

The Inevitable Cycle

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IT HAS been often asked of late, what would happen if the world were to become overpopulated. Would Nature continue to breed human beings or discontinue, and how would it be done? When land is available it is soon occupied by human life, but when land is available and not occupied, it is overrun by wildlife. It must be remembered that life cannot subsist on nothing.

For instance, in Roman history, the Patrician Gracchi brothers undertook to safeguard the state's interest by a redistribution of lands. They reasoned that land monopoly had destroyed production and to encourage further land monopoly would be to destroy the state. But the spoiled child complex of privilege-holders in the Senate refused to cooperate.

Can you imagine landholding privileges surrendering their right to get something for nothing and going to work?

At a crucial period in United States history when the rulers had to decide between encouraging producers and discouraging privileged holders, they made the fatal choice by resorting to the income tax, whose primary aim is the direct and further confiscation of the dwindling class of actual producers which is leading inevitably to its logical conclusion. The introduction of social security and socialized medicine is nothing more than a means of increasing the income tax and calling it by another name, as a social benefit.

When the strain on the actual producers divides the nation, the army will gradually assume greater and greater importance, both in numbers and pay, because the spoiled child knows no other way but to force unity by compulsion. And once more centralization will be followed by disintegration. As our own proud state is brought to ruin, Nature will remain triumphant and defiant, as a reminder that ignorance or defiance of her laws can be no excuse and that penalties must inevitably follow.