of the world's population, the affluence of its citizens and the technology that elevates their standard of living, and will lead to *planetary disaster*.

Green Ambition

One of the serious spin-off issues from the global warming debate has been the congressional proposal called *cap and trade*. It is one of the most ambitious and oppressive economic schemes ever conjured in the name of ecology. Under its provisions, the federal government would dictate greenhouse gas emissions levels with an emphasis on carbon dioxides from fossil fuel use. It would mandate the steady reduction of these levels and even ban them from certain industries. Companies that emit less carbon dioxide could then sell their excess allotments to companies that emit more. Those that emit more would suffer severe penalties and fines.

Every industry that uses fossil fuel would be at the arbitrary mercy of the government, much like they were during the Roosevelt administration and the unconstitutional business codes of the National Recovery Administration. Scant attention would be given to the economic consequences of these regulations. As a result the consumer would not only pay more for energy but also could suffer frequent power outages, reduced services and less work and recreational freedom.

According to philosopher, Dr. Sam Vaknin, the politicizing of environmental issues will warrant a new IRS-like government bureaucracy that will set levels, process permits, collect data, monitor and audit compliance, investigate alleged violations and ultimately enforce emissions standards through fines, penalties and litigation.

As a result cap and trade would deal a decided blow to a struggling economy with significant job loss, business retrenchment and a lower standard of living for all Americans. Cap and Trade could ultimately lead to a carbon ration card, not unlike those used during World War II, when Americans could only buy so much gas, sugar, meat, etc. and other basics of human life.

The Detroit Blues

Green philosophy will carry American technology back to the English Luddites of the early 19th century, who destroyed all their advanced machinery during a labor protest. The auto industry with its pollution-causing emissions is regarded as the planet's *Public Enemy #1*. They labor every day to think of ways to get Americans out of their cars and into miniscule smart cars or mass transit. To spark this slow road to transportation serfdom, Congress used the excuse of the oil embargo of the 1970s to pass its Corporate Average Fuel Economy or CAFE standards on automobiles. Washington mandated that Detroit raise its gas mileage goal so that more efficient cars would cut down on fuel requirements and ease the energy burden. This has been the government's standard operating policy.

To cut fuel emissions, Detroit started making smaller cars that impinged upon the safety of its passengers. Most consumers have been caught between wanting the safety protection offered by the low efficiency mileage SUVs and sedans, concern for the environment, and their pocketbooks. With President Obama running two of the Big Three Detroit will be singing the environmental blues for a long time.

Green Hell

After the Greens finish the auto industry, they will step up their campaign to limit human access to water. According to the *Green Hell*, Las Vegas wanted to build a desalination plant that would help its water problems but it ran into serious obstacles from the Greens that opposed the idea because of project footprint, power generation and brine disposal. The Sierra Club has opposed the importation of fresh water from Canada, which has 20% of the world's supply.

The Great Lakes are the largest fresh water system in the world, holding approximately 84% of the North American surface fresh water and about 21% of the world's supply. The Greens have opposed a pipeline and even the transport by ship that would have delivered water to eight adjacent states.

Greens also plan for *smart growth* in housing. They want to cram Americans in high-density urban areas to keep them from taking up too much space. They envision people packed into apartments and row houses instead of single-family homes, a practice that has forced up prices ten fold in Portland, Oregon in just a decade. They are promoting (and our government seems to be in agreement) "smart meters" for home and auto that will monitor how much energy is consumed at home and on the road. These "smart meters" have already been installed in pilot programs in some cities.

Milloy believes that *going green is no longer a lifestyle choice--it is a government mandate*. Like any socialist movement, the Greens have targeted the next generation as the submissive acolytes who will sell their philosophy to more unsuspecting Americans. Their Rainforest Action Network brainwashes school children that the oil companies are responsible for destroying millions of acres of rainforest to fuel American cars. They have enlisted thousands of teachers to spread their propoganda and create a new generation of environmentalists.

Papal Shades of Green

With regard to the Church, Pope Benedict XVI's ability to run Vatican City on a carbon-neutral basis, where all greenhouse emissions from the Holy See are offset by renewable energies and carbon credits, prompted Newsweek Magazine's Daniel Stone to call him the *green pope* in a 2008 article. In his first papal homily, Benedict stated that *the*

earth's treasures have not been made to serve the powers of exploitation and destruction" and called on Catholics to be better stewards of God's creation.

Stone does seem to understand that it is human life that energizes the Pope's concern for the environment, not some fuzzy pantheistic notion of nature. In a 2005 address he gave in St. Peter's Square, he proclaimed that humans are *the only one of all creatures on this earth that can establish a free and conscious relationship with his creator*. Stone readily acknowledged that the Vatican was *unlikely to back environmental solutions that focus on reducing the human population or limiting the use of the earth's resources to support human livelihood*.

Yet Pope Benedict is not the first Pope to seriously address the issue of environmental degradation. Pope John Paul II regarded legitimate environmental concerns as a moral issue and noted in 1990 that people have a *grave responsibility to preserve the earth's order for the well being of future generations*. Both Popes have reflected the teachings of Pope Leo XIII's 1891 encyclical Rerum Novarum, which held that God gave the earth to *mankind in common* so as to leave *the limits of private possessions to be fixed by the industry of men and the institutions of peoples*.

So it is important to remember that while the Popes certainly cannot be lumped with the radical Greens, they have displayed many different shades of green. While having no political agenda, then strongly urge people to be good stewards of the earth's natural resources in the spirit of a valid environmentalism.

Americans need to educate themselves as to the nature and true goals of the radical green movement so as to turn back the green tide that threatens to drown the truth about the environment. Otherwise they might wake up one morning and find that Big Brother has turned into a monstrous Green Giant whose thumb is squashing their faith, freedoms and livelihoods.

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Congratulations Reverend Kevin Rettig



As a young teenager, Father Kevin Rettig attended with his teacher Sister Mary James the annual CMF National Conferences on militant atheism held in St. Louis. He listened and learned, so that years later, not only while at school in Communist Hungary, he discerned the propaganda, ridicule, godlessness of Communism in society.

Father Rettig's first assignment as a young priest was St. Stephen's Church, the Hungarian/German parish in downtown Los Angeles. There his talent for languages was most useful even serving a number of Vietnamese families. For the past six years, Father Rettig has been Pastor of St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church of 4,000 families in Winnetka, California.

On Saturday, June 27, 2009 Father Kevin Rettig celebrated the 25th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood at St. Joseph's with a large attendance of parishioners, friends and family members from Saint Louis. A reception followed in the Parish Center.

St. Paul to the Ephesians 6:11-12

"Put on the armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our wrestling is not against flesh and blood, but against the Principalities on the Powers, against the world-rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness on high."

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Scientists Pan Obama Climate Report

Scientists have commented: *"This is not a work of science but an embarrassing episode for the authors and National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)." Also, "Misrepresents the Science."* Other reactions to Obama's new global warming report are: *"Detailed picture of the worst case scenarios"* *"Poised for its most forceful confrontation with American public."*

The highly respected United States Senator, James M. Inhofe from Oklahoma stated: "That the federal bureaucracy in Washington has produced yet another alarmist report on global warming is nothing new... I would suggest, given a little time, the world's preeminent scientists will quickly and thoroughly debunk this study." Senator Inhofe goes on to say: "As has been clearly demonstrated by the Senate Minority report of over 700 scientists questioning global warming hysteria, the debate on the science remains wide open." Senator Inhofe is serving his third term in the U.S. Senate since 1994. Prior to his political career he spent 30 years in the business community and served in the United States Army. Today as the second ranking member of the Senate Arms Services Committee, Jim has gained a reputation as an expert on defense and national security issues.

One important scientific reaction to report: Meteorologist Joe D'Aleo, the first Director of Meteorology at The Weather Channel and former chairman of the American Meteorological Society's (AMS) committee on Weather Analysis and Forecasting said on June 16, 2009, "This is not a work of science but an embarrassing episode for the authors and NOAA."

Hate Crimes

The Matthew Shepard Hate Crimes Act pending in the U. S. Senate is an expansive dangerous bill which adds sexual orientation as a protected class, the same as race.

Liberty Counsel, Washington, DC, comments: "hate crimes laws will be used to silence people of faith, clergy and those who support traditional values." The Democratic controlled U. S. House has already passed their version of a hate crimes bill. A senate vote is expected before August recess. Write, call, e-mail your U. S. Senator immediately to vote NO!