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114 million infections worldwide Germany reached 2,450,000 with 70,109 deaths

Infection rates: USA 28.6 million, India 11 million, Brazil 10 million, Russia 4 million EU: France 3.7 million, Spain 3.2 million, Italy 2.9 million England 4.2 million 2.5 million deaths worldwide. Turkey Argentina Colombia Mexico over 2 million 22 countries over 1 million.

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Germany - figures on 02.28.2021 3.10 a.m. 7 days incidence for Germany 63.8

Total infections: 2,442,336 / + 7890 on the previous day, deaths 70,045 / + 157 on the previous day

High-risk counties: Tirschenreuth 206.8

Weiden i.d. Upper Palatinate 255 Wunsiedel i. Fichtel Mountains 293.2

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If I follow the last days of the pandemic, it looks like this: Due to the lockdown since December 2020, the number of infections, the R value, and deaths have fallen drastically, so that some districts have reached the targeted value of 35 or even below. Here and there small openings have been made, as of today hairdressers are open again, in some federal states also hardware stores, music schools, cosmetic studios, flower shops and garden centers due to the will of the prime ministers or through lawsuits. Others are demonstrating for an early opening or have also joined forces with lawsuits. But with new mutations, the values have risen again in many places and continue to do so.

The vaccinations are stuck, rapid tests are canceled en masse, everything else is the same. The majority of the population wants an end to the lockdowns, especially the young, but somehow nobody wants Corona either. It has just become known that more than every 10th of those who are supposedly healthy has to do with permanent health problems. So how should it go on: Some people talk about it being annoying back and forth, yes what do they want, not open and extend the lockdown until sometime or open and risk that everything will go down the drain in 1 month? In the meantime there is already talk of the 3rd wave in the scene. I have the impression that nobody knows what exactly, everyone mutters into the many discussions with their personal suggestion, plus all the bourgeois know-it-alls, no matter what comes out in the end, someone is always not satisfied. Because, as we know, open schools and daycare centers are already partially closed again, a rush without limits.

The Anne Will program on Sunday also goes in this direction to start with the latest news. The title hits it: The great perplexity - is there a way out of the permanent lockdown? I don't want to work on the whole show, it's not that great either, the same chatter every week, but list some moods and opinions. According to the head of the Chancellery, Braun, we have had rapid tests since October 2020. The population now wants the lockdown to end. Mrs. Will accuses him of turning around now because the population wants it, not knowing it can be. After all, he has always been a pioneer for closings and extensions. When it comes to the Corona App, he is talking about around 25 million users after Ranga Yogeshwar approached him about the enormous costs of the app and its limited benefits. What Mr. Braun says is not true at all. Downloader is not the same number as users of the app. It's much smaller.

Ranga Yogeshwar talks about it, there has to be more than distance and mask. It takes too long for people, at some point lockdown can no longer be conveyed. But he doesn't say what should change specifically. That reminds me of Lindner FDP, we have to reopen, he always says, but there are no concrete measures to support that.

Ms. Leutheusser Schnarrenberger also speaks into this breach, tests have been available since April 2020, not just since October 2020, and we have to reopen now, but with a concept. Which, Mrs. L.S. ? Don't say you either. Always the same.

Ms. Will talks about the fact that at the end of March 2020 there was already talk of an exit strategy from lockdown, today we are back at this point, what do we know more, what do we do differently or better?

Meanwhile, Mrs. Woopen Ethics Council is talking about a strategy paper for the government that would be published tomorrow. Many people are no longer exhausted, their existence is threatened, there is no prospect of prospects, and there is a lack of confidence to confidence. She wants an accompanied and protected opening. How ? Openings are not tied to times and areas (flowers, hairdressers, etc.) but to protection concepts that are better than existing ones. Only there should be opened. Points that count: vaccination strategy, quick and self-test strategy, information and communication campaign how to do it, digital platform: Comprehensive day-to-day infection chain tracking, be feasible for health authorities, also feasible for users, data protection must be fulfilled, data protection trustee, fairness. It must be feasible for everyone in Germany. Not just cell phones, but electronic wristbands that are within everyone's reach. 80% of the time, the RKI is still unable to assess where the infections are coming from.

Smudo is talking about a really great so-called Luca app that he helped develop. The team behind the "luca" initiative is made up of neXenio GmbH and some cultural workers such as the band "Die Fantastischen Vier". This app is supposed to replace a mess of paper and work like this: As a user, you enter your contact details once, name, address and phone number. You install the app. If you go to a restaurant, event, bus, cinema or any public building, scan a QR code, the data will be recorded and encrypted. If an infection is found, the data can be shared with the health authorities. The Federal Government Corona app would only work passively, if the app was not installed by a person or the infection was not noted in the app, the app is of no use.

Interesting. I understand that you want to advertise a product in which you are somehow involved in the live broadcast with an audience of millions, and then for free. But this Luca app, which even Ms. Woopen has already advertised several times, e.g. at Markus Lanz and has already used it (oh, where?) Is not yet functional in practice and has to overcome many hurdles when that works, should it still be in 2021 or next year? Once the brain is switched on, first of all, many will not install the app by entering personal data, then not all have a cell phone, which Ms. Woopen then says, wristbands or the like should be available for everyone, oh, and who pays for them ? Citizens, right?

Many don't do it either, neither do I. Then the health authorities would have to be equipped with the use of programs, where some have already refused to join the new program of the federal government. And then QR codes would have to be hung up everywhere, millions of times for every shop, public building, bus and train, etc. That takes a long time, many do not participate, etc. The surveillance state of China sends its regards. Companies and Co. had just spoken out against it. So many question marks. And then the most important thing: this app was developed privately. If the federal government gets involved in monetary terms, what does it cost, who gets how much money, and who checks the source code for malware? Yes, that is also an issue these days, who ensures that the developers have no back door access to the data? Greetings from Microsoft and Apple.

What I liked best was the aside from Mr Braun, with which I would like to conclude the report on Anne Will: The health authorities are well prepared for rapid mass tests. Oh, and why not have enough contact tracing staff?

Further news. Ms. Dreyer, Prime Minister of Rhineland-Palatinate, wants to give quick tests to organizers, restaurants, museums, and almost all businesses, so as to ban the risk of infection and open it up to them. What she does not say: Where do you want to get the millions of rapid tests for your federal state alone, who should pay for it and how you deal with the high error rate in the rapid tests. She sees a corresponding approach in the spring and summer of this year. Spahn had suggested that self-use rapid tests should be handed in for 1 euro. Exactly, since this test has to be done almost every day, who pays for it? But Ms. Dreyer has even more strange ideas: Shopping now, but with an appointment. Huh? Yes, that's the way it is, you get an appointment in a retail store with a household, then you can go shopping alone, listen to music at Saturn, try on clothes at C&A or mess around in the hardware store. And everyone is only there for me and my family. And during the ventilation break everyone has to go out, nothing works. But the shops don't sell a lot during the day, so it is cheaper to close them again, Ms. Dreyer. I think some should ventilate their heads.

In my opinion, interesting news is the proposal from the Secretary General of the German Society for Immunology. In particular, due to the amount of news circulating about the AstraZeneca vaccine, Ms. Merkel should set an example and be vaccinated with this vaccine live on television. Especially when it suddenly comes out that the vaccine is much better

and more effectively than previously published. Also for the elderly. The STIKO also wants to change the recommendations for this vaccine. Allegedly there are 6-digit amounts of the vaccination doses of this substance in depots in various federal states unused. So, as I said, the idea is great, but who will check that Ms. Merkel will also have and receive exactly this vaccine in the syringe live? And the whole thing isn't a show event? I would be highly skeptical about that.

Since Mr. Konstantin Kuhle, member of the Bundestag of the FDP, works in the constituency of Göttingen, where I live, he has to serve as well today. At Phoenix "Unter den Linden" he criticizes the unreliability of the federal government's planning. There must be reliable, binding plans for openings by the end of April May that citizens and businesses are aware of. What he does not reveal: How is anyone supposed to play this clairvoyant when many components are missing: How far is the vaccination until then, how long does the vaccination help at all, this is what the mutations do, what are the infection values, etc.? You can predict a lot, but nobody can see clairvoyantly. If you now say that everything will be open from April and everything will take place and from mid-March the mutations will increase, then it will not work after all. It is the same with his criticism that Germany has closed its borders again, e.g. with the Czech Republic, or introduced controls without consulting the EU. It must always be done in coordination with the EU. Oh, what does he say then to France, who want to introduce controls from today on Germany and Denmark? Since when has there been a complete agreement in the EU. Vaccine topic: Hungary and other EU countries have now made their own purchases and vaccinated because that doesn't work out with the EU. Spahn himself had made purchases for Germany at the beginning, they just kind of fizzled out. So, WHEN did the EU make an agreement? For example, when taking in 300 refugees at sea? Not even there.

My outlook on 3.3. to the next Prime Minister's Conference with Merkel: Openings all along the line, NATURALLY with special hygiene concepts and distance and mask and and and. I can no longer hear the S... .s, neither can the participants. On February 23, Merkel was skeptical about openings. Now she is signaling her approval via Mr. Braun. It's understandable: The death rate and the number of infected people are also rising again, you have to open up. As a journalist said in a recent program on Markus Lanz: There is a certain stubbornness and lack of ambition in politics. In the former case, it is more of a permanent state.