

December 2018

Twitter Review 2018

By Max J. Rudolph, FSA CFA CERA

What follows are all my tweets and retweets from December 2017 to November 2018. While a few lament the loss of the Nebraska-Kearney baseball program, most react to the financial and geopolitical news of the day as I saw it. I include links to articles/papers I authored. As usual, I tweet questions to CNBC to use following the release of Berkshire Hathaway's annual letter. Remember – this is not investment or tax advice!

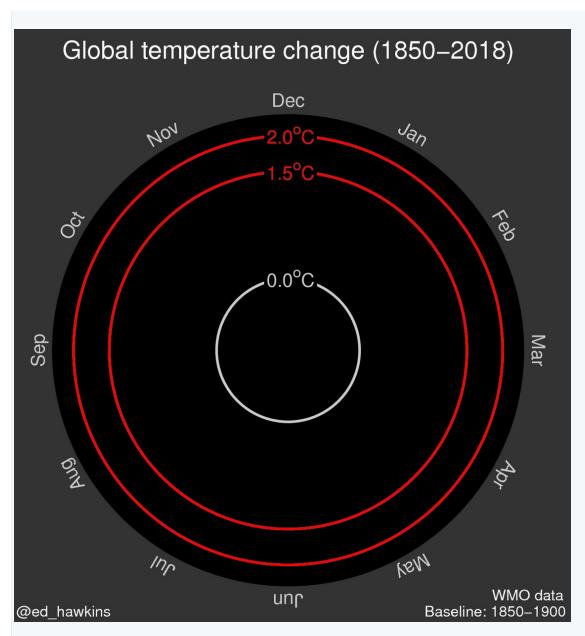


. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Nov 29

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Max Rudolph Retweeted Ed Hawkins
Someone should share this graph with the media - would make it tougher for guests to cherry pick data and mislead <u>#liewithstatistics</u> <u>#pictures1000words</u>
Max Rudolph added,





Ed Hawkins Verified account @ed_hawkins

The last four years have been the four warmest on record for the planet #climatechange #StateOfClimate

2. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Nov 28

_Inkd.in/eXSZsfH I was the guest on a podcast released today where I talked about applying the emerging risk survey to risks in the Asia-Pacific area (about 15 minutes) #podcasting @SOActuaries _Inkd.in/gshhncH



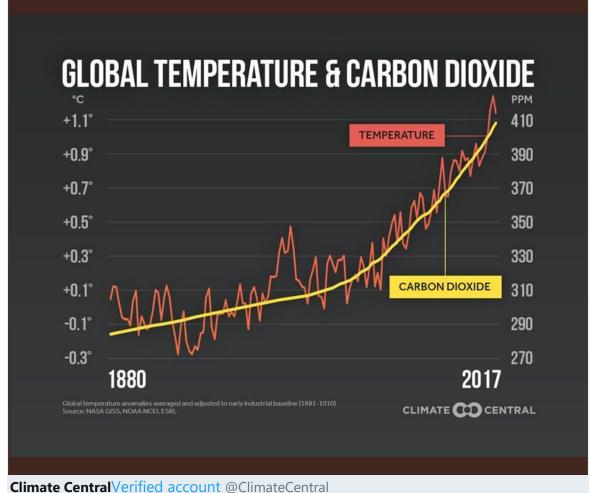
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3. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Nov 28

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Max Rudolph Retweeted Climate Central

It amazes me that the most frequent denial of climate change is the 20 year old argument that the most recent temperature is a big drop from the El Niño year - show this picture when you hear that argument. #howtoliewithstatistics #1997 Max Rudolph added,



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4. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Nov 19



Thank you to all who have already completed this year's Survey of Emerging Risks. For those who haven't, it will close Tuesday morning (Central time) so please beat the deadline! It's not too late to participate, and all are welcome (esp Sections 1 and 6)

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Max Rudolph Retweeted CIA-ICA Actuaries

If you are interested in this report, you can participate in the next version (open until Nov 19) at _soa.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bl_...

Max Rudolph added,



CIA-ICA Actuaries @CIA_Actuaries

Companies should consider both near-term and longer-term #emergingrisks, looking at a time horizon consistent with the liabilities held. Find out how #risk managers can assist with this task: _bit.ly/2AAf3dp. #ERM #bigdata



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6. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Nov 7

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The 12th Survey of Emerging Risks is open. Looking for broad diversity - students, geographic, training. Please forward - answer only Sections 1 and 6 if not comfortable with the other questions. #emergingrisk #research #actuary Inkd.in/eRhSXye

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7. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Nov 5

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<u>#berkshirehathaway</u> and <u>@WarrenBuffett</u> bought back shares last quarter, but at 207 when they could have bought for under 190. What drove the timing? (Total cash is over 100 billion)

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8. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Nov 3

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Max Rudolph Retweeted Louise Pryor Please add me to your list - Thanks! Max Rudolph added,

Louise Pryor @LouisePryor

I'm trying to put a list together of actuaries actively interested in climate change. Let me know if you are one, and I'll add you to it. Thanks! Please retweet.

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9. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Nov 1

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<u>Inkd.in/extHdFV</u> I'm very excited to release the 11th Survey of Emerging Risks. Thanks to <u>@soactuaries</u> <u>@CASact</u> <u>@CIA_Actuaries</u> and Joint Risk Management Section for sponsoring! Thanks to CIA for French translation <u>Inkd.in/eawmHDs</u>

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10. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Oct 27



Metrics remain useful as long as they continue to show if objectives are being met.

11. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Oct 22

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A climate committee I serve on has released a call for essays on unknown knowns, where previous data is not predictive. We are especially hopeful since the papers are short (<750 words) that younger actuaries will participate. Ess...Inkd.in/eJwNdQb_Inkd.in/e9vSBQ3

12. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Oct 21

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For those beating up on the "Academy generator" here is a history lesson. The interest rate ESG was designed as a calibration tool to allow proprietary models. The NAIC made it the required ESG and altered the mean reversion parameters.

13. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Oct 15

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Great presentation taking behavioral finance to the next level by Tali Sharot <u>#soannual</u> Now how do we use it?

14. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Oct 14

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<u>#SOAannual</u> I'm looking forward to presenting on emerging risks and scenarios - if only my flights would cooperate <u>#12hoursandstillinchicago</u>

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15. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Oct 13

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The recent IPCC report spoke of the tradeoffs between planting trees and agricultural needs. This award winning essay addresses some of the issues that should be considered. #malthus lnkd.in/e7znGbC

16. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Oct 13

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For those interested in current ERM topics I have released my notes publicly from the 2018 ERM Symposium. lnkd.in/eDjuGGr



17. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Oct 10

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In my April newsletter I posted an essay I wrote titled Driverless Investing. It is very timely. This week's correction may be tied to some of the issues I mentioned. _Inkd.in/ePBkPKs

18. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Oct 9

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My annual March update on <u>#BerkshireHathaway #intrinsicvalue</u> has been posted publicly. The timing reflects a recent run by BRK that was anticipated by the analysis. I continue to add to the tools used. It's a fascinating subject! <u>Inkd.in/evuD5gk</u>

19. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Oct 8

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To me the <u>#IPCCReport</u> points out how important it is to move to tools that take carbon out of the air. Carbon tax is nice but no longer enough.

20. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Oct 8

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In anticipation of next week's <u>@soactuaries</u> annual meeting I have publicly released several of my 2018 newsletters. This one reviews a primary book in the <u>#lowgrowth</u> research project. The <u>#RobertGordon</u> book is a treasure. The Dent...<u>Inkd.in/e8iYgkw_Inkd.in/eSWxjsK</u>

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21. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Oct 5

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Fees matter - when my oldest child was born local 529 plan had 60 bp wrap fee in addition to fund fees - instead I opened #EIRA - total cost has been under \$50 over 20 years.

22. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Oct 5

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Short term interest rates are rising, but what is the "natural rate" if there was no Fed? With all the fiscal stimulus it seems like it should be higher than 3.2%.

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23. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Oct 4

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Thinking about interacting <u>#emergingrisks</u> with <u>#ebola</u> in <u>#warzone</u>, now reading <u>#michaellewis</u> book <u>#fifthrisk</u> and worrying about <u>#hanford</u> and <u>#politicalignorance</u> <u>#excellentbook</u>

24. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Oct 2

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Disappointing owsj review of #MichaelLewis #fifthrisk that assumes no knowledge and less regulation is a better option than understanding where regs can be reduced safely. Makes incorrect claim that climate isn't changing shortly after #Florence example.

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25. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Sep 27

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Max Rudolph Retweeted SocietyofActuaries

Very exciting news! Thanks to all those working to make this happen $\stackrel{ extstyle ext$

SocietyofActuaries @SOActuaries

The @CASact and SOA Boards of Directors have agreed to explore combining the two organizations into one in order create a stronger actuarial profession that shapes and grows the areas in which we practice. Learn more: _strongerasone.net

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26. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Sep 24

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27. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Sep 20



Enjoyed visiting 2 classes at <u>@MaryvilleU</u> today with Prof Gootzeit to talk about ERM! Feeling great about the next generation of actuaries. <u>@SOActuaries</u>

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28. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Sep 19

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29. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Sep 15

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Common thread from Lehman executives after 10 years - they saved AIG so should have saved us too. No ownership of choices made. <u>#ifthatsyourbestargument</u>

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30. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Sep 14

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Fracking and energy independence only makes sense if it is profitable. This can help the trade deficit but is counterproductive if running fiscal deficit. #getaconsistentstrategy

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31. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Sep 10

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So many <u>#higherorder</u> interactions that it's hard to know whether we'll owe more or less in taxes this year- I pay extra to avoid having to estimate quarterly income. Took me 2 days to figure out the first time - working WITH tax software.

32. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Sep 6



State districting makes it so hard for a <u>#moderate</u> to win that, in a equally divided Congress, the state that has fair districts and non partisan top 2 primaries will end up with the decisive votes (and control) of nearly everything. <u>#think</u>

33. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Aug 30

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<u>ambest.com/video/MediaArc</u> I anticipated this trend for health insurers to invest in more risky assets in a research report from 2011 reviewing insurer balance sheets during the financial crisis.

34. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Aug 29

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<u>fred.stlouisfed.org/series/M2V</u> Third quarter in a row that velocity of money has increased off its low. Money is starting to turn over more quickly.

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35. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Aug 25

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<u>_amazon.com/The-Coming-Sto</u>.... Finished listening to Michael Lewis' The Coming Storm, available only on audible and read by Lewis himself. A scary true story playing out in front of our eyes. Ties to his recent <u>@VanityFair</u> articles. Fascinating listen and a no-brainer for \$5.

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36. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Aug 22

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The current political culture continues to remind me of the Gilded Age of the robber barons of a century ago - financially not disastrous, but with human rights abuses.

#youretheretoserveothers

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37. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Aug 19

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This week will likely mark the longest bull run in history, so why are so many defined benefit pension plans still underfunded? #notgonnageteasier #incentives



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38. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Aug 19

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Max Rudolph Retweeted Barron's

Life insurers are attracted to BBB- bonds due to lower capital charge than BB+. Expect higher percentage of fallen angels than in the past to trigger a #liquiditycrisis as IPS may require sale of junk. #NAIC is late to expand rating tiers for capital charges. #risk Max Rudolph added,

Barron's Verified account @barronsonline

Investors aren't being adequately compensated for the risk of owning BBB-rated bonds on.barrons.com/2BmrSu9

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39. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Aug 19

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When I had a staff and returned from vacation I never knew if they liked or hated the new ideas that had been bouncing around in my head or not, but they knew to expect them! #pluralrationality #discountrate #limitedresources

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40. <u>You</u> Retweeted



Katharine Hayhoe Verified account @KHayhoe Aug 18

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I updated the reading list for my graduate class in climate science, policy, communications + solutions today! Excited to add new books by QClimateHuman and QElizabethaRush to perennial staples by Qbhensonweather, QNaomiOreskes, and more. Here it is:

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41. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Aug 4

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I'm still surprised no one is discussing the break in price between #berkshirehathaway A and B shares. The ratio should be 1500, and used to always be close to that, but now has diverged by almost 1.5%. Is this the end for A shares? @warrenBuffett #askwarren

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42. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Jul 31

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Maybe I'm just noticing it because 300k/200 ratio makes it so easy but the <u>#berkshire</u> A/B 1:1500 ratio is not holding. Has one-way conversion left A shares with more value? Would be interesting to see the history.

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43. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Jul 22

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My essay reviewing the Malthus arguments was recently released. Check it out! #climatechange #sustainability #resources _lnkd.in/ejEtRRC _lnkd.in/eDMCBjE

44. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Jul 15

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Investment Policy Statements <u>#IPS</u> should provide guidance and not be strict rules. For example, everyone worries that junk bonds could trigger a <u>#liquiditycrisis</u>, but the lowest rated BBB seem more likely if investors are forced to sell if drop to BB.

45. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Jul 10

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I'm currently reading The End of Theory by Richard <u>#Bookstaber</u> and recommend it. He extends my knowledge of complex adaptive systems without going over my head. Lots of <u>#liquidity</u> and speed to think discussion.

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46. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Jul 4



Max Rudolph Retweeted lemwick

lemwick @CraigWReynolds

An important application of actuarial principles on a critical societal issue. _news.umich.edu/insurance-comp_______...

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47. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Jun 23

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Looking at graph of <u>#Berkshire</u> rolling 12 month total returns against S&P500 - may not be winning today but I'll take my odds - a contrarian might even think it is a buying opportunity

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48. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Jun 23

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Why do people post total return comparisons over short periods without showing the history? A graph would be nice How do they know to say something on the 1 day it is in their favor?

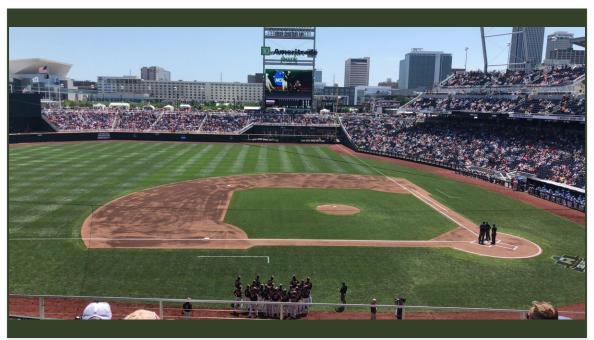
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49. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Jun 16

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Max Rudolph Retweeted Scott McCarville Glad you enjoyed the game! Max Rudolph added,





Scott McCarville @Amped_Scott

@millardsouthabc Max Rudolph thanks for the great seats! @BrianDuensing52 bowling fundraiser Great Family day!

50. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Jun 10

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If interested in sustainable investing, include an <u>#ESG</u> benchmark that transparently compares to a standard benchmark, and holistically include with your charitable projects. <u>#riskmanagement #ERM</u>

51. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Jun 5

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A recent twitter rant that <u>#economists</u> were useless if not billionaires led to defenders saying that economists only study human behavior. I have no problem with that argument but then why are economists generally chosen to manage the economy?

52. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph May 30

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10 year Treasury at 2.77% this morning. Those rising interest rate base scenarios used by insurers should be treated as a market bet and impact bonuses if returns fall short.

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53. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph May 29

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My essay on securing your retirement has been posted. #SOA #indexing #risk _Inkd.in/eV58ZuJ _Inkd.in/eJaDGWK

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54. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph May 22

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Short answer for concerns I have with current financial and governmental policies: focus is on short time horizon solutions. Long term survival depends on working together over a long time horizon. Deals and quick wins don't matter in the long run. #riskmanagement

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55. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph May 21

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"Graham was not scaleable." Warren <u>@WarrenBuffett</u> at 2018 annual meeting. Berkshire Hathaway had to evolve from cigar butts to undervalued stocks to wholly owned businesses bought for a reasonable price for them to focus on capital allocation.

56. You Retweeted



UNK Athletics @UNK_Athletics May 11

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Congrats to @UNKbaseball Student-Athlete Calvin Rudolph on being named to the 2018 Google Cloud Academic All-District 7 team.. _lopers.com/news/2018/5/11/baseball-loper-tabbed-for-athletic-and-academic-success.aspx ...





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57. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph May 9

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Berkshire B shares were first offered in 1996 and are worth 8 times their original cost. #buyandhold

58. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph May 8

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You can't both believe that CAPM is correct and that ESG does not reduce expected returns.

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59. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph May 6

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<u>#askwarren</u> When the annual letter was released <u>#WEB</u> made a comment that I interpreted differently than others. I thought he said "IF" the current level of interest rates (low) is appropriate (unsubsidized) then valuations are correct. Am I right? Max Rudolph Omaha Nebraska

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60. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Apr 27

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<u>Inkd.in/eQXfX3A</u> Write up following interview about the 11th Survey of Emerging Risks with <u>@IERMChris</u> at Insurance ERM . I really like the quotes he chose. (subscription required)

61. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Apr 24

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If you are interested in a readable book focused on the battle being waged against infectious disease I recently finished and suggest Deadliest Enemy by Michael Osterholm <u>#UMNSPH</u>

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62. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Apr 23

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https://securityintelligence.com/news/cybersecurity-and-the-interconnectedness-of-infastructure-tops-list-of-emerging-risks/ ... Another nice write-up based on the Key Findings of the 11th Survey of Emerging Risks

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63. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Apr 21

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https://www.infosecurity-magazine.com/news/cybersecurity-ranks-top-concern/ ... Nice coverage following release of the key findings from my Survey of Emerging Risks.

64. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Apr 17

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A key findings document for the 11th survey of emerging risks has been publicly released. The full report will be done in the summer. https://lnkd.in/emwSksvhttps://lnkd.in/eR95iiR https://lnkd.in/extHdFV

65. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Apr 14

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If we balance trade with China who will buy our Treasuries at such low yields? Watch for patriotic pitches to get US citizens to buy, like war bonds in WW1.



66. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Apr 14

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A monopoly asks for regulations because it increases their <u>#moat</u> and <u>#barrierstoentry</u> increase. <u>#facebook</u>

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67. You Retweeted



Stephen Huppert @stephenhuppert Apr 13

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Check out this <u>@SOActuaries</u> podcast for a really good conversation with <u>@maxrudolph</u> on Emerging Risks http://bit.ly/2Hlqh9Q <u>#ERM</u> <u>#Risk #RiskManagement</u> #EnterpriseRiskManagement



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68. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Apr 9

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New term for me that seems inconsistent but makes sense - high probability, low frequency. Likely to happen eventually but unlikely in any one year. #pandemic #earthquake #thebigone

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69. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Apr 9

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<u>#balanceriskandreward</u> Passive investing worries me, especially with ETFs. How many investors recognize the basis risk and securities lending risk? Better to buy individual securities if you have scale.

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70. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Apr 6

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I wonder how far out of the money the president's inner circle bought their options? It would be the best leading indicator

71. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Apr 4

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The final round of a <u>#tradewar</u> with China (short of actual conflict) will be when they announce planned sale of Treasuries. We have no counter because we refuse to balance the budget.

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72. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Mar 31

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Be careful what you ask for! The President's tweets saying the post office should charge Amazon more (meaning voters pay more) will lead to Amazon entering delivery business more fully and raising rates for all of us to get letters delivered. #gildedage #InsiderTrading

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73. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Mar 30

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I remember writing a blog 20 years ago, and another in 2009, anticipating Walmart's entry into the insurance market. I wonder what took so long

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74. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Mar 28

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My first podcast - Andy Ferris interviewed me about emerging risks and my annual survey for SOA's Listen at your own risk. You can listen at this link or download it from your podcast provider. https://lnkd.in/gQXrWWk https://lnkd.in/gshhncH

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75. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Mar 25

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Accelerating trend on boards - they don't own shares of companies they serve. This means their <u>#incentives</u> are not <u>#aligned</u> with me. I vote no when I own more shares, if they are 67+ and not day to day involved, or if they worked for companies with bad ethics.

76. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Mar 22

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I recently gave an interest rate talk to actuarial students at U of Nebraska- talked about risks of high debt and needing a trigger prior to implosion. I mentioned financial crises but should have been more specific - #tariffs #UNL

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77. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Mar 7

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It does no good to have a discussion about emerging risks or strategic planning without defining time horizon. Very few are comfortable thinking out more than 5 years.

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78. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Mar 7

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The more we focus on risk neutral scenarios the less likely we are to identify emerging risks early enough to be proactive.

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79. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Mar 7



The fewer senior people who attend local actuarial club meetings the more I worry about the companies and the risks they have accepted. #continuingeducation #alternativeviews

80. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Mar 1

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Tariffs can make sense in developing industries but only delay the inevitable for those that are declining.

81. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Mar 1

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Tariffs leave a few better off (temporarily) and everyone else worse off. Some directly, losing jobs due to retaliatory tariffs, and the rest of us indirectly from higher prices.

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82. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Feb 25

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<u>#askwarren</u> Mr. Buffett has spent a lot of time and money on nuclear proliferation in the past but not so much effort on climate change, which seems to imply broader disruptions at this point in history. Will this change in the future? Max Rudolph Omaha

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83. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Feb 25

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<u>#askwarren</u> As Clayton Homes expands its offerings will we see a mini house or container house at the exhibit hall this year? Max Rudolph Omaha

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84. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Feb 25

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<u>#askwarren</u> Starting with the 2012 report, Berkshire included specific info to value shares as part of the letter. This was greatly appreciated and useful. I'm disappointed that last year he backed off and this year completely abandoned the quest. Why? Max Rudolph Omaha

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85. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Feb 25

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http://www.theactuarymagazine.org/eliminating-medical-dental-care-divide/ ... <u>@ShereenSayre</u> excellent <u>@SOActuaries</u> article about the need to consider oral health as part of holistic treatment is a great example of personal ERM! Interactions and aggregation matters

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86. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Feb 25

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For gun control, why not limit the speed a bullet can leave the barrel for use in the general population and require licensing and additional training for guns that essentially melt your organ if it passes close by.

87. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Feb 24

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I'm disappointed in today's <u>#BerkshireHathaway</u> letter. Comments are good, but little is new, and <u>@WarrenBuffett</u> has retreated from his promise to include enough info in the letter to value the company. <u>#Dumbeddown #havetodigdeeper</u>

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88. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Feb 18

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Why does everyone assume it is <u>@WarrenBuffett</u> investing in <u>#teva</u>? Size (small) of position says it's not. <u>#berkshirehathaway</u>

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89. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Feb 16

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Stepping on the growth pedal and ignoring environmental issues reminds me of a recommendation that, if ever assured of a head on collision you could not avoid, speed up so you have more momentum.

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90. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Feb 16

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I'm going to "10th Annual Value Investing Panel". See you there?

91. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Feb 16

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I'm reading Mark Buchanan's Forecast book. He suggests that increasing competitiveness in hedge funds results in arms race of leverage, providing liquidity and lowering volatility on the way up. But the way down happens quickly and "unexpectedly" <u>#soundsfamiliar</u>

92. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Feb 15

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It's no surprise that <u>#Buffett</u> and <u>#Berkshire</u> sold their IBM stake during 2017 before tax rates went down. They are nothing if not <u>#taxaware</u>. <u>#realizedcapitallosses</u>

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93. <u>You</u> Retweeted



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@schrammBAM Feb 13

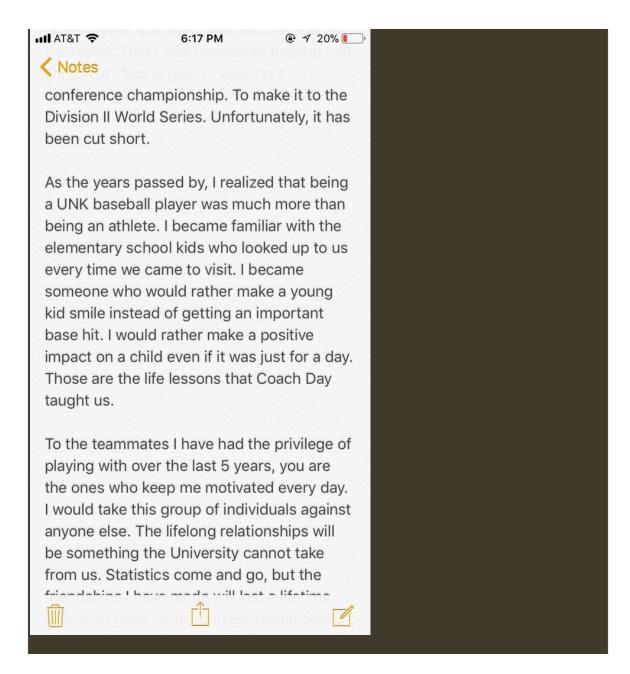
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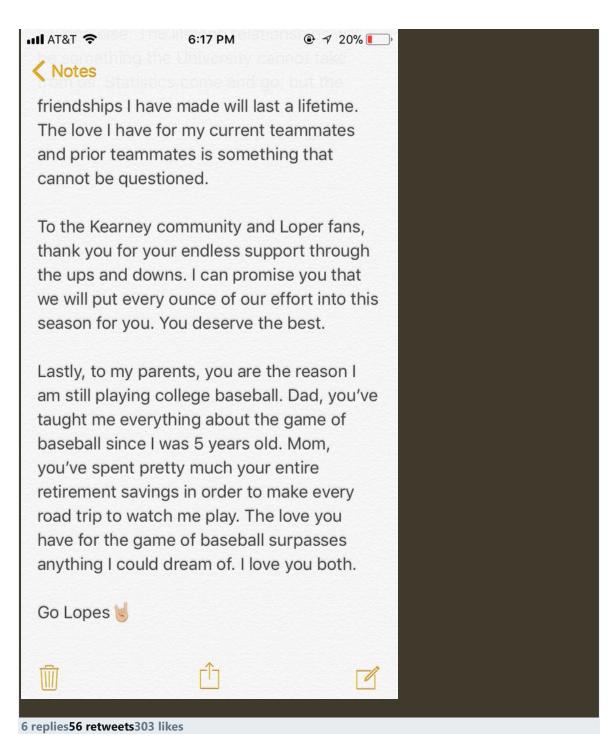












94. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Feb 12



Incredibly, some of my predictions have already come true before I publicly release them - designed to make you think! The world is moving quickly. https://lnkd.in/eSc2UNj https://lnkd.in/e9-eTFF

95. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Feb 9

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Max Rudolph Retweeted Peter Brandt

Learning old-man rules before you are an old man is perhaps THE leading indicator for successful investing.

Max Rudolph added,

Peter Brandt Verified account @PeterLBrandt

Thanks @AxelDeAcetis I posted something similar re: Livermore last year - some crypto-trolls informed me that "old-man" rules no longer apply to these modern markets. Too bad each generation must learn the hard way. http://jbmarwood.com/jesse-livermore-trading-rules-boy-plunger/ ...

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96. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Feb 9

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Even if most are not good at it, additional entrants trying to arbitrage away <u>#Buffett</u>'s methods will eat into <u>#Berkshire</u>'s returns.

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97. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Feb 8

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If you are a young risk manager and not freaking out this week there is something wrong - the risks that grew in the dark are now under the spotlight. With <u>#experience</u> comes <u>#knowledge</u>. Expect to gain a lot of knowledge shortly.

98. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Feb 7

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<u>#Higherordereffects</u> are currently playing out - it will be interesting to see which liquid positions and asset classes fall as risk models and redemptions combine for <u>#unintendedconsequences</u>



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99. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Feb 7

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In addition to trading VIX, what illiquid investments have driven results that will be reported in the wsj soon? My long-only portfolio with no leverage helps me sleep ez. Saving when young is more important than outsized returns!

100. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Feb 7

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I enjoyed my #ERM session with @MaryvilleU actuarial students yesterday - great questions!

101. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Feb 4

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A great example of <u>#Moneyball</u>, extended to <u>#higherordereffects</u>, are the New England Patriots. They do a great job of identifying under-recognized assets.

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102. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Jan 28

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The <u>#taxcut</u> seems designed to delay the <u>#recession</u> that is necessary to clean out our financial system. It "might" delay it past 2018 but 2020 will be hard to avoid. Previous presidents have accepted the pain early so <u>#reelectioncycle</u> 4 years later had growth.

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103. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Jan 27

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<u>#M2V</u> velocity of money has ticked up again, to 1.431. Confirming previous data and perhaps signaling <u>#inflation</u> return. A <u>#taxcut</u> was not needed.

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104. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Jan 27



If markets are <u>#efficient</u> and always fairly priced, why is it so easy to lag market returns (net of expenses)? <u>#canthaveitbothways</u>

105. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Jan 26

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<u>#Stresstesting</u> is useful because it provides estimates of <u>#exposure</u>, not because it provides exact estimates and probabilities of loss.

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106. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Jan 25

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Reported <u>#Volatility</u> is scaled down by <u>#passiveinvesting</u>, central bank purchases, and central bank rate <u>#manipulation</u> - buyer beware

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107. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Jan 19

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I'll be speaking at the ERM Symposium April 19-20 in Miami - topics Emerging Risks and Stress/Scenario Planning. I hope to see you there! http://www.ermsymposium.org

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108. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Jan 14

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Side benefit of adding <u>#Jain</u> and <u>#Abel</u> to <u>#BRK</u> board is to lower the average age of the group and provide <u>#cultural</u> continuity.

109. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Jan 11

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Max Rudolph Retweeted Dave Ingram

Great interview with <u>@dingramerm</u> about plural rationality - worth multiple listens! Max Rudolph added,

Dave Ingram @dingramerm



A new podcast on Plural Rationality Theory. https://soundcloud.com/andrew-boyarsky/dwbe-011-plural-rational-theory ...

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Based on 2016 year end <u>#BRK</u> financials in my March 2017 newsletter I estimated the impact of a 15% corporate tax to raise intrinsic value by 14%. I'll update with new annual report but 21% tax rate gives 10% growth in intrinsic value.

Max Rudolph added,

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https://lnkd.in/eP47YJM My March 2017 updated my annual review of Berkshire Hathaway intrinsic value, including a surprising correlation wi...

111. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Jan 10

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The appointment to the board of Jain and Abel is more important than succession plans at <u>#BRK</u>. Abel is 55, and will be COO/CEO. Jain is 66 and will grow into Munger's role as CRO. What's needed next is a Jain insurance successor. Odd man out - Matt Rose.

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112. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Jan 10

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It's entertaining to see @WarrenBuffett talk about prices being reasonable given interest rates. Reading between the lines I think he is saying that rates have been manipulated down by central banks so if rates clear to their natural state yes assets are overvalued.

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113. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Jan 10

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Charlie <u>#Munger</u> always says it so concisely Economics is not physics - the same formula that works in one decade doesn't work in the next <u>#BRK</u>



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114. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Jan 8

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<u>#Governance</u> - will a board looking to retire as a group look to cash in? Avoiding a higher offer that comes in at a better point later in the cycle?

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115. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Jan 6

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In a manipulated and subsidized market like oil, adding new sources will do little except push out the high priced provider - offshore, tough environments, shale

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116. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph Jan 6

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Investment expenses matter. My self directed account had .5 bp expenses in 2017 on 2% turnover. We shouldn't need to be "nudged"

117. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Jan 4

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https://lnkd.in/e9peYrE My October 2017 newsletter reviews The Fourth Turning, the most thought provoking book I read last year, and shares my list of scenarios for companies to use for cash flow testing. @HoweGeneration

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118. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Jan 4

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https://lnkd.in/ebJnzAq I really like the lessons I pulled from the 10th Emerging Risks Survey - I asked them what works, and what doesn't, for ERM and summarized it here in my September newsletter. Lessons for all of us!

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119. You Retweeted





SocietyofActuaries @SOActuaries Jan 3

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Read The Actuary article on emerging risks, which include cyber, terrorism, financial instability, climate change & geopolitical risks.

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120. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Jan 1

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When building <u>#scenarios</u> we should try to overcome our natural tendency to see <u>#patterns</u> in historical data. <u>#whatcouldhappen</u> <u>#unknownknown</u>

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121. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph Jan 1

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2018 is 100th anniversary of the great #influenzapandemic - started in the spring with mild flu.

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122. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 30 Dec 2017

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Pension plans that use efficient frontiers to invest when underfunded by large amounts do not meet their fiduciary standard. Their understanding of risk is flawed.

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123. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 29 Dec 2017

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<u>#whatwillwarrendo2018</u> I think <u>#BRK</u> will sell some long-held stocks under lower tax rate but only if he has a major acquisition to use the funds. Could trade for 3G assets. May move into commodities.

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124. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 28 Dec 2017

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https://lnkd.in/ed5iefZ My August newsletter shares an article where I was the lead author that was published in the SOFE Examiner. It considers the capital assessment process and what topics should be considered.

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125. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 28 Dec 2017

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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S9HgIGzOENA&sns=tw ... via @youtube

Charlie <u>#Munger</u> is as sharp as ever in this recent interview. Talks <u>#Omaha</u>



, getting started. Dean tees it up and listens.

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126. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 27 Dec 2017

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https://lnkd.in/eSDS5nj I have released the review of my 2017 predictions - look for 2018 sometime in January. #anotheruniqueyear

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127. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 27 Dec 2017

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Updated #529 rules will have unintended consequences - will increase <u>#studentdebt</u> levels. #EIRAwascheaper

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128. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 22 Dec 2017

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This is the time of year that mutual funds pay out distributions and I express frustration that my new money allocation preferences are ignored. <u>#consistent</u>

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129. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 20 Dec 2017

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A trick I used to use on myself early on to build savings was to keep monthly track of my investment totals. I wanted to be higher each month so when close would magically "find" money to deposit at the end of a month. <u>#italladdsup #savingstrick</u>

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130. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 20 Dec 2017

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Obvious <u>#consequences</u> of eliminating the <u>#IndividualMandate</u> for health coverage - buying policy in hospital, insurers backing out of market, hospitals left holding the bag/bankrupt, pushback on publicly elected officials <u>#goodfordemocrats</u>

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131. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 19 Dec 2017

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Inkd.in/emKM7gf My article on the 10th emerging risk survey was published this month in The Actuary!

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132. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 15 Dec 2017

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Congressmen claiming moral high ground when eliminating deduction for donations to colleges tied to tickets should review their ethical position that allows hedge fund managers to avoid paying income taxes. #FICAimpacttoo

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133. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 7 Dec 2017

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The risk of a Middle East <u>#regionalconflict</u> seems to be rising every day. Wars run on old energy, i.e., oil. I now include oil companies in the <u>#defensesector</u>.



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