

Hansen and the non-scientist Al Gore never tire of claiming that the opposition has crumbled. Yet over 31,000 American scientists have signed a petition protesting the global warming theory. Known as the Oregon petition, the protest reads:

“There is no convincing scientific evidence that human release of carbon dioxide, methane, or other greenhouse gasses is causing or will, in the foreseeable future, cause catastrophic heating of the Earth’s atmosphere and disruption of the Earth’s climate. Moreover, there is substantial scientific evidence that increases in atmospheric carbon dioxide produce many beneficial effects upon the natural plant and animal environments of the Earth.”

The serious threat of a new Ice Age has, meanwhile, been pushed to the background. A century of climate science has led to the understanding that cyclical advances and retreats of the Greenland ice sheet have covered Europe and North America down to the latitudes of New York and Chicago under a mile-thick sheet of ice. The cycles appear to be driven by changes in the Earth’s orbital relationship to the Sun. The 100,000-year cycle of variation in the ellipticity of the Earth’s orbit appears to have been the dominant driver of recent ice age cycles.

Geological evidence and various methods of dating sedimentary layers indicate that prolonged Ice Ages, of approximately 100,000 years duration, have been punctuated by short periods of melt-back, known as interglacials, lasting about 10,000 years on average. By such orbital dating, the Earth is now due for the onset of another glaciation, likely to bury North America, northern Europe, and the British Isles under a mile or more of ice. It won’t matter much for the British oligarchs, as their day is done anyway. For the rest of us, scientific preparation might be welcome. On these matters, Russian specialists have some useful contributions to make.

This Nazi-like rubbish from Prince Philip (the Duke of Edinburgh) and his sundry dupes and fellow-travelers is to be seen and uprooted for the evil weed it is.

Some of us find it extremely difficult to see much difference between Prince Philip and certain former members of his extended family. In practice, their past policies and his own present ones are most difficult to separate. His kind are better described as “mass-grave diggers” than “bed-wetters.” There is, in fact, no difference in effect between what the backers of the World Wildlife Fund present today and both the wartime policies of the Adolf Hitler regime and also some past generations of certain leading Wall Street families of the days of the American Liberty League, whose ideas are echoed by the types of the American Enterprise Institute’s associate, lying Amity Shlaes today (see *Strategy*, this week).

## Blair’s New East India Company

What was ex-Prime Minister Tony Blair doing heading a delegation of Brits to conduct a brainwashing session with American elected and corporate officials, anyway? Soon after his washout in elective office, Blair emerged as a leading spokesman for an international initiative known as Breaking the Climate Deadlock. Its stated aim is to build political and business support in key countries for “a new and ambitious post-2012 climate change agreement.”

Blair’s initiative is a partnership with a worldwide organization known as The Climate Group, which was founded in April 2004 with his support. The group is a coalition of environmental front groups, spun off from the World Wildlife Fund of Sir Julian Huxley and the Princes Philip and Bernhard, with a focus on the climate question. Headquartered in the U.K., it includes the World Wildlife Federation, World Resources Institute, and the International Council of Local Environmental Initiatives under its umbrella (see “The British Genocidal Roots of Mayor Bloomberg’s Madness,” *EIR*, May 23, 2008). Corporate members of The Climate Group (50 top corporations) include the old British Empire banks Standard & Chartered, HSBC (formerly Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.), and JP Morgan Chase, and The Man Group. HSBC is making use of the climate partnership to set up offices and hold meetings to pressure government officials in India and China to scale back industry and development.

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