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An end to monopoly — in government, banking, land, patents, mergers, trade unions, medicine.

Rational, humane laws. Prisons abolished; replaced by fines, with psychiatric treatment if necessary.

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Assess full ground rent, without exception, for ethical revenue source, low improvement taxes, an end to speculation. Choice of sites at true rental value will ensure a surplus of safe employment, at wages equal to one production.

Government restitution for official or private injuries. Polygraph tests to be accepted as evidence.

This book describes many abuses of our environment, our health, and of animal life, and measures which have been taken and should be taken to halt these abuses. The "fast breeder reactor" which is supposed to supply almost endless energy produces plutonium-239, and "Release of any plutonium upon the surface of the earth irreversibly increases lung cancer hazards for periods measured in 100,000's of years." The dangers of present nuclear power plants would be enhanced, and the present ones are a menace to this and future generations. If thermal pollution isn't released into water, changing the ecology there, it creates a continuous fog and mist when released into the air, changing the climate of the community. By the year 2000, at the present rate, one-third of all surface water will be used for cooling purposes, for electricity alone, and other industrial requirements are enormous.

Increases in carbon dioxide, from burning of fuel, and release of water at high altitudes, from jet planes, may change the climate. Oxygen in water decreases when the temperature is raised; chemical reactions are faster; dissolved salts are more concentrated; toxins have a greater effect; the mixing of layers of water in a lake is affected; and the biological consequences may be out of all proportion to the amount of heating. (We should greatly decrease our population, our per capita consumption of power, and develop solar power, already widely used for heating, cooling, cooking, distilling salt water, and some power production, as rapidly as possible, as a clean, cheap and unlimited source of power, and a means of conserving our natural resources.)

"most modern hazardous chemicals have been introduced within the past twenty years or so." We are exposed every day to hundreds of thousands of potential poisons, and we know very little about the effects of their combinations. In some foreign countries a new chemical cannot be added to food where the safety of one in long use has been confirmed. We do know that a combination of poisons ordinarily has a multiple effect, and we insist upon trying out new combinations on consumers. The book, "ANIMAL MACHINES," published in London, describes the unspeakably painful, unsanitary, crowded conditions under which animals are raised, often unable to move, deprived of minerals, roughage and sunlight, and kept alive and growing faster, with various pills, injections, food supplements - even poisons - wherever what is called "intensive farming" is practiced.

In March, 1968, "Pesticides Monitoring Journal" reported eight chlorinated organic chemical pesticides as residues in garden fruits, ten in orchard fruits, nine in grain and cereal products, ten in meat, fish and poultry, and thirteen in dairy products - in all, in 224 of the 360 composites examined. These include DDT, DDE, TDE, aldrin, BHC, chlordane, dieldrin, endrin, lindane, parathion and arsenic. Many accumulate in body tissues. Breast-fed babies in America consume about ten times the recommended limit of dieldrin, and more than 70 % above the acceptable limit of DDT. Future generations are thus exposed to organochlorine pesticides greatly in excess of that to which we are exposed. Pesticides are extremely dangerous to handle on farms or in homes. 50 of the 130 widely used pesticides cause cancer. In 1200 case histories of cancerous conditions of blood and glands, taken by one doctor since the advent of pesticides in 1947, every patient had had great exposure to a pesticide, a herbicide, a paint thinner, a cleaning agent, or the like. It is stated that no more than 300 parts per million of nitrates should be allowed in food, while in commercial baby food 444 parts were found in wax beans, 977 in beets and 1373 in spinach. In a study of 12,000 persons, 13 percent had low blood levels of vitamin A. 20 percent of corpses examined in Montreal had no vitamin A store in their livers.

By 1975 we shall have only 2.2 acres of agricultural land per person in this country. This is the critical point, below which our diet will suffer. We must stop paving it for auto highways, and use more public transportation, as well as reduce the population. We must stop building more and larger cities, stop surface mining, stop flooding large areas of good land by the building of dams, for an insignificant percentage of power needs, and ineffective flood control.

"Ordeal of the Animals" describes the tortures inflicted in rodeos, "Bloodless" bull-fights, dog fights, cock fights, horse racing, roadside carnivals and zoos, the massive poisoning and horrible deaths of wildlife "predators" by our Department of the Interior. Our livestock auctions and slaughter houses are scenes of unmitigated cruelties, long since outlawed by most European countries. Two out of every three deer wounded by hunters escape and die of starvation while in agony. In Harmony, N. C., for almost a decade, a roundup of wild rabbits is clubbed and stoned to death by men, women and children, to provide a charity banquet, sponsored by the American Legion, during Yuletide. 15 million wild dogs and millions of wild cats roam the country, to starve, freeze, drown, or get run over. Most should be spayed, so that only pets would remain; and, to save resources, individual pets should probably not be allowed.

Every day, hundreds, sometimes thousands of fully conscious animals are scalded, beaten or crushed to death, and more subjected to exotic surgery, in the name of Science, and allowed to die slowly and in agony. Some are devocalized, so their screams won't annoy people. Billions of dollars in federal money is granted without controls, and the laws of most states provide the laboratories with immunity from inspection. \$50 million a year are paid for stolen pets, including an estimated 2 million dogs. Some examples follow: Over 4,000 dogs were given identical shock tests in 100 different laboratories, by having the flesh in their legs crushed, without breaking the bones. The dogs lived for 5 to 12 hours, strapped to tables, without anesthesia or sedative. 2) "Electric blasting caps were exploded inside the brains of 225 dogs." of the survivors, some were placed in ice water, and some heated, to see whether heat or cold affected the damage. It didn't. Some survived for four weeks. 3) Infant monkeys, 12 hours after birth, are injected with human cancer cells, then kept in complete isolation for the next five years." 4) Seventy dogs had the circulation in their legs stopped. They all died after 10 hours. 5) "The heads of one hundred and thirty dogs were severed, cooled and kept "alive" for up to 8 hours. 'When the heads were later mounted on a holder and perfused with heparinized warm blood, there was lacrimation, salivation, panting and ...reaction to pain and light ...a living brain'" 6) To test football helmets, the heads of hundreds of dogs were crushed with pneumatic hammers. 7) The navy is training porpoises to carry explosives, in body harness, to ram enemy submarines. 8) "Dogs given lethal doses of abdominal irradiation can be kept alive for 153 days by cutting out the pancreatic duct. Untreated dogs lived only four days." 9) "Bleeding dogs to the point of hemorrhagic shock causes death unless treatment is given immediately." 10) "25 to 50 percent of body skin of dogs was surgically peeled off in sheets. 14 dogs had 20 to 40 percent of skin replaced by skin from a donor dog. There was 86 percent mortality and 26 percent of the grafts rotted. The dogs were allowed to live three to 26 days. The experiment was financed by two federal grants, one for \$ 224, 208, and one for \$236,942." 11) "Dogs were bled of 40 percent of total blood volume in order to study what happened in the gastrointestinal tract." 12) "A living brain of a rhesus monkey was kept alive for several hours. 'The difficult job of peeling away the monkey's flesh occupies most of this time.' ... 'The rhesus body is now lifeless, but the brain, naked in the network of wires and tubes, functions as it had only hours before while contemplating a banana.' The application of this research to human health involves 'moral and social factors... The passage of a considerable period of time may be required to lessen the impact of these factors.'" 13) "Young mice are grafted to old mice with grafts from tail to shoulder. University of California scientists believe they can thus discover whether the young mouse will keep the old mouse alive for a longer period." This combination of callousness, stupidity, sadism, graft and waste pervades all aspects of government, and will continue until activities are checked with polygraph tests as to desirability.