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Summary: For the first two weeks of January, Dr. Joseph P. Farrell will join me to discuss News Trends & Stories. In Part I, we look at the 10 top stories of 2019 in Economy & Financial Markets and Geopolitics.

As you listen or read this, check out the News Trends & Stories section of the 2019 Annual Wrap Up web presentation, which includes our complete trends list, our choices for top news videos of the year, the Trump Report Card, and our headlines for the top stories. The link will be in your subscriber links when Part I publishes on Thursday.

Bio: Joseph P. Farrell is a recognized scholar whose credentials include a PhD in patristics from the University of Oxford. His literary contribution is a veritable resume unto itself covering such fields as Nazi Germany, sacred literature, physics, finances, the Giza pyramids, and music theory.

Discussion Topics:

Story #1: Currency Wars.


Story #3: Planet Equity and the Big Bad Bond Mess.

Story #4: Slowbalization.

Story #5: Trade Wars.
Story #6: The Databeast Deepens Controls Across the Globe.

Story #7: The Silk Road: Europe, the Rise of Asia, the War for Eurasia, and the South China Sea.

Story #8: Political Furballs and the Territorial Ambitions of a Multipolar World.


Story #10: The Future of the Rule of Law: Shredding the Treaty of Westphalia, the Nuremberg Code, and the Constitution – What’s the Plan?

Trump Report Card.

Subtopics are highlighted throughout the report below each main topic.

C. Austin Fitts: Ladies and gentlemen, welcome to The Solari Report. Today we will be doing the Annual Wrap Up, and will wrap up and analyze and bring to a smart synthesis one of the most explosive news years so far, but 2020 is ‘cooking’ up to be even better.

I am here with the ‘great’ Dr. Joseph Farrell, who has been entertaining me with beautiful organ music.

Dr. Joseph Farrell: I don’t know how beautiful it was.

Fitts: It was very beautiful.

Today’s report is being broadcast on December 29, 2019. We have two more days left in the year, so we are taking a bit of a risk that nothing momentous happens.

I would like to remind everybody that we have a web presentation. Our web presentations for the Annual Wrap Up grow and develop, so it’s always a work in progress, but the News Trends & Stories section has the Top 20 Stories and the other materials that we cover including Unanswered Questions and the Trump Report Card. For every story we have culled out from the year from our News Trends and Stories, which we are posting everyday on the website, the stories that we think really help you understand each one of the top stories that we have chosen.
The Solari team has done an enormous effort to go through here and synthesize, and then I’m here with Dr. Farrell. I would like to say, Joseph, how grateful I am.

Farrell: Thank you for having me back.

Fitts: Every time I think I know what is going on, I go through this process of collecting and trying to determine what the Top 20 stories are. After I go through this process I think, “Now I understand what is really going on,” and then I talk with you and realize, “Oh, I didn’t really understand what was going on.”

You are constantly trying to integrate and synthesize many different areas and worlds. Once you do and can see it both at the lowest level – at the micro level – and at the macro level, you really feel like you can navigate. I feel like I can navigate.

The reality is that I don’t begin to have mastery of enough worlds to integrate. Between you and me, you bring many worlds.

Farrell: I hope so.

Fitts: It’s always a pleasure. I’m sure that by the time we finish going through this we will have more than a few ‘aha’ moments.

Part I will be covered the first week and next week will be Part II. In Part I we will cover Economy & Financial Markets, and then Geopolitics. Next week we are going to do Culture, Food & Health, Science & Technology, Space, and the Unanswered Questions.

There are ten stories in Part I and ten stories in Part II. In Part I, I decided to put a tremendous amount of analysis and effort into what I consider the top story of the year that I call ‘Currency Wars’. It is something that we talked much about in the 3rd Quarter Wrap Up, but there has been a great deal of development since.

Farrell: Yes!

Fitts: I said to you when we were ‘chewing’ through these, “You could really call this ‘Resource Wars’ because Currency Wars is about who controls what resources, and it’s really a resource war.” The currency is just a silly paper. It’s a meaningless kind of paper; it’s just one of the systems used for control.

Before we start with Story #1, do you have anything that you want to say about 2019?
Farrell: I’m glad it’s over!

Fitts: It was a tough year.

Farrell: It really was. It was tough because there was so much bad news and so much theater that you had to turn it off. It just got to be boring.

Fitts: Sometimes I get criticized for being too positive or too happy, and one of my favorite quotes that I used from Caroline Casey is, “Our circumstances are far too dire for the luxury of realism.”

Farrell: That’s right!

Fitts: There is a quote from Lily Tomlin saying, “I was going to be cynical, but I couldn’t keep up.”

It’s like an infection coming to the surface. I feel better if it’s coming to the surface.

Farrell: You can’t lance a boil until it comes to the surface.

Fitts: So my attitude is, “Okay. We are in a war between good and evil. Bring it on because I need the good people to stop thinking that they can be in the middle of the road. The middle of the road is going away. Pick sides.”

There is this great line from the movie of the year, which is Yellowstone. The Kevin Costner character says to the Sheriff, “I don’t know if you’ve noticed, but there is a war going on, and the time has come where you have to choose which side you’re on.”

So, it’s the same thing there.

*Story #1: Currency Wars.* I’ve divided these into a series of different subcategories. You can see them all on the web presentation. What I want to do under Currency Wars – because we are going to spend much more time on this story than any of the others – is to help the members of Giza Deathstar and The Solari Report subscribers to understand how these different things connect. We are watching headlines coming in from around the world that are all part of this one dynamic, and I want us to be able to see things whole.

When they squeeze down on the Pillsbury doughboy, I want it to pop out on the other side.
We just recorded *The State of Our Currencies* and that is very helpful background to this. For Solari Report subscribers who are interested, I strongly recommend that you listen or read *The State of Our Currencies*. I will say this: You ought to invest in understanding this because this story is going to be a big story for years to come, and if you understand what is going on with the currencies, the world makes much more sense. Most of the incoherence goes away when you understand this.

I think it’s important to understand where Mr. Global is trying to go, and that is all factions are pushing for digital.

**Farrell:** Digital and crypto.

**Fitts:** Tell us about what most struck you about the push to go digital.

**Farrell:** The push to go digital, the way I view it, is the central banks need to keep their power so they are pushing this. We have talked about this many times. Ultimately, I don’t think that it is going to work, but the problem is that they have lost trust, and in losing trust, they are proposing more things not to trust.

We are dealing with insecure digital systems, we are dealing with a couple of central banks, beginning with the Bank of England a few years ago talking about having gold-backed cryptocurrencies. The problem there, as you and I have discussed many times on these reports, is that the amount of gold is badly obfuscated and it has been rehypothecated so many times. So what it looks like to me, is they are trying to cover their tracks of what they have been doing with the bullion by going to crypto so that they can take it into a black box.

In other words, it’s FASAB 56 on an international scale. So, they are trying to push a system that is inherently insecure, as far as I’m concerned, and which can be subject to all sorts of manipulations by the central banks cloaking the amounts of gold and gold movements. This bothers me immensely, and I don’t know why it doesn’t bother everybody else who looks at it.

I believe this is the big problem. They are creating an entire system that is going to be in the cloud, inaccessible to you and me on the street buying our groceries, and this is the system that they want to use to maintain their control. Ultimately, I think it’s going to backfire because they have already lost trust, and this is going to be the final nail on the coffin.
Fitts: It will take many years to play out before it can fail. Right now they are in a giant prototyping place. They are in a global invention place, and part of it is that they want to see what emerges, what works, and what doesn’t.

Farrell: They are trying a ‘shotgun’ approach. They are trying each and every little thing to get this through. So, they are prototyping everything.

The way I’m looking at it is: If you create a system like this with so much inherent mistrust in that system – badly obfuscated data, insecure systems, and so on – and at the same time ‘Mr. Globaloney’ is putting out the idea that we need to be concerned about climate change and carbon footprints and so on. To mine cryptocurrencies requires an enormous amount of power.

Fitts: Bitcoins are using more energy than Switzerland.

Farrell: I know, and this is an absurdity. They are rolling into this system, and I can’t help but think that one reason you have Texas and a few other states looking at the idea of establishing their own state bullion depositories is they see this system ‘coming down the pike’, and they are trying to do something where they don’t have to be a part of a system that is inherently untrustworthy.

Fitts: The central banks are all buying gold. Texas wants to do the same, but they want to make it possible for their citizens to buy it, too.

Let’s talk about some of the specifics. We had Mark Carney give us a speech that you and I talked about in the 3rd Quarter Wrap Up, and it was a very incoherent speech. It was basically as one commentator said, “He is just trying to get a job at a big crypto firm.”

Farrell: Probably.

Fitts: Let’s look at what he was saying that was legitimate. He was saying that the dollar has been weaponized so it can’t work as a global currency for trade because it’s basically shutting down liquidity.

In other words, to trade we need something that everybody can use and it’s not political; it’s free to only function to allow the economy to optimize. So, the dollar has turned into a political weapon, and now it can’t be used for trade.
He was saying that we need something that is global. The implication is also there is no point in waiting around for the Chinese to figure out how to do it because they are going to have the same problem. Nobody is going to trust a national currency; we need a global currency. He said many things that would make you think that he was trying to get a job at Facebook.

Zuckerberg announced the Libra system, and then the ‘food fight’ starts. The next thing, VISA and MasterCard are pulling out, and it’s falling apart. The idea being that you had a not-for-profit in Switzerland that was going to govern it and that would somehow make it as if anything that came out of Facebook would somehow be non-parochial is nonsense.

**Farrell:** You raise another interesting philosophical point: **If national currencies can’t be trusted, why is there any reason to trust a global one?**

**Fitts:** In 2017 I was invited to speak at a cryptocurrency conference. That forced me to do due diligence under investment advisory standards. As an investment banker, if you look at the due diligence standards that I have been required to do on a product or a company or an industry, I have extreme training on how to do due diligence and what the standards are when you are playing with other people’s money.

It took me several hundred hours because I’m not a technologist and I was insistent that I had to understand how the technology worked. I have a very dear ally who has a PhD from MIT and he agreed to help me. We would have a crypto-conference once a week, and we watched and read and studied. Then I literally went around the country and went to the smartest people I know, including Bill Binney. He is the top of the top at NSA technology. This helped me really get the information I needed.

I figured out that this thing was no more secure than my garage. But I was amazed at how the young developers were completely ‘snookered’ by the whole thing.

**Farrell:** Totally. You mentioned the story about the French electrician shutting down their central bank by pulling the power. So, you move to cryptocurrencies that are using enormous amounts of power, and all you need is for somebody to turn off the power. **How do you have financial clearing under those conditions? How do you have any transactions whatsoever?** Those are the problems.

I am in full agreement with you. They are moving towards this crypto ‘stuff’, but in the long term I think it’s going to backfire on them big-time.
You have to have a medium of exchange in your wallet that you can use.

**Fitts:** It was really interesting because I had a very dear ally come to me this year. There is a new system, Ripple, which is an inner-bank system. Christine Lagarde of the IMF, to some extent, promoted it. If you look at the board of Ripple, it has people from the Stanford Group and Hoover. I think one of Condoleezza Rice’s partners is on the board.

So, he came to me and said, “This is going to be the thing.” I can’t tell you how many times a year I hear that: “Ripple is going to be it. It’s going to be the big thing.”

So I said, “Okay. Explain to me how it works.”

Apparently, he’s been trading it for about a year, and he couldn’t explain to me how it works. So he said, “The guy who got me into it is a real pro and expert on this.”

I said, “Fine. Let’s do Skype and have him explain it. I can’t get excited about anything or want to participate in it unless I understand how it works.”

So, I got onto a conference call with him, and he couldn’t explain how it worked.

**Farrell:** I believe it.

**Fitts:** I said to them, “Look, you can’t put your time and money into something if you don’t understand it.” You need to understand the big picture of how we are going to revolutionize the globe; you need to understand the big picture of how a dollar goes from here to there, and this is how it works; you need to understand it at some molecular level.

The way that fraud is engineered is, “It’s the next big thing, and it’s all going to work, and everybody is on board, and you have all these big players. Let’s all follow the ‘pied piper,’” but nobody understands how it works.

So with Bernie Madoff, from the mid 1990’s on, I don’t know how much of the $60 billion came on during this period. There was one bank account at Madoff’s advisory company, and he had no securities custodian; he only had that one bank account and it was at JP Morgan Chase. So, up to $60 billion went in, and then it never bought any securities, and it went out. If you look at whom it went out to and the size it went out to, JP Morgan Chase knew the whole time.
How did those $60 billion of investors choose to go to Madoff when they didn’t know how it worked? No one could figure out his black box because every year he was getting steady income and always performing well.

Farrell: You just said the magic word for me about all of this crypto ‘stuff’; it’s a black box.

Fitts: It’s a black box.

You know my background in finance and economics. So, if it took me 250 hours to get to the point where I felt I had done a proper due diligence, which is not a complete black box, but that is quite black.

Farrell: The other question here that people have to bear in mind is: If you spent 250 hours and this is your business to do due diligence, imagine the average investor. Are they going to spend 250 hours trying to understand any system like this? Probably not. They don’t have that kind of time.

Fitts: Some people do. Some people who manage their own family money and are interested will spend the time, but frankly, if I hadn’t had access to Court Skinner who is a PhD from MIT and Bill Binney, I couldn’t have done it.

I just don’t have enough expertise and background.

Farrell: That’s my point. You spent 250 hours with two experts to try to understand this. Most people don’t have those kinds of resources to call on in terms of technical expertise. I wouldn’t have 250 hours to spend on it to try to understand it to make an investment in a cryptocurrency.

It’s a black box. Why would you trust a system like this?

Fitts: I believe a healthy system doesn’t require 250 hours.

The entire history of disclosure and how it’s organized and presented is that you are trying to make information accessible and easy for the investor.

I would say the program that I designed for the $12 billion loan sale program at FHA was arguably, from a transparency standpoint, one of the most successful ever done. We moved the complete market by a dramatic amount of money because the transparency was so exceptional.
I know what it takes to create a great transparency program, and one of the things that I know – and I don’t care what it is or how difficult or complicated or technical it is – it is very possible to make it highly accessible.

If people wanted bitcoin to be understood, it would be very possible to make it understandable, but it’s not. That is the problem.

The other thing is the only way to make it accessible is that you have to have sources that you trust. I trust Court Skinner, and I trust Bill Binney. I think they are competent, and I think they are brilliant, and I think they know what they are doing. I think the hardest thing in this day and age is that all the groups that you look to for expertise, you can’t trust them anymore.

In the Caveat Emptor piece I talked a great deal about how the Department of Justice had attacked S&P, and now it turns out there is another rating agency that they squeezed. Basically, the message was: If you downgrade the US Federal Credit, your company will be destroyed. That costs their parent company its very existence, in my opinion.

So who do you go to? I think that the push is on for digital. Let me mention a couple of more things. We see the Chinese come out saying that they are going to do a central bank cryptocurrency or a sovereign cryptocurrency, and they are planning on using bank commercial deposits to do it.

Then when the BRICS met in November, they talked about doing a shared BRICS cryptocurrency, which could start to really take on a meaningful market share. Then they talked about possibly using gold.

Right after that, RT came out with an announcement that the first asteroid they are planning on mining has enough gold to make everybody on the Earth a billionaire. I sent it to you, and said, “Here comes the mother of all collateral fraud.”

Farrell: Yes.

Fitts: Don’t worry – it’s all up there on the asteroid.

Farrell: In fact, at the same time that you sent it to me, I blogged about it.

Fitts: You have a great blog on that one.
Farrell: It’s about the collateral fraud. They are talking about all of these rich asteroids, and my question has always been: How did you arrive at that figure? How did they arrive at the figure? Spectroscopy?

Fitts: I have no idea.

Farrell: Precisely. There is not a clue in any of these articles about how they came up with this estimate of the net worth of these asteroids. So, we could be sold a bill of goods.

I’m a ‘nuts and bolts’ guy. Show me the spectroscopy; show me the equations; show me the mass of these things before you start talking dollars and cents.

Fitts: It’s incredible.

We heard Carney’s speech. Carney was at the central bank meeting in Jackson Hole, Wyoming. The next month Macron gave a speech. We’ve linked to it in the headlines. He basically said, “The Americans blew it. They blew the unipolar moment, and now Western hegemony is dead. We have underestimated how fast the guys in Asia are going to come up. All bets are off. It’s a new world. It’s a multipolar world.”

He didn’t say it in a mean way; he said, “Look, it wasn’t just this Administration. The Americans have basically blown it.”

Farrell: I think it began at the end of the Clinton Administration and it carried right through to ‘Bush the Stupid’ and Obama.

Fitts: I think it started when they passed the legislation for private prisons and the WTO. So, when they adopted the Uruguay Round of GATT, if you look at their strategies to make the globalization go both internationally and domestically, that plan had the seeds of its own destruction in it.

One day I would love to be able figure out what went wrong. It’s almost as if you have a unipolar model in your head and you can’t come up with a plan to manage a multicultural world.

They had an over-simplistic model of how they were going to make it happen.

Farrell: Hugely over-simplistic. At virtually every step of their geopolitical cultural calculation they have grossly miscalculated on almost all their goals.
**Fitts:** They thought that buying people in force would go further than it has. They keep running into farmers in India who are willing to die for a human civilization. They keep running into people in many different forms and shapes who want a human civilization and who have a very different value system than they do.

I would love to figure that out because that is when I broke ranks with the establishment, and that is what got me thrown out. I said, “You can’t do this. This won’t work.”

Many people think that I was being a moral human being. I am not saying that I wasn’t, but I really believed that their plan would fail. So, when Macron said that, I thought, “Oh, I was right.”

It seemed like a huge price to pay for sticking to your position. But when he said that, I felt like, “Well, maybe it was worth doing.”

That was in September. I think that was one of the big stories of the year. Of course, France’s central bank is the latest to ponder digital currency. That came out after the Italians announced they were joining the Silk Road.

Let’s turn to the second subcategory: Predictions of dollar decline and collapse. The thing that got me so focused on currency – as if Macron and Carney wasn’t enough – was when we saw Putin after the BRICS meeting. We know that Putin has been working with the Chinese on many different things. Moscow’s central bank has put an office in Beijing, which we talked about. They are doing all sorts of swapping back and forth and setting up to trade in gold. But Putin announced that the dollar had been weaponized and it had basically destroyed its brand, and it would soon collapse. Those were his words. He said, “Soon.”

We have all believed that the dollar by weaponizing itself, has ultimately made it inevitable that someday it will lose reserve currency status. So, it’s locked into the inevitability of losing its status, but that could take decades. So, if you look at when the sterling locked into losing, it was 50-70 years before it lost.

Then Putin said it’s going to lose it, “fast,” and that was shocking to me because obviously, he is talking his book and he is promoting all his alternatives. They have a SWIFT alternative and all sorts of other things under way, and we know that their central bank is working on a cryptocurrency. But I was shocked that he said ‘fast’ or ‘soon’. He said, “The dollar will collapse soon.” Those were his words.
Tell us what you think about that.

**Farrell:** You had mentioned that you couldn’t find any economic or financial reasons for that being the case. My response to that – and I think this is perhaps where Putin is coming from – is he is thinking beyond merely the financial graphs and charts and economic data etc. He is couching it in a somewhat multi-spectrum sort of analysis. He is looking at the cultural situation in this country, the growing divide between the political parties, the inability to get anything done, and he is looking at the collapse of the rule of law in Western countries, particularly in this country and Canada and a few others.

In my opinion, he is acting like his old role as an intelligence analyst where he is looking at a multiple of factors and trying to come up with a picture. I think that he is focused on ‘soon’.

Whether we like it or not, this next Presidential election in this country is the ‘bellwether’ election. I think he is taking into account a multitude of factors occurring.

**Fitts:** He is looking at it as an intelligence officer who understands that the field is turning, and he is thinking that the field can turn much faster than the mechanics.

If you look at the ‘dedollarization’ efforts, the key to the ‘dedollarization’ effort is that you have central banks around the world that are entering into swap agreements. You have the renminbi clearly trying to build that global liquidity so that it can take on more. You literally have thousands and thousands of efforts, and I went through many of them in *The State of Our Currency*, so I won’t repeat them here.

It takes time for the mechanics of those operations to work. The reality is that it is very slow to develop and get liquidity rolling on them. Once they become liquid and working and matured, then you can take a dramatic market share away. So, the question is: **When do you go up the S-curve?**

**Farrell:** This is the other possibility that he might have in his head, and we discussed this in the last quarterly Wrap Up – the emerging idea of regional reserve currencies as a step towards a global system. I think that these swap agreements – the gold swap agreements. Iran and India, for example, a few years ago decided that they would be able to trade in Indian rupees directly for Iranian oil.

**Fitts:** Right, so they don’t have to go to global reserve. Everybody has to go through the dollar system, and if they can swap direct, then they can bypass it altogether.
Farrell: Right, and then they can take a step towards building a regional reserve currency. This may be something that we have to consider with Putin’s remarks. Maybe he is also saying on the basis of his multi-spectrum analysis, that maybe they also have plans of some sort they haven’t announced yet but are planning to announce in 2020, which could be a huge step towards collapsing the dollar’s reserve currency status.

This is another possibility to bear in mind. Maybe they will announce some sort of regional reserve system next year. Anything is game.

Fitts: Part of what makes this interesting is that after he started to work on a SWIFT alternative, because of Trump leaving the Iran deal, it inspired Europe and the Germans to decide to do the same.

Once the Germans decide to build a route around SWIFT, it is going to get built. I think that the Russians could build one, but it’s not going to have the credibility of the Russians and the Germans.

Farrell: Let’s remember something that happened a few years ago when all this sanction activity began to take hold in Russia. The Japanese offered to the Russians the ability to use their system of credit card clearing in the Pacific. Russia is not thinking simply in terms of gambling on Germany; they also have a Japanese system to fall back on. I think that was a tell-tale clue that Japan may be willing to participate in some sort of regional financial clearing system because they have the infrastructure to do it.

Fitts: Whatever they think they can do that won’t bring on a tsunami, they are going to do it.

Farrell: Exactly.

Fitts: They are working with Iran. So, you have Russia and China right now in military exercises with Iran, you have Japan trying to broker a deal between the US and Iran and working with Iran because they need the oil, and when you think about it, go back to World War II. I was recently listening to a great interview that you were doing on the Nazi infiltration globally and the Fourth Reich. I was going through as I was listening to you, all the pain that the Germans caused the Russians in World War II. It was the Russians who won World War II – there is no doubt about that.

If you look at the pain that Japan caused China, or the reasons for animosity between Russia and China, or the reasons for animosity between China and India and the reasons for animosity between the Russians and the Germans,
— you think that nothing and nobody could ever get those people to cooperate intimately about their currency and money, but the weaponization of the dollar has done it.

**Farrell:** It has done it. We need to talk about this again with the *Geopolitics* section, but that business of the Japanese clearing system being offered to the Russians was huge. In terms of the geopolitical implications, it’s huge. We will need to say more about Russia and Japan when we start talking about geopolitics.

**Fitts:** When you look at the dollar, the dollar has built a financial market and a ‘financial bazooka’, the likes of which the world has never seen. This is the power of the Federal credit and the whole financial coup that engineered the bailouts and the $21 trillion missing. So, this thing is a financial powerhouse, and nobody has ever seen anything like it.

It has so much volume to it, and the dollar system has made it its business to lend dollars around the planet. Think of this as a payday store. It goes 24/7, and it just prints money; it has everybody hooked. It is basically a planetary debt entrapment. So, you have companies and countries around the world that owe dollars. Now that it’s slowing down, it’s harder to get those dollars. It’s putting them in, what I call, the ‘US dollar bear trap’. It’s the one thing that is really holding up the dollar because everybody needs dollars to pay back their loans.

So, the world is really ‘over a barrel’ when it comes to the dollar, and it’s one of the reasons the dollar continues to be very, very strong.

If you are going to get out of that bear trap and go someplace else, where are you going to go? If the dollar has 60% of the global reserves and the euro has 20%, but they were going up.

The euro came out, and it was very strong; it was doing well against the dollar. They started to get as high as 27%, and now they’ve backed down. So, they are hanging at about 20%, and then you drop down to the yen at 5%.

The euro and the yen are the only two currencies that could take meaningful market share away from the dollar quickly, and so the question is: **Can Europe take capacity away?** If you look at all of the things that have been done to try to weaken Europe over the last decade, I suspect that is the dollar contingent trying to make sure that Europe can’t take capacity away.
Farrell: It’s part of the thesis that you and I have talked about before; that there is this covert economic war going on between this country and Germany, and I strongly suspect that it has to do with the euro. This is the reason we see the calls for a common European military. They must have that to back it up.

The other thing that the euro does that I think goes with what we talked about in the last quarter was this idea of a regional currency. I would not be a bit surprised to see those countries – China, Japan, Russia, India, and maybe Iran – go into or attempt to create some sort of regional version of the SDR (special drawing rights) as a regional basis to bring in a reserve currency on a regional basis and bypass the dollar completely. It looks to me that they are negotiating all these bilateral trade agreements and are putting that system together step by step.

Fitts: They are doing a bottom-up.

Farrell: Yes, precisely; they are doing a bottom-up.

Fitts: If you look at the Chinese and the Russians, they are very bottom-up people. For some reason, in our unipolar moment, we decided that we could be top-down. Look at how that worked.

There was too much ‘gnashing of the gears’.

Farrell: There was no transmission. That’s the basic bottom line; there was nothing connecting the wheels to the motor.

This is exactly what I suspect is going on, and believe it or not, I think that Japan – rather than China – in spite of World War II, has much more goodwill currently in the world than China does. They might be able to pull it off, but they would have to do it in conjunction with other major powers in the area – Russia, in particular.

The reason I’m so focused on Japan and Russia is I think that they are sitting in the ‘catbird seat’ if they play their cards right. Russia has the energy, and Japan has the technology. They can do swap agreements indefinitely.

Fitts: It certainly looks like the response of the Japanese is that they were really trying on their own to get out from under the American occupation. When that failed, they said, “We need to build many more and deeper friendships globally.”
Farrell: Here is a little clue that what we are talking about might be in the cards. I saw an article recently after we did the last quarterly Wrap Up, and I think it was between the last Wrap Up and now. There was a story about a Japanese firm that makes their bullet trains. It was testing their equipment on the Trans-Siberian railroad and also using refrigerator cars on the Trans-Siberian.

That tells me what is really going on is that the Russians brought the Japanese in because they are planning to convert the Trans-Siberian to high-speed rail and they brought in the Japanese to figure out which parts of the track bed need the work. That is a huge story, and it’s a symbol of more things to come.

Fitts: If you study what has been going on in building out the Silk Road, there is very little consciousness of it here in North America. This year I really encouraged our subscribers to watch a two-part video that the Germans had made about the development on the Silk Road – not because I wanted them to understand any one particular thing, but I wanted them to see how dynamic it is.

When you change shipping from China to Europe to London from 40 days or more by boat to 11 days by train, you change it to one or two days on a high-speed train, and you are talking about dramatic changes in everything.

Farrell: You are really talking about the most significant economic infrastructure and, most importantly, geopolitical development in the last 1,500 to 2,000 years. I’m being blunt on this and I want to get back to this when we discuss geopolitics.

Fitts: Do you think it’s bigger than satellites?

Farrell: Absolutely. The reason – and you’ve said this many times – is if you look at the patterns of international trade for the last 2,000 years, it has been based on the oceans. This was something that was seen at the end of the 19th century. With the advent of airplanes and – more significantly – rail, this is what has been driving geopolitics for the last 100 years, and it is now to the point with the development of high-speed rail.

Japan and China are probably the leaders in terms of that technology with the French, as well. You’re talking about a massive, massive geopolitical significance.
Fitts: I think they are planning on wrapping because they want to do high-speed across the Bering Straits down across California, and I think they have the high-speed trains underground, and I think they are just going to bring them up to the surface.

When you talk about those transportation times – whether through the orbital platform or through high-speed trains – it’s revolutionary.

Farrell: It’s completely revolutionary. You can move so much massive amounts of freight in so much less time and much more cost-effectively.

Fitts: This is a dead giveaway. Maersk, the shipping company, just announced that they are going to make acquisitions of land transport companies.

Farrell: Oh, I totally believe it.

Fitts: You’re talking about the greatest ocean-shipping company in the world.

Farrell: Let’s look at another geopolitical consequence. This is something that most people are not thinking about, but it’s a very important point. If you are planning – like China, Russia, Japan, France, and so on – to connect that vast Eurasian land mass with high-speed rail with arctic routes, middle routes, and southern routes, the problem from a military point of view is that those rail lines could easily be interdicted. So, in order to protect that commerce you have to put heavy military assets in space.

This is the other thing that people are not doing. They are not connecting what is going on in space with the Silk Road, but they are intimately connected. So, there is huge geopolitical change here.

Fitts: When we globalized in the 1990’s, we were the only ones who had the global GPS system. The Europeans have recently gotten Galileo up, so they are now beginning to get in the game. That is one of the big issues in negotiations on Brexit.

Farrell: This is precisely why you saw the Brits during the Paris aerospace convention approaching the Australian space ministry. Britain has the technology, but they are going to need launch sites, and they are going to need infrastructure, and they are going to need a massive expansion of their own labor pool that can handle all of this. The logical place to get it is Australia. So, there is your revival of the commonwealth.

Fitts: Although Trump and the Queen could have decided that they are going to buy Greenland.
Farrell: I don’t think Denmark is playing that game.

You’re right. The GPS system was important. The Russians had their GLONASS system from the Soviet era, but there is nobody else that has that kind of system up there in place. The Europeans are scrambling, and I truly think that this is the reason you see India doing this amazing management of launching all these satellites. They are scrambling to put their own assets up there for their own protection.

This is going to increase. Japan will do it and Europe will do it. If the EU falls apart, the individual countries there will do it. It’s going to happen.

Fitts: We are used to living in a world where, because of our dominance in a variety of things – whether it’s the GPS satellites or whether it’s the military – we can live in this almost miraculously simplified world. Now that is going away. Suddenly, we are going to have to live and function in a much more complex world. Given that we have been ‘dumbed down’ for that simple world, that is a big and shocking change.

Farrell: It’s a huge change. Just consider the geopolitical changes that we have been describing in terms of its implications for investment strategy and for investment advisors. ‘Dollars to donuts’, if you are an investment advisor in China, you are much more aware of these changes and can advise your people appropriately. In this country, I doubt anyone has made the connection between the Silk Road and what is happening in space.

Fitts: I know, and everyone I work with has been regularly educated about it for the last five years.

Farrell: With the exception of your group, can you stop and think of anyone else?

Fitts: I think that there is a group of investment advisors who understand.

Farrell: You do?

Fitts: Yes, I do, but I think it’s not many of them.

Farrell: That’s my point, there are not many.
Fitts: If you look at the US stock market, it has significantly outperformed the European and the Asian markets. One of the reasons is because the financial machinery massively subsidizes it. That is my opinion. So, in that world the investment advisors didn’t need to understand how the world worked; they just needed to know how to follow the bubble.

So, the people who have been playing ‘follow the bubble’ and have been staying within that framework have done very well, and they could even do well next year. But they are remarkably clueless about how the whole system works. To a certain extent, they don’t want to know.

Farrell: That is my point. The vast majority of people are not thinking in these terms – at least in this country – as far as I can tell. But go to Europe or go to Russia or India, and it’s a different ball game. They are very well aware of it.

Fitts: My investment advisory company does two screens. One of them is Solari World, which is an ESG screen. Basically, we are trying to screen out criminal enterprises. It’s not social responsibility; we are trying to keep the deep state mafia out. It’s basically against criminal enterprises. The other one is space. That screen has been operating for three years, and the people I do it with are very knowledgeable about space. They understand it and they understand how it integrates with all this, but you have to see that to understand it.

Farrell: You have to ‘connect the dots’ for people and show them the relationship between what appears to be separate developments. Once people latch onto the idea that these things are connected and at a very deep and rational level, and once they see that and grasp that, I think you will find that people can make their own investment decisions watching the companies involved and so on.

Fitts: Absolutely.

One thing that was the scariest to me was how the financial community in America and the independent media rejected everything that I was trying to say about space. I was really derided, and it was shocking because it was back to what you were talking about in the speech that you gave at the Secret Space Program about the material omission. You and I talk about the material omission all the time.

It told me they were so dependent on the bubble that they needed not to go outside the bubble and look at the whole framework, which meant they were going to be really late on space.
Farrell: Not only late on space, but also in a certain sense, the bubble paradigm doesn’t even work anymore when you start connecting these different developments. The bubble paradigm can’t work because you are dealing with people who are focused only on the terrestrial aspect of what is going on here.

Fitts: Here is what is interesting. If you look at how the system works, being dependent on the bubble has worked. They’ve made a fortune this year.

Farrell: It has worked, but it can’t work in the long term because these things are integrated phenomena. We’re not dealing with space systems over here and Silk Road infrastructure systems over here in two separate compartments; they are intimately related to each other. That is the problem. Regarding the bubble people, as far as I can tell, it has worked for them, but the paradigm that is developing is such a huge geopolitical game changer that if they keep thinking in terms of that paradigm, they are going to start losing money and they are going to be making bad investment decisions.

Fitts: The message to them has been: If you follow the establishment, you will win. Except for the bailout period, that has been true. The reason it has been true in their minds – and we will get to this in the next segment – is because as long as the central banks print, it floats up. So basically, since the beginning of the 1980’s-since the Voyager went by Saturn- they have been following, what they call, the ‘central bank put’.

If you look at money managers in 2006 and 2008 who knew there was a problem and didn’t depend on the system, they were doing gloriously until the ‘central bank put’ went into operation, and then it just kept floating everybody up.

This brings us back to Currency Wars. When will the ‘central bank put’ fail? When Putin says, “The dollar will collapse,” what he is saying is that there is going to be a dramatic shift between the equity markets subsidized by the ‘financial bazooka’ and the equity markets not subsidized by the ‘financial bazooka’.

The hardest thing as an investment advisor today is: Do you keep following the American bubble, or do you invest in companies that have the real value?

Farrell: There is another possibility with Putin’s remarks. If certain economic advisors in Russia are advising him, they would be aware that the central banks have been committing fraud on the float for decades. If they come out with a system where it’s transparent enough that people can see that no one is dipping fingers in on the float before transactions clear and skimming money out, and if he is thinking in those terms, that could be a game changer if it’s exposed next year.
According to that scenario that we talked about earlier, he might have something in mind that he hasn’t disclosed yet.

There is any number of ways to look at this statement of his, and you have to consider all possibilities, crazy as they sound.

**Fitts:** Let me go back to the ‘financial bazooka’. I want to do the ‘financial bazooka’ and then go back to this idea of regional currencies because I think that regional currencies are definitely the push. They want digital, but the next step in the prototype is getting regional currencies.

If you study the history of the reserve currencies; to be a reserve currency you have to have a huge liquid financial market. It was interesting that the US became the most powerful economy in the world in 1870, but they didn’t start to play as a reserve currency until they created the Federal Reserve because they needed an institution that could interact and build the mechanics out globally.

You and I have spent a great deal of time talking about the Exchange Stabilization Fund and how they use a hidden system of finance, and the black budget and all this slush fund money. They have a world of black secret money.

**Farrell:** They have an arsenal of tricks.

**Fitts:** They have an arsenal of tricks, and their ability to manipulate and manage the money is absolutely dazzling. At the core of it – I believe – is the Exchange Stabilization Fund and, what we call, the ‘plunge protection team’.

One of the most significant things that happened this year was that Mnuchin fired a number of people at the plunge protection team or they left in very dramatic ways. So, they left or were fired, and we saw the heart of the plunge protection team, JP Morgan Chase, with some of their people indicted and prosecuted. One person settled in a conviction for manipulating the gold market.

**How are you going to manipulate global markets if you can’t manipulate the gold market? And how are you going to manipulate the gold market if you’re prosecuting the people who do it?**

**Farrell:** And how are you going to have trust if you are manipulating the gold market through the cryptocurrencies?
Fitts: It’s interesting. Now that FASAB 56 is engineered – whether it’s the team at JP Morgan Chase or a variety of people – you don’t have to take the same ‘flack’ now. You have much more power. So, if you are the Secretary of the Treasury, you have many more options and power to launder money or do whatever you want, and you can tell many of these people to grow up. You don’t have to put up with their egos anymore.

We see this across the board, and we’ll discuss it in the next story.

Mnuchin is clearly reengineering the plunge protection team. Remember that he is Skull and Bones. We know that part of this is the fact that they can do so much more with AI software. You are watching the markets traded with AI and algorithms and software. That means that the plunge protection team can also be done with AI and software.

The question is: **Is it going to be the Amazon tech team and Microsoft’s tech team that now run the plunge protection teams as opposed to JP Morgan Chase?**

That is why I think that when the JEDI contract kicks in and you have both the intelligence agencies under Amazon, and you have the JEDI contract, they are free to ‘rock and roll’ pertaining to how they run things totally away from the government bureaucracy and completely dark and outside the law.

You have the infrastructure now to run the ‘financial bazooka’ completely dark and with as much money as you want. It’s completely and utterly out of control unless you shut off the electricity.

Farrell: Not just shutting off the electricity, but since cyber systems aren’t secure and you’re a country like Russia or China that has whole units of their intelligence agencies devoted to hacking into networks, **what if you hack into it and expose all the goings on? What happens to your trust in the system?** It’s gone; it could be gone overnight.

Fitts: If the Russians and the Chinese decided to truly bring transparency to the swamp, they could kill the dollar.

Farrell: That’s my point.

Fitts: You’re right about that.
Farrell: We have to look at his remarks from many points of view. Let’s look at it this way: At the minimum his comment there was at least a shot across the bow. It was a warning. There is any number of ways that this could play out. We’ve discussed three or four scenarios, but that is definitely one of them. And I think you are right about the JEDI contract with Amazon and Microsoft and FASAB 56 and the ‘plunge protection team’.

His remarks may have been misinterpreted because that context is lacking in most people’s minds when looking at them. So, it’s a possibility.

Fitts: It would be interesting if the Chinese and the Russians decided to bring transparency to the swamp. It would be very interesting to see what would happen.

Now that we have thought a little about the ‘financial bazooka’, I want to talk about energy. Then I want to go back to Asia and the regional currencies.

The Bretton Woods system depended on the dollar being exchangeable into gold. So, there was a gold standard, but I believe the Bretton Woods system was really a trade system. For the currency people, it was a gold standard.

In the Nixon shock, we cut the standard and proceeded with a fiat currency. But essentially, we shifted the dollar to an oil standard because part of the enforcement mechanism was that everybody has to trade their oil in dollars. If you look at OPEC, I have always believed that the Brits and the Americans engineered OPEC so that they could flood money and make the petro dollar system go.

Anybody in the Arabian world could make money as long as they banked with Chase and the money was managed by Fidelity or some London money manager.

The petro dollar and the energy model is changing because we have new technology that is changing the pricing of oil and energy, but it’s also making renewable energy much more efficient. And we know that there is a tremendous amount of breakthrough energy being prototyped and used and tested all over the world. The issue has always been that that technology can be weaponized, it’s dangerous, it’s hard to control, etc. But we know the energy model is shifting. So, what does that do to the currency?

Farrell: It depends on what energy model you go with. This, in my mind, has been the problem. We have discussed this years and years ago in some of these Wrap Ups and on some of your shows.
If you are moving a financial system from a closed, limited resource system of energy – petroleum –, and moving the financial system from that kind of closed system of energy physics to a system of energy where you have virtually limitless energy, that is a paradigm shift in terms of a financial system that we have not seen before in living human history. There is no experience for any financial manager or any central banker in dealing with that kind of system.

I go back to what happened with Nikola Tesla and JP Morgan when Tesla came up with his idea of beaming wireless power around the globe. The story is that JP Morgan pulled the plug of the financial support on the project, according to the popular narrative, because he couldn’t meter it. That was always a lame excuse because if you look at the money he stood to make simply from royalty agreements with that system, it was enormous.

I believe that there was some other consideration.

**Fitts:** I think it was control.

**Farrell:** Precisely. The problem was that Tesla began to talk about how the system could easily be weaponized, and once you understand the system, it’s not that hard to build; anybody can build it.

The problem for the bankers became, “**How do we control this?**” To control the proliferation of that technology, they would have to have a global network of communications and surveillance and so on – which at the time they did not have. This is the key now because they do have that.

If that is the case, it stands to reason – and this is why I think it’s very suspicious that with this global surveillance system which they have put into place – that we see more and more stories (almost a story a week now) about some development in limitless energy or fusion energy or cold fusion or what have you. Almost every week we are seeing this.

It’s being allowed and this is the key. So, I think that they have decided, “Okay, we’ve the control system.” But the real problem for them is: **What does a limitless energy system really need in terms of currency?** This is the reason I think they are pushing digital.
If you have this limitless energy system, then you can use all this power to mine bitcoin and so on because the sky is the limit, and it’s essentially free. So, they have figured out how to meter it.

**Fitts:** I’ve always said that the way you make money on breakthrough energy is by owning the real estate.

You buy the real estate when the price of energy is x, and then as the price of energy comes down, the value of the real estate goes up. So, owning hard assets becomes much more energy efficient.

**Farrell:** This observation that you are making is very intriguing to me because I get the question all the time, **“What is going on with the Rockefeller faction and the Rothschild faction?”**

Years ago, I had someone state the obvious to me. If you look at the way the Rockefeller interests have pursued their financial agenda, it’s always been through control of the technology. If you look at the Rothschilds, it has always been through control of real estate. So, your observation here is ‘dead on’ concerning all these developments of energy and currency and so on.

**Fitts:** I don’t think it’s an accident that the current President was a real estate developer and there is a land rush going on.

While all of these young people have been dreaming about bitcoin, the richest people in the world are buying up all the land. I think that the housing bubble was a pump and dump to get much more control and ownership of the land. That is definitely what is happening.

There is a land war occurring in my county. The reason I chose Yellowstone is because I want to talk about the land war. As these technologies come to bear, they are ready to come in and take control of all the land and get the benefit of that financial play.

**Farrell:** The most valuable land – and we will be talking about this in one of your future segments – in terms of what their energy plans are, is going to be arid and depopulated land.

**Fitts:** Really?
Farrell: I think so. If you are planning to beam power down from space in the form of microwaves, you can’t do that in a heavily populated area. You are going to have to choose an area that is already ‘baked’ so to speak. So, that is going to become very valuable to them.

This makes sense when you see what is happening pertaining to energy, and what they are talking about concerning space and power and space.

Fitts: One of the videos that is our top video in this section is with a retired Air Force General giving a speech to Trump to try to get the US Space Force adopted, which finally went through. Trump has been heavily lobbying for that during the last year.

One of the things that he talked about was solar plants in space and beaming down. The Japanese have been talking about this for decades. PG&E – before the fires started – signed a deal with a company. So, people have been working on solar plants in space for a long time, and this is not as ‘out there’ as it sounds.

In the 2015 Wrap Up, we had a headline on the Japanese solar plants in space. However, when I heard the General speak, what I perceived was, “Oh, from space, we can burn down your real estate if we want it. From space, while you are paying x for energy, we can beam down 10% of x and wipe you out financially.” That is what I heard. I don’t think that he meant to say that, but that is what I understood.

Farrell: That is exactly what I heard, too.

Fitts: If you talk about insiders, the people who we have allowed the central banks to pump trillions into are now trillions flush fund, and now have the ability to do these things that can power shift everybody and everything economically.

He said that he would put into an opportunity zone, take his money out of the tech market at high, put it into the real estate low and into the opportunity zone, he would swing into energy cheap from space, and make trillions. He said that people are going to make trillions. He was talking about a literal gold rush.

I would like to talk about ‘Asia Rises’ and go into this regional matter. The key step for the dollar losing global reserve currency status is the sea lanes in the South China Sea, Hong Kong, and Taiwan. Hong Kong, Taiwan, and the South China Sea are not about those things; it’s about the dollar reserve currency status. If the Hong Kong breaks the dollar peg and goes to the renminbi and they integrate their stock markets, which gives China the ability to build their own ‘financial bazooka’. ________
Now they are talking about doing it at Macau (special administrative region in China), which would take decades.

If they get control of the sea lanes in the South China Sea, let alone occupy Taiwan, then everybody in Asia has to ‘kowtow’. One of the first things that the dollar did to really develop and strengthen globally was get control of the sea lanes in the Caribbean. So, China is just trying to do the same thing.

The minute that those things happen and the dollar and the US lose hegemony in Asia, you can then put Asia on a renminbi reserve currency status for Asia. If the Chinese make a deal with the Europeans to let the euro do Africa, then you have that region. Then the US is basically going to have to beat up Latin America.

**Farrell:** I think that Africa is the conflict zone for this economic warfare. I don’t see the Chinese allowing the Europeans to have that sort of hegemony. The Europeans don’t want to give it up, and we are moving in there to keep out the Chinese. So, there is going to be a three-way tug-of-war in Africa.

**Fitts:** It’s a four-way tug-of-war because the Africans want to do their own thing. So, if you look at the franc area – because you still have an African franc – the Europeans have an abundance of depth from a currency standpoint.

Of course, I think that is one of the reasons they created the military. The way to stop an influx of millions of people into Europe from Africa is to deal with Africa in Africa.

**Farrell:** Right, and you still have some Commonwealth interests or connections in Africa to deal with. I think that could play into the South China Sea issue, too, with Singapore and places like that. It could certainly play out in Australia.

**Fitts:** Singapore is going to be the beneficiary because nobody trusts the Chinese.

**Farrell:** Exactly. With Brexit that gives Britain a little maneuvering room that they didn’t have before in terms of their old Commonwealth relationships. So, it is going to get very, very interesting.

**Fitts:** It appears to me as if the Americans absolutely ‘blew it’ in Asia. I’m not saying that they can’t hold on for some period of time, but if Putin said, “It’s going to collapse quickly,” if you watch Hong Kong, Taiwan, and the South China Sea fall and all of Asia shift, that is going to be very devastating to the dollar.
Farrell: It is going to be very devastating to the dollar, and I’ll tell you who else is involved. If it comes to that kind of scenario, Japan is going to cut loose from the US. It’s inevitable.

Fitts: Do you have any idea how much we have squeezed them financially?

Farrell: Extremely, which goes back to the 1970’s.

Fitts: So, if we lose that squeeze, we are talking about the ‘financial bazooka’ taking quite a hit.

Hong Kong is at the heart of the currency war. There are things happening in Hong Kong. The young people there have grown up in a very open, innovative world. As the PRC moves in, it’s so creepy. You’re feeling technocracy move in and totalitarian top-down systems, and the young people sincerely see this as the end.

If I were them, I would be doing what I’m doing. Part of this is the anti-technocracy backlash, but it is certainly being used by the dollar forces to do everything that they can to stall the switch of Asia.

Farrell: That raises an interesting scenario possibility. The PRC has put itself into a difficult position with Hong Kong. So, you could conceivably see – and this is a very remote speculation – the Hong Kong people go to the PRC and say, “Look, let’s just be an independent city-state like Venice and allow Hong Kong to function as the gatekeeper between the PRC, Taiwan, Japan, and so on in return for cutting loose from the dollar.”

If that happened, you would see a huge change in the PRC as well as Taiwan, Japan, and everybody else who is a stakeholder in the area. There may be a political solution to this that nobody has thought of yet.

Fitts: Here is the question: Can the PRC allow Hong Kong to be Venice?

Farrell: I think they could.

Fitts: If they could, it would be remarkable, and it would do much to build trust.

Farrell: They would gain plenty out of it if it were to happen. They would gain plenty, and they would gain their objective of prying the dollar away from the South China Sea. They could conceivably gain quite a bit if that kind of scenario emerged.
I am tossing that out there as a wild speculation because I haven’t seen any indication that is in the cards, but given the long-term geopolitical interests that those countries in that area have to work together, it would stand to reason that somebody in Hong Kong could make it work.

You know as well as I do that you have the families there to do it.

**Fitts:** You have so many powerful people within the Chinese communist system who will always try to move in and take. If you are Xi Jinping, it is very hard to manage all that greed in a highly centralized system. **If you are the top of PRC and you are at the top of Hong Kong, how can you set up a system where all of the ‘pigs in the middle’ won’t move in and mess it up?** I think that is very hard to do.

**Farrell:** It is very hard to do, and that is what is leading to this mess. So, the way to resolve it is to not do it and yet be able to accomplish your goal in getting the dollar out of there. Keep the Hong Kong dollar, but have it pegged to the renminbi or the yen or some regional version of the SDR that is based on renminbi and rupees etc. If that were to happen, I think that you would have the Chinese at least look seriously at the possibility.

**Fitts:** It reminds me of Mos Eisley Cantina in the movie *Star Wars.*

**So, what allows a Venice to happen? What allows a Hong Kong like a Venice to happen?** You can’t have a global trading system unless you have these free zones. **But how do you get hypermaterialists to respect the free zones?**

**Farrell:** In Venice’s case the two big rivals of the Holy Roman Empire and the Byzantine Empire both gave and recognized Venice’s status as an autonomous province within their empires. So, they were effectively making it a free trade zone.

Incidentally, this is what you see the Japanese and the Russians doing to bypass all those unresolved issues about who owns what island after World War II. They just decided, “Okay, we will table the discussion about that, and we will just take this entire island and make it a free trade zone.”

**Fitts:** Another reason you need a free trade zone in this world is because you need a way to go into the invention room and have an honest conversation to identify how to solve problems. You can’t do it unless you have a free trade zone. So, everybody wins from having free trade zones.
Interestingly enough, if you look at the floods that happened in Venice, she has serious environmental problems because of the ocean and flooding, but my guess from seeing those floods is that those were not natural.

**Farrell:** That’s my guess too.

**Fitts:** The problem with the deterioration of the rule of law is that it is also cutting into the free trade zones.

So we see One Belt, One Road (Domestic Silk Road Plan) continuing. We see Italy become the first G7 country to join the One Belt, One Road.

There are hundreds of headlines about increased connectivity and cooperation along the Silk Road. Now, if you look at the World Council Gold Report on gold reserves globally, the central banks are buying gold. But if you look at the map, it’s all the central banks on the Silk Road.

The land empire is rising, and with it its gold reserves. It is making a huge bet on gold.

**Farrell:** I will return to that when we start talking about *Geopolitics*. That is a significant development.

**Fitts:** So, we have Europe and Asia growing closer and closer and connectivity growing. I should mention that the Chinese just launched their second aircraft carrier. So, we had a screaming match with a group of subscribers in 2014. I don’t know if you remember it.

There was a big push to say that the dollar was going to collapse shortly, and I remember you screaming, “They only have one aircraft carrier, and they’re still learning how to sail it. Are you crazy?”

That was quite funny. That was one of your great lines, “They’re still learning how to sail it.”

They are growing closer. **The euro is struggling because, with Brexit, the question is: What is the European Union, and how will it function?** It’s a big question mark.

The other thing is that the Europeans never ‘gook’ their bank debt and stick it back to the taxpayer the way that we did.
As a result, the quality of life in Europe is much higher than it is here, but the European banks are struggling and the US banks are sitting pretty.

We see a new leader – the German Defense Minister – go in as head of the EU, and then the chief of the MIF went in as the leader of the ECB. We now have two very charismatic women running Europe – or the EU – and talking about the rule of law and rule-based systems. They are clearly trying to present themselves as the lawful alternative to the US.

**How do you think it’s going to work?** They are making huge bets on climate change.

**Farrell:** I don’t think that it is going to pay off for them, but there are two factors as far as the euro goes. Number one is: How do we interpret Boris Johnson and his negotiation for the Brexit? We will get into that later. The second thing is that the euro can’t function. It’s been functioning as the currency for Europe, but that’s not the same thing as a reserve currency status.

In order for them to project their power globally – as they clearly want to do, particularly in Africa – they have to have some sort of European military. They either have to do that, or the Germans have to re-arm. In either case, the Germans are going to re-arm.

I believe it is very significant. Ursula von der Leyen, the former Defense Minister for Germany, was the one who presided over the decay of the German military under Angela Merkel. Angela Merkel inherited a relatively well-equipped military that was quite substantial. She has just allowed it to fall apart.

In the meantime, as they are doing that, the Germans were integrating into the German command structure the units of other countries. The Czech Republic, the Netherlands, and Denmark are already integrated into the Bundeswehr command structure, which I think was somewhat of a prototyping for how they are going to create a common European military. That has to be done.

The two issues for the Europeans are: 1) **How do we create and manage a European military without making it look like the Germans are running it?** 2) **What really is in Boris Johnson’s mind for the Brexit?** I told you that I looked at that treaty he negotiated. This is the fundamental mystery because prior to this last general election, Nigel Farage was basically lambasting Johnson’s deal as nothing but the ‘old sow’s ear’ of Theresa May’s deal dressed up with a few bangles, bobbles, and beads.
I went online and looked at the deal he had negotiated. I looked at the memorandum of understanding, and the memorandum of understanding is only a few pages long. But then there is this annex that went 40-50 pages of specific EU regulations that had to remain in place in the United Kingdom in order for them to ‘leave’.

I was looking at this and I was thinking, “Farage is right. This is not a Brexit; this is something different. This is a negotiated treaty.”

If Johnson is intending on a full Brexit, then this is only stage one. But if he is not intended on a full Brexit, then what interests me is that Farage and his Brexit party have done what appears to be a 180 and are now supporting this deal with Johnson.

**Fitts:** Somebody gave them the message.

**Farrell:** Either someone gave them the message, or they know something about Johnson’s long-term strategy. I don’t know, but this does not look to be the Brexit that the British voted for when they had their referendum. It’s a moderately better deal than Theresa May worked out, but it’s not a complete and total Brexit. That is my problem with it. I think that the stumbling point is that I don’t recall seeing anything in it about the British military.

I mentioned that after this last general election, apparently there was a poll in Great Britain amongst British military personnel as to who they would follow – the Queen or parliament. Where do their loyalties lie? The overwhelming majority said, “The Queen.”

**Fitts:** I remember listening to Trudeau’s swearing in, and he pledged his allegiance to the Queen.

**Farrell:** Sure, she is a Commonwealth country. So, I have to wonder if we have really seen the end of the Brexit story. I don’t think that we have. You and I have discussed many times those tax havens and so on that London has that they don’t want the Germans (or the EU) to get control of. On the other hand, you have the problem of the British military and the creation of a common European defense force.

**Fitts:** I will note that while the $21 trillion was disappearing, the offshore havens were ballooning by approximately that amount of money.

Wherever all of the financial coup money and bailout money is stashed, I daresay that there is a big chunk in those havens.
Farrell: That could be a big reason for the Brexit. We don’t want the Germans or the French or the Italians finding out where all that money disappeared to and blowing the whistle.

There is plenty going on, and I don’t think that we have seen the end of the Brexit story by a ‘long shot’. What that means is that the European Union is also up for grabs because, depending on how this Brexit thing is handled over the long term, which is going to affect policy in Europe and what they are going to do.

Fitts: If you were Mr. Global and you wanted to accelerate the regional currencies, what would you do in 2020?

Farrell: It depends on the region.

Fitts: You have to start with Asia. That is where you ‘pull the plug’ on the dollar.

Farrell: Yes. There I think that the three key players are Iran, India, and China. It would require a good deal of careful coordination and delicate political negotiation to square things out between India and China.

If they were successful in ‘burying the hatchet’, you could see those three countries come up with a mutual swap agreement, and I wouldn’t be a bit surprised as a necessary component of pushing that kind of regional currency they would create a unit of account for their trade that could develop into a regional currency.

Fitts: So Iran is oil. You would need Japan in there also.

Farrell: You would eventually, yes, but you could do that. And I suspect that it has probably already been done.

In other words, you create units of account like the Venetian bankers did. They are trading in ‘gobs’ of foreign currencies. So, the bankers on Rialto (central financial area of Venice, Italy) simply created a unit of account that the banks alone would use, and they would trade these currencies on exchange rates against that unit of account. So, it was never a circulating currency, but it allowed them to do clearing much easier.

Fitts: To a certain extent, that is what they are trying to do with Ripple.

Farrell: Exactly. So, I suspect that this is probably the way that they are going to go if they haven’t already.
So, they could easily roll out somewhat of a circulating unit of account. What is very interesting here is that this was precisely the proposal of the Malaysian Prime Minister a few months ago – to create a unit of account as a circulating currency for transactions and then use the local currencies within the nation.

In effect, they are trying to create a two-tier system as a way of rolling this forward. It’s bottom-up, not top-down.

**Fitts:** One of the things that we haven’t mentioned but that I think is a real driver on this system is you are trying to get seven or eight billion people on smartphones and they all want to transact, and no one can afford Western G7 transaction fees.

The frontier and emerging markets cannot afford those transaction fees. So, you have to come up with something that is going to get transaction fees way, way down. Part of that depends on getting the energy prices much lower.

The desire to go all digital is not just top-down control. I think that is the primary, but there is also tremendous hunger for low financial fee transactions globally that are not being satisfied.

**Farrell:** Right and this would be a way to do it. If you are dealing with a regional unit of account as a circulating currency, you don’t have to pay those international clearing fees to SWIFT or whatever it is. That would bring prices much lower because you are creating competition for it.

**Fitts:** In 2017, Wall Street came out with several big studies on space and investment in space. One of the things that they said was that all the money is on the orbital platform. It’s not going to the moon or Mars; it’s on the orbital platform. So, they said that the killer app was driverless cars because that is going to generate a huge amount of data. That is true.

I laughed and said, “No, the killer app is digital currency, but nobody wants to admit that.” It was rather funny.

Let’s talk a little about inflation/deflation because as the central banks print money, we are experiencing tremendous increases in the cost of goods sold throughout the world. Certainly in America, I can keep referring to the Chapwood Index. Prices are going up--depending on where you live--eight to fourteen percent. Where I live it’s eight percent and that is one of the reasons I live there.
In the meantime, the official pronouncements are constantly that there is no inflation. Interestingly enough, if you look at what technology is doing, it is very deflationary. So, incomes are very deflationary, but the cost of goods is inflationary. So it’s definitely a squeeze.

I did a great interview with Rob Kirby on inflation, and I would refer everyone to that. At the heart of this currency war is the grappling with the enormous inflation created by monetary policy. For 25 years, monetary inflation has been set off by labor deflation of globalization.

Now that that is over, the question is: **How are you going to offset your monetary inflation?** Technology can do some of it, but I absolutely believe that looking at this from the biggest picture, they are ‘betting the ranch’ that climate change plus technology can get them there, and I don’t think it works because there is way too much ‘BS’.

**Farrell:** You said that none of the proposed systems are trustworthy. They are ‘betting the ranch’ on the climate change op, and in addition to this, we have the cryptocurrency op.

**Fitts:** Everything is an op.

**Farrell:** Yes, precisely, everything is an op.

**Fitts:** There is no such thing as marketing anymore; it’s an op.

**Farrell:** You have obfuscated amounts of gold bullion that they are going to roll behind the cryptocurrencies, which use a great deal of energy to run. This contributes to climate change. Yet at the same time, you have an inflationary and deflationary pressure working. Figure that out with your Keynesian economics on how to manage that. On top of that, we have new energy technologies being rolled out.

There is no model that they can use anywhere in previous human history to manage this transition. If that transition is, as we suspect, a transition from a closed physics energy model to an open physics energy model, they are ‘betting the ranch’ on something that in the long-term means that the whole climate change operation collapses.

**Fitts:** But by the time it collapses they will have made a fortune.
Farrell: Precisely. They may have made a fortune, but the problem is that they could lose that fortune overnight because of all these changes ‘coming down the pike’ they don’t know how to handle. And this makes no sense. **Why are they ‘betting the ranch’ on models that have no precedent in human history?**

Fitts: Let’s go back to the last section here that I believe is the most important issue. For a currency to be successful, it has to be trustworthy. It has to be trusted, but it’s trusted because it’s trustworthy.

Since currency is just part of a financial system which is part of a governance system, the governance system has to be trustworthy.

For many decades, people trusted the dollar. When I was on Wall Street, people trusted the dollar. If you bought a Treasury, you trusted the Treasury Department to follow the law with respect to that dollar, to honor your contract even if you are the most despicable, hateful person in the world, and you knew that the dollar would be there. So, it was trusted because they had the power and they had the competency, but the rule of law with respect to the trading of the dollar – for the most part – was followed.

It was not a perfect system, but it was a trustworthy system, both for reasons of competency and power.

Now that is going away. The dollar is basically destroying their ‘Mandate of Heaven’, and the argument is, **“Will it take 70 years, or will it take one year?”** We don’t know. But I see nothing and nobody who is out there trying to create something trustworthy.

I think that the Europeans are right. Their whole push on the rule-based system is them saying, “We are the people you can count on for the rule of law.”

I think that when the Queen was meeting with the Chinese she was trying to do the same thing. She was holding London out as a place where you could trust the rule of law. But if you look at all that has been hidden and all that they are trying to make hidden, enough has become transparent to make it clear that you can’t trust any of these people.

Farrell: The Europeans are making a huge mistake by betting on the climate change op because the science behind all that is so bad.

Fitts: **How can you be a rule-based system if everything is a lie and an op?**
Farrell: Exactly.

Fitts: I think that they are trying to give hope to the young people. Somehow they think that is hopeful for the young people, and they are going to make huge investments.

Farrell: I don’t see it; I just don’t see how that is going to happen.

Fitts: If you look at what has happened this last year with the farmers, one of the most significant global political developments is the pushback of the farmers in Europe. That tells me that the climate change op ‘ain’t’ going to work because your most productive people are going to go to their death to stop from being destroyed.

Farrell: The strange thing is that we don’t see the Russian farmers revolting.

Fitts: No, we don’t, they’re recruiting. They are recruiting from South Africa. The central bank in South Africa has been taken care of because the electricity doesn’t work anywhere. Affirmative action has hit South Africa.

It reminds me of the Housing Minister of Hanoi who said that rent control had done to Hanoi what American bombs could never do.

I think trust is the ‘800-pound gorilla’ in the room, and I don’t see anyone addressing it.

Farrell: In a way, yes, I agree with you, but in a way there are little indicators of it. The Texas bullion depository, for example, is a clear case.

Fitts: I see some of the states in America addressing the trust issue and state legislators who clearly understand the trust issue and are educated and competent to deal with it.

Farrell: You’ve had so many states passing constitutional money resolutions, particularly in the upper plains states – Utah with the bullion depository they are talking about in that state. I think that it is a precursor to regional currency. If you are talking about central banks rolling out cryptocurrencies for all the reasons that you and I can see, the legislators in Austin can see.

I think that they are taking steps to bypass that system if it’s tried.
**Fitts:** If you look at the legislation, they’ve just passed the Secure Act. What they are trying to do is put into place a place-based system that is digital and allows the NSA and the smart meters to spy on you. It’s basically your local tyranny structure made to look like place-based optimization. It’s somewhat like the NSA doing the Popsicle Index thing.

It takes all the economics of what is possible in a place-based premise and does it in the most invasive, tyrannical, nonhuman form imaginable. I could see it all coming, and it’s really ugly.

**Farrell:** That goes back to what I’ve said before. The more they push the system, the more you are going to see the rise of local and regional currencies because people are just not going to do it.

**Fitts:** Is that the case? What I’ve seen is that when you can print money the way that they can print money, you can buy almost everybody.

One of the reasons I’m here is because apparently money can’t buy you.

**Farrell:** But that is my issue. You get to the point where some people just will not trust any system like that if they have to go to barter. This is something that I pointed out in *The Clash of Civilization* books. Along with these hidden systems of finance, whenever you see a financial system become so centralized and so invasive, that is when barter arises. Barter is never a system that leads to a central system; it is always a response to it.

Inevitably as a result of barter systems, you find the rise of regional and local currencies. We went through that under Andrew Jackson during his fight with the bank.

**Fitts:** During the Depression, there were 3,100 currencies. That is how many counties there are in America. The way those currencies were killed was through the WPA and big Federal money coming in and putting them out of business.

If you go back to the history of currency, clearly the greatest suboptimization going on in the global currency system is that local currencies are not allowed. If local currencies were allowed, if you allowed the currency system to operate according to a free market – which is a big “if” since nothing on this planet at this point is a free market – you would have local currencies and national currencies and global currencies, and with any given place, you would be transacting in some or all of them. I would be transacting in my local currency.
**Farrell:** Just imagine if they were to allow local or regional currencies – or even the old national currencies – in the euro zone. That would solve all the political problems, the cultural problems – everything. They would all go away.

**Fitts:** It’s interesting because with AI and software, Mr. Global has the capacity to keep a beat on everything and just let ‘1,000 flowers bloom’, but they haven’t done it. The more the people in the middle and near the top make more money, the more control they get.

**Farrell:** The thing that is going to happen is they keep pressing for the centralized control. Inevitably, you are going to see people who have the technical knowledge that will start coming up with local digital currencies.

**Fitts:** That is why I think that Bill Binney’s idea of getting all the schools to start teaching the youths to do encryption would work. You would create so many encryption systems, and you could create new ones every day – so many locally – that it will drive everybody crazy. I think that this is one of the greatest ideas for real solutions.

**Farrell:** I do, too. What I am suggesting at this stage is something like that is very much an inevitability. It could become the nightmare for countries like China. But if you try this in Europe, it would resolve almost overnight most of the political and cultural issues that they are having in Europe. Easily.

Because of that, I am thinking that it is very much an inevitability that is going to happen.

**Fitts:** It would also unleash a huge and wonderful blossoming of innovation by young people. One of the greatest wastes on this planet is young people being siphoned into all these ridiculous ops, and their time and their energy are being completely wasted.

**Farrell:** Think of another application here. There have been some rather scary developments in American patent law. If you were to take a similar approach to patents as to currency, and if you were able to establish state patent offices or regional patent offices and break the monopoly and the chokehold that the corporations have put on the patent courts in this country and Europe, you would see amazing things begin to happen.
Let’s not forget that the plans for the European Union – the basic framework – were drawn up by the Nazis in World War II. One of the things that they and the fascist government in Italy were doing was coordinating Italian and German patent law to centralize it for all of Europe and promulgate it. That really had the opposite effect because you had a slowdown of innovation in those countries that followed those regulatory practices.

I think for certain, the pressure of centralization is going to produce the equal and opposite reaction as an inevitability, and you are going to see these things start to happen. I think it will be a good thing.

**Fitts:** I am assuming that their plan is that new technology can give us so much productivity that we can operate the majority of the economy in a highly unproductive way.

**Farrell:** I absolutely agree.

**Fitts:** That lack of productivity gives us the control we want to do whatever we want over here, and we can get so much ‘juice’ from the new technology.

That seems to be breaking down. If you look at the efforts underway to lower the fertility rate and depopulate, it says that they can’t afford the ‘nut’.

**Farrell:** That produces the equal and opposite reaction. You are seeing birth rates in Russia slowly come back because, for one thing, the government has rolled back those very liberal Soviet abortion policies, plus they have introduced tax incentives literally for people to have babies. “Have more Russians.”

It’s very true. From what I could tell, it was a purely economic decision on their part. I think you are going to see this pushback against the centralization almost everywhere. With respect to patents, if you are setting up an untrustworthy system of patents so they can be stolen or harvested from inventors – and that is the way the current system looks to be set up from the standpoint of trustworthiness-in order to have the protection that a patent provides you, you can’t get it under the current system. So what do you do? You invent a state or a regional system to do it.

**Fitts:** Going back to trust, we are watching – and we will get to this in Geopolitics – the Treaty of Westphalia (Thirty Years War peace accord) being torn up or the concept of a government controlling sovereign. One of my big questions in the sovereign bond market is:
If Mexico’s government cannot control their physical territory from the Mexican cartels, what is the value of a Mexican sovereign bond?

But it’s the same question for us: **What is the value of a Treasury if somebody is free to run around and kill all the holistic doctors or the anti-vaxxers?**

One of the issues that the Breakaways have inspired, is if our governments have no legal, financial, or physical sovereignty, what is the value of their sovereign bond? What is the value of their currency?

**Farrell:** You can extend that analysis. **What is the value of a corporate bond?** If the whole system is ‘shot’ through with mistrust and you are dissembling all the legal provisions that have been built up to enforce that trust, then you haven’t an economic system at all.

**Fitts:** I believe the problem is if there is no law, there is no financial liquidity. The risk is not that the dollar collapses. The risk is total global liquidity collapsing because nothing is trustworthy.

**Farrell:** They have boxed themselves in, and here is the problem: The people who have created that situation where there is a complete collapse of law – and therefore liquidity – are the centralizers. So, if you are going to restore trust and if you are going to restore financial and institutional systems that can enforce that trust, it’s going to have to come from the bottom up.

**Fitts:** You can create a local currency, but if you don’t have the ability to kill with impunity, if you don’t have the ability to protect from people who do, if you don’t have the ability to enforce things with honest courts, then how are you going to even run a local currency system? You still need the law.

**Farrell:** Precisely. There is an intimate connection between the 2nd Amendment and Constitutional money.

**Fitts:** Exactly. This is why I think *Yellowstone* is a great movie to choose this year. It’s going to come down to whether or not the Beck Brothers are free to run around and kill everybody with impunity.

**Farrell:** Or you have a local sheriff who is going to say no.
Fitts: That is the key. Saker said in my discussion with him in the 3rd Quarter that the big issue in the campaign in 2020 was going to be the rule of law. Are we going to have the rule of law?

I don’t think that I’ve seen anyone on the global state who has faced this issue.

Farrell: The only one who I can think of is Putin. We’ve said before that if you listen to his speeches way back to his address to the Munich Security Conference in 2007, he has been point by point attacking various platforms or planks or agendas in ‘Mr. Globaloney’s’ suite of concerns.

I think that he has been deliberately trying to speak directly to us so-called ‘deplorables’ in the West by bringing these issues up. In other words, he is acting as the spokesman for the disenfranchised. If you put that into the context of what we’ve talked about earlier with his statement about the reserve currency status of the dollar, this is an economic cultural agenda for him and the Russians. They could be making a subtle but very big play for things.

We discussed in the 3rd Quarter what we do to roll this back. Well, the thing that we have discussed is that you have to have people willing at the state level to pass laws so that no state will charter a corporation unless the Bill of Rights is part of the corporate charter and things of this nature. By the same token, we have to start pressing the states and the counties to recognize the connection between the 2nd Amendment and the Constitutional currency – which is specie.

Fitts: I would close this section by saying that the currency war is a resource war. Ultimately, it’s a land war. It’s going to come wherever you are – whether you are in Asia, whether you are in Europe, whether you are in Africa, or whether you are in the United States. That war is coming to your town in 2020 if it’s not there yet. It’s been in mine for years now.

That is ‘where the rubber is going to meet the road’. You have to stop worrying about the Presidential campaign and start worrying about the land and resource and currency war going on in your town, your county, and your city because that is where this is going to be won or lost.

Farrell: To put it ‘country-simple’, just say no to the centralizers; just say no.
**Fitts:** I’ve watched millions of people in our generation sell out thinking that they could stay in the middle of the road, but the middle of the road is disappearing now. It’s exactly what Kevin Costner said in *Yellowstone*, “If you haven’t noticed, there is a war going on in this county, and the time has come where you have to choose sides.”

You can choose the rule of law, or you can choose lawlessness.

**Farrell:** The centralizers who have been in charge of this lawless game have hidden behind, what they are calling, law. That is not what we are talking about. We are talking about the natural law, morality, and Constitutional principles, especially the Bill of Rights – at least in this country.

**Fitts:** If you read the Constitution and the Bill of Rights and apply it to your neighborhood, you will know what we mean.

**Farrell:** Precisely.

**Fitts:** This has been a very wide-ranging conversation. If you look at the currency war, it is very wide-ranging. It is battling out in Asia, it is battling out in Europe and Africa, and it’s battling out in the US. It is also battling out in your neighborhood. The whole thing has been thrown into the invention room. “Welcome to the currency invention room, ladies and gentlemen.”

It’s going to be happening for a long time.

Let’s turn to Story #2:


We have been talking about this all year long. It is remarkable to see the speed at which the military-industrial complex and the deep state are reengineering their operations to get rid of the people who helped them engineer the coup. They don’t need Epstein, they don’t need the Clinton Foundation, they don’t have to pay double for F-35’s, and they can finally tell Boeing to grow up and get their act together.

As your former Governor, Frank Keating, used to say, “They are kicking ass and taking names all across the deep state.”
There is no doubt about it that FASAB 56 is going to save the deep state hundreds of billions of dollars in transaction fees.

**Farrell:** In other words, no more $32,000 toilet seats.

**Fitts:** Now they can do whatever they want.

Here is my guess: **How many mercenaries are operating globally now that they are free to hire as many as they want?**

**Farrell:** Huge, and the reason I say that is because if you go back to what I said in *Covert Wars and Breakaway Civilizations* about this hidden system of finance. Truman set this up by keeping all that recovered Operation Golden Lily Japanese gold entirely off the books and under control of the National Security Council.

In other words, he put the intelligence community into the banking business. This was done for the express purpose and stated purpose of having a political slush fund that could be used to fund covert operations.

**Fitts:** When you think about it, he gave people who were free to not pay taxes, kill with impunity, engage in organized crime, and be the most powerful bank in the world. If you watch *Game of Thrones*, it’s the Iron Bank. It’s unbelievable.

**Farrell:** This is exactly what he did. That system has been in place now for several decades. So, the amount of covert operations – given all of what we’ve talked about over the years including the rehypothecation of gold deposits and the manipulation of commodities markets and so on– that seed money that has now ballooned to enormous proportions and is all off the books and the amount of covert mercenary military operations would be absolutely off the charts.

I go back to my *Nazi International* idea that they have essentially created an extra-territorial state that is beholden to no law.

**Fitts:** And now it has an infinite amount of money. This is what the people who are putting together the swap capacity alternatives know. They know that now these people have an infinite amount of money to do whatever they want. There are no financial strictures on them; they are completely in control and out of control.
If you are Putin or the Chinese or whoever, you understand the speed at which these people can finance ‘God-knows-what’. That means that you have to accelerate your plans.

**Farrell:** Exactly. And if you are that group in this country, the last thing that you want is an armed population because that population is ultimately your biggest potential problem in doing those kinds of operations here. The problem is that we have seen the abuse of the DOJ and the intelligence communities in this country – this whole impeachment business. We have seen the abuse that can happen.

Imagine the scale of that abuse if the population had not been armed.

**Fitts:** I cannot imagine it.

**Farrell:** I can’t either. They have been willing to tear the country apart to get rid of a President who they don’t like. I’m convinced that the only reason they haven’t been successful is because most of his supporters are probably armed. This is a word to the wise.

**Fitts:** I think that if they get gun control then the speed at which depopulation will occur in this country would take your breath away.

**Farrell:** Oh, yes, we are ‘off to the camps’.

**Fitts:** I don’t think that they are going to bother with camps; camps are not economic. Remember, they can do this all ‘free range’. Everything is set up for free range.

I believe you are watching Operation Gladio (Clandestine operations planned by the WU) teams going into every county. They are already there, but they are getting ready to move. Without guns, it is going to be easy pickings.

So, we watched the US securities market essentially go dark. We watched Harvard and Yale go dark. I am convinced that these people are going to make large amounts of money on disaster capitalism, and they don’t want to have staffs around who believe in the rule of law and who understand what they are doing.

**Farrell:** I’m convinced that this is one of the reasons you see so many bankers in middle management positions being ‘off’d’ or dying under mysterious circumstances. They are watching what is happening on their ledgers and putting two and two together. I think that it is exactly the same thing that you are talking about.
Fitts: It’s ironic because I’ve had a running battle with Saker. He thinks that I think there are all these secret weapons, and he believes I’m all ‘wet’.

The interesting thing is the only reason I believe that these secret weapons exist is because I watch the trading patterns. For 20 years, every time the dollar should fall apart, there is a tsunami or there is ‘this thing or that’. Suddenly, that country is obedient again, and it’s constant weather warfare – whether it’s tsunamis or whether it’s earthquakes or whether it’s Rod of God explosions.

If you look at the trading patterns, they have convinced me that those secret weapons exist.

Farrell: My response to people like the Saker has always been, “Let’s go back to the hidden system of finance and what Truman did.”

The amount of money is way beyond – and I’ve said this at the Secret Space Program conferences – any financial requirements or funding requirements for all the covert operations that you can imagine. It’s way beyond that. So, where is that other money going?

Fitts: I’ve said this many times, and I’ll say it again. Mattis was violently opposed to using mercenaries. Suddenly, FASAB 56 passed, Mattis was out, and Blackwater is running ads saying that Blackwater is coming. What is there about that that is not obvious?

Farrell: The other thing that we have discussed before, and we will get to it later, is that it’s not necessary for a government to have control of this secret technology because that technology ultimately is going to be developed by corporations anyway.

Fitts: They have control of it.

Farrell: Therefore, we could be looking at mercenaries with some rather sophisticated technology.

One thing that I would remind the Saker about is what Cohen said under President Clinton that these weapons exist, and they are in the hands of these groups.

Fitts: So you have the Secretary of Defense essentially describing environmental terrorism.
Farrell: He is basically describing weather weapons, and he went through a whole list of things. They do exist. What Cohen was also warning us about is that we need to stop thinking solely in terms of state actors.

Fitts: That is the problem. We are trying to explain the world in terms of state actors when, in fact, they are not the only actors out there anymore. But they are also subservient to the power. The power is no longer in the sovereign government.

Farrell: Precisely. You pointed this out earlier. It’s the East India companies with private jurisdiction and private militaries and the most advanced technology of the day in their hands.

Fitts: I’ve been studying the histories of the East India Company and the Dutch West India Company, and I want to spend more time talking about the history because it is very helpful to realize that these models – for a certain period – worked fantastically successfully for investors. I think that these models are being brought back.

Farrell: I do, too.

Fitts: I finally did a big article with my attorney that we put out in The Real Deal of Missing Money called Caveat Emptor: Why Investors Need to Do Due Diligence on US Treasury and Related Securities. If you are an investor in US Treasury securities – whether you have them in your 401(k), your IRA, or you have a pension fund – I know that my pension fund has big positions, and the state pension funds have them as well. Remember that the number one buyer of US Treasuries is domestic. It’s not only the central bank, but US pension funds.

The Treasury sells a Treasury security to your pension fund and they get the money. So, you put the money in your pension fund, the money leaves the pension fund and goes to Treasury. Treasury buys an asset. Who owns that asset? Does Treasury own it, or did it disappear out the back door?

One of my questions on this current impeachment is this: Is this just a distraction while the last assets are moving out the back door? That has been my big issue after the 2020 campaign.

With FASAB 56 in place and the Amazon and JEDI contracts in place, are they just going to finish liquidating everything?
What I heard run as a trial balloon at the Aspen Institute in 2017 was a tentative measure to do the ‘Rape of Russia’ here. I think that they are building up to that.

**Farrell:** Let’s remember that that conference was a crypto-conference.

**Fitts:** Right, and all the little activists running around promoting all these schemes were being financed with anonymous bitcoin. That was your great line. I can’t give you credit as the best line for 2019 because you said it in 2017. You said, “Oh, this is Hitler’s ‘wet dream’ – an infinite amount of secret money for secret armies.”

**Farrell:** That is exactly what it is. Those secret armies are there to enforce the rape. That is the key.

**Fitts:** And they are not just mercenaries with guns; they are Operation Gladio teams being moved into your neighborhoods right now.

**Farrell:** I think it is crucial in that sort of situation that people have to lower their debt or get out of as much debt as they possibly can and own real things.

To put it differently, own ‘barterable’ things or be able to provide some valuable service of some sort or another. It’s going to be very, very crucial.

If Putin is right and this meltdown happens, there is going to be a period of transition where that is going to be the principle way of transaction until you get some sort of local or regional medium of exchange established. So it is very, very crucial to have some property and to have real tangible, physical assets.

**Fitts:** Before we move on from FASAB 56, do you have anything else on that?

**Farrell:** I think we’re good.

**Fitts:** We haven’t gone into the Epstein saga, but clearly that was definitely a revolutionary shift in the American culture. I told you that my attorney said something about a person being ‘suicided’ in the fourth quarter, and her young son looked at her and said, “Oh, mom. That’s so old.”

**Farrell:** Right, we call it ‘Epsteined’. “He was Epsteined.”
Fitts: So, when it has reached the popular culture to the extent that young people are using Epstein as a verb for suiciding or ‘Arkansas-ding’, I think that it was a phenomenal moment where the body politic finally realized, “There is no law.”

Farrell: If it has reached that stage of a popular meme, then you know that the vast majority of the population – particularly the young population – is now so distrustful and so cynical of official narratives. Your reaction was probably the same as mine.

The moment that they reported that Epstein was dead; the very moment they reported that, all trust evaporated. Everybody knew that he was either murdered, or they planted a double in his place. No one was buying the official narrative.

So, look at what has happened. Just stop and think what has happened in this country since the murder of President Kennedy. With the murder of President Kennedy, it took maybe a decade and a half before the narrative was substantially challenged by a significant segment of the population that didn’t believe it. Then came Iran-Contra, and it was a little less time. Then came BCI and Ruby Ridge and Waco and Oklahoma City. With each incident, the narrative began to be challenged significantly in a much shorter time.

9/11 was the same thing. With Epstein, it was almost overnight.

Fitts: It was really interesting because several things happened. I can’t remember if it was ABC or NBC, but it was the Disney network. Project VERITAS (right-wing activist group) published a video of the host talking on record about the fact that she had the story three years ago, and they hadn’t let her run with it. It was quite strange the way that it worked. It was interesting that the speculation became that the head of the network could stop it.

I immediately tweeted out that I had had dinner years ago with Michael Eisner’s former assistant, who explained that every afternoon the assistant brought in the headlines from that network so that the chairman of Disney could edit them and mark them up.

So, here you have a global corporation marketing to children – Disney movies, Disneyworld, etc. – and they are basically doing everything they can to protect one of the most powerful pedophilia control file networks in the world.

Terrance Williams, a young African-American blogger, is very cute and very funny. I don’t know if you’ve ever read any of his blogs. He put out a tweet after Epstein died, almost immediately, about the body count. It was very amusing.
Normally, I don’t retweet things like that. I’m more serious, but it was so cute and so funny that I had to retweet it.

Literally, a minute after I retweeted it the President retweeted it. I thought that was a little unPresidential, but I had to do it; I had to take the shot. The implication was that the Clintons did it. So I retweeted it and said, “POTUS, are you suggesting that you and Attorney General Barr cannot protect one Federal prisoner from the Clintons?”

I don’t think that he realized what he was saying. He was saying, “We can’t even protect our prisoners from the Clintons – the all-powerful Clintons.” Maybe the Clintons ought to issue the new reserve currency.

**Farrell:** No!

**Fitts:** I do want to mention one last thing on the Epstein saga, and then we will return to it with Brexit. You know how when you’re feeling bad you can think, “Well, that guy has it worse. At least I don’t have it that bad.” Arlo Guthrie used to have a song about the last guy, “He doesn’t even have time to make a phone call.”

Whatever went wrong in 2019, you and I can be glad that we are not Prince Andrew. To this day, I still waste time speculating what that was about.

Prince Andrew has lost his office in Buckingham Palace, and his mother cancelled his big birthday bash. They had a small family dinner instead because Prince Andrew gave the worst, stupidest interview – I couldn’t even finish it because it was so embarrassing.

**Farrell:** I watched that, too. I have been pondering that long and hard. The only conclusion that I can come to was he was talked into doing that, and it may have been the Queen herself that pushed him to do that. I suspect that, knowing full well it would blow up in his face and give her the opportunity to move him aside.

**Fitts:** I’m assuming that Trump exercised the license to get rid of Epstein. I believe that he was murdered, but he could have been ‘Ken Lay’ed’ and be running around someplace on an island. But the Americans have gone through a great deal of trouble to get rid of Epstein. I think that one of the reasons was to protect the prince. So, if you are the Americans and you’ve gone to all that trouble to protect Prince Andrew, and Prince Andrew unraveled it all with a stupid interview, **wouldn’t you be furious?**

**Farrell:** Absolutely.
Fitts: The whole thing was so baffling. It’s like many of these different rabbit holes. One part of you wants to dive in and figure out what happened, and the other part of you says, “It’s not worth my time.”

Farrell: I agree. I just get the feeling that the Queen has been moving behind the scenes in many ways lately. I wouldn’t be a bit surprised if it was a little put-up job. The BBC is British government, and the Crown influence is behind it.

Fitts: Somebody wanted him out.

Farrell: Someone wanted him out. The way that British politics works is at some point this has to involve the Queen. It’s just the way things are.

She has been a busy lady the last few years.

Fitts: If you watched the Netflix series called *The Crown*, there is this huge Netflix series about Queen Elizabeth from the beginning. It’s after McMillan quit, and she is furious because Churchill died and McMillan messed up. She said something like, “This is a confederacy of quitters,” because she can’t quit.

When you look at how long she has played this role and the fact that she has never quit, it’s quite remarkable.

Farrell: The thing that tipped me off that she was very politically active – and people think that Charles is, which he is, and nobody likes it – goes back to that dinner a few years ago where the Vice Prime Minister was invited to Buckingham Palace for dinner with the Queen. The topic of discussion that she chose was, “Can you name three good things about the European Union?” That says it all right there.

Her purgation of parliament was calling the Privy Council, which I’m told has something over 700 members, but for a quorum you only need three or four – including the monarch. That is how she euchred that.

Fitts: I once started to read all the financials for the Commonwealth countries. Finally, I realized, “Oh, the Queen is in charge of the equity tail.” It’s a much harder job than you think, but it forces you to look strategically from the very top. Since I did that, her actions make much more sense.

Farrell: You look at her, and she could have abdicated years ago in favor of Charles, and she has not.
Fitts: She never will. I think that it will go straight to William. I don’t know how they are going to engineer it, but that is what I think.

Farrell: I get the same feeling that something is in the works. You look at the royal wedding that happened with Harry. The Commonwealth symbols were on full display.

Fitts: I have never seen a better designed ceremony to win the hearts and minds of everybody you needed to take the Commonwealth to the next level. Watching that ceremony, I said, “Are they going to try to bring the sterling back as a reserve currency?”

Farrell: It could be in the cards or something like that. They could use it as a unit of account within the Commonwealth somehow. I’m going back to what I said earlier about the fact that during the Paris aerospace show two significant things happened there that just floored me. Number one, Boeing was there and received no orders.

Fitts: That is amazing.

Farrell: That is huge.

Fitts: When I was in Pennsylvania, I read The Whistle Blowers by the plant manager. There was a plant manager who quit because of the lack of quality control. It was so frightening. It had nothing to do with the software or any of that, but just basic manufacturing quality control. You read it and think, “I can’t imagine that this story is getting out, given Boeing’s power and the power of the military-industrial complex. This could only be happening if they are sending the same message to Boeing that they are sending to Lockheed.”

It’s rather astonishing – the message that is coming back out of Boeing.

Farrell: The other thing that happened at the Paris air show was that either the British Aerospace or someone within the government responsible for aerospace, approached the Australian space minister directly. I think that is a huge clue that as part of this Brexit thing they are thinking in detail and specifically how they are going to try to revivify the Commonwealth. It’s going to be through trade ties like that.

Fitts: You just build out from Pine Gap.
There is a new TV show in Australia on Pine Gap (satellite surveillance base), and it’s all about Australia trying to balance between the Chinese and the Americans.

*Story #3: Planet Equity and the Big Bad Bond Mess.*

It was interesting this year that you have $17 trillion capital gains in global stock markets and huge gains in the US stock market. The rich are reeling with their extraordinary profits, so the rich are getting much richer. Inequality got much worse this year.

When we first started to work together I said, “You can either write down the debt globally, or you can mark the stock market up.”

They keep marking the stock market up. As they print money, they are channeling it into the land, real estate stocks, and are trying to securitize everything on the planet. If you look at the number of companies in the IPO market globally, the number of companies are rising dramatically. In the World Federation Stock Exchange, you now have 48,000 companies at a total valuation of $70 trillion. Globally, the stock markets are up as high as $90 trillion, but in the meantime, they keep popping up plenty of debt.

The World Bank just came out with this study on global debt basically spinning out of control. You are bubbling both of them dramatically, but the credit quality in the bond market is falling apart.

It is interesting that because so many people need bonds for a variety of reasons, we now see Germany, Switzerland, and the US now has $17 trillion at negative yields.

**Farrell:** It’s totally ‘nuts’.

**Fitts:** It’s helicopter money, but the helicopter money would rather pay the Germans negative rates than pay 2% to the Americans.

So, you have a real destruction of credit quality in the bond market, and in 2020 we are coming into a real maturity crunch in the corporate markets. It’s frightening because if you look at how much the corporations have spent in buybacks, it’s approximately the same. The debt has gone up $3 trillion, and then they have paid out $3 trillion as buybacks. They have used a surprising amount of the stock that they bought back to give the CEOs and the management bonuses. It’s like a payola machine: “If you go along with all of this crazy technocracy and depopulation and biowarfare burgers and all of this other stuff, we will pay you an arm and a leg.”
It’s not only a ruse on the consumer, but it’s a ruse on the shareholders.

**Farrell:** Out of curiosity, is there an amount of money attached to what is coming mature?

**Fitts:** I would have to look at the numbers. I published some of the articles describing the numbers, but you are talking about a significant amount of corporate debt that needs to roll over. It needs to roll over in the low-rating areas like the oil and gas in the oil patch.

We’ve been spending $2 to get $1 of gas and financing it with junk bonds. So much of that is coming up. The question is: **How is all of that paper going to roll over?**

The central banks just keep printing and keep playing the same game that they are playing in the repo market, which I think is QE4.

**Farrell:** There is always Prime Minister Tanaka’s solution. **Do you remember Tanaka and the 1957 bonds in Japan?** “Let’s just make unusual-looking bonds and swap the paper, and then deny that the paper that we’ve swapped is any good. It’s counterfeit.”

**Fitts:** You are watching a bubble game. The central banks print money, and then it’s injected into the system a whole variety of ways – whether it’s buying stock or creating earnings. FASAB 56 has given it a new lease on life. But whether it’s on the bond side or the stock side, you have far too many non-productive things rolling around. This is why I keep asking the question: **If there is no rule of law, if there is no Treaty of Westphalia, if the Nuremberg Codes are being torn up, what is the value of a sovereign bond?**

**Farrell:** There isn’t any, but it goes back to the more fundamental issue that you raised four or five years ago, and that is this difference between finance capitalism and equity capitalism. All these fortunes are being created and made entirely on paper, and it is entirely speculation. It’s not producing anything.

**Fitts:** I want to talk about the ESG white-out. Our 1st Quarter Wrap Up was, *Can ESG Turn the Red Button Green?* We recently printed the hard copy, and it’s on its way. It is being mailed this week to the premium subscribers. It’s really beautiful,, and is very interesting.
We have gone through a period of consolidation and centralization of natural resources and wealth using criminal means. Certainly, if you look at the fiat currency game, there are some things that I say should be criminal. It’s either criminal or an unethical means that have built these incredible monopolies – whether they are tech monopolies or investment monopolies. We are seeing huge consolidation into companies like BlackRock (global investment firm).

What happened at the beginning of 2019 is that all of them decided that after years of using criminal means to build their monopolies, they were going to pull out the ethics card and declare themselves ‘holier than thou’. So, Larry Fink deserves the ‘Hypocrite of the Century’ award. Remember this person thought that he was going to be Secretary of Treasury in the Clinton Administration. So when he failed to be Secretary of Treasury in the Clinton Administration, he decided that he was going to write a letter to CEOs and talk to them about purpose and being more than only about profit. Can you imagine?

You just couldn’t make this up. So, he came out with this letter to CEOs, and then the Business Roundtable announced that the purpose of a corporation has to be responsible to the whole economy, not just to their shareholders. Of course, with the buyback game they are basically stealing money from the shareholders, but let’s put that aside for now.

They signed this with people in the signatory that included Jamie Diamond, the head of JP Morgan Chase. So, I couldn’t take it and finally said, “Somebody has to do something.”

In the 1st Quarter Wrap Up, we used JP Morgan Chase as our poster child for ESG hypocrisy, and we made a table. It’s a TablePress in the web presentation, and it is being printed as a separate insert so that we can use it again and again.

I had a wonderful subscriber who I hired, and they basically went online and collected all the settlement agreements that JP Morgan Chase has made since 2002 for illegal, unethical, immoral behavior. It’s all listed on the TablePress and you can due diligence this. From 2002 to 2017 when this finished, they paid $42 billion. Their 2018 income was $32 billion in settlement agreements for illegal, immoral, and unethical behavior.

One of the reasons we had this TablePress made is that the Just Index, which is the index that Goldman Sachs is using for their ESG ETF, has decided that JP Morgan Chase is one of the most ‘just’ companies in the country, and it’s the second or third most ‘just’ bank in the country. Talk about ‘whiteout’!
It was the most difficult thing that I did in 2019, and I will never do it again. I spent 200 hours reading and diving into all these convoluted systems.

**Farrell:** This is like putting the pedophile in charge of the orphanage.

**Fitts:** Right, because they are so ‘morally perfect’. You should go to JP Morgan Chase’s website. Somebody deserves a Nobel Prize for literature for writing their social responsibility section of their website. They have all these community responsibility and social responsibility and environmental responsibility reports, and they are beautiful. Somebody who is an absolute genius was paid millions of dollars to write and create all these things, and they hold no compunction to have any relationship whatsoever to reality. There is absolutely no relationship to reality. They were totally free to say, “You can write whatever fiction you want to make up as long as we look terrific.” It’s unbelievable.

**Farrell:** Oh, I believe it.

**Fitts:** You look at it, and there are no words to describe the hubris.

If you look at Jamie Dimon’s statement, he said, “How dare you criticize the rich: we are the ones who are productive.”

Wait a minute, “No, you are criminal.”

It’s as if they have forgotten.

**Farrell:** These people have no moral compass to see their own hypocrisy. That is the problem.

**Fitts:** The real problem is that the message from hundreds of countries and markets and economies around the world is: “We will not subsidize this anymore. You are a scorpion, and we are going to figure out a way to paddle across this river without you, and we are all going to make it our number one economic priority to go to work, and we are going to work with our enemies to come up with ways to trade around you because we don’t want to finance you anymore. We don’t like you, and you are crazy.”

I think that the world is saying to the unipolar model, “You are so disconnected from reality, and you are so disconnected from productivity. We want nothing to do with you.”
There is a deep, powerful global rejection going on. On one hand, you have that rejection, and on the other hand, you have the ‘US bear trap’. The question is: **How do they play out?** We will talk about this in *Geopolitics*, but I think that a big place where it plays out is in space.

**Farrell:** I go back to what I said earlier about the Silk Road being connected to space. It’s playing out on the planet in the Silk Road project and knitting Eurasia together. It’s also playing out on the planet in response of the Anglo-American elite to that development, and it’s playing out in space. It’s all interconnected.

**Fitts:** Let me make your day worse. It turns out that the big play in the ESG whiteout is not CEO moral ‘goody two-shoes’; the big whiteout is climate change.

So, when FASAB 56 was being adopted, Elizabeth Warren proposed a new piece of legislation that would require SEC filing companies to have climate change disclosure. So, she has no problem with the financial disclosure being destroyed for the US government for SEC filing companies. Instead, she is pushing climate change because it’s whiteout.

So, the day that FASAB 56 was adopted, using Elizabeth Warren’s legislation, five of the top pension fund investors wrote a letter and published it to the SEC saying, “We want you to do this on a voluntary basis. Don’t wait for the legislation. Get this done.”

If you look at the establishment, just as they are withdrawing the fundamental financial disclosure, which is the basis of markets and democracy, they are pushing climate change disclosure. The whole thing is a complete ruse.

**Farrell:** To put it ‘country simple’, they are using bad science to mask a ‘hell’ of a lot of financial malfeasance and whatnot.

**Fitts:** Now here is the interesting thing. I can’t tell whether Elizabeth Warren is one of the most evil people to ever come onto the Federal stage or if she is one of the stupidest.

**Farrell:** Both, I think that you can be evil and stupid. I really do.

**Fitts:** So, here is the question: **Does she understand what she is doing? Does she understand that she is whiting out the end of financial markets?**
**Farrell:** She probably both does and doesn’t and that is the brilliance of being both evil and stupid.

**Fitts:** She is also doing the ‘holier than thou’ thing.

**Farrell:** I know she is. This is a woman who can stand up and lie to everyone’s faces about her wonderful socialism, and she is a multi-millionaire. The hypocrisy of these people never ceases to amaze me. That is what they are doing.

**Fitts:** Harvard made her rich, and she is going to make Harvard rich.

The White House business has reached whole new levels of chipper psychopathy. What is amazing is they are pumping out millions and trillions of dollars to MBAs from Harvard and Wharton to come up with all of these systems that justify why the monopolies created with criminal enterprise are the most moral enterprises on the planet.

I think that if you are sitting in the BRICS nations watching this, you think we’re nuts.

There are several more things on *Planet Equity and the Big Bad Bond Mess in Story #3*. One is that the stock market has been unbelievably strong. It’s clear that this plan to mark up the equity is still at work, and it can very much continue. If the central banks continue to the central bank put (protection against losses) and printing, it can continue. There is all the real estate on the planet to securitize. That is why we did *Megacities* in the 3rd Quarter 2018. If you haven’t read it, I would recommend it.

If you securitize all of the real estate, you securitize companies all over the world. If the global stock market is up to $90 trillion, you’ve just begun. So, this thing could be big and go on for a long time.

I recently received an email from Rambus who is working on the chartology that he does for us for every Equity Overview for the Annual Wrap Up. He does it every quarter, and he said that his charts are saying that it’s a strong stock market again next year. It was up over 25% this year. It’s unbelievable, but we will see what the final numbers are when it closes.

One thing that I want to say is that between marking up the equity or marking down the debt, they seem to prefer marking up the equity. We know last year the BIS said, “Everybody should do everything they can.”
When it’s all said and done, it may be the central bank of Switzerland that owns all the stock in the world. The gentleman who is constantly illuminating us about the consolidated financial reports is pointing out that between all the different sovereign funds – including municipal pension funds – basically, a government has bought the whole stock market.

So, that was one thing that I wanted to say. The other is that it is possible that the BRICS have gotten together. If you have enough organization between China, Russia, and a variety of parties, you can do a giant debt swap. In other words, the way that the Chinese can unload all of their dollars is basically to swap their currency or basket of currencies or loan them out.

Let’s say that you have $20 trillion of total dollar debt. If you line up the dollar positions in the reserve currencies, you can basically do a giant swap where you put everybody into euro debt or renminbi debt and use your dollars to pay off all their debt. It’s a giant global swap. That’s how you could do it, and you could do it fast if the Chinese were willing to swap their dollars.

I point out that the Pentagon just announced that they want to be free to use low-yield nukes, which tells me that they are worried about a swap.

Let’s go on to Story #4: Slowbalization.

We see indications that globally the economy is slowing. Certainly the most important story economically is the China trade war. I haven’t spent much time diving into it because I think that if you look at all the work we did to get people to read Stephen Roach’s book Unbalanced, and to interview Steve and explain the codependency of China and America, it’s basically the Unbalanced story and coming to grips with how you are going to reengineer this relationship. It’s going to go on for a long time, and it is going to be very painful, and the national securities issues are profound.

You have an AI high-tech race on weaponry and on telecommunications and digital systems, which is very much a win-lose relationship.

So, you have these trade wars and the breakdown of trust and the problems with the currency and the weaponization of the dollar all weighing very, very heavily on the global economy. The other thing that you have is a huge rush of multinationals going global making a fortune, and now the local people have figured out how to get in the race and compete back.
You had a rush of globalization, and now you have the digestion of consolidation that is the hard period – the ‘grinding of the gears’. In the meantime, everybody just keeps borrowing more money. The way that we got out of the 2008 bailout period was because we had the Chinese borrow trillions and trillions of dollars and spend trillions of dollars. Now we are chock-full of debt, the economy is slowing, nobody trusts anybody, technology is hugely deflating, and one person said, “If you look at all of the announcements for global car sales, the numbers are way, way down.”

**Farrell:** They are down, and I have to wonder what all of the causes are. I don’t think it’s a slowdown and I don’t think it’s lack of disposable income. I think that there are several factors. For one thing, cars are so expensive anymore; they are ridiculous.

**Fitts:** Here is the interesting thing: If I trusted the system, I would have bought a new car this year.

**Farrell:** That is what I was getting to. **Do we trust cars with all of the new gadgets?**

**Fitts:** I don’t trust them.

**Farrell:** I don’t either. I don’t trust them not to spy on us and so on. I try to buy good used cars from a certain period of history before all of that ‘crap’ started being put in them.

I think that there are many people in that boat who are probably not buying new vehicles for that reason.

**Fitts:** I would say it differently. I would say that around the Western world you have a significant decrease in risk-taking. I don’t see that happening in the emerging markets, so the emerging markets are absolutely taking risk. But in the Western world, there is a significant reduction of risk-taking and a breakdown of trust.

**Farrell:** The breakdown of trust is driving it, and it’s driving down the risk-taking. Who wants to buy a car that is going to spy on them? I’m serious and I don’t want one.

**Fitts:** I’m trying to persuade someone locally to refurbish my old one so that by the time this car goes I can take the old one and reuse it.

Do you have anything on China and the trade war?
Farrell: No, but I have plenty on ‘Farmageddon’.

Fitts: The one thing that I will say about China is that China’s number one problem is: How do they keep their people employed and fed? It’s a much more challenging, difficult job than most know or appreciate. I think it is one of the reasons that they want to aggressively invest in the Silk Road. They need a way to keep their population employed. Walmart is not going to keep their population employed, particularly with robots coming.

The second problem that they have is feeding their population. I’ll never forget one Chinese politician saying, “I don’t care what the stock market is. Hardly anybody owns stock. I care about what the price of pork is.”

They have been devastated by the African swine flu. You almost wonder where the African swine flu came from.

This fight over the food system gets uglier and uglier. We will get to that when we talk about food and health.

So, some aspects of this are the global recession and the rebalancing of the US-China relationship, the US dollar bear trap, and the possibility of a swap. If you look at the people who are not protected by currency status and who are vulnerable, if you look at what is happening in Argentina and Venezuela, it is very ugly. That is where we run the risk that this could go to a significant decline in the dollar.

We talked about inflation costs spiraling out of control. Now let’s turn to ‘Farmageddon’. It is clear to me with ‘Slowbalization’ that the effort to control the food system is off the charts.

Farrell: Oh, it is totally off the charts, especially with what has happened this year in this country with the floods and the decline of arable land to raise the crops. It’s bad.

I’ll be blunt. I think that all that weather engineering may have been used in this country to create storms and put the small farmers out of business. That has been the agenda. They want to move everything to GMOs and so on. There are many farmers who have revolted against that.

Fitts: Right, and we have had reports on this. I sent you one of the reports I had from a retired farmer about the tornados selectively taking out farms, but not the GMO farms.
Farrell: There is no doubt in my mind. I had one person email me during the tornado season last year that he watched a tornado essentially make a right-angle turn to take out one of these farms. I have seen similar things happen last year. There is no doubt that they’ve used this to drive the farmers out of business.

The regulatory climate in this country is just ‘nuts’. In order to promote GMOs they basically created plenty of ‘concepts’ to allow GMOs to be planted without due intergenerational testing – the whole standard equivalence doctrine. Then, on the other hand, they turned around and slapped these farmers with climate change regulations that no one has the money to follow. You can’t possibly follow all of these regulations if you are a small farmer, and you’ve pointed this out with the European farmers. It’s putting you out of business.

You are in a ‘double-whammy’. You are fighting the corporations that want your land for their GMOs and you’re fighting the government regulations and all of this. Who can survive in that climate?

Fitts: It’s been so amazing to watch the farmers protest in Europe.

Farrell: And not a word of it over here.

Fitts: It’s one of the reasons I went to extraordinary lengths to put the video of the German farmers on their way to Berlin at night on our website. It was on November 26th, and 10,000 German farmers on their tractors with lights flashing drove to Berlin. They shut the highway system down – the same as they did in the Netherlands and the same as they did in France. It’s amazing because even though it’s inconveniencing the population, the population is so supportive. They’re like, “Go! Go!”

Everybody loves their farmers. If you ate in Europe, you would, too. The food is incredible.

When I was sent that drone picture of the 10,000 German farmers on the highway at night, it is unbelievably impactful. So, I went to incredible lengths to transfer it and get it to the point where I could post it. If you look at the videos I’ve watched of the Netherlands farmers, in several regions in the Netherlands, they were able to force their county areas and their local areas to roll back the climate change rules.

My favorite was in Friesland. In Leeuwarden, they went to the town council who locked the doors and wouldn’t talk to them. They took their Bush Hogging equipment and pushed open the doors and just went in. ———
——— You’re talking about a group of people who are very productive, very competent, very intelligent, very well-educated, and they won’t tolerate that. It’s beautiful to watch.

I think that the European farmers know that if body politics is allowed to wipe them out, the people are going to starve.

**Farrell:** They are going to starve, and the other thing is: Where would they turn for food? Russia? So, this is a self-defeating agenda from a securities standpoint to begin with. It makes no sense.

I was talking with you earlier when we discussed this. The problem is: **Why don’t we see the same thing going on here in terms of farmers protesting?**

**Fitts:** Because they are using weather warfare here. The Europeans are much more mature; they are using rules. Here we are just using force. We are making it invisible and secret.

**Farrell:** Weather derivatives are a handy thing to have around when you have the technology to control the weather. It’s unbelievable.

**Fitts:** We had one subscriber go into the comment area and say something similar to this, “In 2005 I thought you were crazy, but then it turned out that you were right. You are right about this. Finally, I decided to subscribe. Then I got in here and I read that report on the tornado that you were talking about, and I realized that you are crazy. You believe that they can control and manipulate the weather. You are totally crazy.”

So I wrote him and said, “First of all, we only want people who want to be here. So, I am happy to refund your subscription and unsubscribe you. I’ll give you all of your money back, no questions asked. We only want you here if you want to be here. That’s number one. Number two, if you look at my resume and background, what you ought to ask yourself – whether you unsubscribe or not – is why someone with my education, experience, and background would believe in this.”

He said, “Thank you. I want my money back,” so we unsubscribed him. I realized that he was too afraid to face it.

**Farrell:** I run into this all the time with people asking me about mind control or weather warfare. I told them flat-out, “Go online and search for weather warfare or mind control, and look at the patents.”
Fitts: I don’t know if you saw this: Mark Skidmore put together a bibliography of articles on weather warfare. He put a complete list together, and many of these are the patents. I asked him for permission to post it because he made it public.

The Chinese have a Beijing weather modification office, and when asked whether they were worried about the weather during the Olympics they said, “No, we fixed that.”

Farrell: I’m from South Dakota. In 1975 or 1976 there was a big flood in Rapid City. Most people don’t even remember that huge flood.

Fitts: I remember that.

Farrell: It was a flood in a place that seldom gets flooded. Within a couple of weeks, around the state people were talking about weather modification because they had gone online and looked up the state’s weather modification program. Sure enough, there had been massive cloud seeding prior to that flood, and that was in the 1970’s.

Fitts: My favorite is the video of Lyndon Johnson talking about how, “He who rules the weather…” You can tell that he was all excited about our weather warfare weapons.

Farrell: If you just believe in this before you commit yourself to your disbelief, go online and do the searches for it. It’s all over the place. Just the patents alone for mind manipulation technologies or weather weapons and so on are extraordinary. There are so many, it’s unbelievable. And they are public record, which goes back decades; they go back to the 1950’s.

Fitts: This goes back to the issue of depending on a propaganda machinery for your news.

I finally had a ‘Come to Jesus’ conversation with somebody in my life who I love. They are always saying, “Why is nobody doing anything?” I said, “Millions of people are doing things. What do you mean by ‘nobody is doing anything’? There are tons of people doing something. There are German farmers.”

Traditionally, what they had said – and this goes back long ago when they asked why nobody was doing anything about the housing bubble – and I said, “Look at what I’m doing.”

They said, “Well, you’re nobody.”
I said, “No I’m not. I’m the former Assistant Secretary of Housing, I’m a former partner of Dillon Read, and I’m in Who’s Who in America. I’m not nobody.”

She said, “You used to be somebody, but you’re not now.”

I said, “Look. If the people who are trying to kill you are the people you look to to determine who is somebody and who is nobody, then you are going to die. Don’t you understand that?”

So, recently this very same person said, “Why can’t this information get on the news?”

This has been 20 years now. I said, “Why are you watching a propaganda machine? The goal of that machine is to feed you disinformation and propaganda, and I’m sick of hearing you say that you want something on there to affirm that it’s real. You have a problem, and it’s not the propaganda machinery’s problem. It’s your problem, and you need to fix your problem. You need to come up with a way of tracking reality and affirming reality and deciding who your hero is that has nothing to do with depending on a propaganda machine or hoping that a propaganda machine is going to support you. They are there to harvest you. They are there to lie to you. They are not there to tell you anything. And you have a problem. After 25 years, you are going to have to face and solve your problems like an addiction.”

**Farrell:** It’s very important for people to understand that that propaganda machine is not only the media; it’s the ‘quackademy’, the school system, and so on.

**Fitts:** $21 trillion buys everybody. That’s what you have to face; do the numbers. It’s $21 trillion plus the $24-29 trillion on the bailouts plus, plus, plus.

So, please don’t go into 2020 hoping that the propaganda machine is going to support you.

**Farrell:** It won’t, and it never will.

**Fitts:** If you give any of your time to the propaganda machine, then you have a lower, slower learning metabolism than the people who are going to win. So, you are losing, and you are falling behind. You can’t afford to give them your time.
**Farrell:** The other thing that the propaganda machine does to people is make them completely passive and reactive rather than proactive. It makes people completely passive – even if they react at all.

We have reached a point where the propaganda machine is so successful that people don’t even react anymore.

**Fitts:** With this person on the weather, I think that he spent 25 or 30 years watching the propaganda machine, and he can’t fathom that it’s that bad.

**Farrell:** I tell people, “It’s not called CBS (See-BS) for nothing.

**Fitts:** That’s pretty cute! Check out Skidmore’s bibliography of weather warfare machinery. The link is on the web presentation. And I’ll make sure that the Lyndon Johnson video gets put up in the Top Videos, too. Once you watch that and realize that that is the 1960’s, you’ll see it. Lyndon Johnson is bragging about our weather warfare in the 1960’s during Vietnam.

**Story #5: Trade Wars.**

We talked about this in ‘Slowbalization’. The Trade Wars are not only with China; they are also with the European Union. They are almost with everybody at this point.

**Farrell:** I think that there is an aspect of this that we are going to have to discuss under Geopolitics, and it concerns the whole Brexit thing and the Silk Road and space and everything.

**Fitts:** If you look at how the US finally got General Motors to be number one again, basically they had the Department of Justice go after Toyota and they had the Department of Justice go after Volkswagen. So this is war. I guess my comment is: If you are a multinational company – you are BMW – and are competing in the US market for sales, and are competing against people who use entrainment and who use the Department of Justice to dirty-trick you, imagine all of the dirty tricks that you probably have on customs coming across the border.

At what point does this make doing business impossible?
Farrell: I think that we have to look at the very possible scenario that with many of these foreign and multinational companies doing business in this country that have had or faced DOJ sanctions and fines of one sort or another, I think that we have to be honest and say, “How much of that data or ‘evidence’ was completely fabricated?”

Fitts: Right, or ‘cooked’ into something that it wasn’t.

Farrell: You have to wonder if a company like Toyota or Volkswagen – both multibillion-dollar companies – would want to take the risk of running afoul of this country’s regulations to begin with. Would they run that risk?

Fitts: At that time, you had a General Motors dealing with litigation on quality control problems that had killed numerous people. So, part of the question that I always had was: Was this whiteout to protect GM? At that point, I think that the US still had an equity position in GM from the bailouts.

Farrell: GM and Chrysler both.

Fitts: It’s almost as though to do anything in this world you need your own mercenary army and hit team. That gets back to making the economy. That’s a heavy expense.

Farrell: It’s a heavy expense, and the problem for those people is mercenary armies are expensive and popular revolt armies aren’t.

Fitts: That’s it for the Economy & Financial Markets. Looking back on 2019 and Economy & Financial Markets I would wrap it up by saying that the deep state is ‘rocking and rolling’ unimpeded, but they are doing it very quietly. If you look at the extent to which they are swinging around the economy and the financial markets in a very complete and powerful ways, they are still remarkably invisible.

Farrell: They have created a lot of Kabuki theater (Japanese theater) to distract people from all of these issues. The impeachment is one. I think there is a certain element of that which is pure theater.

Fitts: If you look at the extent to which FASAB 56, the ESG whiteout, Harvard and the endowments going dark, and all these different mechanisms – and now the Germans and other people taking everything secret – they are trying to turn the entire global economy into a black box.
Farrell: The Japanese took their pension funds secret recently. It’s a big black box, which is ‘nuts’.

Fitts: I say that, but if weather warfare can sound ludicrous to so many people, the population can be made to go along with black boxes.

Farrell: The trouble is that most people, other than your listeners and readers or my website members who have listened to these quarterly reports, aren’t even aware of this black box. Most people don’t even know about FASAB 56; they’re not even aware of it.

I think if they were more aware, they would be upset. How do you budget your personal income in that kind of system? You can’t. You can’t plan long-term or short-term; you can’t plan at all. It’s as if they want you to live in the ever-present now. It will turn, but I don’t see it turning unless people start hitching all of this trade war and currency war information to what is happening with these black boxes that they are putting in. The Germans are doing it and the Japanese are doing it.

Fitts: What we have to do is connect the macro with the micro. So, they have to see how this plays out at the micro level. Ultimately, we are all going to be called to deal with it there.

Geopolitics: Story #6: The Databeast Deepens Controls Across the Globe.

This is everywhere. I had Technocracy, Opportunity Zones, the JEDI Contract, Social Credit, Facial Recognition, Drones Dodge Soldiers, Robotics, The Military Investment Grows, and Slow Kills.

One of the things that I think was so inspiring this year was the young people in Hong Kong tearing down all the facial recognition. I loved that.

Farrell: They have had similar things happen in Europe with people tearing down the traffic cameras and so on. That was a few years ago in either France or the Netherlands – one of the two.

Fitts: That’s fabulous!

Farrell: I think so, too. I hate these traffic cameras. I hate them, and I wish that the American ‘sheeple’ would have enough gumption to start doing things like that.
Fitts: If you study the social credit system that they are doing in China, it’s terrifying.

Farrell: It’s horrible. Hitch that up to 5G and the surveillance and everything else.

Fitts: I don’t know if you’ve been watching some of the videos of what is possible now with robotics, but my concern is that when they can send in robotic soldiers or these robotic dogs or drones, it’s not going to be that long before we have autonomous weapons that can float around.

I went to an event in an unnamed state, and they flew one of those little drone insects right underneath my eye. It came in so fast that I couldn’t see it. I never saw it before it hit, it was that fast.

My interpretation was that the message was, “Don’t come back.” So I won’t; I’m never going back. I don’t anticipate going back to that state ever again.

I don’t know if you’ve seen how these little insect drones work. It’s odd because they were working on turning birds into drones in the 1970’s at Area 51. I’m assuming that they have bird drones.

Farrell: Back in the 1950’s, the CIA was talking about how they could put a bug on insects and put a bug on cats and so on.

Fitts: Once you get to a certain level of the robotics then you don’t need to worry about gun control.

Farrell: Yes and no. You have the Democrat who is talking about the Federal government having nukes. The problem is that you have such a body of veterans in this country who would know very well how to wage an asymmetrical warfare. All it takes to shut down New York City is to interdict the tunnels and bridges across the Hudson, and there aren’t that many, and that place is ‘toast’.

Fitts: I used to finance them, so I know.

Farrell: You could say almost the same thing of any major city; there are certain choke points. There are vulnerabilities in this country to the power grid. I go back to what has been happening in California for the past few years – that strike against the electrical substation a few years ago that was totally professional. They were in and out before the police responded. People cutting internet cables in San Francisco knew exactly where to go and what to do.
Somebody has been running some sort of an experiment. You can have all the drones and robots that you want, but there are still pieces of technology that can be circumvented or hacked.

The more technologically sophisticated a country becomes in its reliance on gadgets, the more vulnerable they become to that kind of warfare. Look at Afghanistan for example. We are still fighting a band of tribesmen, and we have all this equipment. We can’t win; it’s like Vietnam over again.

It’s not a good situation if that is the way that they are going to go. I don’t think that it ends well for them.

**Fitts:** What I see in all these different aspects is an overwhelming amount of money and technology moving to scarf up and control everything that moves. The plan itself at a tactical level is not centralized; it’s just everybody on that team who has money is looking for what is left; it’s like a gold rush.

You have this bubble money coming for everything. Part of it is, if you look at how the Internet of Things works, it’s like a Monopoly board. The more places you own and can put hotels, the more money you are going to make as the Internet of Things goes in.

No one is concerned about the health or social ramifications. Everybody is racing to put 5G in, but nobody is worried about the fact that you are going to have massive illness and death from it. It’s always somebody else’s problem.

Part of what gets me so irritated with the climate change op is that the military investment is now up to $2 trillion a year globally, and that is only the overt.

I don’t know if you saw the headline this year from Trump. He said, “My problem is that there is a military-industrial complex, and these people love war.”

Now DOD wants low-yield nukes; they want to be able to have a nuclear war.

**Farrell:** My question is: Why? If you have technology that can beam power down from space, they’ve been talking about that since at least the 1960’s. So, the technology is there. If you have that and if you have the Rod of God (orbital strike weapon), and we know we do.
Fitts: We know from the explosion in the port in China and we know from what they did to North Korea: They killed that whole bunker with 200 scientists. That is the Rod of God, right?

Farrell: I think so. Then you have the General’s statement during one of those North Korean flaps a couple of years ago. The reporter came right out and asked him, “If all things are on the table, does that include kinetic weapons?”

His answer was, “Yes.”

If you have those capabilities, why do you need low-yield nuclear weapons?

Fitts: I have no idea. I didn’t know if it had anything to do with renegotiating the START Treaty.

Farrell: It may be. You start using those things, and two can play that game. Today many people can play that game.

Fitts: Non-state actors can play that game.

Farrell: So, that makes no sense to me other than it’s another way to spend more money and make certain people rich who know how to make bombs. That’s the only thing that I can think of.

Fitts: I want to talk about the slow kill because we are watching Julian Assange being slowly killed. I assume that he is either being poisoned with his food or water or with electromagnetic energy weapons. I’m getting reports now from around the country of people dealing with foreclosure who are being electronically harassed and targeted.

Farrell: I can believe that.

Fitts: When I was dealing with the electronic harassment in Washington I was doing a great deal of research. I discovered that the primary use was not political or COINTELPRO; the primary use was real estate related. It’s the real estate industry trying to make money and get rid of people on rent control.

Farrell: I had talked about that tactic in Microcosm and Medium, and Gloria Naylor had a similar experience. What that shows – and it’s important for people to take this away –
— is that there are many people with their hands on this information. If you have any sort of electrical engineering ability whatsoever, all you have to do is read some of those patents and build one. You don’t need the government to do it. You don’t need to steal or have access to the government’s equipment to do it.

**Fitts:** If you look at the people who are being targeted, I call them ‘stringers’. You have all of these stringers who are private and they are working on payrolls. There is literally one person who interacts on the smartphone. It’s all done through smartphones, and it’s all per-hour labor.

This is a huge job program. So, you have all of these people who are paid to follow you around or hassle you or whatever. It’s like a low-grade army.

**Farrell:** It’s a mafia activity, pure and simple.

**Fitts:** Life expectancy in the US is dropping. That involves many different things. Chronic disease is now off the charts. The reason our healthcare expense is more than double anybody else’s is because of chronic disease; it’s very expensive. Fifty-four percent of children are diagnosed with chronic disease, and many of them can’t afford to go to a doctor so they haven’t been.

It’s the same in my generation with people getting chronic disease. That’s contributing to life expectancy dropping. If you look at all of the different things contributing to it – whether it’s the food or the opioids or drugs or vaccines or whatever – you can tell that something is a plan because of its inability to correct. When something doesn’t correct for 20 years in a row, the reason it’s not correcting is because it is going where it wants to go.

I retweeted a tweet from someone who is either in an assisted living home or a nursing home in Illinois. They’ve been mandated to take the flu shot. They said that there were 44 people on their floor. From July to October when they took the flu shot, no one died. From October until December, 14 of 44 people died just on their floor. They said that more had died on the other floors, but they didn’t have the exact numbers. It’s inconceivable to me that this is not depopulation.

**Farrell:** It sounds like it’s a beta test to take something small and apply it across the board. At the same time, it’s coupled with all these suspicious deaths of ‘holistic doctors’ and vaccine whistleblowers and so on. It’s a program; it’s a plan. Make everybody sick and put them on Obamacare so that the death panel can say how much treatment you get.
In other words, **how much money can we get from you before we off you?**

**Fitts:** What I see everywhere is the slow kill. The thing that upsets me is if you look at how the slow kill is working so far, a person can go to extraordinary lengths to minimize the harm on themselves. If you look at the majority of the slow kill, most people are not doing what they need to do to protect themselves. It is what it is.

That’s it for Story #6. Do you have any other thoughts on *The Databeast Deepens Controls Across the Globe?*

**Farrell:** No, not right now.

**Fitts:** Story #7: *The Silk Road: Europe, the Rise of Asia, the War for Eurasia, and the South China Sea.*

We’ve talked about this already in connection with currency, but I think it’s very, very important to understand that we have 750 million consumers in the European Union, and a manufacturing juggernaut in Asia, and the ability to radically improve transportation costs and time between the two, and nobody needs the Americans to do that.

**Farrell:** Since we are in the *Geopolitics* section, this is what I wanted to discuss earlier. I said that the Silk Road is a geopolitical game changer of a paradigm that we have never seen before in human history. I mentioned that there was geopolitical thought in the 19th century that saw this coming. Some of my listeners will know already who I am going to talk about. Some of your listeners or readers may not be aware of it.

In the late 19th century there was a very famous British geopolitician by the name of Sir Halford Mackinder. Mackinder did an analysis of the changing geopolitical situation that the British Empire faced just prior to World War I. His conclusion was that two things were ultimately going to dramatically change the geopolitical picture, and that was the railroad and the airplane.

He saw these things as being the technologies that would be able to knit together what he called the ‘world island’ – that great Eurasian-African land mass. It would be knit together by networks of rails and airports so that, what he called the ‘heartland’, which was essentially European Russia plus parts of Siberia, would be the dominant power over the long-term as those technologies developed and progressed and infrastructure was built. He felt that Oceana – the British Empire and America – were going to be left on the periphery.
This became the standard geopolitical thinking if you look at what happened in World War I and World War II. That became standard geopolitical thinking behind the British and the moves they made on the world’s stage behind the United States with the idea of the two ocean navies – especially under Roosevelt – would so dramatically change things that the goal of British and American geopolitics had to be to prevent that from happening.

**Fitts:** They prevented it by controlling the sea lanes and controlling the oil.

**Farrell:** I said earlier that the problem with the Silk Road is twofold. For us the problem is that our Navy cannot interdict it; we cannot cut off trade. The only thing capable of doing that is control of air and space and that is why they are connected.

If you look at that, it means you are seeing as a natural result of the technology that big block being created. Russia and China are at the core of it. You have India and Japan on the periphery of it. But the big losers, if that happens, are us unless you create a new kind of trading block out of, what he called, Oceana.

Incidentally, let’s remember that George Orwell picked up that term in 1984. This is the influence from Mackinder that you see happening in the popular literature.

I think that if you look at it from the long geopolitical history of the 20th century – Mackinder is heavily influential on Karl Haushofer in Germany. Haushofer, in turn, is very influential on Hitler and his whole drive to the East. That is the geopolitical reasoning for it.

So, I think you have a reaction now that Brexit is a part of this in terms of the long-term geopolitical thinking that the British have had as part of their traditional geopolitical thinking since the 19th century. They can either go with Europe and be a part of that, or they can resubmit their Oceanic alliance – the Commonwealth and so on. I think they have opted to do that, but this is the big issue.

As a result of this, we are going to see – and we already know it’s started and it’s happening – huge competition in space. China, Japan, Europe, Russia, and India are the major space powers. Notably, something interesting is happening. They are excluding the United States from it.

**Fitts:** Here is what is interesting: The reason 5G is so dicey is because the US was depending on supremacy on sea lanes and supremacy in space and supremacy on information systems. It was the whole Google-Facebook bet.
Get everybody online and onto social media, and do the Five Eyes (an intelligence alliance) thing, and Five Eyes wins. It depended on superior satellites, and the Chinese will catch up with us there.

So, this is why 5G is so disturbing; it blows the vision. If Huawei gives a back door to the Chinese to global telecommunications, then we are ‘toast’.

**Farrell:** It’s not only the Chinese. There are other contenders technological who can do it on their own. Russia is certainly one, and Japan is certainly one, and India is another, and the Europeans.

In other words, 5G or no 5G, we have some serious competition. We have to have a space presence. I think that all of this geopolitics and the economics and the shifting paradigm of the paradigm – ultimately, this is all what is driving Trump’s Space Force.

**Fitts:** Absolutely. But we financed China and we transferred enormous amounts of intellectual capital for free to China or allowed them to steal more. So whatever competition China offers, we created it and we probably have equity ownership.

**Farrell:** Maybe.

**Fitts:** We depended tremendously on Israel to help us stay in the game in Eurasia and Ukraine and the Middle East, but there are days when the whole fight looks like Israel is basically an army in covert operation for a group of people in Beverly Hills and New York and the city of London. That is my view. We have an Israeli network of second passport citizens all over London and all over the United States. They want to control the equity on the Silk Road.

Sometimes I think that the whole Silk Road fight is that network trying to use Israel and the United States to pick up and control as much of the equity as they can.

**Farrell:** This is why Russia and Japan are so interesting. Both of those countries have their own technological infrastructures not beholden to us, particularly Russia. **So, when you look at Russia’s geopolitical situation over the long-term, do they really want to be that friendly with China?** My answer is, “No”, but in order to counterbalance the Chinese financial influence inside of Russia and for them to develop Siberia like they want to, they have to have some financial and technological help from elsewhere, and that is Japan. That is what you see them doing.
Let’s not forget that China has its own Silk Road plans, but all of China’s plans involve either using existing Russian rail infrastructure or building out the rail infrastructure through the southern route – through Iran and the Middle East and so on. But let’s remember that Russia has announced its plans to create similar rail infrastructure networks along the Arctic Circle.

In other words, what that tells me is that Russia knows that if it keeps playing ball with China, China is going to end up dominating Russia. They’ve been through the Soviet experience so they don’t want another one. That is why I see this turn towards Japan and the deals that Abe and Putin have been making as being so significant.

I think that in the long-term that is going to dominate the geopolitics in that area of the world. It’s not only China and Russia; it’s going to be Japan and Russia and that is key.

Let’s remember something else: You mentioned the Chinese aircraft carrier. Go online and look at the aircraft carriers that Japan is launching and see what they are naming them. They named one of the carriers that they launched a couple of years ago the Akagi. The Akagi was one of the aircraft carriers in the air fleet that took out Pearl Harbor.

**Fitts:** I remember that.

**Farrell:** They are building carriers, and say they are helicopter carriers, but they look suspiciously like they could handle jets.

**Fitts:** I don’t want to go into it, but I should mention that the pipeline politics of Russia trying to sell gas to Germany is reaching unprecedented levels of ridiculousness. Iran also selling oil to China and to Japan is ridiculous.

You have oil and gas in the middle trying to branch out to east and west, and everybody is fighting about it.

**Farrell:** Everybody is fighting about it, but Germany has gone ahead and announced that they are going to go through with these gas pipelines to Russia. It’s the old nightmare that Mackinder was writing about in the 19th century. You do not want to see an alliance where Russia is getting German industrial goods and technology in return for Russia’s resources. You just don’t want to see that.

**Fitts:** But we are making it happen.
Farrell: Right, we are making it happen.

Fitts: It is baffling to me.

Farrell: It is totally baffling. I’ve commented before that the United States, for the past few years, has been quietly shifting its troop commitments and bases from Western Europe into Eastern Europe – into the old cordon sanitarium that was erected by France after Versailles.

We are basing troops in Poland and thinking that this is a brilliant move. So, our troops are going to be sandwiched between the Germans and the Russians.

Fitts: That is one way to stop them from getting together!

Farrell: Well, yes, but it didn’t work out too well for Poland in 1939.

Fitts: The occupying armies we left at the end of World War II in Germany and Japan are still there.

Farrell: And they have both been trying to figure out a way to leverage them out.

Fitts: I think that is one of the things that brought on the tsunami in Japan.

Farrell: I do, too, and I blogged about that. This is the other thing: People have to look at this common European military thing. This is their way of doing it and run around NATO and make it irrelevant.

Fitts: Robert Dupper and I were flying back from Milan to Amsterdam, and we were being channeled into customs. There was a sign that said, “Israel and USA to the left” and the sign also said, “Everyone else to the right.”

We looked at it, and it was such a metaphor. I thought, “Does America understand the message that they are sending the world here? This is really bad.”

Our next story is, in one sense, the most interesting.

*Story #8: Political Furballs and the Territorial Ambitions of a Multipolar World.*
You know when cats fight and they are going so fast that all you see is the fur flying. It’s almost as though they become so energetically tangled that they have lost their minds. The fight has to be over when everybody runs out of energy or somebody dies.

You see this happening all over the world. So, let me go through some of them: Farmageddon we have discussed. I think that when you try to put out of business and bankrupt that many farmers to try to get their land—Paul Volcker died this year. If anybody waged war on farmers, it was Volcker.

I watched all the accolades and wonderful words about Volcker, and I was thinking, “Why are we celebrating a man who helped to pump and dump and destroy thousands of honest American farmers?”

Israel and Cybersecurity is another headline. There is a tremendous effort—and Netanyahu has been a leader of it—to get much of the cyber world to run through Tel Aviv and Israel. It’s truly scary, and it’s one of the reasons they really outpunched their weight on the global scale. I think that the Israelis have been very successful at putting together online systems to entrap and compromise people.

I will say this again because I say this every quarter and every chance I get: 98% of American men watch pornography. You need to understand that if you watch it online, they are using it for entrapment—including getting you into child pornography and getting you into entrainment. Please be careful. I think that is very much the Israeli networks.

Farrell: It’s Epstein with computers, and that’s all it is.

Fitts: It’s a low-cost Epstein. That is how they got all the government bureaucrats.

Farrell: Remember Robert Maxwell (member of Parliament and media proprietor). One of his associates was heavily involved in the information technology industry. The way that I look at it, I think that the platform that started them off on that whole quest was PROMIS (police information system). As far as I’m concerned, you are just looking at PROMIS 2.0 with much of this.

Fitts: One of our problems at Solari is that people have trouble logging in because our firewall will reject them because they have so many viruses on their computer. Part of the problem is that, first of all, they have Microsoft, and Microsoft is the one that is most targeted because it’s the biggest market share, and I would say that it is really dreadful software.
Farrell: No argument from me.

Fitts: The second thing is that they don’t keep their virus software up to date or they have ‘crappy’ virus software. We regularly go through our recommendations on this.

The third thing is that I think they are getting on sites – whether it’s online gambling or online pornography – that are specifically targeting people with viruses.

I think that there is a ‘huge furball’ going on between the absence of integrity and the IT systems and the involvement of the Israelis. At some point, it is going to have to come to a head. If you want to have global digital currency, you can’t have global digital ‘crappy’ systems.

Farrell: The other thing that all of this invites, which I mentioned this before, that Russia and China and their militaries and intelligence agencies have whole departments devoted to hacking and mapping the architecture of the internet and so on. Eventually it will be GCHQ (Government Communications Headquarters) in Great Britain. So, eventually you are going to see every major economic and military power have it if they don’t already.

Fitts: The internet is a battlefield financed with malinvestment from central bank puts. If you think that the dollar weaponized is ugly, wait until you see crypto’s weaponization. The whole thing is ‘nuts’.

Next is: The US gives the green light for Israel to go into the occupied territories. Why don’t I jump down and pull the DC impeachment up? As you know, I think that the Israelis and their investment networks were a significant factor in this. I really see the Israelis as being the shock troops for those investment syndicates.

If you look at what they were up to during the Clinton impeachment, that was what we needed to engineer the beginning of the $21 trillion missing. All the breakdowns in financial control were engineered during that effort, plus they got Glass-Steagall (Banking Act of 1933). So, all of the things that they needed to steal the $21 trillion and to engineer the financial coup, the impeachment ran the distraction.

I’ll never forget during that period, Carlisle (Global Diversified Company) announced that they had $1 billion to invest in China. We thought, “Carlisle has no experience at private equity. How did they get $1 billion?”
Farrell: Let’s remember something else that occurred vis-à-vis impeachment and strange financial goings-on, and that was Nixon. The general agreement on tariffs and trade and pulling out of Bretton Woods occurred, plus at that time you had all that money after the 1972 election. You still had all that money piling into CREEP (the Committee for the Re-election of the President). Remember, the congressman from Texas, Wright Patman, who was looking at all of that and began that whole process.

I strongly suspect that there may have been similar agendas in play with him if you examine it. We can say the same thing about Andrew Johnson. That was during the period of the Reconstruction, so there was significant financial interest that had a stake in Southern Reconstruction. So, they are using impeachment to drive these agendas on people.

Fitts: My big concern has been whether the last impeachment was used to engineer the financial coup. If everybody in Washington hadn’t been talking about Monica Lewinsky’s blue dress, somebody would have said, “Let’s figure out where the billion dollars came from. How did Carlisle get $1 billion?” Then they would have discovered that they got it out of HUD.

I look at this current impeachment, and see who is on both sides of it, and say, “This is another whiteout. This is another distraction.” I think that one of the things that is happening is the Israelis are squeezing Trump.

A Vanity Fair article said that Jared Kushner is now in control of the White House. I believe Jared Kushner is basically Sheldon Adelson and that network’s order taker, and he is very good at doing what he is told. He is very good at building a consensus in that group and then doing what he is told and getting it done. He is somewhat of a quiet, effective operator, and he is young.

He is there to make sure that his network gets what they want. He’s not interested in the complete thing.

Farrell: If you look back at all the people who have been in the Trump Administration and were either fired or forced to resign (‘Yosemite’ Sam Bolton being a case in point), I see Kushner all over that. He is getting rid of his rivals inside the White House. He has become effectively a Martin Bormann to President Trump; he is the gatekeeper.

I concur with that hypothesis. I think that it has some traction – quite a lot of traction.
**Fitts:** What we are saying, then, is that the impeachment has dual citizenship people on both sides. They are squeezing Trump. As they squeeze, other people leave, and Kushner gets control and does what they say.

Even though they are on both sides of that, the squeeze is getting them what they want. So, they make it look like two groups of people are fighting.

It's true that the Democrats and the Republicans are positioning themselves for the 2020 election, but in the meantime, the people who want to control the equity on the Silk Road are getting everything that they want, and one thing they want is the US to green-light Israel to do whatever it needs to finish genociding the Palestinians and stealing all of their land. The problem is that if we let the Israelis do it to the Palestinians, they are going to come to your county and do it to you.

**Farrell:** Absolutely. That country is not a friend. I've never viewed it that way. We need to remember the Liberty (US Navy ship) incident. And they squeezed Johnson hard.

**Fitts:** When I looked at the Michael Forrestal (aid to Kennedy-Security Advisor) assassination, I became convinced that it was basically engineering that. The 1949 Act (American Housing Act) was a deal between the Dulles faction and the Irgun faction (Zionist paramilitary organization). That was the beginning of the Ziocon juggernaut.

**Farrell:** I think that the Forrestal assassination was one motivation, but not all of it.

**Fitts:** It was part of getting the 1949 Act and building the hidden system of finance.

**Farrell:** I think it was much more.

**Fitts:** I agree.

**Farrell:** Much of it was going back to the Roosevelt Administration.

**Fitts:** The whole framework for the national security state was being put in place, but they were the birth maidens, if you will – the two of them.

**Farrell:** I view the Forrestal incident somewhat like I view the Kennedy assassination. There was a complete coalescence of different interests that came together because they all stood to gain from it. I think absolutely the same thing happened to Forrestal.
Fitts: I think that there is a straight line between Forrestal, McCarthy, Kennedy, and the other assassinations in the 1960’s.

Farrell: I think that there is a straight line between all of them and Trump. He is not entirely beholden to that group of people, and that has been the problem. Let’s not forget his connection with Roy Cohn, the original swamp creature, as I like to call him.

Fitts: One of the strangest ‘furballs’ of the year – and I’ve told this story before – is how Roger Stone (an American political consultant etc.) destroyed a New York Times reporter who was writing a story about me. He kept calling the Times and getting them to lie.

Farrell: Roger Stone?

Fitts: Have you ever heard this story?

Farrell: No.

Fitts: Okay, I’ll tell it. The New York Times was wrote an article that was a full-page or three-quarters of a page – which is huge. It was an in-depth profile of somebody in the Bush Administration who was doing a serious job. So, it was a sub-cabinet level and a big, important serious job and in-depth profile.

I was developing a reputation for being a real leader in financial reform. My team and I had written the HUD Reform Act, and the OMB was so enamored with many of the reforms that they took it government-wide with the next act, and all sorts of exciting things were happening. It was quite ‘nuts and bolts’; there was no glamour in it.

A reporter from the New York Times, who was very intelligent and very capable, got it in her head that she had heard about me from the OMB people and wanted to write a profile. So, she called the Secretary’s office, and who said, “No way. You can’t talk to her.”

She was very aggressive, and kept pushing them. My attitude was, “I’ll do whatever the Secretary says.”

One thing led to another, and she managed to push her way in. It turned out that she was fascinating and very, very knowledgeable about the legal system related to finances. Well, I loved her; she was fabulous. So, we had dinner and that was when I could talk to her and get to know her. She was very smart and very interested in the ‘nuts and bolts’.
So, we really dove in, and I was teaching her everything, and it was fun. I was learning a lot, and she was learning a lot.

So, she wrote an article, but I never read it. My impression was that it was very positive. Well, the Secretary’s office did everything it could to shut it down. They were leaking all sorts of negative things about me to her, and she in turn, was coming to me. Each time I would deal with it very logically and rationally, and I was able to prove that none of it was true.

Then it escalated, and somebody talked to her editor – the *New York Times* Washington bureau editor – and said all sorts of things that were just blatant, outrageous lies. They said I was doing criminal deals and giving money to people, and it was unbelievable; it was wild.

She brought it to me, and her editor really pressured her. It took weeks, and I spent ten or 20 hours explaining all of this and why it was not true and I had to dig out documentation and prove it. It was so crazy, and it was very hard to refute insane nonsense. But she was very smart, and I’m very smart, and we accomplished it.

She submitted the article, and it went to press. My impression was that it was still very positive – although they cut it. The process between her editor and her was that her editor was trying to make it less positive.

It went to press, and she received a call from the print office that her editor was changing things to insert accusations against me that weren’t true under her byline without telling her.

Farrell: Oh my word!

Fitts: This was the *New York Times* and the Washington bureau chief. Think Franklin cover-up (pedophile scandal) because we were right in the middle of the Franklin cover-up period. Kemp was ‘dirty’ on the Franklin cover-up.

So, her article was changed without her knowledge or permission, and the print shop warned her. She had to go to the New York editor, who is the boss of the Washington bureau chief, who is her editor, and the resolution was she had to resign and the article was pulled.
The only way that she could protect me from total lies, which she knew were lies, was to have the article pulled, but she had to resign because they refused to publish her article or respect it.

It turned out that after she resigned, I learned that the person who has been working as the bureau chief was Roger Stone. Think Franklin cover-up.

Kemp’s Chief of Staff was a former employee of Black, Manafort & Stone – which was Roger and Paul Manafort’s firm at the time. He had started as a campaign driver, and was a ‘piece of work’. He was one of the ‘slipperiest’ people I’ve ever dealt with. The reputation at that time was that the core, the center, and the nuclear reactor of the swamp was Black, Manafort & Stone. They were infamous as being the sleaziest, dirtiest players in the entire town.

So, when the Trump campaign started and Alex Jones started holding out Roger Stone as a whistleblower, I was thinking, “Are you kidding me? You have to be kidding me!”

**Farrell:** Since you told that story, I have to wonder about his arrest.

Do you remember that strange remark that Trump made during his rally in Montana when he said, “We’ve managed to take out the Bush dynasty.” I wonder now if his arrest had something to do with that remark and if it was feeding Stone to Mueller to get rid of him.

**Fitts:** They made Bush’s Attorney General the AG. Bill Barr was at the airport with Bush helping with the intelligence operations at Mena. They haven’t taken out the Bush dynasty. They did a deal with the Bush dynasty, and the Bush dynasty is running half of the White House.

**Farrell:** At least in Barr’s case, yes, I have been very suspicious.

**Fitts:** There is no taking out the Bush dynasty; the Bush dynasty is still there.

**Farrell:** Yes, but Stone was right in there with Nixon and the Bushes.

**Fitts:** Right, but Stone was never important within the Bush faction. He was considered to be too ‘scummy’ for the Bushes. He’s not a Bush person.

Carl Rove is a Bush person, but Stone was never high or important in the Bush dynasty. He was a swamp critter in Washington who played both sides.
Farrell: I just have to wonder about Barr and that comment.

Fitts: Here is what I think: Mueller and the Department of Justice went after Manafort and Stone to protect the Presidency. I think the goal was to protect Trump and the White House.

If you look at what Manafort and Stone left to their own devices based on what their reputation might do…

Farrell: To see it another way, it could be more Franklin cover-up still continuing.

Fitts: Right, I saw Kemp blackmailed.

Farrell: I can believe that.

Fitts: I’m sure that it was the Franklin cover-up.

Farrell: During that time I can easily believe that.

Fitts: This notion that Stone was a whistleblower is just unbelievable. Although if you look at the books that he wrote on the Bushes and the Clintons, he rounded up all the known information about corruption by the Bushes and Clintons and wrote a book with all of it. There was nothing new in it that I can remember; it was just all the known information.

Farrell: It was a synthesis.

Fitts: Yes, but then he was out there professing to be a whistleblower, I was like, “What?”

Farrell: That was odd, that was truly odd. I had never heard that story.

Fitts: I told that story on Dark Journalist about a month or two before he was indicted.

Farrell: If it is Franklin scandal related, it would make sense that somebody in the Administration may have fed him to Mueller because you have that executive order that Trump came out with about human trafficking and asset seizure and all that. It may be more Franklin cover-up.
A man like Stone, regardless of whether he was high up in the Bush hierarchy or not, would have done his own thing. He would have gone to the expense of compiling his own control files on that family.

**Fitts:** If Stone was involved in the Franklin cover-up – and given what I saw in *The Times* and what I saw in the Kemp group – it is definitely a possibility because of the timeline. You wonder where their power came from. It had to come from some kind of control file operation.

**Farrell:** For people who don’t know what the Franklin scandal is, that was the savings & loan in Omaha, Nebraska. It was called the Franklin Federal Credit Union. A black businessman, Larry King, Jr, ran it, not the radio-televison personality.

He sang at the Republican national convention. He sang the national anthem in 1984 and then again for Bush in 1988. He was part of this big pedophilia ring involving Boys Town and a number of other things. He had been shuttling these people to the West Coast and to Hollywood and then to Washington, DC. He got involved with a man named Craig Spence and the DC madam, and gave tours of the White House.

**Fitts:** I did a Solari Report with Jon Rappoport on pedophilia and we talked about the Franklin cover-up. Then I did another one. There are two great books on the Franklin cover-up. The first is by John DeCamp, and the second is by a reporter who I did a Solari Report with on the Franklin cover-up. If you want to look up those two Solari Reports, there is more than you could ever want to know about the Franklin cover-up, and the two books are very good. It is incredibly well-documented.

**Farrell:** Oh, absolutely it is.

**Fitts:** I told you about this, but one of the reasons I fought so hard in 2009 or 2010 when Obama first came, was that there were massive grants available to help bring broadband and the internet to rural areas, and the grant involved putting in a learning center controlled by private developers who would hire and fire the staff. They tried to put one in Hickory Valley, and I went to the mat to stop it because I knew that they were going to ‘cull the kids’.

I think it was somewhat of an extension of the Pizzagate buildout. So the Obama network was building out the Pizzagate network, and I think that the pedophilia went truly out of control.

**Farrell:** It did.
Fitts: It would be interesting to see how much Stone was a part of that.

The next furball: Modi (India’s Prime Minister) targets Kashmir and the Muslims.

There is very little attention to this in North America because I believe people don’t really understand the nature of how Bangladesh got created in the reengineering of the Muslim population in Pakistan. So, this is not well understood here. But if you look at what Modi is doing to the Muslims in Kashmir, he is targeting the Muslim population, and is doing it after Netanyahu came over – ostensibly to brief him on how to genocide your minority populations, I guess.

Do you have anything that you want to say about this? This is rather scary.

Farrell: It is scary. It’s important for people to remember the lack of love between Muslim Indians and Hindu Indians. The signal event, just to bear in mind why there is so much bad blood, was that a Muslim assassinated Gandhi.

Fitts: Maybe, but who financed the bullet? I don’t think that the Muslims financed the bullet there.

Farrell: It could be anything, but the public narrative – if you are Indian, particularly if you are Hindu Indian – is that the founder of your nation was assassinated. Then they had to split up India into the Muslim and Hindu communities. Kashmir ended up being inside of India.

There is a great deal of history there, and it’s sad and murky.

Fitts: It is sad and murky, but I think it’s another example. You can say that you don’t like the US, but when the US goes away as global cop, every ‘Tom, Dick, and Harry’ is now trying to figure out how they can steal more land or take more natural resources. You are getting a free-for-all activity, which is rather scary.

Farrell: It’s the furball.

Fitts: I want to talk about unusual fire patterns. That is a major furball. I put up a commentary showing that Australia has now had fires that are over 8 million acres in size, which is equivalent to 8% of California; its’ 4% of New South Wales; it’s twice the size of Hawaii; it’s 167% of the size of New Jersey. We are talking about a big area. Much of it isn’t densely populated, but its’ a big area.
The reports that I am getting from Australia indicate serious concern that these fires are not natural. So, I’ve had major feedback from Northern California that the fires are not natural, or even that they are high-tech. There is major feedback from a variety of places in Canada and Europe – coming from Greece and Portugal.

Part of the concern in Australia is that a portion of the fires is right down the planned high-speed rail line. Of course, the question in California is the same.

Everybody in Southern California swears that it is all drought. They don’t see it as being untoward or weather warfare. We have no good information on what is occurring, but I have to tell you that at this point, I am extremely suspicious of many of the global fires.

**Farrell:** I am, too. I had somebody in Australia email me- I don’t want to mention his name- an article about those fires. My suspicion meter immediately went into the red zone because there had been an arrest of a couple of people – and I think it was in New South Wales, but I don’t remember for certain – and charged them with arson. Apparently, they caught them in the act. These people had the firefighters’ gear for New South Wales as they were doing this. That is the thing that shot my suspicion meter into the red zone. These were apparently young people, and you have to wonder how they were able to acquire those things and who put them up to it. It was a very ‘fishy story’.

I didn’t know this about their high-speed railroad, but that is a parallel with the Northern California fires right there.

**Fitts:** I believe what is happening in Northern California is that there is a plan to build high-speed rail across Eurasia and across the Bering Strait, so there is a plan for a tunnel—a tunnel underneath the Bering Strait. Everybody forgets how close America is to Russia. It is only 60 miles apart or close to that.

If you put rail lines across Eurasia, across the Bering Strait, and then drop down straight into California – all the way down to LA – think of the efficiencies.

I forgot to mention that Trump made the Chinese get out of the LA/Long Beach port and turn it back over to the Australians.

As I watch the fires, it says to me that the land rush, combined with covert operations and weather warfare, has just begun.
Farrell: Let’s not forget that you also mentioned the fires in Portugal, and let’s not forget the fires in Greece. Those were very ‘fishy’, if you look at some of the pictures.

They have prototyped it and tested it in California, and now they are rolling it out elsewhere.

Fitts: Actually they did Europe before California. They had them in Europe and Canada before they hit California.

Farrell: Right, Alberta in Canada.

Fitts: Given the feedback I’ve been getting from Northern California, many people are willing to give detailed, on the ground reports from people who are reliable. Based on those reports, it is impossible that this is a natural phenomenon. There is something highly unnatural going on, including when you look at the developments and it is very selective what houses are destroyed. And, of course, you don’t have the trees or the utility lines touched.

What has been phenomenal to me is the extent to which everybody is willing to pretend that it is all perfectly natural.

Farrell: Especially when you look at all the pictures that people in Northern California have taken of their homes or their villages and the strange fire damage around electrical junction boxes and so on, and then PG&E’s (gas and electric co.) attitude.

Fitts: One of the messages is to opt out of your smart meter if you can.

Anything else on furballs? Farmageddon is a furball, but we have discussed that. Do you have any other furballs that you want to mention before we move on?

I want to mention the fact that Mueller finally had to report out. In the United States we have had two years of having to listen to how the Russians engineered the elections. It’s so phenomenally without any factual support, and I’m stunned at how many intelligent people believe it.

Farrell: It’s totally unreal.

Fitts: So, Mueller comes out, and has absolutely nothing. And everybody has to live with that – all of the media that is promoting all this ‘crap’. As the CNN commentator said, “The Russia thing is a nothing burger.”
So, Mueller got up there, and it was a nothing burger, and it was quite shocking.

Farrell: It really wasn’t shocking to me. I think that there is a certain element behind this impeachment issue of not only projection, but also CYA.

Fitts: I think they are so dirty on so many kickbacks. This is the swamp protecting themselves.

Farrell: Let’s not forget ‘Bull-Schiff’s’ connection to Edward Buck in California – the drug dealer and pedophile.

Fitts: They have massive liability on kickbacks from things. If the rumors of the Iran deal kickbacks are true, there were massive kickbacks, and they have to protect that.

The world is watching and thinking, “This group of people is so corrupt and so dysfunctional. We have to get away from the dollar.”

I think there is real fear globally of depending on the US for anything.

Farrell: I do, too. We’ve replaced the British Empire in more ways than one. They used to call the British Empire as Perfidious Albion – the white cliffs of Dover. We’ve become the same thing because the British were so infamous for double-dealing. The Kaiser viewed them as encircling Germany, which – in fact – they were doing.

We’ve done the same thing, so I wouldn’t want to do business with us.

Your observation is that everybody is turning away is very true because you can go back in history to the War of the League of Cambrai against Venice in Europe. That was the first real continental war, and everybody was so fed up with Venice’s tricks and double-dealing that everybody decided to go after them. Now we are in the same situation.


Speaking of integrity, I don’t know what to say here other than I have an article called An Intelligent Conversation about the Environment that we published again in the 1st Quarter Wrap Up. These are all the questions that I would like answered - my concerns about the environment, what is causing environmental problems, and how we can fix them.
Before you solve a problem, you need a diagnosis. “‘Climate change’ I think is just one big pile of ‘BS’.” Thanks to a German scientist whom I had a luncheon with in Italy who said this because he explained during lunch what the environmental impact of one F-35 is, and it was astonishing. I had no idea how much fuel they used, and it was completely new information to me. So, I say, “F-35’s are not a problem; nuclear testing is not a problem; upper atmosphere testing is not a problem; CERN is not a problem; global spraying is not a problem; HAARP is not a problem; pesticides killing all the bees and EMF radiation are not a problem. None of that is a problem. The problem is cow farts.”

**Farrell:** Too true! Each of us makes our own little contributions to climate change every time we have a taco.

**Fitts:** So, I thought that one of the most interesting stories of the year was the fact that the Obamas purchased an oceanfront mansion for $15 million on Martha’s Vineyard. Someone ran a scenario using the Obama Administration climate change model that showed it would shortly be underwater. Then the Obamas bought another one. So, apparently they bought two.

Why I found this story to be so interesting is that, basically, the Obamas are saying: One, climate change is ‘BS’, two, the climate change model that we had for the Obama Administration is ‘BS’ and three, we feel perfectly confident in our ability to act publicly in a way that tells everybody that it’s ‘BS’ because we think that you will continue to believe it.

The hubris is beyond beyond.

**Farrell:** I put a YouTube video on my website recently about the actual science behind the global warming paradigm. It went through great lengths to show that it was total ‘BS’. It was the wrong paradigm to begin with.

You and I are both old enough to remember that the climate change scare of the 1970’s was that we were all going to be in an ice age tomorrow. We have 12 years; thank you, Greta Thunberg.

**Fitts:** It’s always 12 years.

**Farrell:** Yes, it’s always 12 years. We have about 12 years to get our act together and clean everything up. Then we had Earth Day and everybody was running commercials on television about not littering the highways and all of this.
Then within a couple of years of Reagan being elected, everything shifted to ‘global warming’.

Now we are back in ‘global cooling’ and they have learned that we can’t talk about ice ages anymore, and we can’t talk about global warming, so we have to talk about ‘climate change’. Duh! The climate changes are called seasons!

Fitts: I’m very concerned about geophysical risk. I think that one of the most intelligent things I read this year was that Moore did a great mailing on the climate change op and got attacked over it. He said, “My biggest concern here is that while we are playing this op pretend game on climate change, we are wasting resources that could be used to really heal the environment.”

Another thing that I want to bring up is to remind everybody that we are going to have a link to the primer on weather and climate intervention that Skidmore made because man is messing with the environment big-time.

Farrell: What are GMOs if not messing with the environment?

Fitts: It’s scary; it is absolutely scary.

I want to give Trump credit because he cancelled Paris.

Truthstream Media had an interesting video where they had obtained the different grant awards made to the Extinction Rebellion in London. The Extinction Rebellion was being paid for by wealthy people to hold protests that were costing about 500,000 pounds per protest.

So, here are these people running around having media events and pouring paint on the street for 500,000 pounds a shot when that money could be used to reforest whole areas.

Farrell: The hypocrisy is mind-boggling at times.

Fitts: The other story that I want to tell is the one about my dinner in Paris. I was at a hotel in Paris, just having a snack in the café for dinner, and there were two African entrepreneurs who are unbelievably successful, very wealthy, and very handsome. They looked like movie stars. France does a great deal of business with their old colonies in Africa. I have no idea what these men did, but probably a fair amount of it was illegal; they walked on the wild side. But they were people who understood the real deal.
The waiter came over and said something related to the napkins or paper products and climate change and how we have to save the planet. The two African entrepreneurs looked at him and said, “You don’t really believe that stuff, do you? That’s just propaganda to control you. Don’t you know that?”

This poor waiter looked at them like a hurt puppy, and they just looked at him. The waiter left, and they started talking about how much they loved Trump. These are tall, black men, and they were talking about how they were going to take over the Western world.

I can’t tell you how many people I run into from the emerging markets who are saying, “These people are pansies. They are so stupid and ‘dumbed down’ and clueless and mind-controlled that we are going to take over everything.”

They are not depressed about what is going on. They are like, “Gimme, gimme.” They are moving in and taking over and running businesses and revitalizing.

I hate to say this, but the elites are just moving them in to revitalize the economies.

**Farrell:** What can you say? In this country we are dealing with the state of California – or ‘Nutty-fornia’ as I like to call it – and they are exercised about plastic straws while they have ‘poop’ on the streets in San Francisco.

**Fitts:** There are millions of entrepreneurs moving into the Western world from all over the world, and they are not wasting a minute on any of this. They are not burdened with worrying about it, they don’t think of it, and they care about family and family wealth, and working hard and playing hard. That is all they care about. All these other things they couldn’t care less about, and they are not burdened by it.

As one person said to me in Australia, **“If we are loaded down with all of this climate crap, how in the world are we going to compete with the Chinese? They’re not loaded down by it.”**

**Farrell:** No, they’re not.

**Fitts:** Get clear about who your marketplace competition is because they are coming.

**Farrell:** And don’t use plastic straws.
We’ve been talking about this issue throughout stories one through ten. We talked about the Treaty of Westphalia. We haven’t talked about the Constitution, but it’s been obvious in terms of property rights and land. We haven’t talked as much about the Nuremberg Code, and that is what I would like to focus on.

The Nuremberg Code, which was developed as part of the trials of the Germans at the end of World War II, says that you cannot experiment on humans without their informed consent. There are two parts of that; one is consent, and the other is informed.

We are watching with vaccine mandates in a variety of arenas. The Gates Foundation is financing somebody to figure out how to leave invisible tattoos on children who have been vaccinated. So, now we are talking about tattooing people the way they did at Auschwitz.

Farrell: And let’s not forget the GMO people who have actually proposed putting vaccines into GMOs.

Fitts: Right, and now we have, what I call, the ‘bio-warfare burger’. So, now we have ‘Beyond Meat’. At Burger King, it’s called the ‘Impossible burger’. There was a doctor in the Dakotas who came out with an article indicating that the Impossible burger has 18 million times more estrogen than the Whopper burger.

I had one subscriber who is insisting that the plant protein that they are putting in the plant burger, the body can’t absorb the iron in it. It’s gruesome; the whole thing is just gruesome. That is why I call it the ‘bio-warfare burger’. I have a subscriber who now refers to it as ‘Burger Queen’.

You are putting into human bodies 18 million times more estrogen, which is the designated dosage for transgender hormone replacement therapy to make a man into a transgender woman. I tweeted this out from information found on Wikipedia. You are talking about hormone replacement therapy in burgers that children eat.

You are transgendering children without them or their parents’ knowledge or consent. That is bio-warfare. That is why I call it the ‘bio-warfare burger’.
I’m sure that Burger King can spend millions of dollars to come out with all sorts of scientists who say that this really isn’t so, but my guess is that it probably is.

**Farrell:** You couple that with the agendas that they are pushing now in so many public schools to push the transgender agenda on children who haven’t even gone through puberty. This is ‘nuts’, and it’s social engineering.

**Fitts:** While I was being an investment advisor to individual families, one of the things that I saw was the extent to which very established, successful, financially sound churches – protestant churches – have been absolutely ripped apart and destroyed by the whole LGBT agenda. So, I would say that weaponizing LGBT has been phenomenally successful at breaking down the field, destroying cultures, destroying families, and destroying people. It has been phenomenally successful.

**Farrell:** We have to remember that the churches have been the primary repositories of culture – like it or not.

**Fitts:** I have news for you. Go into a town, and you have three centers of power; you have the courthouse, you have the banks, and you have the churches. If you take out the churches, then the courthouse and the banks control.

**Farrell:** They can very nearly do whatever they want.

**Fitts:** Is that really what you want?

**Farrell:** No.

**Fitts:** The churches are the only places that are working hard to figure out how to help you be successful as a human being.

**Farrell:** If you inject them with an essentially anti-human agenda, and the problem that the churches have is the problem that Lyndon Johnson gave them. Let’s remember that when he made them become 501(c)3 corporations, his comment was, “And I finally managed to get the churches.”

My advice to the pastors listening or reading this is, if you are starting a church do not incorporate. Do not let them have any leverage over you because that is where all this is coming from.
Fitts: I remember in the 1990’s when they came in with all the grants and bought all the churches. If you look at the FHA fund, it has been financing these. Throughout the country – wherever I drive – there are brand new churches everywhere. It’s because they are giving them all mortgage financing to build these big churches. It’s a construction program, but they are all in debt entrapment.

Farrell: By the same token, look at the empty old traditional-looking churches – not these modern auditoriums – that are empty.

Fitts: Here is the problem: At the time when the churches should have stood up and said, “No, it’s not okay,” in the 1990’s, they didn’t. Then the bailouts came. Now they let everybody be put into a debt entrapment, and they didn’t fight it.

Farrell: They compromised.

Fitts: Right, it’s the middle-of-the-road problem. They betrayed their Congregations because they were ‘chicken’.

Farrell: This is a problem that has essentially gone back to Vatican II. You had a process in the 1930’s and 1940’s and 1950’s that people who were not loyal to their respective confessional positions infiltrated all the churches, and then you had that coming out of Vatican II, and they introduced all the changes and they all followed along. So, they have been hollowed out to a certain extent.

Fitts: The Catholics were hollowed out.

Farrell: Everybody was hollowed out. The Episcopalians went along with it, and the Lutherans, the Presbyterians, and all of them.

Fitts: That’s true, but you had the grassroots churches; you had the Pentecostal and the evangelical.

Farrell: They have their own problems. I believe the churches are churches that have a tradition and a historical connection to sacramental religion and liturgical worship because, like it or not, that is what Christianity has always been.

Fitts: Right, but on the Protestant side it was the churches with the central-controlled endowments that got hollowed out. The ones that didn’t have central-controlled endowments grew until recently.
Farrell: They grew because that is where people went. But American evangelicalism has its own problems – huge problems. The biggest problem is that those churches really have not made an impact on the culture; they are not sacramental.

Fitts: I would like to mention two other things before we close on this. Alan Phillips was the leading attorney in the country representing people on vaccine exemptions, and they went after him. I’ve never seen anything worse. They had him disbarred, and they are trying to make it impossible for him to support himself. He has a son, and it’s really ugly.

Farrell: Yes, and they demanded his confidential client records, too.

Fitts: Yes, they wanted his client records so that they could go after his clients, and he wouldn’t give it to them. He stood up; he stayed true to his beliefs.

Farrell: Imagine if everybody would just stand up.

Fitts: The one thing that we can all do – and I have said this before – is donate regularly to him throughout the year and ask that people support and pray for him. If you have any leftover money from your donation budget, make a donation to Alan Phillips. It’s really worth it because the vaccine war is going to heat up, and it’s important.

The other thing that I want to say here was that plenty is coming out about what happened on 9/11, including your book. There has been a considerable effort to not give up and to bring this out. I think that is important.

Farrell: We should not give up with Woodrow Wilson and the Federal Reserve and Jekyll Island and Franklin Roosevelt and the Committee Era and JFK and all those scandals. We need to keep pushing them and expose these people and these connections.

Fitts: We need the rule of law. If you are going to have the rule of law, then the people who subvert the rule of law need to be outed. But the rule of law is going to come down to your neighborhood. What are you going to do to support the rule of law?

I do think that Saker is right; I think that this is going to be a big issue during the election. Unfortunately, I keep thinking about how we can get people to have an intelligent conversation about this.
Farrell: First of all, people have to find each other and have conversations, and then find out if they can have an intelligent conversation. I said this on the last Wrap Up. You have to develop the skill to determine very quickly those people with whom you can discuss things and those with whom you can’t. Once you determine that someone is not capable of it, don’t waste your time with them.

Fitts: Right, and I think that two of the most important issues next year or two are the elections and gun control.

There are many Democrats who I would consider voting for except for this. This always ‘blows it’.

Farrell: I won’t vote for them as long as they are supporting abortion. You can’t have life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness if you are murdering babies in the womb.

Fitts: Now they’re murdering them after they’re born.

Farrell: Hey, why not!

Fitts: The Virginia Governor was saying that abortion after birth was okay. I said, “Fellow, there’s a word for that. It’s called infanticide.”

There is a California Democrat now saying that there is no problem winning the war against the gun rights activists because the government has nukes.

Farrell: Are you going to wipe out an entire city with an A-bomb just because you have a group of disgruntled people there? There is only so long you can do that and sustain your own power. Whoever said that is simply not thinking. If they started something like that, the outcry would be so fierce and the dangers of an intervention from a foreign power would be so enormous that that is not a route they can take. I’m very serious about this. That’s just not a policy they can pursue.

Fitts: Unlike the African entrepreneurs, many of us have lived in a world where we have never had to grapple with physical violence. I think that what we are saying is, “We are moving into a world where we are going to have to grapple with physical violence.” That is one of the reasons I wanted to have Yellowstone as the movie. It talks about a world where the rule of law comes down to a physical situation. That is why your sheriff is so important.
**Farrell:** There is a certain group of people who are now in power in this country who are so radicalized that no amount of discussion in the world is going to move them from their position and their agenda. Those people understand only one thing, and that is brute force.

**Fitts:** Two things you are going to have to deal with: One, please stop worrying about the Presidential election and start worrying about your local elections and your sheriff because when the physical war happens, it is going to come down to your county, your sheriff, your state, and your local law enforcement. Get local because that is where the war is going to be. Stop being distracted by the gorilla breaking down the furniture in the next room. That is number one.

Number two, sovereignty is about legal, financial, and physical sovereignty. One of the things that we are going to have to grapple with in America is that we have many people in Congress and in the government who are dual citizens. Their loyalty does not go to America.

**Farrell:** Someone once said, “You cannot serve two masters.”

**Fitts:** Right, there has been no open conversation about whether we will permit dual citizenship or – for all I know – three citizenships. Either Congress works for America, or it doesn’t.

I think that one of the reasons the British military officers said that they are loyal to the Queen is because the Queen is more loyal to the Commonwealth than the Parliament. The Parliament is bought.

**Farrell:** The Parliament is bought, and it is predominantly globalists.

**Fitts:** It’s the same here. If you are an American – and there are many elections this year; and not only in America because we have elections all over the world – you need to grapple with this. If you have a congressman or a senator or a governor or a local city council member, you need to know their citizenship, who pays their salary, who pays their kickbacks, who has their control file, and you need to get very real about who they really work for.

**Farrell:** You need to get detailed in your research.
We need a grassroots network in this country that does this kind of homework on local candidates and publishes the results. We need people at their town meetings who are willing to ask the hard questions.

When ‘Bull-Schiff’ had his town council meeting in LA, did you see what happened to him?

Fitts: No, what happened?

Farrell: Numerous people showed up and started asking questions. They would not let him talk. They were mad and angry and they wanted answers for his behavior. That needs to be done to everybody. Bring an end to these staged television fake debates. Let the real people in and force those politicians to deal with the anger that is in the population.

Fitts: On YouTube you see all these different testimony situations where, in fact, the citizens come up and have chapter and verse. It’s life-changing to watch it, just like it is to watch the German farmers.

Farrell: And it needs to be done. In open carry states, carry your firearms. Let them have a reminder of just who they are really working for.

Fitts: I told you that one of the things that motivated me to decide to stay in Tennessee was that I saw a fabulous presentation by the person who does the government lobbying for the Tennessee Firearms Association. It was an absolutely outstanding presentation. He was a very capable, competent person. I’m a proud member in good standing of the Tennessee Firearms Association. If you live in Tennessee, I recommend it.

He pointed out that if you go county by county, the Tennessee Firearms Association membership is greater than 50% of the regular voting population county by county in Tennessee. I said, “Okay!”

So, now it’s the Trump Report Card.

Fitts: The Trump Report Card is on the web presentation if you want to follow along. With ‘Vision’ I started with a B- for 2017, and then I went to a C+. During 2019, I was C-, C-, B+, and then I went to a B- in Q3. So for 2019, I’m going to give him a B- for Vision.
Farrell: I think I’ll go with a B.

Fitts: In 2017, you were a B- and in 2018, you were a B-. Then you went to a C- in Q1. I think you were at a B- for Q2 and Q3.

Farrell: I think I’m going to go with a B. I’m bumping him up simply because he has put up with such a storm of the nonsense.

Fitts: ‘Recruiting a Team’. I started with B-, then I went to a D+ in 2018, and then D- and D- and C+. You were C and C- and then a D- in Q1. I think you went up to C- in Q3.

I’m going to go back to a D because I think that the personnel issues here are partly Trump and partly Congress. I don’t think this only falls on one person.

Farrell: I’m going to go with a C-.

Fitts: ‘Building a Team’. In 2017, I was a D, and then I’ve been an F all along. You’ve been a bit higher.

Farrell: I don’t know what I had last time, but I’m going to go with a C-; I don’t like the Ziocons.

Fitts: Right, I don’t like the Ziocons either.

Farrell: What are you giving him?

Fitts: I’m giving him an F. I think he’s done a very poor job of building a team, and I think it’s the nature of being a successful entrepreneur trying to deal in a huge bureaucracy under the stress. I think there are mitigating circumstances.

‘Accomplishments to Date’. I give him a C+.

Farrell: I’m going to give him an A-. I do like what he is doing with the judiciary.

Fitts: You’re right. I’m going to change mine to a B-. If you look at what he did on the Paris Agreement, if you look at many of the things that he has accomplished, he has accomplished far more than I ever dreamed he could.
Farrell:  Oh yes. Under the circumstances that he has been dealing with, no one else would have been able to do it.

Fitts:  Right.

‘Effort’. I have been a B+ all along until I was an A. I’m going to give him an A for Effort.

Farrell:  I’ll do the same.

Fitts:  ‘Communication’. I had been a C- and then I went to a B- for Q3. I’m going to give him a B. I think he has done more for transparency than most.

Farrell:  I’m going to give him a B+.

Fitts:  ‘War Games and Mapping the Swamp’. When he said, “I have a day job. I’m not engaging in this,” that earned him an A.

Farrell:  For Mapping the Swamp, I’ll give him a B+. I’d rather he drain it rather than map it though.

Fitts:  That’s true.

‘Building Bottom-Up Support’. I was a D in 2017, and then I went to a C. I’ve been a C or a C- all year long. I just think there is so much more that he could have done to build bottom-up support, so I will stick with a C.

Farrell:  I’ll give him a B+.

Fitts:  ‘Introducing Important Change’. All year long, I’ve been a C, but I’m going back to B.

Farrell: B for me, too.

Fitts:  ‘Building Bridges Internationally’. This has been a very ‘mixed bag’.

Farrell:  Yes, it has.
Fitts: I hate to say it, but Mattis is right about offending allies. We can’t afford to lose the allies the way that we are losing, so I’m giving him a C-.

Farrell: Same for me. At this rate, we are going to have ‘Monaco and Andora’ for allies.

Fitts: That may go down in history as one of the great Farrells.

‘Building Bridges Domestically’. I would also say C-.

Farrell: I’m going to go with a B on that one.

Fitts: ‘Managing the Executive Branch Bureaucracy’. I gave him a D, an F, and an F. I will go with a D.

Farrell: I’ll give him a C-.

Fitts: ‘Grand Strategy for America and Our Role in the World’. For the 3rd Quarter, I was a C+. It’s interesting because, in some ways, I think that he has been very harmful, but in some ways, he has forced the conversation in a sense that is very brave and hard to do. So, I am going to give him a C+.

Farrell: I’m going to go with a C- this time around. I can’t figure out what his grand strategy is at this point.

Fitts: The next category is very interesting. I thought that the lowest grade that you could get was an F.

Farrell: And I gave him a G.

Fitts: You gave him a G! First you gave him an F-, and then you gave him a G. So, I’m going to go to F- on ‘Managing the Federal Budget and Contracting Budget’. Are you going to stay at G?

Farrell: I’m going to stay at a G.

Fitts: ‘God-awful’; that is what it stands for.

‘Staying Physically and Emotionally Healthy’. I’ve been a B, so I’m going to stay a B.
Farrell: I’ll give him an A-.

Fitts: He’s done a good job at that.

‘Growing in the Job’. I am going to give him a B- for the year.

Farrell: I’ll give him a B.

Fitts: It’s interesting when the Mueller testimony was over, the polls were very clearly rising quickly for Trump. It was almost as though our country said, “Okay, he’s the President. It’s over. Let’s move on.” Then, Bam! That’s when the impeachment started.

I’ve never seen anyone take such a beating in my life.

Farrell: Never. I can’t think of any President in American history – even Nixon – who has taken such a beating. I don’t think that there has been a President in American history who has taken this.

Fitts: I know what it’s like to take that kind of beating for shorter periods of time, and I know what it’s like to take a covert for a very long period of time, but I’ve never seen anybody take this kind of brutal ‘shriek-o-meter’.

Farrell: It’s off the charts.

Fitts: It’s lucky he has Scottish genes because you’re really watching a Scottish warrior deal with this.

Farrell: German also.

Fitts: So, he is German and Scottish. The one thing I will say is, according to the latest article from *Vanity Fair*, you now have Kushner running the White House. That is what they are saying.

My fear on the impeachment is that you have a group of people on either side who are working him that results in their person taking control. You’re pushing out all the other people who could provide any kind of intelligence or balance. One of the frightening quotes in the article is that if this man wins again, there is going to be nobody to check him.
Farrell: It will be interesting to see if many of those people maintain their status. Kushner, I imagine, will, but the rest of them, I don’t know.

Fitts: Everyone – with rare exception – that I thought was talented and capable is gone.

Given FASAB 56, and given that Erik Prince is negotiating on behalf of the United States, this is an Administration that has had a complete breakdown in financial and legal controls. So, who is going to be there? You have Steve Mnuchin and people like Erik Prince, and they have complete control of the Federal credit. You’re now in a situation where everybody in the world has an incentive to not finance it.

That is a picture where Putin could be right, and the dollar is going to collapse because every person in the world doesn’t want Erik Prince to have access to the Federal credit.

Farrell: This could play a number of ways. What bothers me and has bothered me all along is that with every President I can remember back to Kennedy, and even a little of Eisenhower, there was always a Harry Hopkins (Secretary of Commerce under F.D. Roosevelt) somewhere in the Administration that the President could turn to as a personal confidante and talk to. Nixon had Bebe Rebozo and so on.

I don’t get the sense that he has anyone like that.

Fitts: Don’t you think it’s his family? Kushner and Ivanka?

Farrell: I don’t know about Kushner as much as possibly Don Jr. or Eric. I wouldn’t trust Kushner, even if I were Trump. I wouldn’t trust Kushner as ‘far as I could throw him’, but it may be family; I don’t know. I just don’t get the sense that he has much of an external support base.

Fitts: He doesn’t have a brain trust.

Farrell: Precisely, and that is the problem. Every President that I can think of had something like that – even ‘Bush the Stupid’ (the second Bush). My website members will know, but your website members may not.
Fitts: I always call him ‘Baby Bush’.

Farrell: I always call him ‘Bush the Stupid’.

Fitts: The challenge is that if you listen to what that Republicans are saying, there is nobody to check the secret money for secret armies, and you have very much the Ziocon network being controlled through Kushner and through tactics like the impeachment. You also have Netanyahu back in the game, and are saying that all the people who Netanyahu has made rich are basically going to control the second Administration now.

I have a tremendous number of subscribers who think that Trump is going to save us, and my concern is that on both sides of the aisle – Republican and Democrat – we are looking at Administrations that are not trustworthy.

Farrell: This Trump Messianism thing has always bothered me, too. It goes to what you said in Part I – that we have to get used to thinking in terms of the Presidential elections not being the only show in town.

Fitts: That is going to be 3,100 counties one at a time. That concludes the Trump Report Card.

Joseph, it’s been a real pleasure. Ladies and gentlemen, remember for Part I to check out the web presentation with the stories and the headlines. There is a wealth of great information. We also have Solari resources and Take Action.

Before we close, is there anything else that you want to say about Geopolitics and the Economy & Financial Markets in 2019?

Farrell: No, I have nothing more to add right now.

Fitts: Ladies and gentlemen, thank you for joining us on The Solari Report. Have a great week, and we will be back next week with Part II.

Farrell: Thank you for having me back.
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