

GREETINGS

To Participants in the Conference on
QUALITY OF LIFE ACTION

Climate Everyone can see and feel that the climate is changing, here, back East, Africa, Europe, Iceland, the USSR, and elsewhere. We are in the transition from an interglacial to a glacial period. The last forty years have been a period of rapid change and the next 5, 10 and 20 years will tell whether we stabilize the climate or not.

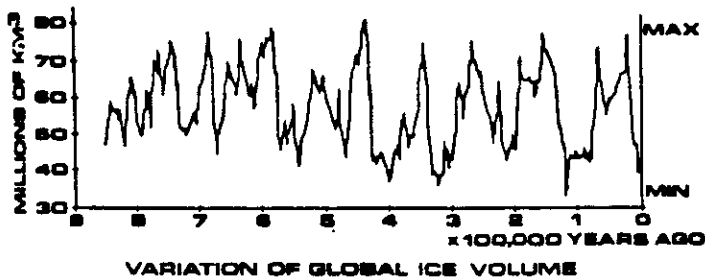
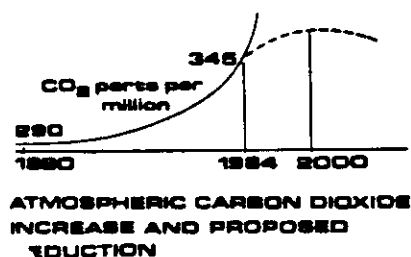
Employment How do you stabilize climate? Our best effort is to develop the U.S. and the world's forests as rapidly as possible to bring down the carbon dioxide level -- back to a stable level. This means massive employment, on an emergency basis, for reforestation, for bringing the soil back up where the minerals have been used up, and conservation and alternative energy technology development (to reduce fossil fuel use, a main source of additional CO₂). Construction work.

Full service support for full employment This too is clear. How can there be real full employment without a full program of food, health, housing, education, training and child care, with a decent wage level, worker and community involvement, civil rights and peace?

Alternative employment It is equally clear that coal miners, United Auto Workers members producing armaments, and others, will have to be participants in planning and carrying through a shift from a 'weapons' economy to a 'climate' economy. We are already in a crisis, read the attached information.

We met with Representative Charles Hayes last November back East and were able to discuss with him the role of an earth regeneration program. The employment summary attached (originally distributed at the AFL-CIO national convention last October) is the guts of a full employment program for the U.S. His bill, H.R. 1398, sets the framework.

You can obtain a paper about the above ecology/employment/support prepared by Dr. Julianne Malveaux and Alden Bryant (15 pages). This is for a national meeting later this year. It is available from the Earth Regeneration Society (50 cents). "A Plan for Social Action in Reduction of Atmospheric Carbon Dioxide and Climate Stabilization."



A NEWSLETTER ABOUT CYCLES OF GLACIATION, THE NEGATIVE EFFECTS OF AN INTERGLACIAL/GLACIAL TRANSITION ON LIVING SPECIES, AND A COUNTER PROGRAM.

C. Bertrand Schultz

"'Mini-Ice Age' due, predicts scientist."
Holdrege Citizen, 10-20-85. (Associated Press.)

"The director of the Nebraska Academy of Sciences believes the Northern Hemisphere is heading for a 'mini-Ice Age.' C. Bertrand Schultz.

"Schultz concurs with other geologists who say that by the year 2010 an Ice Age will engulf the Northern Hemisphere, resulting in Canada's inability to grow grain and the Soviet Union's inability to feed itself.

"Even now, he says, parts of Alberta, once rich in wheat, do not have the necessary 41 frost-free days in the growing season needed for a harvest.

"'The mean annual temperature of the Northern Hemisphere has continued to fall,' he said. 'It has been dropping since 1947, at least as far as we've been able to determine.'

Kenneth E.F. Watt

Abstract. The appearance of a century-long climatic warming trend results from the placement of most thermometers in cities, which warm relative to the countryside as they grow. The pattern revealed by rural thermometers in the United States is a significant cooling trend since 1941, except in some far western and north central regions.

Victor Kovda

Victor Kovda heads the Scientific Council on Problems of Soil Science and Reclamation of Soils at the USSR Academy of Sciences. He wrote to an American correspondent on December 10, 1985, as follows: "As a soil scientist, I am much involved in both ecological studies and problems concerning current climatic trends.

"I am fully informed concerning the existing prognosis of global warming influenced by a growing CO/2 concentration in the atmosphere.

"Observations by Soviet soil scientists in the USSR have compelled me to believe that, on the contrary, it is cooling which has taken place over the most recent period, 15-20 years.

"The signs of permafrost shifting southward, some shortening of the growing season and the increased severity of winters as well as the freezing of northern seas are the valid arguments for me.

"It may be a question of a periodic fluctuation (like those that have taken place in the past) or it may be the beginning of the next glaciation. This is a matter for research and discussion.

"But there are no signs of a forecasted warming and that is definite. This statement of mine has been published in Russian and English several times, namely that cooling goes hand in hand with an increase in arid lands as can be now observed practically everywhere.

"Discord about this problem still exists and studies about it will be prolonged."

A counter program to reduce CO/2, and try for climate stabilization, means remineralize the soil with a broad spectrum of minerals and trace minerals (reasonably good gravel and rock dust), reforestation, conservation and alternative energy technology development.

Replace fossil fuels. STOP ALL OFF-SHORE OIL DRILLING. END COAL USE. The Earth Regeneration Society put forward a 20 million job program for the U.S. to carry out an earth regeneration program.

Gramm-Rudman and star wars will be washed out by the immensity of the climate and glaciation problem. A counter program will take all we've got.

This means a full employment program, backed up with a full service support effort (food, health, education, training, child care, housing), in order to carry through climate stabilization in time — a worldwide involvement. 1986 is the year of final public realization of what is happening. We have a massive and immediate survival problem.

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