

Christian Lous Lange

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Concord, solidarity, and mutual help are the most important means of enabling animal species to survive.

~Christian Lous Lange

Technology is a useful servant but a dangerous master.

~Christian Lous Lange

Hand in hand with nationalist economic isolationism, militarism struggles to maintain the sovereign state against the forward march of internationalism.

~Christian Lous Lange

It is against this concept of the sovereign state, a state isolated by protectionism and militarism, that internationalism must now engage in decisive battle.

~Christian Lous Lange

Within each such social group, a feeling of solidarity prevails, a compelling need to work together and a joy in doing so that represent a high moral value.

~Christian Lous Lange

Like all social theories, internationalism must seek its basis in the economic and technical fields; here are to be found the most profound and the most decisive factors in the development of society.

~Christian Lous Lange

The main concept is that of an international solidarity expressed in practice through worldwide division of labor: free trade is the principal point in the program of internationalism.

~Christian Lous Lange

Earlier ages fortified themselves behind the sovereign state, behind protectionism and militarism.

~Christian Lous Lange

The simultaneous reactions elicited all over the world by the reading of newspaper dispatches about the same events create, as it were, a common mental pulse beat for the whole of civilized mankind.

~Christian Lous Lange

It is an accepted commonplace in psychology that the spiritual level of people acting as a crowd is far lower than the mean of each individual's intelligence or morality.

~Christian Lous Lange

No state is free from militarism, which is inherent in the very concept of the sovereign state. There are merely differences of degree in the militarism of states.

~Christian Lous Lange

But teleological considerations can lead no further than to a belief and a hope. They do not give certainty.

~Christian Lous Lange

Europe cannot survive another world war.

~Christian Lous Lange

A pacifist will often - at least nowadays - be an internationalist and vice versa. But history shows us that a pacifist need not think internationally.

~Christian Lous Lange

Just as characteristic, perhaps, is the intellectual interdependence created through the development of the modern media of communication: post, telegraph, telephone, and popular press.

~Christian Lous Lange

Only recently, during the nineteenth century, and then only in Europe, do we meet forms of the state which have been created by a deliberate national feeling.

~Christian Lous Lange

The free trade movement in the middle of the last century represents the first conscious recognition of these new circumstances and of the necessity to adapt to them.

~Christian Lous Lange

History shows us that other highly developed forms of civilization have collapsed. Who knows whether the same fate does not await our own?

~Christian Lous Lange

The sovereign state has in our times become a lethal danger to human civilization because technical developments enable it to employ an infinite number and variety of means of destruction.

~Christian Lous Lange

In particular, the efforts to reestablish peace after the World War have been directed toward the formation of states and the regulation of their frontiers according to a consciously national program.

~Christian Lous Lange

Moreover, if the territorial state is to continue as the last word in the development of society, then war is inevitable.

~Christian Lous Lange

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