

The Government Car

I was asked, during a political discussion about my reasons for wanting to scrap our current system of government to try something new....

The Question:

Is this how you practice engineering? If a car keeps blowing light bulbs you scrap the car instead of checking the electrics?

My response, and while not perfect, I believe I get the point across:

Interesting analogy.. I can work with this.

In keeping with your analogy, our Government Car it is not blowing a few light bulbs.. Instead, the engine is blowing, the coolant system blowing, in fact, it is the entire drive train falling out of the car!

Have you ever seen the move "The Blues Brothers?" If you have, do you remember what happened to the blues mobile when they finally arrived at the tax office?

EVERYTHING fell apart. Elwood took off his hat to pay his last respects and they left...

In our Government Car, the monetary policy is the drive train that is falling out... The foreign policy is our politicians dumping Automatic Transmission Fluid into the engine while they are hearing the rods knock. The Corporatist Corruption that continues to occur is the rust/rot that is causing the drive train and the suspension to fall out.

Currently, we are Jake and Elwood barreling through the streets of Chicago... there are rods knocking, smoke billowing from under the hood, and there is a rattle that can only be the suspension breaking loose.

As soon as this car stops, and with the home values taking the double dip, the people unable to obtain loans and when the interest rates, thus far kept artificially low begin to rise, there is no question that there will be a complete cessation of forward motion!

Is it incumbent upon us then try to fix the government car after it has blown apart?

While you think on this question, think about this as well. My suggestion is that we build a NEW car, and that we use engine oil (a foreign policy involving the non-initiation of force or fraud against another nation,) instead of ATF (having military bases all around the world in hundreds of sovereign nations)... Also, I suggest that we stop using materials that are prone to rust /rot (the corrupt political system as it currently stands), and go with a different material, a material that is not prone to corruption. (A government that has very little power, and pays for itself through fees for services rendered)