

Natural Law

* CHAOS IS THE consequence of man's ignorance of fundamental principles. And chaos is disorder, whether it be in the field of mathematics, chemistry or physics; or whether it be in that great field of human affairs. Inflation, unemployment, labor shortage, etc., are all the dreadful effects of some deep cause—disregarded principles of natural laws. The bewilderment and confusion, the so-called inverted state-of-affairs are the first fruits of distorted truths. What would we say to the medical doctor who prescribed decapitation as a remedy for headache? What would become of medical science if doctors refused to seek out causes before administering treatment?

Today the general public is, as yet, in that stage of economic enlightenment, comparable to the age of superstition and witch-burning—the foolishness of our forefathers. And the fact remains that the hopes of all men, whether they be investors, industrialists or common workers, rest in a complete return to the immutable laws of nature—laws not made by man, only discovered by him.

We have made wonderful strides in the mechanical arts and sciences, but in the science of economics we have barely begun to creep. Instead of achieving liberty and plenty for everyone, we seem to be headed in the other direction. Until economic principles are understood, there can be nothing more than a blind groping for the cause of and the cure for economic distress.

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