

Looking Backward From Zero to Minus Infinity or
Is There Anything to Look Forward to That We Haven't Already Been

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When we're all rich and live on our investments no one will have to work. There will be no poverty or slums. We'll all have a PH.D. What a glorious vision it is! If hunter gatherers had envisioned the service economy 20,000 years ago the human race would have achieved its glorious end long before any of US were born. . . .

"A good slave works for food alone."

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The mother of two of my children wrote in an ongoing email exchange:

I have mixed feelings about this impending crash, just as I have mixed feelings about most things! A sense of righteous justice when a decrepit system inevitably topples due to its own imbalance & corruption, yet on the hand, crisis & chaos are not conducive to my children's immediate health & safety.

I responded in my wordy way [clarified by amendment and extension for this publication]:

I don't wish for or welcome chaos but if we do nothing it will inevitably come. We can attempt to awaken one another to the danger and postpone or avert it but complacency is hard to penetrate. On the other hand, I've told each of the children at one time or another that they must get all they can while they can. I've also mentioned to anyone who would listen, especially the oldest and her husband, that they should prepare a rural retreat with at least the potential for independent survival. That is: tools and seed for producing one's own food supply.

Getting all you can for yourself now allows the necessary preparation, while adding momentum to the downhill fall of the economy. But few need rationales for greed. Plus, there's the danger that the religious fanatics and econo-fascist true believers, being at first encouraged in their stupidity, will finally see the dead end course of the human race and decide to give Armageddon and the rapture an assist. "If I can't have more than my fair share then nobody gets anything."

But there's another reason for the children, especially, to take what they can now. For each succeeding generation the age at which workers are discarded, including engineers and middle management, grows younger. Outsourcing exacerbates this. The overall pursuit of profits through cheaper labor is obviously a dissipative and self destructive process. It destroys the community for the benefit of a few parasites. It discards US for a theoretical market of middle class Chinese etc. Sure, the Chinese will buy back their own products at a markup and we'll all live on our investments. That facet of service economic, supply side theory is a projection of mathematically impossible foolishness. P. T. Barnum's "some of the people all of the time" will never learn to comprehend equilibrium or to balance an equation. So, in the end it doesn't matter what we want or what should be. Our best chance of survival, both as individuals and as a species, is to appreciate reality for what it is and to act accordingly. Work and hope for the best outcome, while preparing for the worst.

It is sad that even when we perceive a problem, we tend to find ways to fix the blame, instead of solving it. And then, we choose a too narrow channel into which we may pour all responsibility and fault, instead of trying to find comprehensive understanding and solutions. This ends up a diversion in defense of the status quo of rich making the rest of US poor by appropriating and concentrating the wealth of the community in the hands of the elite few as

their private property. The appreciation and grasp of reality requires a mountaintop perch, from which we can see our own and all other contributions to the great evil that has fallen upon the human race. The service economy folly is only the latest disguise of the disease of abomination that afflicts us, whether or not it is its most virulent and malignant form to date. Obviously, evil like Hitler or Pinochet may be more onerous than supply side/service economy stupidity, but the fact of the former's repugnance to most people limits the damage they can do to the human race, while the latter undermines our culture and survivability in a way more insidious and ultimately more damaging because it is not well understood and is therefore more acceptable [by default] to so many.

The malignancy itself may be called original sin. But if we do so, we must understand it in a new way. There is no simple ritual to absolve it. It can only be removed from the human race by a conscious effort on the part of many individuals. We must understand that we are not born with it but to it. We are each taught to recommit it. We must unteach ourselves if we are to be saved. If we don't stop committing the sin it will kill us. To be motivated to atone for "the sin of Adam," we must see that it is in our own self interest to contribute to the good of the community. That brings us to the nature of the defect.

Original sin is the corruption of the human social instinct by causing the community to work for some few individuals' gain instead of the good of all. It is the manifestation of betrayal of the common welfare by leaders and mentors, for their personal well being. More simply, it is having others work for you [slavery, even if the slaves pretend to be free] which is more onerous when the work of others makes you rich [the social instinct that provides for the common well being is corrupted in the employ of individuals who use the community for personal gain]. Original Sin, the knowledge of good and evil, is the subordination of the free will of others, the extension of one's nervous system through the bodies and minds of fellow humans. Subtending others to your will for personal profit or allowing your will to be broken or tricked by another is the fundamental cause of the disease that afflicts the human race. We must find a way to undo the ravages of original sin and restore our communities to their original purpose as designed by God and/or Nature.

Meanwhile we are constantly distracted from understanding ourselves, our communities and the economy we have built together, by threats real or imagined. Ironically, real threats are often ignored in the pursuit of imaginary ones that will enhance a leaders power. However, what's important is that we are usually manipulated through our fears, for the benefit of the elite few and most often with the result that new and/or real threats go unnoticed. For instance, while Dubya fantasizes about freedom and corporate prosperity in the Middle East and fills the pockets of fellow economic class member military industrial contractors, the Chinese and others are growing stronger. - China Daily News article of 12/01;05

I've been warning for years, that when China has enough infrastructure and manufacturing capacity to provide for their own people they will kick the foreign owners out. The article above, including, with some in your face irony, the world in a pinch jpeg, supports my hypothesis. We're dependent on Chinese production, thanks to the profit of Walmart and many others, for our survival. That is: the goods we need to support our lives must come from China and elsewhere. The Chinese are in the drivers seat and the China Daily news is starting to show how the course will be set.

Meantime, after successful naval maneuvers with Russia in the Yellow Sea and Pakistan in the Arabian Sea, ". . . Chinese navy ships take part in a joint maritime exercise between China and India north of the Indian Sea Thursday December 1, 2005. The exercise, dubbed as 'Sino-Indian

friendship 2005' . . ." China Daily News article of 12/01;05

On the morning of December 2nd, 2005 Senators Frist, McConal and Bennet did a warm up act for Bush's Rose Garden address. They talked mostly of increased tax revenues credited to increased economic activity due to administration policies. They said nothing about the money borrowed from China et al. or the fattening of Haliburton and other contractor/old boys in the net that fueled the financial [abstract] activity. They repeatedly tried to shift the blame for negative economic aspects onto the press, whom they said was not reporting the good news, presumably in their biased hatred of God, flag and motherhood. Bennet kept saying the numbers don't lie, while failing to mention any of the real numbers that count and claiming that Republican propaganda is the honest reality. Their somewhat harried demeanor was probably due to the growing number of criminal charges Republicans are facing. This entire performance is most likely a diversion from their snowballing problems. The weak response must be attributable to the debunking of the "911! 911! terrorism! terrorism!" alarmist strategy that has served as the primary distraction, in support of their scams, for the past four years.

Bush followed up in a short Rose Garden address, in which he claimed credit for 4.5 million new jobs and 215,000 last month. He said nothing about the retail Christmas build up of temps or the number of good jobs exported. As I watched him speak on CNN he seemed to lack confidence which declined further as he rambled on. Ironically a running script on the bottom of the screen was reporting Alan Greenspan's remarks about budget cuts needed, especially RE: seniors, because of the high cost of medicine i.e. medicare/medicaid in a couple of years must be addressed now before the deficit get's out of hand. (Where's the idiot been for the past five years? Why does he only talk about austerity for seniors and the poor and ignore the runaway profits on insurance, drugs and corporate health care providers?) Bush left the podium without answering any questions. He had the harried look of a dog with his tail between his legs, as one reporter with balls yelled a question after his retreating butt.

So, the service economy and supply side economics continue to promise better paying jobs, though it flies in the face of the mounting evidence of college grads competing with high school drop outs for a job at Burger King. Even as they move back in with their retired parents, who haven't quite hocked all that's left of their American Dream, a paradigm that will die out completely with the "greatest generation" of fools that have ever lived, many still have faith in the pyramid scheme of finance which shuffles documents at a profit and hopes to continue building and feeding on its insubstantial though bulky and increasingly awkward and embarrassing nothingness.

Meanwhile, do the investors really think all the abstract economic activity will continue when American consumers can no longer borrow or buy anything? Oh, right the theory has it the growing Chinese middle class will buy back the products made in Asia to honor the American investors. It blithely ignores the impoverishment of the majority of US, which is inevitable even if this idiotic scheme could work. But the Chinese are too smart to buy this bullshit. They know the difference between real material goods and worthless paper. The corporate handlers of our political leaders are morons. And doubly so, if they think I'll lay down and die out of respect for their private property. Get it straight fools! A lot of US are getting really angry with your idiotic bullshit. We'll burn your house down! [Ed. Note: I'm sure I must be speaking figuratively when I say ". . . burn your house down!" In any case, the last issue of the "Post Agrarian Times" wishes to cover its butt by saying that the opinions expressed herein are not necessarily those of anyone

we know.]

From budding capitalism and shams of democracy, like that in Iraq today, do cultures move inexorably to the place of the fallen, corrupted fruit of [America's] former promise? It's funny though, the way American politicians wire their pet media to expect the novices practicing the grand fraud to act to anticipate all the abuse and corruption we've learned in a couple of centuries to take for granted from the economically successful. For instance, on C-SPAN's WA Journal on 12/13/05, Ilene Pruska of the Christian Science Monitor said from Bagdad that the Iraqis had not ask anyone how much they spent on their campaigns. That, in fact, they had no campaign finance law.

If it's true that the fruit doesn't fall far from the tree we can expect an emergent Iraqi elite to corrupt their politicians in the furtherance of their accumulation and concentration of wealth by that and other unscrupulous means and at the expense of the community, in their own good time. But to expect full blown [so called] "free market capitalism," complete with the worst of its abuses right at the outset is unrealistic. But then many of US still believe that we're at war to create freedom, democracy and opportunity for the Iraqi people or to protect ourselves from terrorism.

The reason we are at war in Iraq is not about freedom, terrorism, tyrant removal or any of the lies, spin and propaganda that the government has employed. To say it is just oil is also childishly simplistic. However, the neo-cons count on the play of the oil card to support their dismissive postures, which they rely on as their principle defense against any and all criticism, especially when it's incisive. Their scorn and ridicule hold the gate against the assaults of truth and reality. The real cause of the war is to provide an opportunity to loot the treasury and defraud the American consumer/taxpayers by the old boy contractors like Haliburton. Corporations want the freedom and opportunity to bind the entire Earth in contracts of service to the enlargement of their wealth and to be secure to profit from all activities of all people everywhere. Oil plays big in the expansion of the XNat [Multi-National] corporate empire but banking/finance has the lead role. [see World Bank and IMF]

One of the minor players we may be hearing more from is Black Water Security. AP and CNN articles from April 2004 hint that it was the murder and mutilation of four of their mercenaries that led to the massacre and assault on Falujah? Were they involved in shooting of blacks who were trying to escape on the bridge in New Orleans? It's been suggested that they tend to over react, hence the Falujah reprisals against them. Their armament makes a non-combatant status questionable. This mercenary private army of zealots is frighteningly similar to the SS and SA in character if not organization. And they're doggedly loyal to Bush and the neo-cons. The German security forces existed as paramilitary militias associated with the Nazi Party several years before the Reichstag ceded its powers to the Reich Government of Chancellor Adolf Hitler in 1933 by passing the infamous Enabling Act. According to Wikipedia:

Law to remedy the need of the people and the Reich

The Reichstag has enacted the following law, which has the agreement of the Reichsrat and meets the requirements for a constitutional amendment, which is hereby announced:

Article 1

In addition to the procedure prescribed by the constitution [i.e. decision by the Reichstag], laws of the Reich may also be enacted by the government of the Reich. This includes laws as

referred to by Articles 85 sentence 2 and Article 87 of the constitution.¹

Article 2

Laws enacted by the government of the Reich may deviate from the constitution as long as they do not affect the institutions of the Reichstag and the Reichsrat. The rights of the President remain undisturbed.

Article 3

Laws enacted by the government of the 'Reich' shall be issued by the Chancellor and announced in the Reich Law Gazette. They shall take effect on the day following the announcement, unless they prescribe a different date. Articles 68 to 77 of the constitution do not apply to laws enacted by the Reich government.²

Article 4

Reich treaties with foreign states which affect matters of Reich legislation shall not require the approval of the bodies concerned with legislation. The government of the Reich shall issue the regulations required for the execution of such treaties.

Article 5

This law takes effect with the day of its proclamation. It loses force on April 1, 1937 or if the present Reich government is replaced by another.

I find the sunset provision particularly amusing.

Hold on! Wait a minute. We can list all the individual types of abuse, corruption and dysfunction there are and yet never see that a basic cause of decline is the individual desire to produce the greatest income from, instead the greatest good for the community. This is the germ of the process by which the natural social instinct, the motivation to form communities for our mutual well being, is corrupted to the advancement and enrichment of a few elites. This is where God and Nature are undone. We must undo this abomination and restore government that will, among other duties, "promote the general Welfare." Our leaders have betrayed our communities for their own well being. It's the artificial aggrandizement of individuals that confounds and confuses our morality, ethics and philosophy. It is original sin.

We can pretend that strength and personal power are our own private traits but we can't have them without the consent of the community we interact with. There is no such thing as an individual without a group to define it. Those who are economically successful are permitted by the group to use their strength or cunning to take what they want of what the community produces, through common effort, for the general well being. What are we thinking of to allow the perversion of selfishness and greed to threaten our society and security? No matter how strong the will of a tyrant, it shall not prevail without the permission of us all. In a true democracy it's a collective permission. In our's it's granted by leaders in a highly organized and corrupt scheme of nepotism and favoritism, encoded in law, while natural strength and intelligence are largely ignored. Whether or not corrupt systems pretend to democracy, the result is a deluded population who are conned and/or coerced through organized and unenlightened violence into allowing an elite few to hoard the wealth of the community, while believing there's nothing we can do about it.

Our financial institutions and corporations take wealth from our common production and concentrate it in the hands of paper people and their investor/owners. They profit from the purchases of consumer/taxpayers, and increase the profit by paying the consumers less for their

labor. Whether as individuals or collectively by the taxes the rich don't pay to our government, the collective consumer of the community, the reduced incomes of the buyers must be supplemented by increased debt, borrowed back from those who have profited from our labor, to keep the kite flying. Ironically, the rich grow richer by undermining the consumers, who are the source of the profit that translates into wealth. Have they heard of equilibrium or dissipative systems? No, they don't think there is anything to worry about as long as no one notices the irrationality or makes negative, glass half empty comments. Do you see a little part of the problem now?

Is it just a difference of opinion? If one believes the demonstrable truth to be that one gains and no harm is done, when harm is done, then denial of the reality by claiming a mere clash of opinion when confronted, is dishonest. Their belief in such unreality is not harmless to those at whose expense they profit, whether they gain from individuals or the community [the collection of individual taxpayer/consumer units]. Their belief is harmful to US all, as is the principle that one should be free to own slaves, while denying the slaves right to be free. To say that one's opinion merely differs with that of the slave denies the reality of one's evil desire to profit at the expense of work by others. Do your own work. That which we do belongs to US and you may not profit from it. We're on to you. It won't be long now. We'll find a way to bring you down for our own well being and genuine security.

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If we vote in the Democrats things will get a little better, for most people . . . for a little while.

The best chance for real change is to stress the system by pushing it in the destructive direction its already moving. To do this we retain Republican domination. They are stupidly and childishly selfish in their pursuit of profit from the works of others. They disdain ordinary consumer/taxpayers of the communities that are the ultimate source of all profit, including theirs of course. If we simply allow them to continue the pyramid fraud of so called "free market capitalism," they will completely dissipate the substance of the economy that sustains our lives. The imaginary profit from loans and investment allows consumption of real goods that are the products of real work but give in return for their keep only a burden on real economic activity, that's the basis of our survival. Increasing investor return by cutting wages undermines the consumer, the source of profits. Wall street is all bubble. It attempts to make something from thin air. It is as impossible as perpetual motion. To see the dissipative effect of capital gains on economy imagine a world of all investors, in which no one does real work to make any product or raise any crops. We must change this absurd state of affairs. Real change is only possible when it becomes known to a critical mass of the population that the unconscious self destruction of the financial (all service) economy will kill US all. Our economic and political leaders are like unruly and greedy children in need of guidance. Worse, they are like children playing with real guns and live ammunition, the financial tools of economic tyranny. Their blind greed can only take US all down with them. That's what must follow, if we allow their dissipative, imaginative and imaginary money making schemes to continue.

FDR saw this inevitability during the Great Depression. The New Deal temporarily reversed the dissipation by raising taxes on the rich, putting people to work and ultimately raising wages by

empowering unions. The cons have hated him ever since for saving their butts. They didn't understand that their fraud had broken itself. In the profundity of their stupidity, they only wanted to continue making maximum profit on the work of others. They didn't understand that the profit, especially the purely abstract profit of banking, insurance and capital finance, was the cause of the collapse, which threatened everyone's well being. Since then their heirs, the neo-cons, have recreated and refined demagogic techniques to reverse opinions about the common sense solutions that FDR implemented. Too few people today, as in the 1920's, are aware that the money making scams from privatization and government delegation of responsibility through contracting, as they borrow and spend while reducing taxes on the beneficiaries of the spending, is twice the recipe for disaster that preceded the crash of '29. The childish selfishness and stupidity of the neo-cons is degenerate beyond the imagination of the fools who ruined the world of 1929.

The Republicans are so blind that they see none of this. They only see that they can individually grow richer by squeezing more out of the population; taking more from the consumer/taxpayers who must buy the products to provide the profit. Individuals see outsourcing as a way to increase profits. None see the cumulative effect of this dissipative practice. None see that the American communities that buy the products are being impoverished. They don't want to see the truth. The service economy theorists will tell US we're building up middle classes around the world to buy the products that are increasingly made there. We'll have jobs managing this activity. Get real! Once the Chinese have all the factories and buildings they need, they won't need US to service anything. Open your eyes and look at the direction we're moving. See how far down the road to self destruction we are. Look at the trade imbalance. Look at the falling value of the dollar. Look at the real wealth of our country, our productive capacity, being sold out for a handful of devaluing beans, that are being hoarded by fewer and fewer of US and stashed in the Cayman Islands. Look at the increasing destitution of the middle class, the college grads working at McDonald's, growing poverty and homelessness. (31 million increased to 37 million poor in America since 2000 - 20%) Look at the economy that the administration says is growing. It's all the abstract activity of banks, insurance companies, wall street investors and government treasury looting contractors [privatization] that are a burden that must be supported by a real economy of production and consumption of real goods and real taxes or loans back of our money from our masters, the Chinese. The real economic activity, production, has been sold out around the world and the profits stolen by the elite rulers. If we killed all our leaders and the corporate entities that owned them, we would not be guilty of murder, by reason of self defense.

Corporate persons, or paper people such as they are, are immortal. These immortals and the heirs of their principal owners [stockholders] must eventually concentrate all the property in their elite hands. As a direct consequence we must have less and less, especially if we're not even employed to make the products on which they profit. If no one anywhere made any products and we all lived on investments . . . well, need I say more. A child can see that a superstructure cannot stand when its foundation has been destroyed. The top of this pyramid scheme we pretend is an economy must fall when it has consumed its base. Without regaining real economic activity in America, the abstract and imaginary activity of business and finance cannot be sustained. Service what? The shortsighted greed of the elite few is killing US all. Their profit is always a liability to the economy. It moves US in the direction of collapse, no matter how slowly. Its exaggeration today has accelerated the pace of the dissipation that profit must always cause, even when small and therefore less malignant.

We are moving in the direction of self destruction. There is no doubt about it. I wonder, though,

if a critical mass of US will catch on in time, not only to the impossibility of our pyramid scheme of financial economy but also to the reality. We have the power. We can reverse the self destructive course set by the corporate empire and the politicians they own. We can insist that the betrayal of the American Community, by the elite few, be avenged. We can starve them to death. We can stop servicing their infrastructure. We can quit building their homes and offices. We can quit delivering their food and water. They wouldn't last a month without US to take care of them. If we organize ourselves and prepare adequately for what we know we will do, we can out last them. But I doubt a long struggle would be necessary. If we show our strength, if we act in unison and demonstrate grim determination to be free of their destructive influence and rule, they will concede within 24 hours. We don't need them to live. They need US! We have only to act to make it so!

No God or Hero will save US! We must save ourselves. All we'll get from political/economic leaders is more of the same old con.

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No economist or banker, ceo etc. is anything but a high class con artist with an impressive vocabulary and a stupendous line of bullshit. When I see the deference congress people of both parties pay to Alan Greenspan's "wisdom" and person and the same being presumed with board member and nominee for chairman Ben Bernanke, even as he sits for his confirmation, I know to expect little relief from the ravages of corporate fraud and economic terrorist tyranny of the multi-national pillagers of America and the world. They are onerous! We know they are fraudulent because they exist. Descartes knew of his existence because he thought. We know our leaders steal because we perceive them to be as they have been for thousands of years. They appear to be so because they are . . . selfish, self aggrandizing and with nothing but disdain for the consumer/taxpayers and workers of the communities that are the sources of their power, profits and wealth.

Our leaders will not leave Iraq until they've grown as rich as possible by impoverishing the rest of America, to pay for the war. Iraq is a vehicle for the further enrichment of the Bush-Cheney peers, who are among the traditional beneficiaries of the looting of the American Treasury and Community. They can't see real solutions because they're unwilling to see that they are the problem.

No God or Hero will save US! All our contemporary political/economic leaders are so inside the box. There is no hope that they'll get US out of the mess they've created.

Rep. Michael Castle R-Delaware [11/15/05 C-SPAN Washington Journal 9:15A Eastern Standard Time] recognizes need to balance budget but emphasizes relatively insignificant food stamp costs and much greater medicaid costs without noting that the looting of the Treasury by Halliburton and military contractors and others is the cause of the budget imbalance in the first

place. While medicaid costs are significant, as health care costs in general are a great burden on our economy, the belief that the budget may be balanced by cutting the assistance to the needy ignores the real problem. The profits of insurance and pharmaceutical corporations and the medicare/medicaid frauds of corporate providers, including Frist's HCA's [Hospital Corporation of America] multi billion dollar bilking of the public, are the real cause of high medical costs and community outlays.

In "Starman" the Earth is described as a hostile [social] environment, in the alien's distress call that sets up the plot. Many of the situations encountered during the escape that follows, elaborate on that assessment.

There was also wonder and puzzlement in the aliens appreciation that we are both intelligent and savage. The duality was not condemned by the "higher" being. He did say, with longing for its [supposed] sanity, that his home was a very nice and pleasant place.

While both intelligence and savageness exist among humans, I think they don't often coincide in the same individual and then not simultaneously. Intelligent fiends are at best serial [schizoid] personalities. Individuals who are predominantly intelligent know that the best way to achieve the survival of the species and self is to promote egalitarianism and sincere good will for all. Those who are more savage or cunning and less thoughtfully intelligent, wish to dominate others and exploit the community for their own well being. The latter are only interested in what's good for themselves.

The sincere good will of intelligent humans serves life in general and the human race in particular. Ill will towards others, disguised as avarice and greed and typical of the familiar cunning and savage kind of person, has its genesis in covetousness of the goods of others and the desire to privatize the community's commons. In the end the scrubs systemize their looting of the profit of hard working community members and our common infrastructure in the virtual feudal structure and neo aristocratic economic facade of banking, investment, insurance, energy and communications. In short: capitalism.

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The high cost of Medicine is certainly exacerbated by pharmaceutical, insurance and other medical corporate profits. These and corporate provider profits, including Frist-HCA's [Hospital Corporation of America] looting of the Treasury contribute to the reason, are likely the greatest cause, that no health care is available to 45 million Americans. Corporate parasites seek liability relief and blame government insolvency on the victims. They claim the mythical "Welfare Cadillac" and medicare or medicaid for the elderly and poor are responsible for dissipating the economy and treasury. The truth is: fraudulent medicare/medicaid billing, like that which resulted in the \$1.7 billion fine paid by the Frist family, is the real reason universal health care is not affordable for America. Sadly, most thralls believe the master's lies.

Abrogation of responsibility by renegade corporations and the rising cost of health care result in robbing the elderly of medical benefits that were anticipated retirement entitlements. Such earnings are delayed compensation for the work they did all their lives. The government and our tax money may be burdened with pensions and medical care for the retirees and current employees of United and US Airways, who are already in Chapter 11. Two more airlines, Delta and Northwest, recently declared bankruptcy and may have underfunded pensions, just like so many other irresponsible corporations. Delphi, GM's parts supplier, is bankrupt. Legacy pensions are at risk. [legacy, vested before the great cost cutting dis-pension-nation] Will the government

bail out the newest players of this popular con game? GM is suspected of having [deliberately and legally] underfunded pensions. They deny it. Well, at least the neo-con artists haven't been able to get their hands on our social security . . . yet! What are your vulnerabilities?

The effect on real industries of monster health care costs is to promote outsourcing and other economy destroying cost cutting, to sustain and increase profit, for the benefit of paper people. Corporate protection takes place at the expense of real consumer/taxpayers, who are the ultimate source of all profit and taxes. The greatest part of medical and all costs, are the profits of the parasites that afflict the host community. Mega Oil profits are a great part of the burden on the American people and threaten general insolvency. They have obviously overwhelmed the government, who appear paralyzed except to give the poor oil companies more of our national property and tax money. Are the government subsidies compensation for plundering American's at the pump by allowing Mega Oil to loot the Treasury, with the blessing of President Oil? Will a general strike get the attention of all these parasites and remind them that the ultimate source of all profit is consumer/taxpayers, who buy their products? It will take some economic catastrophe to convince anyone that privatization doesn't work and that the burden of insurance, healthcare, transportation, energy and communications on our economy and lives must be minimized to minimize their threat their profit poses to our individual and community survival. To reduce our risk we must minimize the profit of these services. Minimum profit is non profit. Let the rich corporate masters work for their own living. And remind the politicians that they're our servants.

From Democracy Now:

"Recently, House Republican leaders pushed through a bill to make it easier for oil companies to build new domestic refineries. The bill passed 212-210 but only because the house leadership extended the vote by 40 minutes during which time two Republicans switched their vote. The legislation will streamline government permits for refineries, open federal lands for future refinery construction, weaken environmental protections, and offer subsidies to build refineries even though oil companies are making record profits. . . .

"In the initial vote tally, it looked as if the bill was going down to defeat two votes shy of approval. Democrats called for gaveling the vote closed to no avail. During the extra 40 minutes of voting House Speaker Dennis Hastert, majority whip Roy Blunt and former Majority Leader Tom Delay all pressured other Republicans to change their votes. After the vote, Democrat Henry Waxman asked from the floor, 'Doesn't this make the House a banana republic?'" - www.democracynow.org

From the congressional record:

"H.R.3893 -

"Title: To expedite the construction of new refining capacity in the United States, to provide reliable and affordable energy for the American people, and for other purposes. Sponsor: Rep Barton, Joe [TX-6] (introduced 9/26/2005) Cosponsors (None) Related Bills: H.RES.481 Latest Major Action: 10/7/2005 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On passage Passed by recorded vote: 212 - 210 (Roll no. 519).

"Gasoline for America's Security Act of 2005 - Sets forth a statutory framework in the wake of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita to: (1) increase refinery capacity for gasoline, heating oil, diesel fuel, and jet fuel; (2) reduce environmental and other regulations affecting refineries under the Clean Air Act; and (3) coordinate permitting requirements and other regulations affecting refineries at the federal, state, and local levels." - THOMAS -- US Congress

Walmart is the biggest Arizona employer. The states health care system, for the underprivileged, says its rolls contain many Walmart Employees. A spokeswoman for Walmart said employees are offered a good in house health plan. Others say they can't afford the optional plan and also pay the rent or feed their families. The spokesperson denied that Walmart encourages employees to enroll for public assistance health care. A local PBS station's news program is my source.

Why do we have de-facto government subsidies for even the most profitable corporations in America, while Americans also create that profit by working for slave wages? And at the end of the day we pay the taxes that subsidize our masters. We know they never have paid their share, even though the taxes they seldom pay do come out of the money we spend on purchases to provide their profit. And Bush has reduced taxes even more for the rich stockholders.

The China Show. Boy, has our team blown it! They've pinned their hopes on recognition of intellectual property rights and revaluation of the yuan by the Chinese. I'll bet they don't even know there scheme for building up a middle class Chinese market has always been doomed. The Chinese aren't stupid enough to buy back their own products at a markup. And it doesn't matter to their Communist Government whose investments built up their industry and infrastructure once they have them on their own soil. Idiots!

"On the currency issue, China will move forward in a step-by-step manner in line with its goal, but we will not take direction from other people. . . . Any decision will not be based on trade deficits with certain countries but will be based on China's overall trade balance with the rest of the world.' - Chinese Finance Minister Jin Renqing,

"Snow [US Treasury Secretary John Snow] pressed China to let the yuan rise more quickly to help reduce the United States' big trade deficit with China, which reached [should be "rose by" - editor]\$162 billion last year.

"He said China, which revalued the yuan by 2.1 percent on July 21 and scrapped its long-standing dollar peg, was reforming its exchange rate system according to its national interests.

"China did not want an excessively high trade surplus, but was thwarted in its desire to buy more from "certain countries," Jin said, in a thinly veiled reference to U.S. export controls that prevent the sale of some high-tech items to China.

"Jin said China did not want a rapid increase in its foreign exchange reserves, which have been building up quickly thanks to the trade surplus, foreign investment, and large inflows of speculative money betting that the yuan will rise in value.

"Asked about the make-up of China's reserves, which reached \$711 billion at the end of June, Jin said Beijing would continue to invest a good chunk of them in US government bonds.

"A large part of them are being invested in US Treasury bonds. This is the policy that has been set and it will not be changed because it benefits both sides,' Jin said." - 2005-10-13 14:38 --<http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/>--

The geniuses running our corporations and their subsidiary government want to protect the profit from the intellectual property they own. The "products" were created under contract by a dwindling number of American engineers and are the basis of our increasingly abstract [financial] industry. As China, India et al. graduate more engineers to create innovative products, the demand for America's aging and increasingly obsolete line [of hiring ideas] will phase out.

If our moron/leaders are successful at coercing the Chinese Communist Government (what are the odds?) into recognizing the rights of the capital masters, it will be an empty victory. Besides military and strategic high tech, like AEGIS, and paper, our corporations have nothing to sell. The money our masters got for selling the Chinese our real wealth of manufacturing infrastructure has disappeared in the Cayman Islands. If we want our power to produce wealth back we must intimidate the Chinese. Think they'll finance the war by loaning US our money back?

"Chinese President Hu Jintao said that Asia's fastest growing country is planning to quadruple its GDP to US\$4 trillion by 2020, with the per capita GDP reaching US\$3,000. . . .

". . . The number of the poor has dwindled from some 250 million in 1978 to 26 million nowadays, which Hu said is a marked contribution to the world's progress. . . .

". . . China will keep opening up its market, find new ways of using foreign capital, improve on legislation and regulations for encouraging and protecting foreign investors, revamp foreign economic management, step up protection of intellectual property rights, and work still harder to help foreign investors and create an even better environment for trade and cooperation between China and the world, he addressed. . . .

". . . Since 1949, when the New China was proclaimed, and particularly since the implementation of reform and opening-up program pioneered by Mr. Deng Xiaoping in 1978, China has undergone a profound transformation never seen in the country before. In a short span of 26 years from 1978 to 2004, China's GDP increased from 147.3 billion US dollars to 1.6494 trillion US dollars with an average annual growth rate of 9.4 percent. Its foreign trade rose from 20.6 billion US dollars to 1.1548 trillion US dollars, averaging an annual growth rate of over 16 percent. China's foreign exchange reserve increased from 167 billion US dollars to 609.9 billion US dollars. . . .

". . . We must stick to the direction of reform for a socialist market economy . . ." -
(chinadaily.com.cn/Xinhua) Updated: 2005-05-16 20:55

I think the "socialist market," under the guidance of the Communist Government of China, will display respect for our corporate masters' intellectual property rights as long as we continue investing in their manufacturing capacity and infrastructure. Implied in the excerpt above is the goal of eliminating poverty. Regardless of the progress they've made, they still need our help, for a little while yet. I suspect their poverty, coincidentally, is inversely proportional to ours.

There's nothing wrong with capitalism, except that it's an impossible pyramid scheme that concentrates wealth and power among an elite economic class, who are akin to a feudal aristocracy. The economic elite appear to be the moral and spiritual heirs of the lords of old and the Roman Empire before them.

The neo-conned dupes of capitalism endlessly repeat the mantra, "supply and demand," thereby obediently serving their money god. The second and more common (but subtle) reinforcement of propaganda delusions is the contained perpetuation of the distortion of Adam Smith's economic theory, which didn't ignore the impossibility of an ever expanding market, because it knew the real market consisted of the trade of real goods, not money. Finance is not an asset. It can't be counted as growth. It is a debt, a liability. The stock market pyramid scheme of debt trading contributes nothing but its dead weight burden to the real economy of production and

consumption.

Does that last paragraph sound like it's recycled from last month's "Times?" Well, I changed a couple of words but I won't apologize. It bears repeating, over and over again!

Is stock debt or ownership? The notion that ownership of stock is ownership of the corporation that issued it is a common delusion. If stock was purchased when issued, the investment helped finance an enterprise. There is no requirement for an entity which finances its operation with a stock sale to repay that debt or even a dividend on it. You can sell the stock on the market, if you can find a buyer. If your trading of the imaginary commodity we call stock, which is really borrowed capital, is successful, you can buy real products and property with the profits. No such abstract activity increases the amount of real goods in the world. But with the help of Federal Reserve Banks, a consortium of private banks, to whom congress has delegated its constitutional responsibility of minting coin etc., more money may be created to represent the same amount of goods. If you can't see where this is going, you haven't been paying attention.

money = goods; //real, stands for a material thing
money = profit [financial]; //imaginary
profit on trade of real goods; //complex

The imaginary part of our complex economy is growing. Most know that you can't make something from nothing. Perpetual motion is impossible. The service/ownership economy moves people and money around in a spiraling motion away from any real product :: real wealth. It is a dissipative system moving in the direction of all investors and no real workers to produce real products. [Editor's note: Products of the imagination, intellectual properties, are hard to secure. When such imaginary products are produced under contract or purchased by some Mega XNAT, the creator benefits little compared to the monster that owns our thoughts before we think them. The Chinese probably see themselves as liberators. Besides, "plagiarism is the basis of all culture." - I heard Pete Seeger say that but he may have borrowed it from someone else.] Anyone with half a brain can see the obvious end to the road, if they're willing to look. That small group obviously does not include economists.

The impoverishment of consumers correlates to the increase of imaginary component of money due to the growing proportion of economy that's abstract. All outsourcing is complex, with the greatest part imaginary, i.e. financial. In the Biblical sense, all money made off money is usury. It expands the money supply without increasing the number of goods. As people must borrow to consume and live, while having incomes limited to increase profits further and support the totally imaginary and parasitic profit of the financial industry, the hole we're digging can only get deeper. We may not know how deep the bottom will be but the increase in bankruptcies is an indication of the efficiency of the abstract economy's power shovel. And trying to stop it by criminalizing poverty [the direction of "bankruptcy reform"] or the mere tightening bankruptcy eligibility that's taken place so far, is like prosecuting a rape victim to protect the rapist.

Dissipative economy in the service of an elite few is what is. It can't work, because it is a pyramid scheme. There are two types of people who defend the status quo. One is the kind who is, wants to be or thinks he is in on the scam. This person sees a "good thing going" and will not see it changed, "on his watch." The other kind of person is an ideologue/fool. There is an almost total union between these sets. In fact, the former can be said to be a subset of the latter, if you include the inability or unwillingness to see the impossibility of the Ponzi that concentrates wealth as the ratiocinations of fools.

What's really going on with stock corporations may also fit two compatible paradigms. In the first, the economic elite finance entrepreneurs. The burden of providing profit for the stockholders limits the probability of success of any new endeavor. The choice of where to make their investments gives control of the future of human race to those who acquired capital in the past. This line, though with some families displaced by successful nouveau riche, can be traced back to feudal times. Capitalism of this form helps to secure the wealth of those who have it. Their profit is the community's loss. They are and always have been parasites that feed on individual profit from the communities we formed for our common good.

The profit of all enterprises is ultimately based on the purchases of the consumer/taxpayers of the general community of the human race. In the first place, the organized efforts of communities are required to create any material product that may be sold at a profit. In the case of the second model for stock corporations, the capital for the initiative is also gathered from the community in the form of consumer stock purchases. In most cases the two paradigms, elite or general stock ownership, operate simultaneously, with the former source of investment dominating the latter. In the cyclic stock market crashes it is mostly the latter who lose their investments. This, of course, is true of any Ponzi or pyramid scheme.

September, 2005

While Katrina was still blowing and shortly after, Bush released oil reserves and relaxed environmental standards for fuel mix. He later listed relief efforts of the federal government and local authorities in a Rose Garden address on 8/31/05. At the same time he called on the American community's taxpayer/consumers [private sector] to donate to the cause. He reminded US of the difficulties the oil industry faces, while promising his efforts would take some pressure off fuel prices. Mega-Oil responded to President Oil's call for aid, with a second blow and a potential threat to the solvency of many Americans, who are depleting their already low credit reserves and find themselves unable to stay clothed, housed, fed and transported to and from work on their incomes alone. Petro-manic profiteers heeded the presidents call by taking advantage of the opportunity presented by the natural disaster to raise gasoline prices 30 cents per gallon immediately and bumped the increase to 50 cents per gallon [in Arizona] by September 8. The word of mouth network of corporate criminal apologists is preparing another kind of relief. They're suggesting gasoline will hit \$5.00. I'm sure we'll be relieved and thankful if we only have to pay \$3 or \$3.50.

The neo-conned dupes are also repeating the mantra, "supply and demand," thereby obediently serving their money god. The second and more subtle reinforcement of propaganda delusions is the contained perpetuation of the distortion of Adam Smith's economic theory, which didn't ignore the impossibility of an ever expanding market, because it knew the real market consisted of the trade of real goods, not money. Finance is not an asset. It can't be counted as growth. It is a debt, a liability. The stock market pyramid scheme of debt trading contributes nothing but its dead weight burden to the real economy of production and consumption.

The relaxation of community specific fuel blend standards might contribute to more storms by increasing the global warming trend. Warmer waters in the Gulf of Mexico have been cited as a cause for the more intense and frequent hurricanes. But, since the neo's pet scientists, "rely on 'good science'," have told US global warming is a hoax and the intelligent designer will protect US, we shouldn't think about it. Think about the savings in cost to Mega-Oil. I'm sure they'll pass that savings on to the consumer instead of sticking it in their pockets. Remember, it could

have been \$5.00 per gallon. Bask in the warmth of President Oil's magnificent magnanimousness. Besides, there are significant penalties for breaking the law of supply and demand. The dictum requires that all misery, pain and suffering be exacerbated by exploiting the opportunity to milk it for every possible penny. The market just can't bear it otherwise. And the marketeers won't endure a community that works for our own good, instead of their's.

C-SPAN presented a National Press Club meeting on 9/1/05. Jack Gillis, Public Affairs Director of the Consumer Federation of America said the victims [my word] of Mega-Oil, i.e. consumers, will be educated and socialized [through advertising presumably] to understand the need for high prices and profits and what we can do about it. We "will be shown we have the power to change." Also, oil companies are constrained by market forces. Consumers will be empowered by instruction to take control and change the system through their fuel buying choices. . . . We'll learn to buy fuel efficient vehicles. What's sad is that most Americans will believe that shit! Apparently P. T. Barnum underestimated the suckers' gullibility. I can see that they can fool MOST of the people all of the time.

Mark Cooper, the Research director for the same propaganda mill, talked about the ripple effect of increased proportion of ethanol in the fuel blend as countering the ripple effect of rising oil prices even if, as he denies as he admits, ethanol production is a net energy loser.

Do these idiots believe their shit or are they only trying to keep the con alive a little longer? Probably, and schizophrenically, both! After many references to supply and demand, though Cooper acknowledged in passing that oil prices "go up like a rocket and come down like a feather," he moved on to inevitably placing the blame squarely on the consumer victims of Mega-oil.

President Oil said the "private sector must do its part." - 9/1/05 He asked all Americans to pitch in for the relief of Katrina victims. Mega-Oil pitched in immediately by raising prices and taking billions more cash from American consumer/taxpayers, while Exxon-Mobil contributed a million or so to the relief effort. Will the taxpayer's money be used to pay Halliburton to rebuild and expand the refineries? As to Mega-Oil's windfall profits, they are constrained by the law of supply and demand, though they didn't say what the penalty is for not taking advantage of the misery of others to increase profits.

Exxon-Mobil reported at the annual meeting on May 25, 2005, in Dallas, that total current assets increased from 45.9 billion to 60.4 billion dollars in 2004. [Total assets:\$195 billion, 291 billion in sales, 25 billion net income] The \$1.06/share distribution on 6.482 billion shares outstanding (after almost \$10 billion worth of shares at \$52-\$72/share were bought back) no doubt offset the high prices at the pump for shareholders, for whom the cost of gasoline is insignificant. Those of US who aren't rich shareholders may look forward to spending a larger proportion of our income for energy and all other goods and services as a result of the ripple effect of Mega-Oil profits.

Perhaps Exxon will help US out by loaning US the \$18.5 billion in cash and cash equivalents the summary balance sheet indicates, to rebuild their refineries and further fatten Halliburton with those and other Katrina relief contracts. This would be a way for all of Mega-Oil (BP/Amoco is the richest, then Exxon/Mobil, then Royal Dutch/Shell) to profit further by our misery with the cash they've robbed from US and can't put back into their own industry or invest elsewhere in the glutted money market. "It's an ill wind as blows no one no good." What's good for the corporate empire must be supported by their debt slaves if we wish to be allowed the "privilege" of living

The world of finance cannot be too unfamiliar to Mega-Oil. Presumably, among Exxon's \$25.4

billion in notes and accounts receivable (less doubtful amounts) in the total current assets, are previous adventures in usury. Our increased indebtedness to the corporate benefactors will be a bonding experience for US all. United, each in his own way must do what we can for disaster relief. Don't mind me. I'm practicing Bushian doublespeak. That's the only language many of US think we understand.

Oil profits, like all profits, come out of the pockets of consumer/taxpayer members of the community. If we pay three dollars per gallon for gasoline, cap the prices and tax away the oil companies' windfall profits, we can get some of that money back to the communities it was taken from. I expect objections to this common sense plan will be raised by those who fear the abridgement of the economic elites freedom to enslave US with debt. After all, aren't you too free to loot the community for your individual profit? Don't we all have the same opportunities? Or have you just sold out the human race for a little bit more than most people have? Or worse yet, for a hollow ideal, a worthless value or the principle of your master's greed.

August, 2005

Agriculture is the basis of civilized life. Mining is near the roots of technology. Economy distributes the goods produced by agriculture and technology [real industry] and assigns land on which the work is done. Abstract economic endeavors cannot stand alone. They are a result of and dependent on production. Finance does not cause anything. It is a fraud perpetrated to perpetuate the domination of producing communities by parasitic tyrants. Those who live and are enriched by the work of employees are a burden on the community. Economy is absolutely dependent on production and consumption of real goods. There is no possibility of a service economy or ownership society, without real workers to make real things. It is obvious that usury supports nothing and is purely dissipative of wealth, but the economists can't see it. As financial corporations grow larger and more dominant by absorbing upstarts [those who, failing to reinvest profits in whatever industry produced them, attempt to lend their excess money in some usurious way] the economy becomes increasingly centralized, without the benefit of universal care for the producers and consumers who keep the wheel turning. We have the centralized economy of socialism without the benefits. We have the economic oppression of tyrants in a sham democratic republic that they own. There is no question: this the worst of both worlds. Finance and debt are the means to control production and distribution and bind the slaves to the wheel.

Whatever we of the human race do, requires cooperation. We must work together to construct buildings, communications, transportation systems (more modern than horseback that is) or to grow and distribute food-- in short, for everything we all need to live. That's why we have communities. We live, fight and die together. We do this for our common well being. What we need in common, we must do in common, to support the lives of one and all. Why do we allow individuals to take the profit from the work we do together? A few gather the produce of the community and declare it to be their private property. Personal property, the house you live in or the facility you work in are inherently your private property-- or should be. The things you produce by yourself are your private property. That which requires the work of many to create, belongs to those who do the work. The things we need in common we have always provided by community effort. In reality we still do. That a few elites have most of the profit from the works of community production is absurd and intolerable. This abomination of social instinct for the

enrichment of individuals is a threat to the survival of the human race. Of that, there is no question.

The only real questions are: where will the goods that are the wealth be produced and who will do the work? NAFTA, CAFTA and outsourcing to China et. al. are the answers of profit seeking capitalist economists and the manager/overseers they've spawned by the millions. Each of these abominations, absorbed by its own greed, fails to note the cumulative effect on the American people and on the basis of civilized life. They think that manipulation of the community's economy for personal gain is a thing beneficial to life, instead of the parasite on our production that it is. No matter how competent in matters of business each of the clowns who run this circus is, they are collectively an idiot. In this there's no conspiracy to drive the human race to extinction. It's all monkey see monkey do. The morons, the neo-cons, don't have enough brains cumulatively for a good conspiracy. They don't even know they are destroying the system on which they depend for wealth, much less the threat they pose to life. Their "dominant" selves and economy are self destructive, even when they work the way they're supposed to. But they think they can bully and lie their way through. They haven't a clue that when finance takes the lead, that cart can only pull the horse downhill-- fast. The more of US who find a seat on the wagon, the greater the momentum it attains.

What is the limit of capitalist success? The theory is that we are a meritocracy in which the smarter and stronger individuals get the greatest reward. As more of US catch on to how to play the game though, wealth is becoming more concentrated, not more widely distributed. The contrary result shows that the theory is really a failed hypothesis. Merit is faked in support of favoritism. Favorites are chosen, when slots can't be filled by family or friends, for their willingness to support the system of parasitization and to betray the majority of the human race. If it did work as it's supposed to, if a greater not lesser percentage of US became really wealthy, the economy would fail through dissipation of real goods by the growing workless class. As it is actually playing out, as more of US become poorer, the economy is failing due to dissipation but less of US are consuming it. We can either lose or lose by following the neo-cons.

When we all manipulate the economy through investment, there's no one left to produce the wealth. All we'll have is worthless money. There will be no products to buy with it. That is the upper limit to the present economic paradigm. It is obviously an unreachable and absurd end. Usury cannot stand alone. Money is not wealth. Wealth is that which money can buy. Our economy, whether by design, corruption or sheer stupidity, serves the greed of the few at the expense of the community that creates and sustains it for our survival. We must grasp this thought if we will continue to live. Greed is not good. It is self destructive. But don't let that stop you. Get as much as you can. Don't think about those deprived by your excess. The way we are going we may save ourselves by pushing our economy to the inevitable collapse. Only then will the clowns who operate and man this circus awaken to the danger they've created. Or, if you'd rather be part of the solution than a willing suicide, eschew your denial and face the truth. The system can only work for a few of US, because it is the systematic looting of the community, the work of many. One way or another we must push the dinosaur that preys on US over the cliff. We must destroy the monster to save our lives. We must recreate communities that function for the good of all. The resistance of conservatives to life, in favor of the delusion of fulfillment of individual greed, must be overcome. That won't happen until we see it like it is.

We're far down the slope and may have too much momentum to stop before the crash. When we reach the bottom, there will be only one way to go. When the next charlatan steps up offering another non-solution that sustains the parasitization of the human race, we must rise up in

defiance of the [debt] slavery that is causing the collapse. We must refuse to work for the benefit of a few and demand the profit from the group effort for we the people of the community. Even conservatives are starting to notice that their system of looting the commons is unworkable.

Click on the link. Roberts

Roberts is still naive with respect to the conservative foundation of Bush's delusion, as can be seen from other writings if you web search his name. However, the fact that some conservatives are starting to awaken to the inevitable crash is hopeful. When we reach bottom, the mainstream Repu-Dem politicians will try to preserve the "good thing" they childishly believe they have going. In that, they are all conservative and infinitely predictable. They have always tried to delude US: we too can do as they do. Next time they'll give more of the same. They'll try to convince you that you too have a share in the looting of the community for personal gain. That, of course, is a mathematical impossibility for all of US, for the entire community. It's a lottery that you probably have less chance of winning than the one run by a state. It's easier to beat a casino or become a superstar, than to get rich in a "legitimate" way. For now though, get all you can for yourself. It will increase the downhill momentum and bring US to the point of crisis sooner. The crash may result in change, if we can take advantage of the opportunity. All this stems from the failure of our communities to support life. Our culture of the past five thousand years is a process of devolution.

But there's a fault with the reasoning that adding our own weight to the burden of finance on the economy will bring on a crisis that will stimulate self salvation. That is: conservatives don't know that the economic paradigm is unworkable. They believe that any crisis can be dealt with by force or lies and propaganda. Whenever the source of their wealth has been slowed or has stalled because of overexploitation, they've cracked the whip and demanded more production for less compensation, thus greater profits. Their greed, bullying and buffoonery, of course, exacerbate the problem. But they think they are invincible. Their puerile vanity may lead US to a military confrontation with China, for example, that we cannot win. Then the economic crisis may be occluded by a neo-con promoted Armageddon. There are permanent solutions to our dilemma that are less drastic than the annihilation of the human race that our politicians seem bent on. But Americans seem unready to hear the real answers and the politicians aren't bright enough. Right now even attempting to slow the bleeding is rejected by the neo-cons, as abridgement of their freedom to enslave US and to own all that we produce.

I don't wish for or welcome chaos but if we do nothing it will inevitably come. We can attempt to awaken one another but complacency is hard to penetrate. On the other hand, I've told each of my children at one time or another that they must get all they can while they can. I've also mentioned to anyone who would listen, that they should prepare a rural retreat with at least the potential of independent survival. That is: tools and seed for producing one's own food supply.

Getting all you can for yourself allows the necessary preparation, while adding momentum to the downhill descent of the economy. But few need that rational for greed. Plus, there's the danger that the religious fanatics and true believers, being at first encouraged in their stupidity, will finally see the dead end course of the human race and decide to move up God's timetable for Armageddon and "the rapture." They're presumptuous and stupidly superstitious enough for anything.

But there's another reason for the children to take what they can now. For each succeeding generation the age at which workers are discarded, including engineers and middle management, grows younger. Outsourcing exacerbates this. The overall pursuit of profits through cheaper labor is obviously a dissipative and self destructive process. It destroys the community for the

benefit of a few parasites. It abandons US for a theoretical market of middle class Chinese etc. Sure, the Chinese will buy back their own products at a markup and we'll all live on our investments. That service economic theory seems to be a projection of foolishness by and onto P. T. Barnum's, "some of the people all of the time." In the end it doesn't matter what we want or what should be. Our best chance of survival, both as individuals and as a species, is to appreciate reality for what it is and to act accordingly. The more we work together as a community for our common well being, the better our chance of survival will be. Read on to get a clue how we came to this sorry state.

Let's imagine that all communities are like feudal counties. Instead of the count directly dominating all the land, people and wealth produced by the community, he merely monopolizes the trade within and without. Nothing occurs without his approval. Instead of serfs working in his fields, mines and workshops, he has employees who are paid from his profits on the sale or trade of the goods they produce. Instead of owning the fields and shops et al. he profits further by financing their "ownership" and operation. This is a much better situation from the lord's perspective. He doesn't have an obligation to feed or maintain an employee, if there is no immediate need for its service. This frees the master from the moral restraints of the older system of slavery, that are pointed up in the advertizing, and saves on propaganda expense. You know, "we takes care of those people and they's happy but for the outside agitators." Another benefit of the evolution from feudalism to capitalism (which is further devolution of the community) is the rise of merchant, management and financial classes as the population increases to the level that the additional predations can be supported. This gives the illusion of universal freedom and opportunity, which is useful in controlling the mob. The fools will even fight and die to protect the masters' wealth or expand it, if teachers and advertisers program a strong nationalistic thread and support for traditional religions. The masters can even convince US that it's fair for them to have everything and we should have little or none of the goods we produce. Yes, we can be and are programmed to accept starvation for their benefit and as a moral good. People want to be fair. And religious leaders want to assist the exploitation of the community for the ministry's gain.

Well, OK, some resist the corporate empire and others have a twinge of conscience or even a little common sense about how far people can be pushed before they resist. And most teachers are sincere and honest folk, who have been taken in like the rest of US. But serious resisters to empire will be demonized by labeling them socialists, liberals or terrorists. In general any opposition to the spiritual heirs of the feudal lords, the leaders of the corporate empire of the 21st century, is considered disloyal. This hooks right in to the firmware implanted by schools and media. Neutralization is practiced by the cowardly hyenas, even if a liberal only wants to mitigate the pain and suffering wrought by the economic predations of the neo-con aristocracy. They may have to plant a few bombs and blame scapegoats or their demonized opposition, in order to fool a critical mass, the idiots who support them. But they own the media and the government. They've got it made, if they are royalty or one of the highly compensated overseers or sycophants. But maybe you don't want to betray the human race. How do we mere humans, who are loyal to God and Nature, break the spell which has facilitated five thousand years of civilized looting of communities for the enrichment of a few? There are infinite possibilities for solutions to our problem but none of them will occur until a critical mass perceives the human condition truthfully. Especially because even those who wish to see decent treatment of slaves, support the underlying economic paradigm that afflicts the human race. The truth is despised by the traitors to humanity who exploit US, because they know how dangerous it is to the "good thing" they have going. A good defense against the truth is: you too can get in on the "good

thing," if you are loyal, smart and strong enough to make room for yourself among the elite. What are the odds?

How many slots are there among the rich? What are the limits of capitalist success? Is it true that the smartest and strongest get the greatest rewards in our meritocracy, . . . is that what we really have? As more people catch on that great wealth is attained by hoarding the produce of others, the community, its distribution must grow thinner. There are finite material goods. Only the money that represents goods has no bounds. The service economy and ownership society, have no theoretical limits. On paper, they are infinite. Not so the goods they appropriate for the economic elites. We will never all be rich. Never will many of US be able to loot the community for personal gain. Most of US will have to work to produce goods and/or starve. If we are replaced by machines, robots, clones or cheap foreign labor, we will starve sooner. That's the truth.

A huge impediment to dissemination of the truth is the god spell which debilitates so many minds. Many of these will kill or die to defend their delusion. How do we take what's good and useful from our past and synthesize an honest mind? The truth is honest awareness of reality uncolored by what we want it to be or think it should be. If we create a counter superstition to capture the victims of the spell, we'll find ourselves in the same intolerable reality, ruled by falsehood. We must make clear, strong and autonomous minds the goal for all humanity. If you don't know where you are, it's hard to get to a better place.

What? Thinking about this gives you a headache. That pain is the fault tolerant programming kicking in. Do you think schools were built and teachers programmed to train you for your benefit? Your mind is second or third generation software. George Orwell knew what corporate media could do but that's nothing compared to control of education and academia. Primary and secondary education prepare minds to accept advanced programming, as they install the firmware. College reinforces and adjusts delusions as it prepares slaves with the tools they'll need to serve the corporate empire. Academic freedom is a joke when the professor is dependent on corporate owned government grants. Yeah, there are a few independent thinkers left but their life isn't easy. Privatization is the bane of community and a godsend to parasites. The government may once have been the tool of community, the people. Paper people, the corporations, are immortals who have stolen the means by which real people survive.

"1877, July 14 - general strike ends with army massacre of striking workers--

A general strike halted the movement of U.S. railroads. In the following days, strike riots spread across the united states. The next week, federal troops were called out to force an end to the nationwide strike. At the "battle of the viaduct" in Chicago, federal troops (recently returned from an Indian massacre) killed 30 workers and wounded over 100." . . .

. . . 1950, August 27 - president seizes railroads to avert general strike

President Truman ordered the U.S. army to seize all the nation's railroads to prevent a general strike. the railroads were not returned to their owners until two years later. . . .

-- from an eclectic list of events in U.S. labor history by Allen Lutins.

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The need for technical education was mentioned several times on C-SPAN's Washington Journal - 7/13/05. The discussion topic was NASA. Rep. Ken Calvert R-CA, said that China graduates more engineers in a month than we do in a year. He wants US to motivate students to pursue real enterprises. Encouraging young people to take up science and engineering is at cross purposes with service economy/ownership society theory and practice. MBAs have been downsizing engineers and productive enterprise in general since the mid 1980s to increase their salaries, profits and stock options. Now everyone wants to be in finance where the money is. The resulting disincentive to invent or produce any real thing will resolve itself due to market forces. When everyone, even the Chinese are financiers, no one will have to work to live. We'll all live on our investments. There will be no need or demand for science, engineering or production, when the glorious ownership society is completely realized. Detractors may say that the booming economy of corporate and financial profits are actually liabilities that burden the real economy of production and consumption. When we have successfully eliminated all production in favor of investment activity the nay sayers will be silenced. Gloom and doom will disappear from the service economy world as easily as the Chinese will be freed by dominant capitalism.

Later in the same program a Bushite congressman from Texas, Joe Barton, while religiously professing his faith in free enterprise, expressed his concern over China's 18+ billion offer for Unocal. He said the Chinese corporation was backed by it's government so it's an unfair bid. In what parallel universe does his Washington exist? In our Washington we don't worry about the government doing business. The corporations own and are the government and use the treasury and our tax dollars for whatever profits them. If the politicians don't understand that, and apparently they don't, then they'll never understand why the trade imbalance means that the only way to get back the increasingly worthless dollars we spend on Chinese products is to borrow them or sell what remains of our productive infrastructure and capital assets. Either way puts US deeper in the hole. The taking of these plunders and moving the money to the Cayman Islands etc. are how American investors are looting our country. His and every politician's answer is to chant the free market litany and ignore our community, that the financial parasites are destroying by selling it to the highest bidder for their individual short term gain. They believe the World Bank's empire of financial [abstract] acquisition worked well in India and the rest of the world. Although they are in denial about Brazil, Argentina, Venezuela, Bolivia and others, who are starting rebel against debt slavery and look to Cuba for guidance and support.

What the World Bank did, with some success, to India and the rest of the planet, isn't working in China. In fact the Chinese are doing it to US. The half-wit congressman did have just enough sense to realize that, with the largest standing army in the world, a growing navy, air force, space program and nuclear warheads for their missiles, there's little we can do about our growing dependence on China or their takeover of world trade and finance. But we rank and file slaves don't have to worry about being sold to China. Our present masters will probably hang on to US long enough, despite their mismanagement, for US to starve to death. But it's important that they be free to sell US out for short term gain even if it destroys US and them. We mustn't think of interfering in free trade. The fact that it is [self] destructive to the community that seems to exist primarily for the profit of the clowns who own and operate it and on which all business and our lives are dependent, is not relevant. Only the sacred and most high principles of free market capitalism are to be recognized as meaningful. Our deaths are nothing. Let holy writ be served. What has been served for 5000+ years is the enrichment of a few at the expense of the many--

the community. Our individual desire to be among the rich elite helps to rationalize the disruption of economic equilibrium of production and consumption that makes them wealthy. As more of US succeed in financial [abstract] adventures, the load on real productive systems grows. The upper limit and impossible end of capitalism is realized when we're all rich stockholders and no one produces any real product. In the meantime they're cooking the books on the economic forecasts by counting the liability of [imaginary or abstract wealth] finance, the support of the rich, as an asset, by including it in the real GDP. Perhaps Bush can take a cue from Reagan and bankrupt the threatening foreign power with a new arms race. Oh, but the Chinese are loaning US back our money so we can continue to run our government, without taxing those who are getting richer by looting and selling out America . We'd need to get the Chinese' permission, in the form of loan approvals, to destroy them economically with an arms race. And we still haven't recovered from Reagan's borrow and spend arms race that destroyed the Russian economy and crippled ours.

The Chinese deep water surface ships will surpass ours in size and number in ten years. American corporations have been selling them military technology that will give them parity with our own weapons systems. That from another Republican congressman in a committee hearing the same day. He accused the CATO rep, a staunch free market conservative who was defending the Unocal deal, of supporting corporate treason, though he used slightly less colorful language. The harangue resulted from the CATO fools assertion that there was no connection between the deal and China's military build up. Of course the congressman paid obeisance to the free market deity but said China is an exception because they aren't good guys like US. Again, I'm paraphrasing. When I see these clowns reinforcing each others faith and delusions, even as they attack each others credibility, while they only vaguely glimpse some small part of the ugly truth, I wonder if there's really any hope. But listen to the tone of a growing number of Americans, who are questioning our national sanity as well as the loyalty of corporate parasites and the politicians and government they own. If the noise keeps growing it will become the mainstream. Then there will be hope.

We're starting to wake up. I doubt the politicians, CEOs and rich stockholders ever will. They've been running their con so long, tens of generations in some cases, most of them grow up believing their own bullshit. Successful entrepreneurs will recite chapter and verse as part of the initiation process. And after all, it's essentially the same fraud that has been perpetrated since the first warrior priest/king put a community to work for his own enrichment, instead of for our common well being. The essence of the scam is the abomination of human nature, in particular our social instinct, that support of the rich by communities has constituted all this time. That is how civilization has been ill-used. It's not all right to have others work for your gain-- to produce your wealth. Do your own work! That is what individual endeavor is all about. Your individuality is lost, when someone else works for you. You fat cats are dependent on your employees, not the other way around as you're want to believe. The freedom to own slaves is an oxymoron. You would better instead to free yourself from such delusions. See the self interest in contributing to the common effort to survive, in the minimization of pain and suffering instead of the maximization of personal profit. Fair? That's trickier. To be fair to the rich is unfair to the rest of US. And what does fair, which describes a blue eyed blond English noble, have to do with anything anyway. The lady is fair. Therefore whatever she says is righteous and what you deserve, even when your being conned.

What is an idiot? The classical definition is one who is so consumed by his own inner workings, the id, that he is unaware of the reality of the world about. The obsession with individual or

corporate profit, while denying, by refusing to admit awareness to one's mind, the damage done to the community from which the profit is extracted, is an idiotic process. The rich stockholders and the CEOs and politicians they own are so consumed by the inner workings, the methods of achieving financial profits, that they are unaware of the reality of dissipation of economic energy. They are a group idiot. The loss to the community is due to disruption of the economic equilibrium of production and consumption. That is: profit on money or the work of others. If others (or money) labor for you, we are deprived of your work input. The economic equation can never be balanced unless everyone produces some real material thing. We can produce enough to support some useful services but their cost must be minimized to minimize economic dissipation. While a perfect balance isn't necessary, there is yet a limit to the imbalance the human race can tolerate and still survive. When we're all rich, there will be no one to work for US. If we produce nothing ourselves will we sell Chinese products back to them at a mark up? Yeah, the Chinese are perfect suckers. They'll never catch on.

The more people who live by investment or non-materially productive service, the greater the cumulative effect of dissipation to the economy, which supports the lives of communities and the individuals who form them. A few very rich are supported by the community and live on the work done in the community by many of US. Many more in the middle hope to have others work for them and to be rich themselves. Both the rich and poor are a burden on the economy of production and consumption. We, the People of the Human Race have created the community and our economy to support our survival. To allow its dissipation, for the profit of a few, is a threat to our lives. The welfare of the rich parasites is much more costly than the crumbs thrown to the poor. But much of the last two paragraphs is about why our fools paradise never could have worked in the long run. What's very important is how the idiot politicians, economists and CEOs are making the long run shorter. If you don't know what I mean by that, I suggest you reread this and past issues until you do!

I know that much of my cultural analysis is so tightly packed that it can appear to some to be rambling. Believe me, all the points I mention are connected, even though in a somewhat chaotic matrix, rather than a single straight line. It is the imaginary, non-linear elements of the system and especially the attempt to exploit them, that are our problem. While the economy is made to appear confusing or incomprehensible, it is made up of simple transactions. It's better understood as a unostentatious algebraic equation. But the con artists who profit the most from the efforts of the community, obscure their looting with a pseudo calculus of derivatives and flawed integration. The best way to understand the big lie is to note that you can't make something from nothing. Perpetual motion defies the Laws of Thermodynamics. There must be equilibrium between production and consumption to sustain any economy. Usury, i.e. finance, and any service useful or not, takes material goods but burdens the community with their production. Making money with money is the most abstract practice and therefore the most dissipative to economy. You can't make something from nothing. To be rich you must subvert the purpose of community, the common good, for your own selfish purposes. You can't do enough work yourself to be rich.

Some of you see this and understand the danger unbridled greed is posing to our community. That is: to US all. Some glimpse the truth here and there but also listen to the arguments of deceivers who only wish to preserve their own privilege at the expense of the community. You want to be fair. But in the case of the wealthy elite and their uppermost minions, that's like being

fair to a tick that's sucking your blood. We can't afford to be fair to parasites who take the greatest share of the production of the community, depriving more and more of US each day of what we need to live. The poor we can afford. They aren't allowed much. But the rich and their corporations are sucking US dry. You know, we could easily solve the problem. If everyone who had n times more than average wealth was required to give n people enough to bring them up to average, the equation would be much more balanced than it is today. If this direct, though unfairly maligned and ridiculed, method were enforced by appropriate property and estate taxes, the economy would be that much closer to equilibrium. If the overall system remained unchanged they'd have it all back in a month anyway. If then they gave it back again the merry-go-round might go on indefinitely without faltering from imbalance. Too absurd? A less direct but more practical and acceptable first step is to de-privatize finance and have the community perform the most dissipative services by and for ourselves on a non-profit basis. It might even be sustainable if we enforced redistribution and maintained it by doing our own work at home in America for decent wages. The more subtle evils of our system will have to await elimination until these urgent threats to survival posed by finance and the high cost of medicine due to insurance and pharmaceutical profits are neutralized. First thing first.

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An equilibrium or balance between wealth production and consumption must be maintained to have a sustainable economy.

In the beginning all wealth consisted of the goods we produced with our own hands. It is still that way. The introduction of slaves, employees or machines between consumers and production changes nothing about the source of wealth. It's always been and always will be produced by doing work. Employing others to produce your wealth and growing rich by profit on our work, does nothing but deprive the community of the goods you take from US, without contributing to production or doing anything necessary and useful yourself. The use of money as a token to symbolize wealth changes nothing about the nature of the real goods that are represented. At the start, all land was held by the community. In the end it is still so, though we have abstracted civil means to determine its usage and we call it private property. We formed communities for mutual protection and support. It is still so today. The social imperative is an adjunct to the survival instinct, which is the primary law of nature and life.

Over the millennia, social mechanisms have developed to concentrate the produce of the work of many, the wealth or the money that represents it and the land of the community, into the hands of a few. Such means are supported, in a democracy or democratic republic, by the desire of the many to be rich like the few. There are obvious limits to such schemes. Not many can be takers who contribute nothing but arrogant greed. The miracle of loaves and fishes doesn't work in the real economy. We cannot consume goods unless we produce them. Those who take goods from the community but produce none themselves, cause economic dissipation by upsetting the equilibrium.

The wealth, the material goods are needed by the many who produced them with their work, if they are to be able to obey the natural law. "Thou shalt survive!" Economic equilibrium is predicated on equitable give and take. That's the only kind of market that can distribute the wealth efficiently. That is: put things where they're needed and have enough to go around. Only value for value exchange produces equilibrium. Profit, like interest on debt, produces inflation of the money supply without producing more goods. We must afford some useful and necessary

services. As a rule of thumb, the more abstract, the more separated from the material goods or transportation of goods that is the domain of economy, the less necessary is the service. But whatever the theory of the marketplace may have been or has become, it is concentrating the wealth where it's needed least. The reality is: the economy's not working for most of US. In fact, most of US are working for IT! I won't accept this intolerable condition. It not only offends morality but more importantly it is unsustainable and leads to economic collapse. It is as if the human race is possessed by the demonic spirit. IT is the desire of the truly greedy to have all the work of the community done for their enrichment and we are ITs slave. IT claims the right to plunder the community, which supports our lives, and doesn't care if we die as long as it is able to take and hoard the goods we produce.

The few who have used economic means to take most of the wealth for themselves, resist any mechanism that will redistribute it to those who created and need it. This is called economic conservatism. Ironically, it upsets the equilibrium required for economic stability and is antithetical to a conservative system. The only mechanisms allowed by conservatives are of the kind that take from many and keep it for themselves. That means: those who want more of the community's produce are required to get it from those who have less, presuming they aren't clever enough to con a rich person or one of the corporate clones they've created on paper to obscure their existence. In the unlikely event you are capable on conning those who invented the fraud that economy has become, it does the rest of US no good to have you replace one or more of the masters with the same amount or even more economic entropy. It is the dissipative instruments that do the harm, regardless of who wields them. As long as the means to loot the community exists, i.e. as long as the financial industry is allowed to be a for profit venture and trade is able to dominate production, the economy cannot achieve equilibrium.

If the promise that you too can be rich is fulfilled for the entire population, the obvious limit to economic disequilibrium is exposed. But the "service economists" and their latest alias, the "ownership socialists" don't see so far ahead. Most of them still see taxes on the rich, the only people who still have money to tax, as destructive to their wealth acquisition [community looting] mechanisms. In reality, redistributing some of their ill gotten gains through taxation would tend to restore economic equilibrium. If that happened they could loot the community all over and upset the balance again. Unless we change the rules of the game. Of course only they're allowed to change the rules in the middle of the game and then only if they're wholly owned conservative politicians bonded to the rich's corporations.

The proponents of "Service" and "Ownership" (of stocks and real estate presumably) so called conservatives, probably don't even see that outsourcing of production is tantamount to the enslavement of foreign populations. They've cast off their old slaves due to the high cost of maintenance. I don't believe that those they think are going to buy their products will be able or want to. There's no way they can realize the profits from the cheap labor. The cumulative effect of their individual pursuit of profit is the impoverishment of consumers in the only real market they will ever have. There is a limit to the debt we can absorb. Even if Chinese etc. middle classes do spring up, why would the masters, who have abandoned US, be given access to the new market to re-export the imported goods that were made there in the first place. Economists and MBAs who promise this are idiots. All that outsourcing can accomplish is the further disruption of economic equilibrium. The equilibrium can't be restored by payrolls in the US that are dependent on foreign production. Check out the trade imbalance and the declining value of the dollar. Besides, there are fewer service jobs each year as engineering, accounting and data processing are outsourced. The final joker in the fool's deck is that no one knows how long

China will continue to allow their people to be used to make even a declining number of US rich. The childishly naive and foolish designers of the service/ownership society failed to predict the obvious termination of their scam in declining consumer buying power [and common sense exclusion from foreign markets, even if they could compete buy reselling them their own products] which could only be restored by increasing debt. Never in their deepest subconscious cavern did it occur to them that China et al. must end up with all the ability to produce real wealth. They couldn't even see that China must end up with all our money and that which we still have would be worthless. Why? Because they only see their own individual profit. They never see the cumulative effect of destroying the community that is the source of that profit, both as producers and consumers. So we have to borrow back the money and then some, that we spent in China, just to keep going. The fools of the corporate empire and their subsidiary politicians anticipate nothing, not even the most obvious: all of the destruction of economic equilibrium in the name of profit is become a threat to our survival. Some will starve to death sitting on the couch waiting for Fox news to tell them how well we're doing. Or, equally likely, waiting for the power and TV to come back on.

As to outsourcing their wars of acquisition: a great idea but they'll never deprive US of the right to die for them. Notice how its them while they're looting our community and US when there's trouble.

Conservatives, like those of the Heritage Foundation, make a lot of noise about any attempt by government to mitigate the damage to the economy that business, formalized looting of the community, has caused. They claim that any kind of relief, welfare, social security, medical care etc. is unaffordable and makes its recipients dependent on the government. They suggest that family, local community and churches should take social responsibility, not the government and certainly not themselves, the beneficiaries of the looting of the community that upset the economic equilibrium in the first place. While clamoring for US to take responsibility for our own lives and, by the way, reducing their potential tax burden, they deny the responsibility for having created the life conditions (which need redressing) by having taken the excess profits they're trying to protect. They began the destruction of our independence, the family and local community at the time of the industrial revolution when they lured US away from our family's farm. The capitalists that followed have since bought up and consolidated those farms and in the process made US dependent on themselves. Our independence was lost when we sold the farm and went to work for a corporation. But now they no longer wish to support US. They want the institutions they looted and ravaged in order to make their profit to deal with the havoc they've wreaked. Well they certainly reek, whether or not they themselves are deluded by their propaganda. But it doesn't end there. Having destroyed our economy in their single minded pursuit of greater profits they've abandoned the dependents they've made of US, by outsourcing production. In the process they've made themselves dependent on foreign production, while we remain dependent on them and they deny responsibility for anything. No, they want to rely on the family and local community they've destroyed by looting to repair the damage they've done in the pursuit of profit.

Let's nationalize the government, like the indigenous people of Bolivia are trying to do to their's. Corporate interests and privatization have eroded our control over the politicians who nominally run our republic. They can no longer be said to be democratically elected to represent

US. The XNAT's [Multi-National's] campaign contributions and media see to it only the candidates they own are well known and/or well accepted choices. Marginal parties and independents and any with unfettered minds are discredited by the neo-con press executives, who choose what will be printed or aired, from the contributions of journalists. It doesn't matter whether the hireling reporters are liberal or conservative. Their conservative bosses determine the lies we see and hear about our world and on which corrupted data we must base our choices. The politicians who win election by this fraudulent scheme, serve their corporate masters first, last and always. Any good or useful thing our government does is purely inadvertent. Though you wouldn't know it by the spin and propaganda, all they do is for the profit of less than one percent of the population, who own more than more than 90 percent of stocks and everything. When the interest only mortgages mentioned last week by Alan Greenspan become the norm, we won't even own a small percentage of our homes.

Alan Greenspan-- now there's a piece of work:

". . . The apparent froth in housing markets may have spilled over into mortgage markets. The dramatic increase in the prevalence of interest-only loans, as well as the introduction of other relatively exotic forms of adjustable-rate mortgages, are developments of particular concern. To be sure, these financing vehicles have their appropriate uses. But to the extent that some households may be employing these instruments to purchase a home that would otherwise be unaffordable, their use is beginning to add to the pressures in the marketplace. . . ."- Testimony of Chairman Alan Greenspan, before the Joint Economic Committee, U.S. Congress; 6/09/05

How blithely he blames the victims of the dissipative parasitization of the economy, that is the inevitable result of banking and finance in general. It is the nature of usury that it destroys economy by concentrating the money that represents wealth in the hands of a few. Moses knew that 3500 years ago when he forbid interest. The "marketplace" is the cause of economic problems, not the solution. Every service that profits on the production of real goods made by the work of others, is a burden on the community. All services are partially abstract. They consume wealth produced by the community but they produce no goods to offset their consumption. Thus they are dissipative of economic energy. Some services, like medicine, transportation and defense, are useful and necessary. We must find a way to produce enough real wealth of material goods to support them. To avoid upsetting the economic equilibrium more than necessary, the cost of non-productive services must be minimized. Doctors could still have their exorbitant incomes, if we reigned in insurance and pharmaceutical profits. The latter are purely and mostly, in the order mentioned, financial and abstract . Abstract profits are the most dissipative to economy. Finance includes banking, insurance, stocks and offshore manufacturing. Finance is purely abstract and totally disrupts economic equilibrium. Like a casino, the financial industries must in the end have all the money and have the community enslaved with chains of debt. Greenspan's "particular concern" overlooks the fact, as do politicians of the one party Repu-Dem corporate government, that including financial enterprise in the GDP is calling a liability an asset. That is: they're cooking the books on their economic forecasts. It's no accident that they want to divert our attention from the real causes of economic dissipation that have made them rich. But I suspect no conspiracy. They aren't smart enough to conspire. They believe their own bullshit. They are idiots who want to live high at the expense of the rest of US-- the community. That's the way its been for thousands of years and they don't care to know that it's always been leading to our final dissolution.

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The first law of God and Nature is: "Thou shalt survive!". Survival is augmented by the equally strong Social Instinct. We band together to help assure mutual survival and common well being. If the parasitization of the community threatens the survival of all, as it seems, then each individual must decide, based on immediate circumstances, how best to achieve success. The primary law and its augmentation are instinctual. All we have to decide is how best to obey them when confronted with a threat. If you are lucky enough to find comprehending others, there is strength in numbers. There is no hard and fast rule to guide survival. But bad choices have terminal consequences.

In the earliest times on Earth we were free. In the early and middle days of history we were subjugated by main force. We had no choice but to be the slaves of the rich. Since the enlightenment, many of US have the power of self rule. But we have consented to work for the profit of a small fraction of the population of the Planet Earth. In the end, unless we work for ourselves and own unmortgaged property, I don't see how we've really been freed by democracy. Sure, there exists the freedom to become one of them and put the community to work for the profit of an individual. Then one of US becomes one of them and is no longer of the we, who are US. And what percentage of the people can profit greatly by the work of others? It's a moot question. That's not the direction we're going. Wealth is being concentrated not spread. The only way to become wealthy is to take more from the community than you give. But we still believe we are free. We still believe in opportunity-- to share in the looting of the community. This is the worst crime attributed to socialism but committed by capitalists. It's like trying to live by eating yourself. What are the odds? A smaller not a larger fraction of US all are wealthy. The chances are probably better to win a lottery than to become a star or a Bill Gates or even steal it like a Bush, Cheney or an Enron Executive. The greatest irony and our last best hope is that the successful plunderers of the community are not free from dependence on US. They need US to support their useless existence. No one gets rich by hard work. The rich can only exist by profit on the work of others-- the community. If we refuse to work for them, they will have nothing.

A couple of months after inauguration, the middle class Wall Street sheep had been sheared for the first time in the 21st Century. [predicted by this writer on 2/10/2001 (1);(2)] After this initial accomplishment it was time to move on Clinton's 1.2 trillion budget surplus, that had been projected over the next ten years. Using the surplus to pay down Federal debt was unthinkable. To do so would undermine the undermining of social security whose own surplus is tied up as a significant portion of the public debt. Rich bankers and political contributors would have no way to earn interest on their excess cash. The "peoples" money had been borrowed to fatten the already obese corporate masters through the contracting process (privatization of government, especially the treasury-- see FED). It was paramount that social security remain only tenuously stable (less credibility for government bonds, but not too much less) because that loot wouldn't be ready to plunder irrevocably until the second term. In early 2001 the brilliant plan was hatched that allowed the tax money collected chiefly from the middle class to be given to the rich, first through tax cuts [signed 6/7/01] then by borrowing another trillion or so to give them the same money again. The double dip treat was unprecedented, as was the size of the serving. Elimination of the Estate Tax and the current assault on Social Security will make the transfer of our wealth to the economic elite of the Bush League a permanent redistribution. They get the

money. We get the debt: both public and private as we borrow back our money again, just to live. [Note the increase in lending ads and that Exxon/Mobil has 25 billion in excess cash that they can't move, according to Fortune Magazine.] This kite falls when debt saturation weighs it down.

(1) "Q: How soon will the Wall Street Sheep be sheared? A: Harvests took place in 1929, 1987 and during other mishaps of abstract economy. When can the middle class expect to be despoiled for the first time in the new millennium?"-- Volume I, Issue 3; 2/10/01- agkaiser.

(2)"By the end of the first quarter of 2001, the stock market bubble of the late 1990s had burst. Compared to a year earlier, the Dow Jones had dropped 10%, the S&P 500 23%, and the NASDAQ 60%" --"What the Crash Means for Your Retirement"- by Christian Weller

The sheep haven't bid the stocks up enough for an efficient shearing cycle: another round of plundering of America via the stock market, by our owners. That's why the market needs the trust fund. They already have all the rest of the money and we can't borrow enough more to please them. Wage and salary increases are, of course, out of the question. And what's really sad is that half the American people believe the spin and rationalization about competition and inflation that supports the fraud. We're afraid that our masters won't be able to compete for the consumer dollars we don't have and worry that future inflation will occur if our incomes increase. No one seems to notice that interest inflation is already killing US. Incredible stupidity! What's worse, the neo-con artists who play this game believe their own lies. I don't know who is more stupid. In the end they'll say Social Security must go or they'll have to raise taxes on US to feed the monster they've created to steal our money in the first place. Will anyone notice? You won't hear enough about it in the corporate media to break the hypnotic spell cast by the latest entertainment news sensation. I can safely predict that. And they said socialism would reduce US all to the lowest common denominator. Apparently capitalism does it better. A more detailed journal of the neo-crimes of Bush is available at: wageslave.org

As we know, the tax cut portion of the give away of our money was the first step. At first it was supposed to give Americans back the [projected] surplus that was to accrue over ten years. But instead of giving the money to the middle class it had been collected from, they gave most of it to the peers. Then they borrowed 1.2 Trillion, much of it from our social security. (Bush said SS needed reform on 01/20/01, in his first inaugural address. He knew, because he was planning to complete its undermine from day one.) Most of the plunder went to rich stockholder/owners of the corporate looting machines we call government contractors. Now they tell US social security is broke. They ought to know. They broke it. And if we want it fixed we'll have to pay more taxes to replace the social security taxes they stole or buy some of the rich's stock at inflated prices so we can be sheared again. Since they won't give back any of the money they ripped off, we'll have to cut benefits to spring loose the cash to give to Bush and his class. But we're too stupid to understand their simple minded scam. Or is it just intimidation or doublespeak that confuses US.

The neo-con artists are counting on our stupidity and complaisance. There's a good chance that, in the time proven conservative way, they'll succeed in projecting their own stupidity onto US. It is they who don't understand that their pyramid scheme economy has always been working towards self destruction. They don't know that the money they create is not wealth. It's merely a token. The more of it they make, without making material goods, the less it is worth. They all see

their individual profit by abstract mechanisms, all of which resolve to usury. None see the destructive cumulative effect of their individual greed for the produce of the community. None see that they live as parasites on the work of the community. Few but the most careless and callous of the demimonde and none of the wannabees and sycophants, see that the more of them there are or the more the wealth is concentrated, the sooner the flawed structure must fall. They are an insupportable burden on the community. But most of them believe themselves to be beneficial or at least symbiotic. They are delusional. Sure, we'll all be rich investors and no one will have to work. Someone else will work for you, me and everyone. That logical absurdity is the ownership society glorious leader sees in his puerile rummy vision.

That's the World Community we're talking about, in an environment of globalization. In the brave new world order, most Americans are downsized. The few who make more money by the management of our increasingly abstract domestic economy, are the exception, not the rule. Many white collar jobs have been outsourced already. Middle income skilled workers such as carpenters, plumbers etc. will have little to do when there is no building market because the rich have all the money and we can no longer make the payments on what we've already borrowed. There'll be no one to buy your house when the mortgage company forecloses. No one in America, except a few CEOs, politicians and the rich stockholders who own them, will have money to buy anything. Like a casino, that's how an interest earning abstract economic system works. The usurers end up with all the money and no one else can buy anything. It's not meltdown. It's economic lockup! The money will be stuck up at the top of the pyramid. Will your service job of last resort, if you can get it, make your payments? How will you look in your beanie at the fast food place?

Outsourcing of manufacturing to create greater profits when the goods are sold in the existing market is a compounding of stupidity that is transcendent. The more it's done the more they say they must do it to compete and the less money downsized consumers have to buy the products. Eventually all our credit will be maxed out. In the 19th century definition, an idiot was one so consumed by his or her own inner workings [the id] that he or she was unaware of the reality of the world about. By their obsession with the id of economic complexity, their tight focus on individual [corporate] profit, the controlling rich stockholders and their CEOs and subsidiary politicians fail to notice [are unaware of] the world of cumulative effect about them. The idiots are destroying the economy we and they depend on for life. And we are so taken in by their lies, distractions, diversions, moral rationalizations and propaganda, that more than half of US actually support the mass suicide their idiotic quest for profit disguises-- even to themselves, the perpetrators of this crime against humanity.

I've been asked why I don't have faith in free market forces to pull US through. We've all had that signal propagated through the corporate media, schools and parents who'd been indoctrinated before we were born. Didn't I get the message? Words and images are a way to describe reality. But we know it by sensory experience. Communication among people is always an imperfect description of reality. You can't depend on what you've been told, by anyone. How is your faith bolstered by the imploring salesman who says, "Trust me?" Let's take a look at some of the market forces at work.

Outsourcing and wage depression has led to an underfunded consumer base. The money is stuck at the top. Look at all the ads for second mortgages, home equity loans, credit cards etc. How much more debt can we absorb before we are saturated? The belief that privatization and competition improve anything but parasitic profit is absurd. The only thing that grows is the number of poorer and poorer people and the prices of lower quality products.

Concentration on finance has made US, in conjunction with outsourcing, a nation dependent on the consumer production of other nations. More and more of our wealth of real productive capacity is sold abroad for short term profit every day.

The American medical industry is becoming increasingly dysfunctional for most of US. Resources are allocated by the ability to pay for them. Profit motivates the selection of specialties, like cosmetic surgery, while there are not sufficient practitioners and resources available for 45 million Americans. Many are drawn to med school by the lure of high compensation, prestige or family tradition. Many highly qualified applicants, who sincerely desire to be healers, are excluded. Triage by bank account results in an irrational mis-allocation of medical resources. Those who need it most may die but Buffy will have her implants. Worse, more of the high cost of medicine is attributable to the profits of the Insurance and Pharmaceutical industries than to the doctor's Mercedes. And more and more doctors are on salary to HMOs, where they'll make less than in private practice. So much for the market theory of superior medicine. Maybe that's why Cuba has a lower infant mortality rate than America.

I mentioned that Exxon/Mobil has 25 billion they don't know how to move. I saw a commercial recently that said energy is not an abstract product. "Energy is a real material substance." That, of course, is true. But that's not necessarily true about energy corporations. They may only be energy brokers like Enron. It's likely that the traders make more profit than the actual producers. [Although Dubya managed to lose a twenty-five million dollar Saudi investment in his company by 1984, I guess those who can't run a business should rum [stet] the country.] I believe Exxon still refines most of it's petroleum products. But to the extent they are involved in trade, and oil refined overseas is a financial market undertaking, they are making abstract and parasitic profit. They do not, in that case, produce their own product. They are an unnecessary burden on real economy. Their free market activities contribute unnecessarily to the high cost of gasoline, as does the 25 billion they're agonizing over not being able to loan to anyone or use to capitalize there own operations. The free market can only exacerbate the problem when the money gets stuck up. Adam Smith wasn't an idiot. He's just had his thoughts picked over by fools.

Just as a casino must end up with all the money of all the people who stay and play long enough, so must all the wealth end up in the control of the industry of usury. Inheritance performed the function in feudal times and was still a major player 170 years ago when de Tocqueville noted its tendency. But today, even if we recycled all the property of the dead, the immortal [financial] corporations must end up with all the money and the wealth it represents due to the percentage they skim from every human endeavor. Just like casinos, in the end, only the financial houses can win. They are dissipative to the economy that supports human life. They are destructive to our culture and our existence. This is the fundamental flaw in the theory of free market capitalism. It can't be repaired but the flow from the base to the top of the pyramid can be reversed occasionally. Capitalism was temporarily put in remission and the system saved by FDR. But that's a little deep for Dubya. People like him believe that liberty means their freedom to have the rest of US work like slaves, so they may profit at our expense. Their principle is greed and they value only money. They never learned there are limits.

April, 2005

If you are rich or wannabee rich, you probably have rationalizations for the hoarding, by a few individuals, the wealth we create by working together in our communities. Of course if your wealth is an accomplished fact your task is to convince enough wannabees to support your view,

so that your politicians will be elected and your predations and scavenging will be protected. In the other case, presuming you aren't merely a weak and submissive sycophant/worshiper of aristocracy, you are conservative of the present system because you hope to become rich. Think about how that works. If to be rich means to have ten times more than average, by directly or indirectly employing others to make the goods, what percentage of the population can succeed, even if all the rest have nothing? How will the real products that are the wealth be produced if those who have nothing starve? Think it through. It is mathematically impossible for a large percentage of the population to be rich. To get a peek over the edge of the box, consider that economy is a volume of social interaction which contributes to our mutual support and survival. We form communities, as mandated by social instinct, for the well being of the human race. When individuals profit at the expense of the community, they tend to threaten the human race as a whole.

Conservatives of the workless class rich don't see themselves as parasites who threaten the health of the human species. Many of them think they are naturally superior to the rest of US. While rejecting Darwin in favor of "intelligent design" by a creator, they ironically retain puerile notions of Social Darwinism. Conservatives apply survival of the fittest to their economic pursuits. They flatter their own vanity with the delusion that their selfishness and greed make them spiritually, intellectually, morally and genetically better suited to life than the rest of US. That misconception forms the greatest part of their rationalization for the status quo. After their invention of that unnatural order they then again abandon Darwin as they freeze it eternally with inheritance.

In the biological world of Darwin, each generation must produce its own alphas, who must then fight for their own power and territory. A wolf's cub may or may not be strong enough to take his sire's place. The order of society is constantly changing in the animal world. Inheritance and the immortality of paper people [corporations] have frozen the unnatural order of the human race. As a result, most of US are forced into debt slavery to a few greedy fools who are threatening the survival of our species and devastating the planet.

The real economy of production and trade is being killed by an abstract toxin. Usury is the poison that is threatening to make most of US more destitute than a third world country. The dosage is being increased exponentially and has been accumulating in our system for a longer time than the USA has existed. The neo-con solution for any economic ill, including poisoning or parasitization of the community, is to exacerbate the problem by increasing the concentration of the toxin in our economic system. In the case of usury intoxication, they have US borrow more money to increase their profits, which are the burden on our community and real economy that threatens our well being in the first place. With such "solutions" is it any wonder the condition deteriorates? It's like bleeding an anaemic. Finance is poisonous to a market economy. How was the pyramid fraud we call the financial industry sold to the human race and how is the mass delusion maintained? The fraud was expanded and is kept up by the ever increasing use of media by it's corporate owners, who thereby mold our thought to the support of their profit and to the detriment of our community.

Corporations are paper people with the rights of a citizen. More rights really, as their liabilities and responsibilities are declining with the help of their wholly owned subsidiary politicians. Being immortal, paper people never had to worry about estate taxes. Now, with the elimination of the estate tax, we can be assured that fewer and fewer stockholders will own the corporations.

Since the corporations own both major parties and everything else in America, I don't see why we bother to democratically elect our representatives in the republic. They aren't really our representatives anyway. We have only one party. We can save a lot of time, money and wear and tear on our ears if we simply let the corporate party select our leaders directly. There's only one shortcoming to this plan.

Freedom and democracy can't exist without free and honest elections or in a one party system. Until we break up the corporate party that owns our Repu-Dems we can only pretend to have democratically elected representatives in our republic. It's worse than a bad joke. It's delusional! The sham democracy and the illusion of freedom are maintained with the help of a mockery of a free press. We've all failed to think and act appropriately to the life threatening profit of the greedy few. The press isn't responsible any more or less than we ourselves are responsible for the state of the union. Reporters answer to paper people management just like the rest of US.

Reporters, when asked, will say that no one in management ever tells them what to write or what to censor. But the managers, not the reporters, decide what to print or air and what to trash. The corporate clones who oversee the news media also hire and fire reporters. We can only buy what's offered for sale. Whether the market place or its manipulators determine that we want to hear about Michael's trial for pederasty or the latest Bushian propaganda, the result is the same. We are systematically distracted from the truth about the economic poison that threatens the life of our community. We can only choose from the uniform drivel they offer. The great lie is disseminated in the interest of corporate greed. We are encouraged to think small and not to notice the damage done to our community by financial parasites, including those who own the Repu-Dem one party government and all the communications media.

The parasites that infest the human race believe they're symbiotic. They don't know that the cumulative effect of their individual greed is to destroy the host that is the economy and community.(1) That is: they're shutting down our life support and theirs. And the process is accelerating. Less and less economic activity is concerned with direct production of the goods or even the services we need to survive. More and more powerful is the imaginary productivity of finance, which takes from everyone and gives nothing in return except a burden on the real economic activity of work, production of goods and trade. Banking, insurance and brokering are more parasitic and burdensome than taxes.

(1) - we the people of the Planet Earth

The contribution of finance to the economy is and always has been negative. It takes a percentage of all real production, placing a burden of real work on our community for the support of its rich members, who are superfluous to real economic activity. Accumulated capital assures the control of the present production and the subjugation of the future to the past. No progress is made without the indulgence and patronage of the rich. Inheritance and corporate immortality assure that wealth and power will be concentrated in fewer and fewer hands. As De Tocqueville said,

"When the legislator has regulated the law of inheritance, he may rest from his labor. The machine once put in motion will go on for ages, and advance, as if self-guided, towards a given point. When framed in a particular manner, this law unites, draws together, and vests property and power in a few hands: its tendency is clearly aristocratic." - Alexis De Tocqueville 1805-1859

Since circa 1835, industry has enriched industrialists who have morphed to capitalists. Innovation and progress are controlled by the financial industry that engendered the neo-aristocracy over a hundred years ago. It continues to grow more powerful and patrician. Since that time the truly free and independent American family farms have been swallowed up by banks and agribusiness corporations, on whom we all now depend for life. They make the most of their stranglehold. As American corporations become more involved with abstract profits [usury] the real economy becomes less stable and sustainable. All economy, whether imaginary like finance or the real production of goods, depends on consumers to buy products. Usury creates a superfluous burden on the system that must be reflected in higher prices. Entrepreneurship tends to be stifled by debt load laid on by the established economic forces that were the earlier entrepreneurs. Every year the club becomes more exclusive in proportional numbers. Outsourcing for cheaper labor to increase profits robs the consumers of buying power and so dismantles the base of the economic pyramid. I once asked how long this kite could fly but that was before I realized the apex of a pyramid could levitate with no support underneath. I guess it's hitched to the string that tethers the debt kite. The cumulative effect of sustaining the economy by debt and dissipative parasitic practices that have become the norm are unnoticed in the rush to individual profits. Greed is blind to the pain and suffering it causes. The greedy parasites don't want to know the disaster they're stupidity and childish selfishness are brewing. They're mad as hatters. They don't even know they've shipped the real wealth to China or why the Chinese have so much of our money or why that money has no value.

For sanity and life to prevail, services the community needs, that directly produce no material goods, must be done on a non profit basis in order to minimize the load on the real economy. What we need in common must be done in common and the cost must be minimized. Privatization maximizes the profit by minimizing the service. In order for the service to cost the taxpayer less they must get much less service. The way to get what we need at a fair price is to minimize the profit of the providers. We must do everything we can for ourselves and eliminate the profit of superfluous intermediaries, managers and owners. To regain our real economy, we must produce at home what we need and want in the way of material goods. We must pay good wages to our workers that they might consume and sustain the economy. We must take our communities back from the workless class of parasites that have infested US. That is the only way our economy, which supports our lives, will ever be sustainable.

They don't want to hear it. They won't listen unless we say it in a way they can't ignore. But we don't do that. We stand by and meekly watch them borrow our social security to pay for the enrichment of Haliburton and other neo-con artists. Then they tell US that social security is insolvent because the trust fund is full of worthless IOUs. They should know. They are their IOUs. We know what their word is worth. They've lied to promote their wars of acquisition from Mexico in the 1840's to expansion of the one world corporate empire to Iraq today. They count on US to be eternally credulous and foolish-- to die fighting for them-- to starve without complaint, so their profits can be increased. They're sure we'll submit docilely to debt slavery forever. Some of US are not cowards or fools. We'll refuse to pay the debts we've been forced into in order to survive. We'll refuse to work for them in the process of our own destruction. (Of course the Jews who refused to cooperate with Hitler in their own annihilation are all dead. But maybe their deaths were quicker with less suffering than others.) They'll try to coerce US with stricter bankruptcy laws. If it comes to it, prison is better than starvation. Even they aren't rich enough to imprison US all. That's why they'd rather we humbly starved.

Limits on malpractice settlements will contribute to the neo-con cause and claim to the

exclusive use of the Planet Earth. Tort reform will, among many profitable things, encourage incompetent doctors to kill US off at a faster rate while putting even more of the money we need to survive into the pockets of insurance CEOs and stockholders. But what's wrong with that? In the blossoming ownership society, we'll soon all be stockholders and no one will have to work. If we all just take a little from everyone else, we'll all be rich. That's a neo-con's theory of a conservative system. Much greater than one hundred percent efficiency is all it requires to work. Judging by the high volume of lender advertising, we must be getting close to that glorious time when everyone will live on usury. My, aren't we efficient.

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We have been promised implicitly that, when the splendiferous ownership society is realized, we'll all be prosperous investors and no one will have to work. Let's imagine what the mechanics of such a system must be. We know that someone somewhere must do the real work to make the products we'll buy with all of our profits. That person will need to work in buildings and on land that we own and on which we profit. Others of US will profit by leasing equipment including automated production elements to the worker facility. Most of the profit on the production of the worker will be made insuring and financing the work facility and the personnel. The service of managing the worker will be compensated by a salary, of course, but stock options will provide more and will make the manager an owner like the rest of US. All of the profit so far mentioned will be derived from the real economy of material goods, even though purely abstract overhead such as financial [including insurance] industries will dominate the activity.

Much of the profit will be spent on prolonging the lives of the successful investors by the purchase of medical treatments and pharmaceuticals. This will generate a great deal of profit for the providers of such services. That addition may be spent on goods made by the worker or land and houses or even medical care. The increase will grow even greater by the feedback. Excess can be reinvested to create even more profit. The same is true of real estate, where by the simple expediency of increasing the price, more money becomes available to buy the products of the worker and it can also be fed back to itself and grow even larger. It was a glorious day when money was invented to be a token representing real goods and property. It was an even greater day when we realized Moses was a fool to ban usury. We saw that there was so much profit to be made on money itself that none of US would ever have to work to make real goods or food or anything ever again.

Some critics say it's not realistic to think we can all be rich investors. They say someone must do the real work to make the goods that we buy with our profits. But our fearless leaders can spin the doom and gloom of the purveyors of negativity faster than you can say "fox news." The promoters of the ownership society mean all Americans can be supported by the work of the communities of other nations. I'm sure the XNATs can control their empire. The Chinese and Indians, both with nuclear weapons and more than a fourth of the world's population between them, will be glad to do our work for US indefinitely so that we may continue to live on the profit. I admit, I wonder how the Chinese ownership of our land, infrastructure and debt fits in to the picture.

The Chinese are supporting capitalism and the ownership society by their participation. But that means less profit for US on their workers, as they keep more of it at home. If in ten years there are 300M Americans and 9B people in the world there will be 29 people in other countries to

support the profit of each American. But if half the rest of the world's population also live by service, including investment, and the other half support them, who's left to work for US? Don't tell me that the ownership society is a fool's vision. I don't want to hear it!
the vision, the scam

Reality is that the greater the overhead burden on the real economy of production and consumption of material goods the sooner the economy must collapse under it.. To put it another way: the more destructive a parasite is to its host the sooner both die. The load on the real economy by all service, including trade, mercantilism, transportation, communication, finance, insurance, research, military, government contractors and medicine, must be minimized to minimize the dissipation of economic energy that they cause. Some of these must be supported in order to facilitate the distribution of goods and have a complex technology and economy. But their profit is always parasitic and dissipative. Instead of minimizing these destructive elements the current trend is to maximize them. A slow child should be able to see where that path leads. Services that are useful and necessary can be made to minimally impact real economy by minimizing the profit on them. The salaries of the actual providers need not be decreased. It is the profit of investors that causes the most dissipation. Service required or desired by the community should be organized by US all on a non-profit basis. If we start by ridding ourselves of the biggest parasites we can enjoy the fastest relief. De-privatization of banking, insurance and, in short, all of finance will produce the best results in the shortest time. Pharmaceuticals, medicine and energy should be next. Communication will have to be brought into line with the needs of US all before any of this can even be contemplated seriously.

Yes, it seems hopeless. But that's no reason to not try. Besides, it's amusing to attempt to break through the corporate owned politician's and media's conditioning and programming to cleanse minds so they may clearly see the truth. All we have to lose is the effort we exert to take our minds, lives and security back from the paper people who are destroying the human race. XNAT [Multi National] corporations are self-destructive. They will kill US all before they will control themselves. And they're too stupid to see the need.

It's no longer about, never really been about, competing philosophies or religions. It's not about variations on the dominant economic themes of a time or place dissonantly contending with one another. Nor is it about conflict between existing political systems. It's about the freedom of the ruling wealthy elite to continue to live in workless class indolence, while the rest of us do the

work that provides sustenance for the human race. We create material goods. They devise abstract means to steal them from us. If their law or morality fail to acquire the fruits of our labor, they organize us into police, armies and nations to control ourselves. We maintain their suzerainty by staying in the massmind places into which they put us. We're self maintaining thralls... virtual slaves. To believe otherwise is to be deluded by the "Mother of All Lies."

Right now, as at most times in recent human history, soldiers are acquiring the fruits of the labors of our fellow humans somewhere. That is being done for the benefit of the elite parasites who infect all the people on the Planet. I deliberately exclude the wealthy from the human community. They prey on us. They're no longer human because they do no work but thieving. They're not proper predators because instead of culling the weak, they take a bite out of every member of the herd and each other. They threaten their own food source and everyone's survival. They aren't even useful scavengers. Instead of cleaning the environment they foul it with their refuse and further threaten existence. They are nothing but destructive, mindless parasites.

Don't condemn the soldiers among us, who expand the empire of the parasitic masters. Like most of us, "they know not what they do." When they confront the counterparts they've been pitted against, they may only choose to kill or be killed. Thou shalt survive is the fundamental law of nature. We all work, most of us unwittingly, for the masters. We enslave ourselves then forget, with the aid of the grandchildren of the mother of all lies, its supporting disinformation and propaganda, the true nature of our existence. We no longer perceive reality. We must at least pretend to believe the lies that rationalize their greed. If we don't, it's hard to earn a living. Most who renege on the birth contract of virtual slavery, die. If the police don't get 'em starvation will. The dead and imprisoned can do nothing to help us awaken to the truth. But the dead of the rich can imprison our minds.

If we're to be saved we must save ourselves. That starts with awareness of the "Mother of Lies"... "Domination is not Original Sin; knowledge is Original Sin." That lie covers the truth: the human culture of the past 9000 years and the greed its based upon, is dysfunctional for most of US. The truth is: our communities only work well for a few parasites. They are sustainable for no one. No philosophy, morality, economic or political system that's been theorized, invented or implemented in the past 300 generations is adequate for our salvation. To find a better way we must first open our eyes to reality. We must cleanse ourselves of the real Original Sin: the domination of others for the satisfaction of greed. When enough of us are aware of the problem, we can begin to create a solution. Ask yourself: How is the "Mother of Lies" reinforced by her descendant, contemporary propaganda? Faith in a leader, like belief in an afterlife, does nothing to mitigate hell on Earth today. Believing their bull takes a lot of faith and even more denial of obvious truth: our communities are dysfunctional for most of US.

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Corporations were given the rights of a person by the United States Supreme Court in 1886.(1) These paper people can sue and enter into contracts but the stockholder owners are limited in their liability and protected from prosecution for the criminal acts of the persons they create and own. Bush will extend their more than equal status and legal immunity, under the guise of "tort reform." They want all the rights of an American and none of the duties or responsibilities. This is at least ironic given Dubya's penchant for [individual] responsibility. The single-minded pursuit and support of profit without obligation or duty to the community that's exploited to produce it is a threat to the survival of the human race. How on Earth did we get here from

uncorrupted human nature?

(1). . . "Perhaps the most important change occurred when the U.S. Supreme Court granted corporations the full constitutional protections of individual citizens. Congress had written the 14th Amendment to protect the rights of freed slaves, but in an 1886 decision (Santa Clara County v. Southern Pacific Railroad) this was expanded when the courts declared that no state shall deprive a corporation ' . . . of life, liberty or property without due process of law.' . . ." -- from CORPORATE RULE By Jay Hanson
<http://dieoff.org/page3.htm>

We didn't get here from uncorrupted human nature. The first law of God and Nature, "Thou shalt survive," is impossible to obey if the community fails and/or the species becomes extinct. Therefore, the most important adjunct to the first law is written in the genetic code as the social instinct. We form communities for mutual support and protection in order to help assure compliance to the first law. Those whose corporations parasitize the group for personal gain divorce themselves from the human race and threaten our existence with the poverty that must exist for them to have excess. The rich and powerful are abomination. But far more important than that overwhelming moral issue is: even if we weren't immediately endangered by their greed and their opulent, lavish lifestyles at our expense, none of it is sustainable. Just as no Ponzi or pyramid scheme can endure (or be endured by a sane populace), the dominance of the greed of a few at the expense of the many, culminating in the excesses of the service economy must lead to ultimate economic collapse. The dollar has no value because service has only minimal or marginal value. We predominantly offer to the world as a product for sale a useless liability of overhead. We no longer make many real things that people wish to buy.

Today's schemes that herd human cattle for the profit of a few aren't much different from those of a feudal aristocracy and are failing for the same reasons that a too greedy baron would unwittingly destroy his exploitative machine. If a feudal land owner took too much of the profit from the labor of the community he tyrannized, his own livelihood would be destroyed, as the peasants who did the real work weakened from the artificial poverty the lord had created by his greed. A thoroughly ruthless, unscrupulous and amoral aristocrat might overcome the consequence of his greed by conquering other communities and taking their land and workers to replace that which he'd squandered through the foolish pursuit of selfish profit. It doesn't take a world class economist to see the inevitable collapse of a culture that consists of all despoilers and no productive communities. That same upper bound of stupidity, the limit of greed, exists for the XNAT [Multi-National] corporate culture of the twenty-first century. Any such progression of greed and reliance on managing or organizing the work of others runs up against insurmountable barriers of those consequences and ultimate limits. But the great ownership society that will make US all rich investors promises to, "damn common sense, onward to domination and glory." We'll all live on profit and no one has to work. That works for the king. It even works for Bush II. Let them eat cake. Not a problem. They have many beneath them from whom they may take it. It's not a problem until there's no slave left to bake it.

Today, instead of castles, feudal lands and aristocrats, who had generals and ministers to regulate their suzerainty, we have banks, insurance companies and brokers owned by a few large stockholders. They have politicians, CEOs and lawyers to do their bidding and maintain their realm. When they get too greedy and threaten the well being of the communities they parasitize to gather the wealth they hoard, we're told there is no recourse in morality or law. After all,

aren't we, if intelligent or strong enough, free to turn on our fellows and become a traitor to the human race like today's wealthy elite, their middle class minions and ministers [overseers] and the feudal lords who preceded them?

Like their aristocratic predecessors, the plutocrats control most of the land. Their practical ownership and control of the wealth and future of our communities and lives is accomplished through mortgages, rents and taxing our works with interest on finance and the virtual extortion of for profit banking and insurance. We're free to move up but their control of law and economy make it nearly impossible. The game is fixed for them to win. The rare examples to the contrary are the exceptions, not the rules. The existence of the financial parasites that threaten our communities and the survival of the human race is supported by the common delusion that we own our homes and businesses and that their greedy frauds are a useful and necessary service to the common welfare of the population. Such services, when necessary, are still a burden on the materially productive members of the community. The load of finance can be minimized by minimizing the profit it exacts like a tax on everything we do. It's driving down the economy we depend on for life. The ideal start towards a solution is non profit, deprivatized finance, banking and insurance. In any other form, such enterprises are blatant fraud. The domination by the money of the past is a crime against the present and a threat to the future.

The workless class elites and their middle class sycophants delude themselves by believing the working class to lack the intelligence to see through the frauds of finance, religion and nationalism by which the real "mass" producers of wealth are controlled. But the mass of humanity is not unintelligent. They've just been made stupid by the propaganda lies that support the neo-con artists and their sometimes less and sometimes more greedy and ruthless antecedents. The masters are as deluded as the rest of US. They believe they've inherited the master gene and have convinced us our slavery is all the freedom we can handle because we're genetically suited only to serve them. Their abuse of our communities is founded on avarice for the wealth we produce in spite of the useless burden of support put on US by our "betters." And they project their parasitic sloth onto US saying we're the lazy ones looking for handouts. Their example teaches that stealing is better than welfare, unless the two are combined in government contract dole to corporations. We cooperate to live and they live high by robbing US of the profit from our work, even taking our food, shelter, health and lives when they can gain by them. When the common workers that George II has so successfully courted catch on to the way they're being lied to and abused, they'll make the French Revolution look like a non-violent demonstration.

The social instinct, that which demands that human beings form communities to lend support to our survival, may be rhetorically attributed to a "cooperative gene". There have certainly been many attempts to deny its existence when it's time to divvy up the produce of our cooperative work. But there have been as many calls on it's righteous assertion when unity is required to defend the wealth and property of the owners. Our rich masters are ambivalent to the point of schizophrenia on the subject of cooperation. If it comes to sharing the wealth we're all about individuality. Cooperation is abomination. Genocide of the cooperative chromosome is the order of the day. But if the work of many is required to produce the goods in the first place or the desire to acquire the wealth of another nation arises or if they fear their own riches are threatened, then, by all means, we must get together by working harder for less reward that they may become the richer or cooperate by uniting in the defense or extension of their uncommon good. These tyrannical con artists are conservative of their own well being and liberally helping themselves to the wealth produced by the community. They'll then add it to their personal hoard and believe it is their natural right to do so. They're obviously crazy. But not as crazy as the

damned fools that let them get away with it. We must stop them if we wish to survive. We must eliminate their predations if we're to obey the first law. The first step on the path to sanity is to refuse to believe their lies any longer.

Good practice at lie rejection can be had by examining the Bush attacks on social security and legal protection from corporate vampires. The former is probably a feint or at least will be abandoned to achieve the latter, unless we're foolish enough to give them both. Tort reform is a lucrative fraud of the first magnitude. The high cost of medicine is assigned to frivolous law suits, when its really due to the excessive, economy destroying profits on insurance and pharmaceuticals. Though frivolous civil actions are most often laughed out of court, many people are fooled by the misdirection and distraction. Merit-less actions aren't the ones that settle. It's the incompetent doctors and other perpetrators of industrial carnage that settle out of court so they can keep on harming the community and living fat by the license. Without malpractice or industrial negligence etc. settlements there would be no constraint on medical or other dangers or the people who commit crimes by inflicting such pain and suffering on a credulous population in pursuit of profits. Insurance and drug company profits are the highest on Earth -- in that order. To relieve them of responsibility for their crimes by limiting civil recovery might have been good for O. J. and will be good for monstrous corporations, if passed. But like everything else the Bush class parasites do, it will be bad for America and all the human race.

What are some of the consequences and limits the XNATs are creating? High profits on cheap labor lead to mostly low paying jobs and mandates that the income from several [often part time because mandatory benefits where such laws or unions still exist can be avoided that way] jobs are necessary to raise family. Both parents must work. Family values are assaulted and battered by that all too common kind of business practice. The same neo-cons who invented the plan to increase already excessive profits whine that overworked parents must take responsibility for their unsupervised children. Lord knows no rich corporation will take responsibility for anything. Outsourcing means of production and low-balling employees result in high profits but we must borrow to buy the products and the economic damage is exacerbated by the interest on the loans. The desire to bolster profits with cheaper and cheaper labor leads to earlier and earlier push outs so lower cost entry level employees can replace you. They'll keep you around another couple of weeks to train your replacement. The old IBM two way loyalty is a thing of the past. Debt saturation is inevitable under the service economy fraud and the consumer driven market must disappear. They own everything and we don't have enough to live.

The contracts we sign mean they own our intellectual properties before we create them. (More domination and tyranny by the money of the past.) I've heard they've even copyrighted the Bible and some new versions warn against quotes without permission. [I haven't verified that claim.] This robbery of the public domain is privatization gone wild. The defense of intellectual property doesn't protect the artist, engineer or scientist. It allows the corporation that has them under contract to steal the contents of their brains before the thoughts have been think. This is legal slavery in its most insidious incarnation the Earth has ever seen. They have our minds bound to their will and profit almost from birth. This is part of the glorious Bushian vision of our "Brave New World."

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In agrarian times the size and shape of our communities changed significantly from what they had been. There have been even greater changes in the past 200 years. There were some improvements and some corruption of social structures during the greater period and the subset. Whether we place an overall positive or negative value on the changes of the past five to ten thousand years depends, for rational beings, on the benefits we enjoy. Those attributable to our social/economic position seem to dominate our opinions. Disregarding inequalities inherited from recent millennia, we must all consider the simple sustain-ability of the present economic paradigm for post agrarian times. It's not morality or fairness but functionality that's the most important question to me. Whatever else an economic model provides, its first duty must be to serve the survival of the human race. That is the law of God and Nature. That is why we have the social instinct to form communities. Survivability of the species is the most valuable contribution that any economic system can give to the human community. It's the value to measure in the assessment of functionality of an economy.

XNAT [Multi National] corporations believe their first duty is to produce profit for the stockholders. Less than one percent of the population (probably less than 0.1%) own more than 95% of the stocks and everything else. The duty to the community and to the support for the survival of the human race is ignored by the masters of the flawed social/economic structure of post agrarian times. Profit margins are increased at the expense of an ever growing number of Americans and others around the world. The service economy paradigm for profit by the workless class few is the obvious progression of capitalism. It's excesses of profit, while dismantling the real wealth of production and exporting it, make the old fashioned usury burden of finance look almost harmless to our community. The service economy is destructive to our livelihoods and lives. It's functional only for the wealthiest and the sycophantic politicians and CEOs who surround them. It is dysfunctional and regressive for most of US. Profit on outsourced products is unsustainable. As dollars accumulate overseas, their value must fall because we don't make anything anyone wants to buy with them. Consumers at home will have less and less of them to perform our assigned function in the service economy fraud. Our money will be used to enslave US with debt or to buy our land and infrastructure. Service economy is unsustainable like a world full of warring raiders will have no one to produce the material goods needed for survival. If everyone is a thief, there is no one to rob. Finance and other service cannot exist in the absence of real production. They are dissipative to the overall economy, because they take a share [most] of the material produced but make no real contribution to production. We need and can support some services but their cost is a burden on real economy. The load must be minimized. The current trend is to maximize it by maximizing profit. Those who do the most harm to the community by their greed take the greatest rewards for their disservice. Financial service lives off the real work of others. It's parasitic on the economy. That's just a fact. I place no moral value on the word parasite in this usage. Here it is a technical term not a pejorative. But it is the reason why the system is dysfunctional, unsustainable and is a paradigm that, instead of serving the community, preys upon US in an ever increasingly frenzied fashion.

In the US we're all free to profit from our own work, after banks, lenders, insurance (including medical), energy corporations, communications, transportation, government taxes etc. have taken their share. Except for the parasitic profit of private sector corporations, that's as it should be. Taxes are the right way to provide for our common needs. It's the way they're gathered and spent that contributes to the deadly dysfunction of the economy. The profit from usury or on the work of others, though, is grossly dissipative to our individual livelihoods and the collective economy

that supports human life. The service economy is the culmination of thousands of years of manifold contributions toward disaster for the human race. Myriad examples of the destructiveness of greed and hoarding are apparent to any who are willing to open their eyes and see the truth.

Relief is needed from the unnatural disaster. The service economy manifestation of greed of the workless class rich is causing widespread hunger, malnutrition, inadequate housing and is leaving 45 million Americans without sufficient health care. It is the American nightmare. Hoarding of the produce of our community by the workless class few is a disaster that causes more pain and suffering than any other terror, war against people, tsunami, earthquake, volcano, flood or storm has ever visited upon the Earth. What's worse is (to paraphrase a Woody Allen joke) it can't last. The greater the profits on cheap labor products the less money consumers have to buy them. The end of that road is obvious. No products sold means no profit. If only finance and no production there is nothing to give value to the money. What we've been taught to call the heart and soul of the economy is a pyramid fraud that cannibalizes its real industrial base to support the abstract financial industries of the rich. They don't promote production. They tax it. They represent the past preying upon the present. It's a grand self destructive delusion propagated by the greatest criminals the world has ever known. And 60 million Americans voted for more of the same, if you can believe that. This eternal crime against humanity is perpetrated in the name of profit. That you think this all sounds wild eyed and fanatical is a measure of the depth of delusion that propaganda, truth hiding and advertising can induce. Do you wonder why good Germans said nothing about Hitler? Some day I'll stop pulling my punches. My own survival is dependent in part on your acceptance of the truth [enlightenment] and rejection of the orthodox lies of the greedy, puerile fools, who lead US to destruction with their self serving rule. [Editors note: This applies to both Democrats and Republicans. A liberal is a conservative with a twinge of conscience and some common sense about how badly people may be mistreated before they rebel. Both wings of the one party system of Repu-Dems buy into the big lie.] The "traditional" kind of community serves the few at the expense of the many.

That usury and profit on the goods produced by the work of others (profit on the work of others) are dissipative to economy and are the eternal cause of unnatural disaster is shown by an elementary example. Consider a small, self sustaining community. If 100 people each work at something productive of necessary, useful and desired goods, the community will have 100 times the wealth that the average person can create. If the producers of various goods trade among themselves each will diversify his own holdings. The distribution of wealth will remain approximately equitable. Without a medium of exchange no one will have much more than they could have produced with their own hands. No one will be able to hoard wealth by abstract means. Everyone will have what they need to survive and the community will thrive as long as all the members continue to do their own work. However, if one person manages by whatever means to gain control of half of the wealth of the community of 100, then the other 99 have only half the wealth among them all to sustain themselves. Since the total wealth is equal to 100 times the value of what one can produce, it is impossible for one to work hard enough to create the goods of 50 individuals by the one's own effort. For one to be rich many must be deprived. It cannot be done by one's own work so profit on the work of others, or usury where money exists, must be employed to get rich. The community's well being is threatened by the economic dissipation required to support a wealthy parasite that does not do its own work. Whether the parasite or its grandfather stole the wealth of the community to satisfy individual greed is irrelevant. The possession of great wealth is evidence of crime against humanity.

A "crime against humanity" is not overstatement. It is obvious that no one can have great wealth unless they tax the work of the community one way or another. It makes a difference whether the communal work is violently demanded of slaves or tricked out by an old and accepted fraud like banking. But not much! The pain and suffering caused by deprivation of the majority of the fruits of their own labor may even be worse among free employees. You are morally obligated to feed and care for slaves even if you have no work for them. What's certain is: for one individual to have much more than their share of the community's production, many must have less. It's also certain that our unjust economic system is both legal and generally accepted. We learn that it is the best way to form a society. That anyone can believe that the best and only efficient way to organize a community is to have the majority work to maintain a workless class in luxury is so ridiculous only mass hypnosis or programming can account for it. As employees, we are treated even worse than those who are not free to betray the human race through economic tyranny by becoming a master. The potential for trans class upward mobility doesn't justify hoarding wealth at the expense of injury to the community any more than does the picayune greed of the average person. If we became aware that we're slaves by another name, the majority of US who are perpetually condemned to poverty or the mock prosperity of debt bondage would rise up and kill the lazy parasites in a heartbeat. But in post agrarian times we are repressed by powerful tools of propaganda.

Perhaps you remember some recent accomplishments of propaganda and are even aware of campaigns that haven't yet born much fruit. Last fall the Labor Department changed overtime rules to allow employers to eliminate overtime pay for firefighters, police, many returning veterans and other classifications. This plays on an at least 100 year old lay of propaganda that has deluded most Americans. Low wages do not, as the chant we hear from cradle to grave and conservative theory would have it, lead to low prices. Low wages give excessive profits and nothing else. It was about 1970 when the century old spell gained control of the majority. Before then, most people were still in possession of their own wills and minds. Though growing more confused year by year, before Nixon most of US still knew or suspected that the abstract economy of insurance, banking and finance are frauds and a non-productive burden on the real economy of material goods and useful services. Some may have fallen and more may have been losing our ability to articulate it due to right wing fascist witch hunts and propaganda programming, which discouraged the practice of thinking for ourselves. But most of US still understood the difference between real work and the workings of the rich con artists who dominate US. I guess when we fell we fell hard, because the Bush II scams are the blatant, transparent lies of a puerile fool and no one seems to notice. The Christian right are mostly made of the working class people who are hurt the most by the changes in Labor Department rules [by executive order] with respect to overtime. But they've seen Bush praying. What kind economic system reduces US all to the lowest common denominator of morality and scruples xor the ability to think for ourselves?

Military personnel returning from Iraq, where they fought and many died to extend the influence of the XNAT empire of Bush's class, find their job classification [from the come on pre enlistment job training/education promise] switched to "exempt". That means the employer is exempt from paying overtime rates. Then they find veterans benefits and VA hospitals have been eviscerated as well. I heard of one soldier, who having lost his leg was returned to his wife and children who had lost their home and then was billed for parts of the humvee that were damaged

by the bomb that crippled him. That sounds like a sick joke. At least I hope it's a sick joke. With the stupidity and arrogance of this administration hidden by any lie that will serve, it's hard to tell. I know that only a thrall or a fool would believe there's anything good for most of US behind the screens with which they hide their ripoffs. First the promised tax break and the unbalanced reality. Then the war of acquisition led by the fear of WMD. Many more little but cumulatively great thefts from little guys by fat cats of the Bush league have been secreted in executive orders.

The next big frauds in the works are Social Security and Tort reforms. The propaganda campaigns have been rolling for decades and are gaining huge momentum as I write. The final sprint to Social Security destruction starts with the bold faced lie that it's insolvent and ends by diverting it's income to the profit of the stock market parasites who feed on the cyclic down turns. That's profit in addition to the 15-20% for private administrative costs compared to 1½% for SSA. In the process of perpetrating the fraud the trust fund becomes insolvent, realizing the neo-con prophecy of doom, that their propaganda machine has already projected onto those who resisted the looting at the outset. The latest lie of the Bushites (that's missing a ll) is the attempt to make it a fairness issue by saying SS insurance is lost to those who die before collecting. That bull manure clearly ignores survivor benefits including those for minor children as seen in the chart below, which was copied from www.cbo.gov. The greatest depredations of social security have been perpetrated by conservative administrations.⁽¹⁾ The neo-con artists lust for profit on money or on the work of others: anything that doesn't involve real work by themselves. If we all achieved success by their formula there would be no goods to buy or food to eat. But I fear that we are susceptible to their lies in part because the fools believe themselves. Look people. It's a no-brainer. You can't make something from nothing. Not even the stock market can accomplish perpetual motion. It's gotta have new blood to suck for an energy input. That's where the SS trust fund comes in. Don't let them flatter your vanity. You'll be selling the farm for a handful of beans and betraying the rest of US in the hopes of becoming one of them. That's less likely than getting rich more honestly by winning the lottery or becoming a star. If your well being depends on the misfortune of others you have acted immorally, by means destructive to community. It can't last. And that's the most important point. It just plain don't work!

social security distribution

Whether or not we resist Social Security destruction successfully, if we fail to stop "tort reform" it will kill off enough Americans that SS will have even greater surpluses than promised by a mere 45 million Americans without adequate health care. Those are people, by the way, who will never have discretionary money to invest in anything. The neo-con artist propaganda has been demonizing lawyers for years in preparation for the loss of civil recourse that will result from the "high cost of litigation" scam. We are diverted from the real reason for the high cost of medicine. Insurance companies have the highest paid CEOs and the greatest profits of all the corporations on Earth. If they are released from liability for incompetent doctors, more people will die of malpractice and the insurance company CEOs and stockholders will stick the money they save in their pockets. The absurd theory that medical prices will be reduced is the most naive notion I've ever heard. But that's typical of neo-con artists' publicized theories. Whether they believe themselves and are fools or are despicable liars is irrelevant. Our survival depends on ridding ourselves of the plague of workless class rich and all their games. The insurance industry is one of the oldest frauds on Earth. It can be traced back [at least] to the extortion practiced by the richest man in Rome at the time of Julius Caesar. Both were members of the first triumvirate. The high rate of medical blunders resulting in injury and death can be attributed to medical schools that attract the greedy, who displace potentially dedicated healers whose families don't have the juice to buy a slot. Giving incompetent doctors a get out of jail free card is not going to improve the medical system or reduce costs to our community. Reduce their incomes and not only will medical costs be reduced a little but undesirables will no longer be consistently attracted to medicine. Malevolent, greedy fools will look elsewhere for loot.

Politicians, economists and CEOs are traitors to the rest of US. They suck up to the rich by dreaming up new ways loot the community we depend on for life. The sycophants, the top level servants of the wealthy, do this in the hopes of procuring a free ride for themselves by becoming rich like their masters. Their methods grow ever more destructive to real economy. Those people are idiots. They place profit before the well being of the community they exploit. That sort of cannibalism is unsustainable and therefore self destructive. They're driving the human race to extinction with the cumulative effect of their money making scams. Common sense and even sanity are as foreign to them as is recognition of the impossibility of the pyramid scheme they call an economy. They have no notion of the cumulative effects of their larceny. They may really believe everyone can live from investments and no one has to do real work. They're way stupid and totally blind to the evil of their empire. It's a common curse in post agrarian times. People just can't seem to understand that if you want some real material thing you must do real material work to fashion it. If someone else does the real work you must give something real in exchange for the thing you want. To work for another is to be a slave. To live by the work of others is to be a parasite on the community. Slavery is evil whether you're a servant or master.

⁽¹⁾" . . .The Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 cut benefits further, largely by eliminating benefits for postsecondary students. "The Social Security Amendments of 1983 made some of the most significant changes in the program's history. Those changes came in response to projections that the Social Security trust funds would soon be exhausted and that the program faced a large, long-term deficit. Spending was cut in the short run by delaying a scheduled COLA for six months. The biggest reduction in long-run costs came from gradually raising the age at which retired workers could receive full benefits from 65 to 67 (for workers born in 1960 or later). In addition, lawmakers increased Social Security revenues by moving up the dates on

which scheduled increases in the payroll tax were to take effect, making some Social Security benefits subject to income taxes, and including new federal workers and all employees of nonprofit organizations in the program." -- For more-detailed information about the 1983 legislation, see John A. Svahn and Mary Ross, "Social Security Amendments of 1983: Legislative History and Summary of Provisions," Social Security Bulletin, vol. 46, no. 7 (July 1983), pp. 3-48. -www.cbo.gov

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Q: What is the quality of information served to Americans by fewer and fewer corporate media news outlets?

A: Baa, bleat, blah. Sis, boom, bah. Rah, rah, rah. Three short sentences contain almost everything that may be absorbed about America and the direction in which we're moving-- from the mainstream media and official sources.

The one party system of Repu-Dems is death to the democracy of the American Republic. The Repus repeatedly steal elections and the fraud goes unchallenged by their nominal opponents. Hitler never had it so sweet! Corporate profits continue to dissipate America's economy: the production and consumption of goods. A handful of stockholders and their CEO and politician lackeys grow even more enormously wealthy by our deprivation. We remain enthralled as we gaze mindlessly at the spinning wheel.

Consequently, middle aged children move back home with their retired parents in ever increasing numbers. At least there's a roof and some money. A growing part of the college grads fail to find employment and return to school -- or home, if their education ticket is full. The other part find entry level positions that force a 45 year old out, increasing the economic dissipation of runaway corporate profits, as employees work for less buying power than their predecessors. Will the balloon burst when we can no longer afford to shop at Walmart? Will we live long enough to see the inevitable collapse or will we starve first? The president will no doubt blame it on negative thinking. He has said in effect: if greater profits can be made by outsourcing then the corporations should be allowed and even encouraged to do so. A literal quote is not required. Actions and even inactions speak louder than words. Meanwhile the American people, consisting mostly of corporate clones, say: "Oh, isn't that nice. Baa.", reminding me of Stepford Wives. [Ed. Note: Thank you Elizabeth]

Leaders speak incessantly of security, morality and values. They distract US from the destructiveness of their profit at our expense. The reason our children must die in their wars is to reinforce and extend XNat [Multi National] corporate suzerainty over the Planet Earth. Money is all that they really value.

The value of the dollar will continue to fall until we begin making products in America that foreigners wish to buy. They have no reason to buy cheap Chinese products from us when they can get them at a lower price from the Chinese. The situation arises from the exportation of America's wealth of manufacturing capacity for short term/sighted profit by foolish service economy MBAs and the politicians they own. They've sold our cow for a handful of very un-magic beans. Foreign dollar holders might be able to get the Chinese to take some of the increasingly worthless paper off their hands in exchange for goods from the source. Maybe the Chinese will give some of our money back to US in exchange for land and infrastructure. That's the kind of brilliance we've learned to expect from American businessmen. Debt and finance are the problem but the idiots in charge think those beans really are magic. The problem has much deeper roots.

No matter where they happen, mass projects require that members of the community cooperate-- work together-- to execute them. Organization is needed to build a bridge, to run a factory or anything an individual can't do alone. Workers must cooperate to manufacture goods en-masse, to operate mass service or maintain infrastructure. Wealth is produced by community effort. Cooperation by the community is required to do anything even on a moderate scale. It's

easy to find those who would organize the work of all for their individual profit. The dissipative and self destructive service economy is proof of that. Today's leaders are of little value to the community. They take the greatest part of profit on our work and systematically deprive most members of the community of our share of our produce. This confounds the purpose of community. The rich are worthless compared to those who do the work that sustains the human race. The wealthy have no value. They have no wealth unless others work for them. They exploit the common effort for their personal gain and give nothing that's needed in return. We or more recently the Chinese must do the work if any are to live. We work together for our own common well being. Our community effort is for the community good. It is not reasonable that non-working parasites or those who merely give orders should profit more from the community's efforts than those who do the work.

The stockholders of the auto-finance company don't bring you your SUV. It's made for you by the auto-workers in China. It's brought to you by the crew of the freighter and a truck driver. It's maintained by a mechanic, not by a dealer or an importer like GM or Ford. The usury of the financial industry including that of importers who used to be manufacturers is dissipative to the economy. It's we the people who are supportive of our means of survival. Until we were sold out to the Chinese et al. it was we who contributed to our community's well being. The betrayers of the human race, the major stockholders, the CEOs and politicians, have always taken the profits from the community's efforts, even when they were openly contemptuous of US and called themselves royalty. If the community's members are impoverished in the process they no longer gloat about it. Instead, the fact will be hidden or rationalized. Their spin and propaganda has convinced US that their profit on our work is good, just and the American way. This, they say, is the natural order of things. They say things are good but things are bad and that's the way things have always been. They don't recognize schizophrenia or even acknowledge mere inconsistency.

There must have been a time when natural order and social order were the same thing. This has not necessarily been so since the inventions of money and law have made it possible to freeze the order that it may endure beyond the present generation. No natural animal can automatically pass on its territory to its offspring. It may be able to pass on the potential to acquire land but even that's not certain. No animal can even hold land that it does not physically occupy and utilize. Most social animals maintain territory as a group. The dominant individual may have mating priority and first bite right but it can't own land or pass its privileges on to an heir. The human race has been out of natural order most of the time for at least 5000 years. Usury and individual ownership of communal land that, with money, may be bequeathed to heirs, are incompatible with natural order.

The social instincts that dictate group formation exist to help assure the survival of a species. Survival is the prime directive. The ordering of the group is secondary to and must support the prime directive. The survival of the group takes precedence over the survival of the individual. That's why we give great praise to those who die in war for the preservation of the nation. (Even when we cheat them economically we give them ribbons and shiny metal to encourage more sacrifice on the altar of finance.) Today's leaders seek individual wealth at the expense of the community they prey upon. That constitutes abomination of social instinct. It is unnatural order because it supports the well being of the individual at the expense of the community. It tends to threaten the survival of the human race. It can't be said that such treachery is sane, much less the intention of God or Nature.

Yet our leaders tell us their treachery creates the best of all possible worlds. They tell US corrupt elections must not be challenged. Challenges are not good for democracy. Wrong! When

the election process is corrupted there is no democracy. They tell US wars of acquisition are in the defense of our nation and to spread freedom, while they take away liberty and democracy at home. Their misguided economic policies and tax giveaways to the rich are a threat to our survival but they lie straight faced and most of US are fooled. We pretend we're better off than the others they tell US about in their news media and we respond in unison to the stimulation with the conditioned "thought" response that reinforces the delusion. Maybe we are or were marginally better off but our condition is deteriorating due to the predations inherent in the unnatural order. It's more likely that we're totally insane to put up with the greedy idiots who run this asylum. In any case, I'm unwilling to be a slave in a community that serves the rich to the detriment of all. We must take our community and nation back from the mindless parasites, who by their existence threaten the survival of the human race.

Of course the conditioned response to my objection to the domination of humans by greedy, inhuman parasites is that in America we're free to betray our fellows and put them to work for our own profit. Thus we may become rich by employing slaves to create our wealth. Since everyone wants to be rich, the pain, suffering and misery that the hoarding by a few makes inevitable for many is thereby justified and rationalized. That is the common wisdom. I don't deny it. But wisdom is uncommon. Putting aside the insignificant probability of growing wealthy by tolerable cunning-- perpetuating the fraud of the rich with their permission-- the freedom to become a parasite is never gifted with an opportunity to do so. To do it without permission from the established wealthy elite like dubya, will likely result in a lengthy prison sentence. But, in denial of reality, they persist with the fiction that it's all good because we're free to betray the human race and become one of them. We too may live by looting the community. But what are the odds? Sure, we'll all be rich investors and no one will have to work.

We create our institutions for the good of the human race. The improvement of the human condition in general supports the survival of the human species. But XNat and most other corporations, that is paper people, serve only themselves and the rich stockholders that control them-- sort of. One can only grow rich by taking more than one's share of the produce of the communities we formed in the service of human survival. The rich, by the abomination of human social instinct that makes them so, have denounced their humanity. They serve no good or useful purpose to the community. Their existence is not justified.

It is a misstep of social evolution about 5000 years ago that results in domination of populations by the few members of cliques that hoard the produce of the entire community. This is a worldwide problem. The greed of the rich and powerful is a threat to the human race. The one party system of Repub-Dems in America only exacerbates the trouble.

The Repub-Dem Party that controls the dialog talks about the influence on voters that can be gained by exploiting emotional issues, without speaking to the effect on objective reality that results from the concomitant policies. The wisdom here is that they don't speak about outcomes of which they are ignorant. The folly is that they do speak about that which they pretend to know, while refusing to see that which they should know. If only they'd admit to their limited vision how much they don't know, there would be some chance they might achieve wisdom. What they do know is how to play at politics and make money. They must deal with how to win votes because they can't bring themselves to acknowledge the chaos that's been created by the blind greed of their class. If one within the party timorously challenges their folly, that person is yelled down by the supporters of the status quo. The existing economic stratification mechanism is what unifies the Democratic and Republican Parties. Clinton and Carter were both economically conservative red state Dems. The only thing that differentiates them from Repus is a twinge of

conscience and a vague notion that people might be economically repressed to the point of revolt. The only real dialog within the one party is about how long they can keep US fooled. The Repub wing thinks we're eternally credulous.

The Dem and Repu wings of the Republican Party hold to the irrational belief that we can survive after the exportation, for short term profit, of the productive wealth of America to China et al. by borrowing back the money spent to import the goods we needed to live in order to buy the things we need to continue on the merry-go-round. The circular thinking implied is a prime example of the profound stupidity of Republicans and Democrats and of why a one party system is self destructive.

They talk about trade, finance, profit from cheap foreign labor, the war in Iraq and Christian values as if they are separate issues. All serve the same master: the domination of the community for the benefit of the few. That is abomination of social instinct by the corruption of the function of community, which is supposed to serve the survivability of all. The existence of an upper economic class is a threat to the survival of the human race. The rich are traitors to US all; they are destructive even to themselves but are blinded by childish greed to the danger they present to life on the Planet Earth.

Trade, finance, profit from cheap foreign labor, the war in Iraq and Christian values are not separate issues. The last shall be first. Christian values were the secret weapon of the Roman Empire. Corrupted Christianity was used by the Romans to support the economic domination of Europe and the Middle East. Today the neo-cons appeal to Christians as a tactic that gains support for the XNat domination of the world, which is their real goal. The war in Iraq is dealing with a pocket of resistance to the planetary economic suzerain. That is the neo-cons' obvious vision and it's delusional. They really believe that they are in control even though China is the obvious winner of the economic game. They think their ideology controls China. That is a weakness of true believers. Trade agreements are really the internationalization of the financial pyramid scheme. Unfortunately the recirculation of money in the economy is imaginary. The circles are in twisted logic and are purely abstract. The real goods are dependent on a Ponzi that's kept afloat by increasing public and private debt. The debt was mandated by the exportation of the wealth of manufacturing capacity for the short term gain of the fools who rule US. It's all hidden by any lie, diversion, distraction or spin that will serve the status quo. The Repus and Dems who create the deception are themselves taken in by it. The virtual one party system of self-deceived idiots is the harbinger of America's doom. Sauron never lost the ring. He's dominated the Earth for five thousand years.

The harbinger of the one party system in America was a self contradicting mass delusion fostered for the defense of the ruling economic elite who own the Repu-Dems and everything else. The mind-schiz consists of having trained each individual to have destroyed the community spirit, regarding the common well being, within the self, while reinforcing it with respect to defense of a corrupt community that serves well only the rich. (The delusion is referred to as a thing past because it has been so thoroughly internalized.) They want US to either destroy each other in competition for the bones they throw US or to die fighting to defend their right to dominate our community and to hoard the wealth it produces by the work of many. They are the few and we are the many. They emphasize teamwork for US producing wealth and individuality for them taking it from US.

I know the rich, like anyone else, have some good in them that shines forth in unselfish acts at times. But challenge their right to exploit the work of the community for individual well being and they'll close ranks to shut out goodness and even reality. When an arrogant gloating one says

in your face, a part of its mind will deny the truth of the evil it does. The childish greed that rules them is inconsistent with what it means to be human. Yet they won't release their tyrannical economic stranglehold on the human race or even admit to themselves that their wealth is gained unnaturally. Thinking themselves to be of higher quality and value than ordinary humans it's not a big jump to believe they deserve to hoard the wealth of the community, while many of US are deprived of necessities. There is no right or wrong for me, in this intolerable state of affairs. I simply will not accept things as they are. That is because I choose to renounce the notion that slavery is good for the human race. The childish, greedy, ignorantly self destructive fools who rule US must be taken down. I choose to work for the survival of humanity. I will not stop until I see them brought down by the kind of teamwork the world needs. It's time to restore democracy to the world by ending the rule of parasites. They impoverish the community and delude themselves and US with the belief it's their right to do so. They are addicts. They cannot stop themselves. We must stop them.

November, 2004

Q: What is a Ponzi scheme?

A: A type of pyramid scam named for Charles Ponzi, who took in millions in 1921 promising a big return on the trading of mail coupons [postage stamps] of various countries. The scheme rested on the fluctuation of currency values. But Charles didn't even invest the money in the dubious undertaking he'd suggested. Instead, he used some of the income to pay off early investors and so kept the fraud alive and growing for a greater period.

Profit of the financial industry is from usury in its purely abstract form. It makes money from money and restrains the freedom to work and produce real products, with the control it imposes. Like a Ponzi or any pyramid scheme, usury is unsustainable. Even merchants and traders who deal in real goods, like financiers who back real manufacturing but produce no product themselves, are an overhead expense we all share. They dissipate the real economy of production and consumption of material produce. Some services are useful and their dissipation can be supported-- we can recover from it-- if their profit is minimized. But Adam Smith pointed out that abstract economy requires an infinitely expanding market to support the pyramid. As the money is concentrated at the top of a finite [real] system, the supporting base disappears. Usury can only facilitate the concentration of tokens that profit makes inevitable.

The virtually infinite expansion of the financial service industry doesn't fulfill the requirements of Adam Smith's paradigm. It's the real production of goods that consumers may trade that sustains economy. The financial industry parasitizes and so is dependent on real production. We, the real producers, are dependent on a healthy economy for our lives. Neo-con artists would have you believe usury is the source of wealth, instead of the destructive element that threatens our existence. Their own wealth is dependent on that fraud. Conservatism was invented to defend the means of the childishly greedy: those who wish to avoid real work but attain wealth by having others work for them. Financial service takes from the system without real contribution. Imagine a world with infinite money but no goods. How long could money sustain US with nothing to buy. But we'll never get to the point of empty shelves before we at the bottom run out of money to buy the goods that are being produced abroad. The collapse of the pyramid can only be delayed by FED intervention, which encourages US to increase our debt, thus aggravating the problem. The inflation of the stock market only exacerbates it further. The greater the profits the

sooner the collapse.

The futility, childish naivety and stupidity of the Neo-con's vision, the service economy, is obvious to anyone willing to face reality. But most will hide from the truth under the blanket of propaganda lies that has covered US for generations. We'll blame it on taxes or the social security, welfare and relief that sustains retirees and workers discarded due to outsourcing and other greedy scams that increase the profit of vermin at the expense of the community they infect. Few will even see, much less acknowledge that profit, especially usurious financial industry profit, is the parasite that sickens the economy and threatens the survival of the human race. We've been programmed with the denial that has virtually been grafted into the genes of the workless class elite and their sycophant politicians and overseer corporate management. When we resist thought conditioning, we'll be distracted by manufactured or exaggerated fear. Or the conservative elite's amorality and immorality will be projected, perhaps by the vehicle of some contrived or preyed upon cultural issue, onto any who oppose their rapacious greed. Such non-thinking typifies our conditioned "thought" responses. No one who has a cushy, high paying abstract position or who is rich [or hopes to get rich] from investments will admit the truth that will result in their having to get a real job. Childish stupidity, greed and denial typify the upper and middle classes. They'll say anything to keep US from catching on to their scam. They'll do anything to suppress US when we catch on anyway. Only when lies fail and we threaten them with greater violence than they can inflict on US with their corrupt corporate government and laws, will they let loose for a moment their strangle hold on the human race. The burning out of the inner city commercial vermin in the 1960s is the most recent example, which I can remember, that led to a concession by the conservative elite. The Civil Rights Law of 1964 and affirmative action, which latter, by the way, took from the poor and middle class to pay for sins of racial bigotry provoked by the rich elite to distract US from the poverty their wealth makes inevitable, are hard for cons to endure. As with all progress, they've been working to undue it since the time it occurred. Social Security is another example of a program that helped to avert slave rebellion and has been under attack by reactionaries ever since. It's money they can't easily put in their pockets to our detriment. The campaign for deregulation and privatization is intended to unfetter their avarice and free them to continue working US at lower and lower wages to increase their wealth. They tell US it's all good because we're free to betray the human race and become one of them. We too may live by looting the community. But what are the odds? Sure, we'll all be rich investors and no one will have to work.

The Neo-con's delusional vision for America is of them doing nothing to make a real contribution of work, while taking all the wealth we cooperate to produce. Their first principle is screw the community they parasitize to support their own useless existence. The only thing they value is the inflated money their scams create. They can't even see that their own existence threatens their own existence. Their freedom to exploit the works of the community to make themselves rich must result in our [virtual] slavery and ultimate destruction. We can't afford to support the rich any longer. We can't allow them freedom to enslave US any more than we may tolerate any other criminal. Every destructive thing they do to our community they rationalize by their need to profit off the work that's done for them. Their profit is a threat to the community and to our lives. They won't listen to our pleas. We must take what they have and to hell with them. That's what they've been doing to US for 5000 years. We can't afford to care for them or treat them fairly. They are a threat to our existence.

We lost our freedom when they foreclosed on our farms. I know you don't need the help but for

the inexperienced and literal minded fools, I'll explain. At some time in the recent or far past, your family or clan gave up the means to produce your own food/livelihood and went to work for someone else. You may have been betrayed by your own kin, who made you their slave or sold you into bondage for a cushy position in the new economy of the day. Free means you don't work for someone else. Conversely, pro-slavery is to have others work for you. To be a morally upright citizen you must contribute to the community by doing your share of the work. We all live by the works done in the community. No one deserves to live off the community unless they contribute real substantive work to it. I'm taking great pains to be explicit and complete. I know how the Neo-cons will twist the words to the support of their lazy fraud. Many will automatically respond with the corruption of the truth, without a word or signal from the con artists. Freedom is not the right to make slaves of others: to have others do your work for you. If others work for you they are your slaves and cannot be said by the sane and honest to be free. If you work for someone else . . .

I can forgive, through compassion, slaves who forget their condition under the influence of lies, propaganda, alcohol or other mind numbing agents. But I can't respect them. It's one thing to accept slavery in order to live, though we'd be better off if no one had ever done so. It's another to accept a morality of slavery and to even think of it as a good thing or to pretend it's something else. For those born in slavery who haven't been able to create a virtual free frame of reference for themselves, we are tasked to raise their consciousness in the hope of attaining our own freedom. We'll need their help to throw off the rich who own US. We'll be served by the truth. It's not respectable to work for another or to have another do your work for you. It isn't respectable to believe we are dependent on our masters, when the reverse is the obvious truth.

Less than respectable, the owners are no longer human. They are the abominable spiritual heirs of the feudal aristocracy, the Romans, the Babylonians, Egyptians and other parasitic predecessors of the past 5000 years. Few of them are conscious that they emulate anything more remote than English royalty of Victorian times. And most of them are unaware or only minimally and vaguely aware of the pretensions to royalty that are the bases of their false selves. They are posturing, role playing fools who only pretend to live their scripted lives. The human social instinct was corrupted from the support of the life of communities to the enrichment of a few so long ago that the workless class rich think their abomination is natural.

The only betrayers of the human race who might be worthy of even more opprobrium are the middle class politicians, engineers, scientists, economists and managers who operate the evil XNAT [Multi-National] corporate empire for a few dollars more than the average slave. The coopted ministers in the service of the rich are the master's first line of defense against real human progress. [Editors Note: "Real human progress" is, ironically, a return to freedom and genuine voluntary cooperation.] A mentally challenged six year old is capable of more honest self awareness than the intellectually and rationally hobbled sycophants or the rich masters.

The parasites that infest the human race believe they are stronger and smarter than US. They have deceived US all, as they've deceived themselves. We man the armies and police forces that fight for them and enforce their fraudulent policies. Without US they are nothing. We are their strength. We are the scientists, innovators and thinkers they buy. We are their intellects. Every work they allow to go forth enriches them further and is done by US. They are useless overhead. They inhibit real human progress. They are a blight on the community that supports them. They live by the abomination of human social instinct they have created in the service of their unnatural greed.

October, 2004

Our desire to emulate the rich condemns US to eternal servitude to them. If this is the best possible system, there's little hope for human survival. If we want something better, first we must admit the problem to consciousness. Next we must imagine there is hope for a solution. Only then can we put our heads together to contrive our salvation. We must do it. No God or hero will save US.

Q of the week:

Q: How can I know the truth?

A: To know the truth I must open my eyes and see it for myself.

Reality vs. Illusions, Lies and Distractions:

"Open my eyes", means to see, unfiltered by propaganda, spin, indoctrination or dogma. To achieve that state I begin with a desire to know the truth. To succeed, the conditioning must be stripped away before the truth can become visible. That process never ends. Even if achieved, I must work to maintain my vision of the truth, unfiltered by the lies of those who rationalize individual gain at the expense of the community. I must work to maintain a clear, strong and autonomous mind. Only by practice and exercise can I achieve and maintain the truth. A truth is: we cooperate in the creation of our reality but have no say in the creation of the physical world. Within the limits of the material truth, we can choose our own social reality. Abstractions are of the imagination. Imagination is boundless.

Our imaginations can be corrupted because our minds are constantly inundated with lies. The truth of our perception must be tested with every input of information. We must think about what the truth means to the world we create. We must contemplate. We must speculate about where the human made reality is directing life on the Planet Earth. We must not be lazy. We must not depend on the thoughts of others. The truth is not necessarily what anyone says about it. The truth is what really happens. That is reality. It can't be known if we allow others, especially those who benefit from our ignorance and by playing our emotions, to fill US in with their spun, twisted and insufficient information. They mask their true intentions by manipulating the input whereby we know the material truth of what the corporate masters do. We may infer a lot about the truth: not by what they tell US of the intent of their acts but by the ends they achieve. Their words are worse than useless to our pursuit of the truth. We must think about what must be the real acts their lies hide from US . . . the real direction in which they lead US . . . the real culture they hustle US into building and defending for them. We should be creating it for ourselves.

If we believe the spin and propaganda of political parties and the financial and other corporations the politicians represent, our faith will occlude the truth from US. To see reality we must look at the cumulative effect of corporate industry on the community. We must see where profit will and must accumulate and how that affects our access to necessary goods and services. We must do our own accounting of the burdens we bear for the well being of the corporate masters. Do most of US pay more for insurance and interest than we do in taxes. We must see the cumulative effect of outsourcing on our standard of living, even on our ability to sustain life. We must see that their profit rules our lives and the destruction of the environment that supports life . We must see the need for pristine places where life may live unfettered. We must strip away all the propaganda, spin, indoctrination and dogma that's endlessly repeated by the neo-

con/corporate owned media. We must learn to stop the conditioned thought responses that support and defend their destructive profit and the burden it places on our community from which it's taken, before such thoughts arise in our minds to obscure the truth.

In the end only we can do it. We must choose to see the truth for ourselves. The CEOs, politicians and other sycophants are well cared for by the rich owners of the world we have created. None of them have any interest in seeing the truth. They profit by their own ignorance and ours allows them to persist in their destructive behaviors. We allow them to continue their malignant operations because we are too lazy to think for ourselves. They like things just as they are. They fool many of US into believing our service to them is good for US. Wannabeeism helps to rationalize the greed of the few to maintain the dysfunctional culture and economy that most of US must endure. For now we must participate in their fraud, if we will live. But we don't have to like it. We don't have to believe their lies.

Politics:

I saw a bumper sticker that said: "Ten out of ten terrorists agree, anyone is better than Bush." Instead of asking how the terrorists opinions were gathered and has the pollster been sequestered at Guantanamo, I found a reliable source who told me that ten out of ten crack dealers support Bush. Realizing that Bush was good for terrorist recruiting and could be relied on to strike weakly and ineffectively at the wrong target and time, I suspected the first poll, the one that reported the terrorist position on our election, to be unreliable. But the poll of crack cocaine dealers is more credible. Conservatives are infamous for supporting dictators in Central America [at times with drug money] as long as the tyrants oppose decent treatment for ordinary human beings. We have Pinochet in Chile, the Contras in Nicaragua, the current gangsters we placed in Haiti last year and many others as examples. Some of them were themselves drug lords. The war on drugs is largely a pork barrel scam for putting money into the hands of conservative high tech toy manufacturers whose products, while mind bogglingly expensive, have very little effect on the flow of contraband. But then the whole purpose is apparently to steal our tax money. Surprise, surprise! But it's not at all surprising that Bush has spent most of the Homeland Security money on over rated and over priced high tech gadgets purchased from members of his class. People on the ground are the proven best protection but George takes care of his own first, last and always.

The apex of irony and hypocritic projection may be the bumper sticker: "Annoy a liberal. Work hard, succeed, be happy." The workless class of wealthy parasites and their sycophants betray the human race by taking from the production of the community and giving nothing useful in return. We support them and they call US their dependents. The sheer arrogance of the plutocrats and the idiots who sold US out to support them is disgusting. Their very existence is a threat to the well being of the community they use like livestock to increase their wealth. They're more childishly selfish than a feudal aristocracy They are no longer human. Their inability to see the un-sustainable nature of the fraud they've made of our way of life is proof their intelligence has degenerated beneath human standards. But if we challenge their economic tyranny, they project their own workless laziness onto US. The idiots believe we're jealous but too stupid to ever catch them at their con game.

Economy:

Bush and the neo-cons talk endlessly about responsibility, family values and conservative principles. They believe such to be our salvation. Meanwhile they project their faults onto their

opponents and duck the responsibility for the economic chaos their fraudulent service economy has promoted. Industrialism and the conservative inventions that it spawned, capitalism and corporatism are responsible for the demise of the family. The banks and chemical companies gained control of family farms in the past 130 years. But they tell US we must act with the morality of our great grandparents, who stood by helplessly as their land, money, minds and dignity were consolidated by the financial con-artists of their day and ours.

The neo-con artists continue the plunder of the American people through the service economy scam. Instead of using the displaced [formerly] independent farmers to man the factories as in the early to mid twentieth century, the financial industry seeks even more profit and power by displacing the industrial jobs to China etc. We are still being told that better educated workers will have better paying service economy opportunities, while engineering, accounting and other high end service jobs go to India and Malaysia at the current stage of evolution of the fraud. Even if we are creating some high paying financial sector jobs that counter the looting and plundering of America through outsourcing, they are positioned at the top of a pyramid that must collapse as the industrial base is removed. Perhaps more importantly, what happens if the billion plus people of nuclear armed communist China tell US to bug off?

To people who think for themselves and resist artificial stimulation of emotion or conditioned thought responses, it's obvious that the dominance of the abstract industry of finance is harmful to the real economy. The latter is the production of food, tools and other substantial goods. Usury, the former, is dissipative of the real wealth of material products we rely on for life and well being. The bigger the profits on trade, marketing and particularly finance, including insurance, the greater the burden on those who do real productive work. The greed of abstract industry makes their services even more destructive to the real economy. Tolerating the parasitic rich is self destructive to US. If we need the services of banks and such, their profit must be minimized to minimize the burden on and destructiveness to the economy. It's unrealistic to expect to completely eliminate the fraud that is the financial industry. But we can put it in its place.

Energy:

The oil man's solution to the energy crisis is to squeeze the last dollar out the world's dwindling oil supply and not to think about anything else unless it's to distort or spin realistic assessments to the support of his greed. This is called positive thinking and optimism. The irony is that most oil companies today are really financial institutions who contract out all their production. They're not really oil men. They know nothing about energy. The key words there are "know nothing". They describe the fundamental and fatal flaw of the service economy. The busyness schools started in the 1980's to teach that it wasn't necessary to know anything about an industry in order to manage it. That was the beginning of the end we name the service economy. Their stupidity has almost destroyed the economy by 2004. They can't see it. As long as their bank accounts are fat and their tax burden is lean, they don't care about what may happen to the rest of US or what tomorrow may bring. And it's so predictable!

Medicine:

In the third debate Bush suggested voluntary rationing of flu vaccine when he said,

"Bob, we relied upon a company out of England to provide about half of the flu vaccines for the United States citizen, and it turned out that the vaccine they were producing was

contaminated. . . . And so we took the right action and didn't allow contaminated medicine into our country. My call to our fellow Americans is if you're healthy, if you're younger, don't get a flu shot this year. Help us prioritize those who need to get the flu shot, the elderly and the young. The CDC, responsible for health in the United States, is setting those priorities and is allocating the flu vaccine accordingly. I haven't gotten a flu shot, and I don't intend to because I want to make sure those who are most vulnerable get treated. We have a problem with litigation in the United States of America. Vaccine manufacturers are worried about getting sued, and therefore they have backed off from providing this kind of vaccine. One of the reasons I'm such a strong believer in legal reform is so that people aren't afraid of producing a product that is necessary for the health of our citizens and then end up getting sued in a court of law."

First he blamed it on Britain. Next he said the vaccine should be rationed. Then he shifted the responsibility to the CDC. Finally he blamed the refusal of American pharmaceutical firms to produce the low profit vaccine on liability concerns. He demonstrated a remarkable capacity to spin in place without ever facing reality or taking responsibility for the greed of his class.

The reality is: the profit motive provides the worst possible health care for Americans. The drug companies will only produce big ticket items and waste billions advertising them. The greediest individuals are drawn to med school and their connections allow them to displace those who might be dedicated to healing and are often better qualified. As a result, health care is rationed to those who can afford the prices determined by greed and 45 million Americans have little or no coverage at all. The irrational theory that more money for providers will provide better services isn't even applied consistently. School teachers are expected by the same neo-con artists to supply their service as its own reward. This is just one example of conservative flip-flopping that is ordinarily unchallenged. But then they usually project faults on to their opponents, in order to distract US from seeing them in themselves.

The most foolish notion in all this childish stupidity is that tort reform will reduce the cost of health care. Insurance companies have, by orders of magnitude, the greatest profits and highest paid CEOs in the world. The pharmaceutical manufactures along with chemical and energy industries come in just behind financial service operators like insurance, finance and banking. If we relieve them of responsibility for their liabilities they'll pocket the savings and very little if any will go into price reductions. Those huge settlements they point out are rare. I'll bet their cost is a fraction of the advertising budget for promoting their immunity from accountability and their high priced drugs of minimal value and utility. Without lawsuits there is no way to rid ourselves of incompetent doctors or other dangerous products that infest the market place and dissipate economic energy by the parasitic profit they generate.

Later in the debate, in response to Kerry's assertion that he would make health care available and affordable to all and stay within budget, Bush said,

"I think government- run health will lead to poor-quality health, will lead to rationing, will lead to less choice."

Does he mean like profit motivated health care has led to the rationing of the flu vaccine that he'd suggested less than an hour earlier in the debate? Or does he mean that his class can pay for their share of health care, so the 45 million of US with little or no part of the ration are not a problem? If Kerry changes his bearing and heading from time to time as changing circumstances warrant, he's flip flopping. Does George know the meaning of the word projection? How about

hypocrisy?

Editorial:

I don't care to contribute to a reality in which banks and insurance companies get more benefit from my work than I do myself. At least some of my tax money goes to community services we want and need. All of the profits of the usurers go into their pockets or is put back out to create more profit, which exacerbates the dissipation of the economy. Greed has undermined the economic system. It's only a matter of time until it collapses. The neo-cons are in denial of the unworkability of the service economy system. This dysfunctional social reality is a fraud we're hustled into creating for the parasites who live on work done by others in our human communities.

I want to see a social reality created where the territorial lands and property the community has developed must be owned by the vital beings who live and work on them. The lands of the dead or abstract beings must default to the community for redistribution to the living or be put to some commonly beneficial use. Absentee and corporate ownership of land and property must be abolished to save our economy and our lives. The greedy fools are killing US. Their sins are on a grand scale. While we may be greedy in our small way we are incapable of causing pain and suffering, of damaging the human race in the way they are doing.

Our peccadillos are inconsequential relative to the evil done by the plutocrats. There is a critical difference of scale. The pain and suffering that the deprivation their greed and hoarding of the community's wealth makes inevitable is an evil the magnitude of which you and I and most people are incapable. We cooperated in the work that creates the material goods the rich have taken for themselves, using their paper people, the corporations. They take from the community and then they take some more. We may all be evil. But the rich are a deadly evil who harm US, the community of people, on a massive scale. Our survival depends on elimination of the rich or at least the confiscation of their ill-gotten gains. We must rid ourselves of these parasites, one way or another, if we are to live. This is the only practical thing we can do. It is our common concern for our lives and security that the rich threaten with more deadly efficiency than any terrorist can conjure in thought or deed. When we have controlled the worst offenders, then I'll worry about my own little sins. For now, I'll do whatever I must to continue to survive and fight the greatest evil the world has ever known. I won't be concerned about the small evils I must do to maintain life. Most contemporary morality and ethics, like US and everything else, are in the service of the rich. The worst thing about the [service] economy fraud is that it can't possibly sustain US. You can't make something from nothing.

September, 2004

Our desire to emulate the rich condemns US to eternal servitude to them. If this is the best possible system, there's little hope for human survival. If we want something better, first we must admit the problem to consciousness. Next we must imagine there is hope for a solution. Only then can we put our heads together to contrive our salvation. We must do it. No God or hero will save US.

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q of the week:

Q: What is the greatest threat to the survival of the human race?

A: The desire to be rich by having others work for you. When we all grow too lazy to do our own work, we'll all starve. Greed and stupidity are threatening our livelihood and our lives.

Reality vs. Illusions, Lies and Distractions:

I remember the rapt attention on the uplifted faces as the camera panned the multitude at the RNC. Like the Hitler Youth before them, the enthralled crowd cheered enthusiastic approbation, on signal, for the vicious, angry and hostile words of their leader(s). Don't tell me that too many Americans aren't enraptured and deluded by the emotionally stimulating lies of demagogic fools.

Last month I wrote:

". . . A good Republican is completely enthralled by greed. A good rank and file Republican believes his taxes will decrease significantly and he'll have more money when his party is in office. They fall for this tired old con every time. In reality, most of his money will go to a better Republican's bank, insurance company or other fraud . . ."

The usuries of the "better Republicans" are fraudulent by their nature. Making money off of money was forbidden by Moses. I'm sure he must have foreseen the dissipative effect interest and insurance and other financial scams must have on any economy, in his own simpler way. But that's not the whole of the Neo-con game. The same people making huge profits on government contracts and interest on our money, that they loan to the feds to pay for them [the contracts], receive the biggest tax cuts. The Federal Reserve is a private non-profit consortium of banks that creates money in our name. Then they loan it to US and our government through subsidiary banks who profit in interest. Both levels of banks include foreign corporations. The FED controls the supply of money, which Congress has illegally delegated to them the power to do; i.e. they insert into or withdraw money from the economy, a constitutional duty of the Congress, who are forbidden by the same constitution to delegate their powers. The rich get the tax cuts. They get the tax money. They get the money they print in our name. They get the interest on our money when they loan it to US. They get everything but the bill. All this profit is dissipative to real economy. In the end we must be taxed to pay for the frauds of the borrow and spend Republicans. But don't worry, with the end to the estate tax it's assured succeeding generations will be born into debt to the heirs of today's rich. To be fair, Woodrow Wilson, a Democrat, invented the FED to have a dependable source of funds for the government to borrow in times of dire need. Anything that can be abused will be abused.

The denial of the rich that their workless indolence and greedy hoarding of wealth is a threat to the entire human race is not confined to the Republican conservatives. Most Democrats and Americans in general are seduced by this communal self delusion. We cooperate willingly in making fools of ourselves. But we have a lot of help. The corporate owned media and X-Nat [Multi-National] subsidiary government give a big assist to conditioning our thought. They, each in the individual pursuit of profit, unwittingly (but collectively by cumulative effect) scheme to have US corroborate their want to hoard the wealth we all work to produce. The belief that we may all be rich through the machinations of the service economy, i.e. our wannabeeism, contributes to the induced delusion that entralls and enslaves US.

Next to the belief in the lies of conservative politicians, the greatest mass delusion currently playing to large audiences is that there are liberal politicians in America. In the best case, a liberal is merely a conservative who sees practical limits to the amount of wealth that may be stolen and hoarded by the rich. Sometimes libs feel genuine compassion for the poverty made

inevitable by their greed and excess. But not usually enough (especially the so called liberal leaders in America) to trim their profits and increase wages to alleviate the problem. They use the same excuses that the neo-cons inherited to rationalize their business scams. --Everyone else is paying low wages and pocketing large profits and I must compete.-- Neither side ever catches on that they're involved in a convoluted circle jerk of collectively invented logic that they individually deny to consciousness [doublethink]. Most conservatives and liberals don't even know they're on the same side. They know monkey see, monkey do but monkey not understand cumulative effects or consequences. They talk constantly of responsibility, a thing they know nothing about.

Theory of Politics, Domestic and Foreign Policy:

Conservative dogma has it that we must act from principles. Only so can we guide a consistent course to success or correctly solve problems. Only that which has been done before and was satisfactory to the owners, may be done now. They claim to live by their moral values and principles but they reserve their judgements for ours. Neo-Cons, like the Dixiecrats who spawned them, refuse to countenance new theories or ideas, which they condemn, degrade and ridicule. Some go so far as to renounce theory absolutely.

The conservative renunciation of theory has two principal effects. First: it causes a rigidity of thought in the right-minded that leaves them unable to respond appropriately to emerging threats, whether military, economic or domestic social issues. For instance, Bush diverted the well supported war on terror to something he could understand and deal with, he thought. The invasion and occupation of Iraq is an old fashioned war of economic conquest with a high profile boogeyman, in a fixed location. This is much easier than terrorists who may be hidden anywhere on the Planet. But W's ridged adherence to outmoded thinking has even gotten him in trouble with the easier war. He was unable to predict the obvious consequence of his poorly disguised effort on behalf of his Xnat corporate principals. They are the real conservative principals.

War in Iraq, we're told, is fought for principles. It's ironic, the conservatives don't recognize that their principles are theories about economy/politics, including foreign and domestic relations. These theories always support and/or rationalize the hoarding of wealth by the conservatives, who trust to propaganda to keep their supporting thralls in line. In Iraq, we're supposedly liberators but our corporations end up owning the country because they hold the mortgage on the infrastructure the American taxpayer payed to destroy and rebuild. It doesn't matter what's said about why it was done. The debt servitude of Iraq is what happens. We should know. It happened to US first. But the theory is we did it for principle. (We actually had it foisted upon US by the principals.) Since they don't call their principles theories they see no need to test them. So they're unable to perceive or acknowledge mistakes. The theories of their principles/principals are forbidden to fail. At least, a good conservative is forbidden to notice that the theories they deny they operate under, simply don't work for most of US.

The second result of conservative renunciation of theory was seen in the first. They deny that their moral values and principles are a theory. The denial of reality is self delusion. This state of mind of the right is more schizophrenic than it's normal to be. We need to be flexible in order to deal with problems competently. Neo-cons call desirable resiliency flip-flopping. They don't keep an open mind when assessing accomplished or proposed action. They stick to the theoretical principle that what supports the greed of the rich is good for the country. Another part of their mind denies the evidence to the contrary. Such schizoid flexible rigidity is not healthy or in our interest.

Economy:

Imagine the economy is a tank. The wealth of material goods is the fluid in the tank. If you put wealth into the reservoir, you receive credit for your contribution in the form of tokens: i.e. money. You may take goods from the tank if you surrender the money you received for contributions to the real wealth of produce stored there.

If the community that built and filled the tank, by cooperative effort for its own convenience and well being grows large enough, full time caretakers must be assigned to administer the system. In a productive society of industrious people, we can afford some overhead. But still a question arises. Since one must put material goods one has produced into the tank in order to get money to take the things one wants and needs from the system, how do we care for the caretakers who have no time to do real productive work? Should they have more than the average amount of money possessed by those who do the real work of filling the tank? If well cared for, will they resist the temptation to steal from the tank or will their greed be awakened to steal even more? Try to separate the theory from the empirical data, when you answer that question for yourself.

There is a great deal of empirical evidence, if one cares to see it, that the existence of highly compensated economic caretakers creates a desire in the general population to live as the rich do, without contributing any real productive work, especially not with one's own hands. We all want others to work for US. Obviously the tank will soon be empty if no one is willing to produce material goods. Yes, the Chinese are willing to work and for the present they sell US their low priced products, which have been made in factories our former capital manufacturers financed. The Chinese are Communists. How long before they raise the prices to more easily pay off their debt? That is, if they bother to pay off their debt. Don't worry, they'll wait until we are thoroughly dependent on them and no longer able to return to doing our own work. That will take at least several years. There are more immediate problems than the Chinese or the Indians, even though they are both nuclear powers with populations in excess of one billion.

Any goods taken from the tank with money that was made sans material contribution, create additional burden on those in the community who work to fill the tank with the real produce. Military, police, politicians, interest, profit on the work of others and insurance all dissipate the real economic fluid in the tank by replacing it with empty tokens. Some services are necessary and useful and some are purely abstract and serve no good purpose or are better accomplished through common effort on a non-profit basis. But all of them take from the community's production and contribute no real goods in return. To be efficient and beneficial to the community that created it, an economy must minimize the cost of such overhead. The purely abstract industry of finance is the most highly compensated non-endeavor. That is why everyone wants to go into business and no one wants to do real work. The greatest parasite on the economy is finance. Banks, insurance etc. are a fraud perpetrated by economic tyrants and criminals. Lo and behold, these are the same fools and traitors who profited when they gave away our productive capacity and ability to sustain our lives . . . to the Chinese. The cumulative effect of making greater profits by seeking lower cost labor is: the fools are selling the cow for magic beans.

We've let our communities be reduced to servitude to a workless class of plutocratic parasites, who are creating hell on earth in the name of puerile greed. We've allowed this even though it's destructive to our economies and livelihoods and so threatens our very existence, not to mention that business priorities tend to degrade the environment. If childish greed is allowed to dominate

the Earth, our Planet will sooner or later be incapable of supporting human life. The paper people, the corporate entities that have rights but diminishing responsibilities under the rule of the rich's law, have taken our flag, our country and our wealth. We must take them back to save ourselves.

Editorial:

I don't think we, our politicians and leaders, the CEOs or even the rich who own US are all evil people. I think everyone who follows we in that list are selfish, childish, greedy and stupid people. And so are we, if we continue to emulate or even tolerate their foolishness. If we allow them to distract US from the pain, suffering and deprivation their excess makes inevitable, we contribute to the misbehavior of these selfish children. We spoil them. If we let them move US by references to the flag and nation their greed dishonors or the God their existence profanes, such that we ignore their greed and our deprivation, we are complicit in their treachery to the community, which they milk for their wealth in the first place. In spite of the onerous existence of the rich, the moral issue of their selfishness is not the most important point. We must see clearly the practical necessity for cheap, efficient management to replace the leaded overhead burden the rich put on the real productive economy. We must get the real economy back into the country before we run out of money to buy the made in China products. If we wait too long to take our country back from these fools they'll have only a copy of the paper they signed when they sold the community cow. Even before the latest unconscious evil, the economic entropy introduced by those who only take from the community was dissipative to the system. It will, it must destroy US in the end, even without the foolish outsourcing. It's a race to destruction. What will win? Will it be the overburden of the rich that will crush US or their looting our productive capacity by selling it to China and pocketing the beans? Their stupidity enrages me!

Our desire to emulate the rich condemns US to eternal servitude to them. If this is the best possible system, there's little hope for human survival. If we want something better, first we must admit the problem to consciousness. Next we must imagine there is hope for a solution. Only then can we put our heads together to contrive our salvation. We must do it. No God or hero will save US.

August, 2004

Morality, ethics and the emotional engagement of populations are in a constant state of change. Only the greed, corruption and treachery of the powerful and rich elite remains the same. "A good slave works for food alone."

Q of the week:

Q: Who do the terrorists support for president?

A: The terrorists support Bush. Aside from boosting their recruiting efforts, Dubya can be counted on to strike weakly, ineffectually and at the wrong time and place. There is also a strong possibility George II will undermine his own support by indulging himself in foolish macho boasting and childish gloating. "Well, let's just say they won't. . ."

Reality vs. Illusions, Lies and Distractions:

Republican strength and valor is illusory. It consists of a willingness to spend our lives for their

security and well being. Once the veterans have returned home the cons have consistently cut benefits. They don't care to spend good Republican money for those who have risked their lives in the defense of Republican wealth.

Politics:

A conservative politician believes any complaint may be dealt with by chanting: lower taxes, right to life, kill the enemy, imprison or kill criminals, condemn the immorality of others and right to guns, while waving the flag fiercely over all. They believe the promise of good economic, military, political and social results is necessary. They know they'll never need to deliver on anything and if pressed they can blame it on the Democrats.

A good Republican is completely enthralled by greed. A good rank and file Republican believes his taxes will decrease significantly and he'll have more money when his party is in office. They fall for this tired old con every time. In reality, most of his money will go to a better Republican's bank, insurance company or other fraud devised by the financial service industry, the economic weapon of the wealthy elite robber/rulers of the human race. Many military and other government contractors and concomitant money lenders will make or increase fortunes by robbing the American people through the debt increases fostered by recent Republican administrations. They not only tax our wages to give the money to their patrons; the Republicans discovered years ago how to give tomorrow's taxes to the greedy thieves today. They don't know when they've gone too far and have become a threat to their own livelihood.

A liberal is really a conservative with some conscience and a little common sense about how much can be stolen from the community before people rebel.

Some Democrats see part of the problem. They sincerely want to find solutions to social and economic ills, partly due to conscience but mostly because they vaguely understand the threat to their own privilege that excessive greed presents. To the extent they see the faults of the economy they're less foolish than the impenetrably dense Republican owners. However, their proposed solutions are too conservative. They want to have their wealth and like the conservatives they fail to see that their excess is possible only if others are deprived. Not that giving it away would do much good. Hardened neo-cons would snap it all up. It wouldn't get to those who need it. In all cases though, it's hoarding of wealth that makes pain and suffering caused by poverty inevitable. Ironically, it's the same greed that undermines the consumer driven economy and makes collapse inevitable. The foolishness of Republicans and Democrats lies in their inability to recognize that the economy is a conservative system or what that signifies.

Economy:

Like mass or energy, wealth can only be moved about or transmuted by doing work. It can't really be created in a fundamental way. Though we can speak of creating wealth from resources, it remains finite and conservative at all times. Money, the abstraction of wealth, the token that represents it, is imaginary and can be created. It doesn't suffer the same limitations as real wealth. Creation of money when there are no additional material goods for it to represent is dissipative of the real economy and wealth we work to build. Dissipation of economic energy is the only service the financial industry contributes to the community from which they take their wealth. Neither Democrats nor Republicans see the damage that the economic entropy, that must result from the existence of a financial industry, does to the economy. The denial of the Republicans is only more profound and adamant than that of the Democrats. Neither can save the economy because they won't consider the economic reality of conservation of wealth. We must

find a better way to do things because this way can't work or even pretend to work much longer. It is and always has been a fraud.

Profit by merchants, traders and the financial industries is measured by the money they produce. All such profit produces economic entropy. Mercantilism and trade are useful endeavors that our real production of material goods can afford to support. The smaller the profit the less dissipation these parasitic undertakings cause. Finance profits cause the most dissipation of economic energy. These parasitic exactions must be drastically reduced or eliminated altogether to save the economy. They take from the production of the community and then they take some more. They contribute only the money they loan US. The interest on our additional debt is the same more that they take.

Many banks were founded by nineteenth century industrialists. They had so much profit they could expand production no further so they invested [loaned] money out at a profit. This commenced the exponential growth of economic entropy by exacerbating the burden on real economy that the various levels of economic abstraction assert. It culminated in the crash of '29 and the Great Depression.

Modern manufactures like GM, Chrysler and Gerber Baby Foods are investing their excess profits in consumer loans, finance and insurance spinoffs. Profit was already maximized by minimizing labor and salary costs. The victims of the cost cutting, which is essentially a financial transaction, must borrow money from the monster that devours them to make ends meet. Those who out-source production are no longer manufacturers. They are financiers. The place to start reducing the economic damage is the place where the most damage is done. That place is clearly the financial industries.

Financial corporations have grown so large and powerful that they dictate to governments and people around the world. They can tell US how and where to live, what to do. If we refuse all we have to lose is our jobs and livelihoods. Right now Americans are obeying the corporate masters and we're still losing our jobs and livelihoods. Many of US had lost our health care and quality of life by 1992. Its been getting worse ever since and the economic deterioration has accelerated since 2001. Financial industry profits, including out-sourcing, are largely responsible for the dissipation -- the economic entropy. Unlike the US government the X-Nat's [Multi-National Corporations] are not constrained by the constitution. They may do whatever damage they will to the community in the pursuit of profit and power. Our economy of real production is our livelihood and sustenance. If we allow them to continue contributing economic entropy by creating money and hoarding it, their profit will be our doom. If we allow them to continue to own our politicians and government they will someday openly own US too -- if we live that long. The irony is: in the end, the economic entropy they introduce to the system by their existence will eventually destroy them as well. Economic entropy must be minimized if we are to survive.

Such entropy might be reduced greatly by a community that undertakes its own distribution of resources on a non-profit basis. The choice is to be ruled by a big government, with a constitution and laws, that represents US (if we can take America back from the X-Nat's) or to be ruled by big corporations who answer only to profit and don't even pretend to care about the pain and suffering they cause US.

Foreign Policy:

We can believe terrorists act because they're jealous of our freedom and democracy and because they are evil. We can believe that they resist our efforts to spread freedom and democracy because they want to exploit their own people by enslaving them. The second is more plausible

and includes the evil posited in the first. But neither explains why the people we've liberated in Iraq are flocking to join the terrorist's cause. Is it possible that what George has told US of terrorist motivation is not the whole truth or contains intelligence errors?

Let's consider a really wild hypothetical. Let's say the war in Iraq is really cover for X-Nat's take over of not only the Iraqi oil but their entire infrastructure and economy. Let's say that X-Nat financial corporations will end up owning the paper on Iraq and the people and their property and land will be perpetually in hock to business interests. Could this crazy idea have somehow gotten into the heads of terrorists and even ordinary citizens of Iraq and elsewhere? But that's impossible. No loyal American politician would put our military or the lives of our children at the disposal of vested economic interests. An X-Nat corporation that took part in such a corrupt and evil scam would be too treacherous to America to imagine. Our corporations would never be involved with the acquisition of a country's infrastructure and productive capacity in order to profit by the pain and suffering such debt would certainly inflict on the population. They're not that greedy!

Editorial:

Step way back and view our world. See how it functions and to what end. Our world, as opposed to the Planet Earth -- God's creation if you will, consists of economy, politics, international relations and many things social or interactive. My world consists of all things personal and individual. Individual has no meaning unless it's defined by the whole. We are all connected. Nor are there disjunct issues in our world. Economy, politics, international relations and social differentiation are all part of one whole. That is our world.

We put our world together with a communal effort. The heroic economic efforts of individuals have been selfish and destructive of community more often than otherwise. We formed communities in the beginning for our common well being and mutual support. We are compelled by our social instinct to do so. We were and are sustained by our communal efforts, the collection and redistribution of our individual contributions of real productive work. We call that system an economy. I want to believe that a prehistoric community functioned equally well for all its working members and supported art, science, and other useful, commonly desirable or necessary functions and services. It did that for at least several million years. The evolution of tools, artifacts and systems attest to the maintenance of some kind of art and science. That we are all still here demonstrates that the older type of community worked.

Twenty-first century communities function well only for a few workless class rich. That social devolution began, as far as I can see, about 5000 years ago. We contribute work and they take the profit. It doesn't matter how this is organized, rationalized, how it came to be this way or how long it's existed. Or that we take it for granted, because it's all we've ever known. What does matter is that to assure our continued survival we must grasp the truth. An economy that takes from the community to enrich a few is dysfunctional. It fails its implied mission. It does not contribute to the community's well being. That's a basic flaw.

It matters that our societies are dysfunctional for most of US. It matters that communities founded for the common good of all the members function to enrich a few at the expense of the many. If our communities serve well only a few they can not be said to be free or functional. They are in the service of the rich and dysfunctional for the rest of US. If one has more wealth than one can produce with one's own hands, others must have worked to produce that wealth. Slavery functions well for the master, whether the people who work for him are called slaves or employees. Employers don't have to feed an employee if they have no immediate use for his

service. That we are free to starve or slave for another is inconsequential. It matters that those who take most from the community we all work to create are useless parasites who contribute only their desire to dominate the whole for their individual profit.

The rich are like a cancer on the body of the human race. Hectic, stressful, miserable lives full of great and small sufferings and pains are all that's left to US by their greed. Yet our nature is to cling to any life regardless how bad its quality. Yes, we also have moments of bliss and happiness but that doesn't excuse the avarice of the rich and we shouldn't let small comforts distract US from the evil of their workless indolence. Life must be better for most of US but we want life, any life, despite its rich-man made misery. But even misery's not sustainable under the myopic oversight of the rich elite class of childish selfish fools. They each see their individual profit but none see the destructive cumulative effects. None see that their systematic looting of the community is destroying the economy that supplies their plunder. They don't know it doesn't work. They don't know it's broke and they broke it by single mindedly harvesting profit while ignoring the need to replant the field. Like the greedy thoughtless children they are, they look around for others to blame.

The abstract economy of finance, including banking, insurance, stocks and other usuries, take from the community but contribute nothing real or useful. The perpetrators of the crime of finance dominate and control the productive members of society who work for them. We all work for them. They own the politicians too. It doesn't matter how you describe, organize or enforce this absurd division of labor and rewards; it is de facto slavery. The rich are the masters and the rest are the slaves. We serve the community and the community serves them. That is the ascendance of usury. It may be that no one has proposed a good solution. That's not because this systematic fraud we've been misled into calling a free market economy can possibly work. It must fail. Analyze your own economic data taken from common sense knowledge in the light of the Laws of Thermodynamics. The system is dissipative. It accelerates entropy. It fails to conserve energy. It must collapse!

The administration says if we continue to give their patrons all the money they'll continue to increase profits by lowering our wages and outsourcing our jobs and loaning money back to US at interest to use to buy their products and that this perpetual motion fraud will make everything all right even though a child can see that's impossible. An unnecessary burden on the community is all the financial industries and experts have to contribute to the economy and for that they tell US they deserve the greatest rewards our system has to offer. Until the truth of the dysfunctionality of our economy penetrates average minds, solutions are impossible. The reapers of the economic harvest want US to believe that it's our part to work in their fields and theirs to enjoy the fruits of our labor and that there's no way to improve on a system in which we serve them. Our communities are their herds and flocks. They will lead US to slaughter or shear US at their pleasure and this is the best of all possible worlds. . . .for them! When we cease to believe their anti-change propaganda of despair and acknowledge the fundamental flaws of our system, a solution will arise from the liberated minds. We don't even need a constitutional amendment to take back America from the fools who are running it to hell. If you persist in believing there is no hope of positive change, you will help to bring about the fulfillment of your prophesy of despair. If you persist in believing there is hope without basic changes to our thought and precepts, you contribute to the perpetuation of despair.

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Q: Does America have the world's best health care system?

A: Our medical community and their politicians often boast that the best medicine in the world is practiced in America. I won't dispute their patriotic claim. I can't afford to see a doctor or buy medicine so I have no way of testing their self-praise. In any case, it's not the world's best health care system, if many or most of our people cannot access it.

Reality vs. Illusions, Lies and Distractions:

We are a land strengthened by our diversity and unified in our resistance to terrorism. Our rich and poor stand together to resist those who would destroy that which they covet but cannot acquire by their own honest efforts. We all work together to produce the riches of our national community and defend our right to do so. If we have enough money, we may have a substantial share of the wealth. Be optimistic. Economists and MBAs have discovered that we don't need to produce real things to be rich. We need only make money to buy material goods and others can do the work. It's not surprising that they've come to this conclusion. Neither they nor their antecedents have themselves ever done real work to produce the substance of their wealth. Imaginary work produces only abstract results like money. We can all become like them. When everyone lives on invested money we'll all be rich. This indirect way of leeching the work of others is morally acceptable to most. Forcing slaves to labor to provide our living is repugnant. But don't worry. The Chinese have a taste of Capitalism. We can count on them to produce the real things we need to survive. They're used to slavery and will not rebel against working for US, now that we've introduced democracy and freedom by making a few of them rich through the efforts of many others. Some day soon the Chinese will all be rich like US.

Politics:

Will the Democrats be better for the people of America than the Republicans? If so, it will be only marginally. Both parties serve the same master. Corporate interests will always dominate our two party system. Both will pay lip service to the cultural issues that enthrall many while the both will contend to represent our economic interests and security. Both will claim to be on the right side everything but will serve their corporate bosses in good faith. They will hypnotize the majority of voters between them.

Historically the Democrats have been the only ones to note when greed was waxing self destructive. They have been the ones to throw US bones with a little meat on them. The Republicans tend to perceive concessions as weakness and moral decay even when they are required to prevent a starving population from rising in revolt, as in the 1930's. It's a religious issue with them and therefore precludes common sense. If you believe such compromise (of the principal of greed to which all corporate subsidiary politicians adhere) is necessary this year, your interest will better be served by the Democrats. If you think the majority of sheep will remain docile members of the flock without such coddling, vote Republican. You don't have to worry about gathering too much wool because in either case you will be sheared. Whom you vote for will depend on how short you wish to be cut. That last remark is not quite accurate. Flattery, wannabeeism and other appeals to the vanity of many sheep actually deludes them to the extent that they believe they are one with the owners of the flock.

Education:

The best schools in the world are in America. It is the world's best educational system. If you can't afford it, you must learn by experience and follow the example of those who can. The first

thing we learn in America, whether formally or informally, is to do unto others as has been done unto ourselves. Better yet, do first unto others. Preemption is the best defense. An expensive education and well connected parents gives such advantage to the fortunate elite that most of US find we never have an opportunity to do unto them as they've done unto US. In that case, we must look around to find someone even poorer than ourselves that we may defraud. Obviously the lower on the food chain the less the available forage. There may be more victims but they provide less meat.

While most of US are individuals who think for ourselves (ask anyone if you don't believe me), we must admit that our survival techniques are learned from the example set by those who are most successful at living by the work of others in our national community. If more people work for one, the one can have more than could be produced with a single pair of hands. We've learned this lesson so well, that we believe that serving the greediest among US is human nature. Our nature would be different then, if leaders who believed a community should be organized to serve the good of all had prevailed over those who want it to serve only themselves. Democracy, freedom and equality may be an impossible dream but things would be better for most of US if the rich had a little less and we had a little more. Our nature is not determined by a single facet of our personality. We may have greed in common, yet we don't always let it dominate. There are times when individual interest is subdued to deal with common threats. The rich allow such to be so when they need US to die in the defense of their wealth. More often than wartime, our common self interest is not synonymous with their individual greed. The way to teach this lesson is to learn whose side we're really on. We must quit pretending all is as it should be and that being sycophants makes US like those we weakly and stupidly admire and emulate. If we are to survive, we must learn that those who enrich themselves at our expense (and there are no other kinds of rich) are a threat to the community. They are traitors to the human race.

Economy:

The more people who work for us and the less we pay them, the more money we'll make. There are some practical concerns which, unfortunately, will limit our profits. If an employee starves, the vacancy may have to be filled. The cost of recruitment and training, if the turnover is too great, may be more than that of paying a living wage to begin with. The calculus of business must be applied to compute the area under that curve. If we ignore the cumulative effects of blindly seeking the greatest profits by securing the lowest cost of labor, we will break the great economic engine that has enriched us. Today's technology still depends on human employees to provide our material requirements.

There are other limits to profits. The business machine, at this stage of development, must also have consumers to buy products so that increase to our wealth can continue. The consumers must have money to make purchases. When profits are too great they cannot be used to expand the production of goods. There would be no market to absorb that increase. Today we invest that excess money in financial markets. Some of it eventually is loaned to consumers and the system is buoyed up. We must keep this kite flying until we can develop a better way to produce the material goods we need. We're smart enough to win the race with debt saturation. No one sees the future but we face it bravely, secure in our innovative ability. There is one firm principle that must be upheld at any cost. Wages and salaries must be minimized for the sake of maximum profits. Do not succumb to liberal ideas which would spoil our servants! We will discover a way to replace them before they break free of our control. This is a moral issue beyond all others. Our ability to individually profit by the work of the entire community is the paramount concern.

Law and order v. Legislation from the Benches of Activist Judges:

In 1864 many believed that to free the slaves was an infringement on the property rights of the owners and their freedom to enslave. They wished to maintain law and order as it had been for hundreds of years. The courts had little to do with the outcome of that debate. Much later, when the Supreme Court upheld separate but equal, refusing to interfere with the state's right to deprive the former slaves of property, opportunity and protection under the law, there was no objection to activist judges who were legislating from the bench.

The attack on the courts began with reaction of the Dixiecrats to *Brown v. Board*. By the time of *Roe v. Wade*, another attempt of the court to uphold the freedom of an oppressed group to gain some control over their lives, the racists and bigots had for the most part joined the Republican Party. The Civil War renegades have nurtured their bitterness over their unaccepted defeat and loss of property to this day. They've had little success in forwarding their cause since 1954. They have managed to spin their bigot's assault as a conservation of principles and values. In the Bush II version, part of it's disguise is the defense of marriage. The South has risen again!

Energy:

Since the industrial revolution, our survival has become dependent on energy provided by fossil fuels. The money made by the energy industry is our first priority. As coal, oil and natural gas are depleted, the last drop of money will be squeezed from the dwindling supply. Some of it will be reinvested in the development of means to milk alternative energy sources as they come on line. At first, that will consist mostly of buying patents and other intellectual property to assure they do not threaten the profits still to be made on organic fuels. But most of the money will go to CEOs and stock holders to be loaned, at a profit, to consumers, whose incomes are dwindling. Politicians and advertisers will also get a share. A minimum portion will be allocated for reinvestment in the energy industry and the alternatives to petroleum that will allow us to continue to dominate the people of the Earth at a profit. Note: if we convert too much corn to fuel, the population may dwindle and our non inheriting children will have less opportunity to prosper on the work of others. Overpopulation does guarantee a supply of cheap labor but , on second thought, I think we may starve Americans with impunity. Asia and South America stand ready to supply the labor required to create our material wealth. We can hold Africa in reserve and appear benevolent at the same time, if we fund vaccinations and AIDS treatment there. [Editors Note: This sarcastic paragraph is how I imagine a callous busyness person might appraise an energy crisis.]

Medicine:

The best medical practice in the world is available in America. It's the best health care system . . . if you can afford it.

There's plenty of money for doctors to buy Mercedes for themselves and BMWs for their children. The Insurance company CEOs and stockholders are rich but the system can't care for the rest of US. Not only the medical system but our entire paradigm and philosophy of community needs to be reworked.

Recently I received an email from a friend. Her youngest child turned 18 and she was dropped from Medicaid. A treatment she was undergoing was stopped because her income exceeded the \$730.00/month limit for a single person. It's just under minimum wage. No one making just minimum wage can afford housing, much less health insurance. The conservatives have robbed

most of US blind in the past thirty-five years. Anyone who was willing to work could afford everything they needed in 1970. The unions were strong. Their good work had enriched all Americans and created the middle class. Conservative tax cuts for the rich and attacks on unions have destroyed the middle class and left my friend in the company of 44 million Americans without health care. The neo-cons won't pay to keep alive the people their greed has destroyed. Today, instead of a decent life or even minimal health care, most of US get only lying words and absurd economic theories that promote the welfare of a few.

The welfare of insurance companies' profits inspire the limitation on malpractice recovery. If tort reform passes, the savings will go into the pockets of the already bloated insurance CEOs and principle owners. Neither medical nor any other costs will be reduced by limiting civil settlements. Incompetent doctors, motivated to go to med school to get rich, who have no interest in healing, will make even more money as they continue to do harm to the community. We will be limited in our ability to hold them accountable for the injuries and deaths there bumbling treatments cause. Their practice should be criminalized but the neo-cons think they should be relieved of the responsibility for their acts by limiting court settlements.

Editorial:

God saw fit to arrange the Earth, Air and Water in His certain order. We have come to believe that we may rearrange things at our pleasure and there will be no consequences. We take Earth and torture it into forms we find useful and pleasing. We indulge our vanity and conceit in orgies of pride over works and achievements in which we personally had no part. We process land and wash the waste down the drain into the Ocean's water, where it ferments and alters the chemistry that supports life. We take millions of years of accumulated plant and animal residue from deep within the Earth, where it serves we know not what purpose, then place it in the atmosphere where it poisons or cooks US. Why are we so unhappy with our lives and the Earth God gave US, that we do these self-destructive things? More importantly, why are we forced to play the role of our own executioner on the stage of life that's been set for the benefit of a few greedy fools and from which there's no escape but death? Why do we let them own our world and [unwittingly] order our deaths, blinded by their childish shortsighted avarice, as they reorder God's Natural Earth in a way that serves their puerile greed. Their riches and power are destructive to US all.

At one time or another I've written about most problems and even proposed possibly realistic but unpopular solutions. No solutions are likely until we become aware of the real threat and muster the courage to fight for our own survival. Corporations and the politicians they own are busy using press, TV, movies and all imaginable media to confuse US and lie to US about the nature of the problems. All that can be done to break their evil defense of greed is to keep hammering in the truth, in spite of all the resistance those in power can create and all the kinds of fools they can summon to their support. You can at least refuse to be one of their dupes.

June, 2004

Q: Are they playing hardball?

A: What a small minority of lying, sneaking, cowardly people consider to be hardball is better described as scum-ball. Seldom is anything up close and personal with them. They act and often speak through others. Even their surrogates use sneaking lies and rumors. On the rare occasion of personal, real time confrontation they have at least the moral support of their clique. Whether or

not it's in the background, it's only with the support of a mob or gang that they'll stand up.

Reality vs. Illusions, Lies and Distractions:

I don't believe that everyone has the opportunity to climb the ladder of success or that it is by hard work, intelligence or perseverance that the chosen few succeed. But, if I stipulate such as a hypothetical truth, when we're all at the top, I wonder. . . What base will support the ladder?

If the press has a liberal bias, why do they report as fact, instead of ridiculing the fantastic theories and propaganda that promise pie in the sky and which conservatives offer as justification for looting America, while most of US suffer increasing deprivation? In fact, why do most of the so called liberals in congress ignore those lies, when they aren't actively supporting them.

Economy:

The truth about the economy will never occur to most politicians and none of the conservatives. They have an incomplete view of reality. Their fixation on abstract [imaginary] economy precludes attention to the reality of the need to produce material goods in order to participate in mercantilism, trade or to have a need for finance. A symptom of their mental deficiency is their belief that money is wealth, evidenced by constant reference to increasing stock prices as an indication that the economy is improving. Too much hot air in a balloon will have a predictable consequence but it won't be improvement in the real economy of material goods. The financial industry, even more so than trade and mercantilism, is an abstract superstructure. All are wholly dependent on material production. They can't exist unless someone does real work to make real things. The utter failure of our politicians and the corporate leaders who own them to understand this simple and fundamental truth is the portent of economic catastrophe, manifested as the "Service Economy", the prevailing disaster and extent of conservative irrationality since WWII.

The creation of [FED] money and its sale at a profit dilutes its value as a medium of exchange for real goods and property. The denial of that reality is reinforced by constant references to expanding abstract economy. The imaginary money produced in the financial industry's service economy has no real connection to the material world of necessary, useful or desirable goods. It is the attempt to create something from nothing. Perhaps the conservatives' delusions have taken on a Godlike grandeur. In any case, their greed for wealth, taken with their false belief that money is wealth and their abhorrence of doing real work to attain it, are the principle values at the foundation of their mental illness.

The lazy, parasitic rich, who live high on real wealth produced by the rest of US, will only destroy US [and themselves but they haven't the intelligence to see it] if allowed to run their course. We cannot continue to support them and the system of fraud they call the financial industry, service economy and conservative economic principles.

Education:

"No Child Left Behind." How does this optimistic title fulfill its promise? Students are tested to determine the quality of their instruction. If the school is found deficient, it loses funding. I'm not sure what happens when testing discovers a facility which provides superior education. I suppose we could give them the money taken from the poorer school. That would be the conservative thing to do. The better schools get voluntary financial support from well to do parents and friends. We don't really need to test them to discover this. When testing discovers that a school in a poor neighborhood is doing badly we must take its money and give it to a rich school. That's George Bush's and the conservative American's way. Our economy in general has evolved to this

grand level. That's what's made this country what it is. The system works for those who have the most. The rest of US can stagnate and starve in the margins until we're needed to die in a war of acquisition or to defend the freedom of the rich to enslave US with debt and deprive US of the ability to develop our potentials. That follows and reinforces the dispossession of our medical care and other needed goods and services. The rich owners of America can not afford to properly care for the [inferior] producers of the wealth and continue to hoard it and feel fat and secure in their godlike superiority.

Politics:

When Americans fought and died in WWII to save our country, we were rewarded with social security, legal union organization, an increasing standard of living and the GI bill among other progressive measures. Higher education was made available to all, even though many were actively discouraged. But the conservatives have consistently assaulted every gain the people have made. When they couldn't undo them they sought to sabotage or weaken them. During the Eisenhower administration the ironically named "Right to Work" laws were passed in the southern and western states. The move of north-eastern manufacturing to the South and West in search of increased profits for the already bloated rich was the precursor to multi-national corporations and the outsourcing that is devastating America's real economy today. Nixon further weakened and Reagan killed the unions. The decline in buying power of American employees and two and three incomes to support a household became the norm, while for many homelessness and death or imprisonment followed. Along the way the conservatives weakened the GI bill and military pensions. Bush is engaged in more rounds of sabotaging our soldiers in order to divert the money to rich military contractors, under the umbrella of the greatest of scams invented in the twentieth century: privatization. For most of US, whether government, military or private employees, the result has been a steadily declining standard of living over the past thirty five years. Bush demands that the National Guard leave their jobs, homes and families, who are threatened by poverty due to decreased incomes, to fight and die without even the regular military benefits. We can't afford them. The tax money we pay must go to his friends like Halliburton through contracts or to other elites through tax cuts or stock dividends from corporations cleaning up on ordinary government covenants or financial industry(1) funding of his fraudulent schemes, like the war in Iraq.

When the fat demon demands to be fed and the tax money's used up, they undermine our retirements by borrowing from the social security trust fund. If they succeed in privatizing it they'll have direct access through stock market manipulation. If you don't think the politicians and CEOs are corporate clones who all work for the same plutocrats or that the system isn't a one way money and property pump, you probably believe in fantasies like trickle down. The endless repetition of propaganda for rationalizations of greed have brought about the internalization of degenerated principles and values by too many. Those are the true fundamentals of Republicans and Democrats. . . conservatives all. They'll say anything that promotes their own welfare at our expense. Oh well, at least some of the Democrats see that it's in their interest to keep US healthy and well fed enough to fight their wars and police their neighborhoods. Some politicians also seem to understand that words alone won't feed and maintain their slaves. At least that's what they say when they know were tuned in to their theatrical performances.

(1)The rich elite owned FED banks have more money to loan US thanks to the tax cuts. Its nice

of them to loan US our own money at such reasonable rates. . . for the time being.

Law and order:

It's said that the Bush administration has gained important information from Jose Padilla. They locked up this American citizen, suspected of planning a terrorist act with Al Qaeda's support, without due process. Two years of questioning have, according to the administration, vindicated their lawless act by gaining admissions from the formally un-accused Padilla. Can the Bush administration be trusted to tell US the truth about answers they extracted through their extraordinary interrogative techniques which support their lawless totalitarianism? Can they be trusted to tell the truth about anything?

We have the word of the Bush administration that their intelligence sources indicate Osama Bin Laden and Al Qaeda are responsible for 9/11. To the best of my recollection no terrorist group has ever claimed that distinction though some have praised the despicable act and others took part in email chats around that time. There was a September eleventh in 1973 on which Henry Kissinger said, "Why should we let another country go communist just because their stupid people voted for it?" The CIA had just engineered the military coup that placed Pinochet in power in Chile. Three thousand people died on that day or shortly thereafter and many more thousands were "disappeared" [killed] over the twenty year reign of terror that ensued. Why were no South American's suspected when America was attacked? Why is it necessary to spread democracy to some countries and tyranny to others? Who has benefitted the most from the terrorist attacks on New York and Washington in 2001? What was the court appointed president's approval rating on September 1, 2001? But he wouldn't lie about anything just to gain support for himself or his agenda. Al Qaeda is probably responsible for 9/11. But we don't really know that. We only know what we're told. We know we can't trust anything any politician says. We don't know anything. The truth can only be known if trustworthy information is available. One cannot make good judgements without good data. Garbage in, garbage out.

Al Qaeda may be guilty of all the charges. I wish I knew. All I know for certain is I can't believe a word that comes out of this administration. I'm sure they must sometimes tell the truth, when it fits their agenda. But there is no way to know. Is there?

Justice:

The attack on the federal judiciary that finds its voice in the southern conservative chant about legislation by activist courts is founded in the reaction of bigots and sexists to Brown v. and Roe v. Anyone knows this who lived through the fifties and talked to McCarthites and other right wing Nazi antecedents of Rush-Bush.

Religion:

There is no set of principals, ethics or morality, whether religious or secular, that addresses all situations or to which there are no exceptions. If you must make an exception for anything, you may make an exception for anything. If your system requires no exceptions you're fooling yourself. If you rely on advice from others, goodness and right become a popularity contest. You cannot poll the truth. The truth is the truth. It can't be decreed. The truth cannot be ascertained by a vote, especially when the voters are deprived of sufficient information or afflicted with disinformation. The truth is reality. The truth does not change. Only our minds change. We have good imaginations. If you imagine that what most people believe must be true, you haven't been paying attention to the changes. You've been listening to words and disregarding reality.

Julius Caesar, J. C. I, promoted the tyrannical paradigm that dominates social organization, economy, and foreign relations to this day. Denial of that truth, with the acceptance of it for business purposes, and the simultaneous belief that Christ's ideals form the basis of our society is the essence of mass delusion, if not schizophrenia.

Jesus Christ, J. C. II, taught what became Christianity: a theory of personal and social relations that many pretend forms their paradigm for life and the basis of western social organization, economy and foreign relations. It has not proved itself in two thousand years of half-hearted practice to affect anything in a significant way. The denial of their failure by Christians, while accepting that the Roman paradigm for politics and business is an unavoidable consequence of human nature, is the substance of mass delusion and schizophrenia.

The apparent failure, in eighty years, of attempts to create a system that corrects the dysfunctional faults of abstract economy are pointed to by right wing Christians and others as an indication of flaws in Marx's theory of capitalist dissolution. But then, can we really expect conservatives to have prolonged patience with upstart modern notions? Two thousand years of failure doesn't daunt them, if the idea is an old or emotionally charged one. They can do anything but take the responsibility for their own thoughts and actions. But then they don't have to. They're forgiven. They've got theirs. If we go along with them we'll get ours when we die and go to heaven. Christianity is a worthy and honorable quest. It wants only for Christians.

Medicine:

It's not damage awards but insurance company profits and CEO salaries, in fact the abstract economy in general, that drives up the price of medicine and everything else. Medicine attracts greedy businessmen instead of healers. The mercenary doctors are the most likely source of malpractice. If we limit lawsuit awards, the money saved will go to insurance company CEOs, stockholders and the incompetent money grubbing doctors who should be driven out of business. The last possible result of the implementation of this flawed theory, like other fantasies about competition, profit motive and privatization, is that your insurance premiums or any other prices will be reduced. They always stick the savings made by shortchanging US into their pockets.

The profit motive achieves the lowest common denominator of quality, morality and competence in all of the community services it worsts. Privatization follows only the entire financial industry as the greatest scam ever perpetrated on the human race. Our country needs more healing than even the most efficient medical system could ever provide. And everyone must be able to afford it. It's intolerable that our system is dysfunctional for most of US.

Editorial:

What bothers me the most about conservatives is the self righteous confidence they exude when they attempt to dominate by talking down their opponents with patronizing and non-germane implications of personal superiority. They simultaneously condescend by insincerely attempting to correct in their victims their own consistently projected puerile character flaws. The beneficiaries of this grandiose edification are, of course, those who oppose the implementation of conservative values and principles of greed and selfishness. The gratuitous self esteem and adamant denial of harmful consequences of the rapacity that right wing parasites visit on the world are part and parcel of their rationalization for individual enrichment at the expense of the community. They'll say anything to keep US in the order they place US in for their own well being. Ten thousand years ago that sort of person would have been banished from the clan. Left to their own devices and without a community to prey upon, they'd have surely starved. The

genetic theory of superiority they're so fond of belies their continued existence. Of course anomalies and mutations will occur in every generation. But I don't understand why we let them dominate US.

As far as anyone knows it's been this way since the dawn of written history. Was it ever different? I like to imagine that the community spirit that must have dominated small clans and tribes in order for them to have survived for millions of years before the advent of civilization, was less corrupted by the avarice of a few greedy individuals. I don't believe people will tolerate parasites when they're seen every day. No amount of distraction could fool a small interdependent group. No, I can't imagine that. But however things may have been ten thousand years ago is now irrelevant. Today we must imagine a better way before we can save ourselves by creating it.

We must believe it is possible to create a community that supports the common well being instead of functioning well for a few plutocrats and their sycophants. Support of the rich makes the human family dysfunctional for most of US. We must cease to listen to the propaganda of those who deny the existence of pain and suffering caused by deprivation due to their hoarding of wealth. We must put down the nay-sayers who pessimistically advise US that their greed is human nature and that to imagine that the fabric of society can be maintained in any other way is a utopian dream. They are the same hypocrites who project that pessimism onto US when they accuse US of negativity and nihilism, if we point out that their childish selfishness and hair-brained, unsustainable schemes are abusive to the rest of the human race. The conservative desire to maintain wealth and advantage is dissipative to common well being, the need for which motivated the formation of human communities at the outset.

I've listed too many of the linked character flaws of the neo-cons to support them all in this short essay. If you read, in the archives at this site, some of the back issues of this pub, I'm sure you'll find examples of facts and reasoning that will serve the common good by exposing pieces of the eternal fraud that underpins all conservative positions.

May, 2004

Q: With the makers of Diebold voting machines committed to the Bush campaign, is there any chance of voting him out of elected office without becoming a more unscrupulous criminal?

A: That begs a question. He wasn't elected in the first place. Having already removed the free from free elections, freedom has been removed from US by corporate America, the home of the fraud.

Reality vs. Illusions, Lies and Distractions:

I choose the FED to symbolize purely abstract economy, the entire financial industry, and Haliburton to represent partly abstract economy: those industries that still have a first level involvement with production of real goods. The illusions, lies and distractions that keep US working for the benefit of a few rich elites are more efficiently planted in well conditioned minds. Here's how it works. Stimulus - To root out abuses we must change the false principles and values from which they spring. Automatic mind response - A few bad apples are responsible for all evil. . . A reasoned response might be that, while many individual crimes are caused by individual desire, we must differentiate them from those done under the influence of "controlled" mob hysteria deliberately created by unscrupulous leaders to advance their agendas. If we really

want a solution, we must fix the problem not the blame. That begins with an accurate understanding. To begin to understand the problem with the American economy you must see that there is no alternative to it. If you require something to survive, those who monopolize it will demand such high price you'll probably die anyway. That's the way it works with medicine in America. Stimulus - Our economic autonomy is bound by chains of debt. Automatic mind response - America is the best place to live. . . That's a non-sequitur. A reasoned response is that the best is not good enough when the majority of the population live primarily for the benefit the FED and Haliburton. Stimulus - Anyone who lives off of their money is an economic parasite. Automatic mind response - They worked hard for their money and they deserve it. It wouldn't be fair to tax them. . . If you can't see through that prevarication, I can't possibly explain it in a few sentences. A reasoned response is contained below. Stimulus - The American people are brain washed corporate clones that are unconscious of their condition of debt slavery. Automatic mind response - You must have been brainwashed by the Enemy. . . A reasoned response might be that the Enemy of America changes almost as often as it did in "1984". But, more importantly, the perception of our weaknesses contributes to the Enemy's advantages. Our lack of awareness of our mind conditioning by our masters contributes to our weakness. The FED wishes US to remain weak-minded so we'll continue to slavishly pay interest; Haliburton wants US to remain enthralled so we'll continue to die on their battlefields to spread their empire. Anyone who would cost US our liberty or our lives for their selfish gain is our Enemy. Genuine economic liberty, not the freedom of the FED and Haliburton to enslave US, is the only way we can guarantee our own survival.

For as long as our politicians can be bought by corporations or elections rigged by ambitious incompetents with powerful families, democracy will be illusory in America. The freedom of speech is fantasy if we fear to say anything that will displease our employers. If we're ill-informed or dis-informed we can't effectively participate in government. The corporate media hires and retains only those reporters or analysts who describe the reality that they [the corporate masters] want the American people to perceive. [There is no formal conspiracy in this. The pursuit of such a theory will only distract you from the truth. This is the profit motive at work.] The successful propagation of the lie about the "liberal bias of media" is a typical example of the output of the conservative corporate media's disinformation machine. The day to day lies do damage but the internalized propaganda that creates a delusional notion of the reality of life in our nation is death to democracy.

The spirit of democracy cannot survive in an environment where plausible deniability rules. If we all know what's going on but pretend all's well, freedom becomes irrelevant. It's like watching someone corrupt the election process then accepting the fraud for the good of the democratic institution. Accepting such destroys democracy. There's no institution to save, much less to propagate.

Economy:

When does $2+2 = 22$? Financial industry capitalization, outsourcing of high paying manufacturing and service jobs (accounting, engineering and computer science) is the result of MBA math that would have $2+2=22$. Production burdened by high finance [interest], insurance, a little tax and labor costs, seeks to increase profits on abstract economic frauds by exploiting Chinese and other workers and discarding Americans. It is seen as positively producing wealth [id est: the stock market's illusory value snowballs] when all it's doing is usuriously increasing the money supply. That works for a while. Ultimately, the collective effects of the multinational's

profit increases are to shrink the markets. American consumers will no longer be able to afford even the cheap plastic baubles made by the Chinese etc. The belief that money created by the financial industry represents wealth is as rational as $2+2=22$. But then we label the industries, forced to this treason by the money changers, as manufacturers, when they are nothing but the bottom rung of abstract economy. They are really merchant/financiers who borrow their capital from established parasites of earlier infestations. Even though they came first, the more removed the abstraction from the work of production, the less real and the more imaginary, superfluous and damaging to the economy and to our lives that cancerous superstructure becomes.

As the economy becomes more abstract, imaginary and less directly involved with the real production of material goods, the low paid, overworked and the under-worked Americans will have little chance of survival, even if they're lucky enough to have a bad job. Inevitably, the dependence of trade and finance on real production will become obvious, even to MBAs like Bush and Cheney. The ability to produce material goods is the real wealth. The MBAs are [treacherously though their not intelligent enough to see it] exporting the ability of Americans to survive on the Planet Earth. We can create money in our imaginations and record it in our ledgers but we can't make anything real from words or marks on paper, unless someone does the work to transmute the idea into material reality. Even our foolish, greedy masters will be at the mercy of the Chinese. All that the rest of US will have, whether small businesses or individuals, are mortgage payments (mostly interest) minimum credit card payments (mostly interest) car payments (more interest) insurance payments (extortion for the protection of our ability to pay interest) energy/fuel costs (including interest resulting from the abstraction of the power/oil companies by the financial industry or other interest associated with the capitalization of any independents who have been overlooked by the economic parasites). We'll also pay some taxes if we were lucky enough to earn so much. Interest (the creation of money without material substance to back it) is all that's made with the fortunes amassed by nineteenth and twentieth century industrialists and more recently, purely abstract entities. They take but do not give.

I flew by the dependence of trade and finance on real production very quickly. For any who aren't convinced this is so, imagine an economy that consists only of merchants and financiers, bankers, brokers and insurance companies. There are no farms, mines or factories. The real meaning of business [busyness] would be obvious to a child in such a world. [Of course there can be no people in such a world. Selfish stupidity and puerile indolence are terminal.] It's like a world population that consists only of nomadic raiders, and no one who produces food or material goods. The goods must come first. No trade or finance or any other form of parasitic economic life is possible unless it follows production. Real wealth is the ability to produce material goods. Our foolish leaders are exporting our wealth to China.

The riches of a few are dependent on the production of real goods by others. The wealthy elite are exporting the source of their wealth and thereby destabilizing the economy we all depend on for the maintenance of life. If there was no outsourcing, the concentration of money at the top of the pyramid would still destabilize the base. If we all moved to the top there would be no base. If nobody did real work we would all starve. The financial industry profits usuriously on hoarded money. They use that money to take real goods from the economy but exchange no real goods for them. That is: they put no real productive work into the system. Usury is dissipative to economy. It is the attempt to synthesize something from nothing. The people who do the least take the most and have the power to dictate what the rest of US may do. This system is at least irrational and possibly insane. Those who contribute the least, gain the most. If we all need the service they provide, let's tax all their money then hire them, at minimum wage, to administer

the business that our community requires. Make the prophesy of Christ come true. "The first shall be last. . ." The things we need in common should be done in common and not for the profit of a few greedy fools. Every penny taken by a bank, credit card company, broker, insurance company or any abstract financial industry is a burden on the economy, a burden on all of US. The math of the MBA alchemists is childish nonsense. Two plus two does not equal twenty-two. Nothing can be made from nothing.

They distract US from that truth by talking of taxes and welfare. To see the lie in this diversionary tactic don't analyze their statistics. Look at your own finances. How much money goes to taxes and how much to interest, insurance and brokers fees. Don't forget the interest, including stock dividends, that's rolled into the price of the goods, services, food and fuel that you buy. We must gather taxes to do the things, including defense, that we need in common. Our community, whether local or national, doesn't need to give the financial industry parasites a free ride. The financial industry, the imaginary product of the rich elite, would rationalize their workless class indolence by convincing US through advertising of the absurd belief we can all live off our investments ($2+2=22$). If no one produces real goods there will be none to steal, no matter how abstract or puerilely rationalized the larceny. Four thousand years of carrying their load and that of their spiritual predecessors is more than enough. If the economy wasn't burdened with their dead weight it could provide jobs, wages, medical care and retirement security such that welfare wouldn't be necessary. The abstract freeloader's function can be done, when necessary, better and less expensively, on a non profit basis, by the mechanism we have in place do the things we want done in common.

An early and illegal privatization was the creation of the FED around 1915. Congress delegated its constitutional power to mint coin and regulate the money supply. Congress is explicitly forbidden by the constitution to delegate its powers, though they've done so often since the Wilson administration. But it's privatization that's at issue here. The theory of privatization has never worked before or since the treachery of the abdicators' capitulation to the bankers' Federal Reserve. Privatization is a fraud designed to steal our tax money now and in the future. We must increase the debt to pay these extra mouths at the government trough. The interest we pay to the FED, a private bank that creates money in our name to loan to the government and to subscriber banks that re-loan it to US at a profit, increases the burden on the taxpayer. Any net profit by the FED goes back into the governments general fund. But they also borrow money from private bank's FED deposits to lend to the government at a profit to the subsidiaries. These are usually wholly owned by FED members who also profit by buying money created in our name at the discount rate to re-loan to US at the market rate or to the government at its rate, guarantying more private profit. In all and every case the parasitic financial industry contributes no real material goods to the real economy. Being an abstraction of real economy they take (so much that they are destroying US by sucking the economy dry) but they give little even in the way of necessary service in return. The financial industry keeps itself busy primarily by inventing ways to steal our money and to live the good life at our expense. [Ed. Note: I don't know if this is fact or fiction but I guess it would be easy enough to check. Whatever. . . here I've paraphrased from what I read at a website: The government required the FED member banks to put up a billion dollars in startup money. The right was reserved to buy out the FED for one billion dollars any time the government chose to exercise the option. The article went on to say that John Kennedy signed an executive order to buy the Federal Reserve two weeks before he was assassinated. One of Johnson's first acts as president was to rescind that order.]

They would have it that we depend on them for direction and organization. Nothing would get

done without their officious attention. Well, we got by for millions of years without the benefit of their self serving abstract culture. The very recent advent of the busyness man has brought the human economy to the brink of collapse in a relatively short time by undermining its own [real] productive foundation.. The fact is: their lives are dependent on employing others to do real work for them. That's one of the few things that hasn't changed throughout the short written history of civilization. Without US, or more recently the Chinese, to labor for their enrichment, these people wouldn't live for a week. They need US. We need them like we need a tapeworm. Yet these lazy ne`r do wells have the best of everything. I don`t understand how they managed to perpetrate this fraud on the human community. I don`t want to put up with it any longer. If we continue to tolerate their selfishness and greed we risk the survival of our civilization. Hmm, I sometimes wonder. . .? The only thing I'm sure of is that the belief that $2+2=22$ has got US in deep!

Foreign Policy:

If we're successful in subduing Afghanistan and Iraq, who next should we make free to be subjugated by Haliburton? [Bushian definition: Freedom - The right of large corporations to economically tyrannize and rob America or any nation Americans are willing to die to subdue for them.] We should choose a third world nuclear power. They have almost as much ability to destabilize life's equilibrium as does Bush himself. We can PIK [Pakistan, India, Korea] the easiest target first. . . Like we did in Afghanistan???

India has a one gig plus population and is doing a lot of our engineering, computer science and high end service jobs cheaply. India is out! If we PICK [. . . China. . .] North Korea, we correct the spelling at the cost of bringing in the other billion+ nuclear power and one with missile technology demonstrated by a manned space flight last fall. It's a bad idea to choose N. Korea and risk bringing sleeping giant China, on whom we're dependent for manufactured goods and clothing, into the fray. We may need what they produce to merely survive. That leaves Pakistan..

What is Pakistan? It was India before subdivision by the British. Islam had spread to that part of India before it was conquered by Ghengis Kahn. The descendants of the Mongol Hoard in Pakistan, the Hazara, who settled around Quetta in the center of what we call the Tribal Lands, were converted to Islam and somewhat absorbed in the past thousand years or so. Those clans and others like the Pashtun of Afghanistan and Pakistan that claim various heritages but are undoubtedly intermingled with the Mongols, are the fierce, well armed warriors that inhabit the legally autonomous Tribal Lands to this day. They are at the center of the trouble in Pakistan. That's where we suspect Osama bin Laden and others are hiding.

We've put pressure on the government of Pakistan, dominated by Hindus, to subdue these oddments of the Hoard. In the past year that has resulted in an increase in tribal representation in the Pakistani Parliament. If these descendants of the Great Kahn's army gain control of the government and its nuclear arsenal, there might be a destabilizing effect on world peace. I wonder if the current administration in Washington thinks of all this. Of course I also wonder if the current administration thinks at all.

Well they seem to putting out feelers about an invasion of Pakistan. The Foreign Minister, Khurshid Kasuri told Wolf Blitzer that American troops' incursions into the Tribal Lands of Pakistan were not only an offense to sovereignty but displayed abysmal ignorance [My words not his. He was very diplomatic but firm as he warned us.] of the genetic disposition to violence of the well armed Pashtun, Hazara et al. He also implied that we could deal more easily with the friendly Pakistani leaders in power now than the tribes, if we destabilize the country by our [ill-

advised] actions. He then said he hoped the incursions were accidental, a theory echoed by Deputy Secretary of State Armitage, who said, when asked for a comment, that it was difficult terrain and hard to know exactly where one was.. I wondered how come my \$200 GPS receiver could give me dependable 12 ft. or better accuracy but the Army gets lost. What was it Nostradamus said about the end of the world and some crazy religious leader in Southern Asia? I wonder if N. predicted(1) that lunatics would be provoked by foolish, emotionally disturbed children. We know for sure that the invasion of Afghanistan has pushed the terrorists harbored their into the center of a third world nuclear power.

(1)". . .Then shall two lords of the North conquer the Orientals, and so great report and tumultuary warfare shall issue from these that all the East shall tremble at the noise of these two brothers of the North, who are yet not brothers. . ."
Could the brothers "who are yet not" be the B & B boys of the old and new empire?

Editorial:

The Bush administration is pushing hard and fast to do as much damage as possible, in the time they have, to the American economy for the benefit of their greedy patrons. Perhaps they suspect they won't be reelected. They want to complete as much of their agenda of selfish wickedness as they can. Maybe they'll be impeached or forced to resign before November. The "Wilson" treason [Ambassador Wilson's CIA operative wife was exposed through a leak to Robert Novak to retaliate for Wilson's having told the truth about African uranium and Iraq.] is grounds enough without the lies about WMDs, that have cost so many lives. Those unscrupulous acts expose the nature of the "tone" created by the Bush administration. That mind-set, mass consciousness or simple mob hysteria promoted by the president may also bear upon the abuse at Abu Ghraib. Ironically, that tone was advertised as good vs. evil. Perhaps all these misdeeds inspire rumors that Colin Powell is on the way out. The insiders wouldn't want a sincere and honest man to succeed George, should both he and his Dick be called to answer for their crimes. They need a certain kind of player to insure their corrupt team will survive their evil-doing selves. They must have one who puts the interests of foreign corporations like Haliburton ahead of the lives of American people. But what we hear instead of the truth about anything is: "This is America, we're the good guys." Goodness isn't genetic. If you wannabe a good guy, you gotta do good. The Republican party would do well to dump Bush et al. and nominate Powell and McCain. I might even vote for that team. Maybe they'd bring democracy back to America. Bush seems to have lost it somewhere on the battlefield of terror. I've wondered how he might export a commodity we no longer have at home. Maybe he's producing it offshore or perhaps he simply sold out ours.

April, 2004

Q: What are the value and usefulness of opinion polls and surveys?

A: Polls and surveys test the efficiency of the propaganda machine for those who can afford to create public opinion. Political and economic advertising provide the ability to create fear of threats from which we may be saved or demand for products we're otherwise reluctant to consume. The testing also provides feedback needed to adjust the thought control mechanism so that the desired majority opinion will be observed in the polls. This is not, strictly speaking, necessary where a large silent majority can be depended on to follow with the herd in any case. But the illusions of freedom, democracy and self-determination are more easily maintained if the

tried and true forms are followed.

Economy, with Some Illusions, Lies and Distractions That Support It:

The collective effect of corporations [paper people] who demand ever increasing dedication, loyalty and productivity from employees, while giving only downsizing, off-shoring and lower pay (due in part to the deterioration of buying power of money caused by the "earnings" of the parasitic financial industry) is a dysfunctional economy for everyone but their greedy selves. The economic paradigm of the [multinational] corporations is dissipative to life's sustenance in America and around the Earth. Even the elite rich beneficiaries will find nothing to steal when their puerile games play out.

Bush's boasting of increased productivity displays his lack of respect for the intelligence of Americans and/or his own ignorance. He doesn't understand the significance of the paper games the paper people play . . . that Wall Street prosperity doesn't translate to food, clothing, housing or any real or desirable thing. It is a pyramid scam of hot air inflated paper profits that cannot be sustained. The real wealth, the ability to produce material goods, is being exported to China. When will the Chinese decide they have enough factories, built at our expense, to provide the goods their own people need or want? You can be assured when they do have enough of our real wealth or we have no more to export to them that they will tell us to take our worthless paper and get the hell out. It's irrelevant to US whether our leaders of all sorts are unconscious or just plain stupid as American manufacturers beg the Chinese for cheap labor so they can sell cheap baubles to the impoverished (by the same scam) consumers in the USA. I don't know if Kerry will act to dismantle the fraud that enriches a few at the expense of many while destroying the economy for all. But I can't imagine anything worse than to endure four more years of the apparent stupidity of accelerated dissipation due to the destructive con games, frauds(1) and kites of George and his masters.

But are George and his masters really stupid? If they are, what are we who believe them when they tell US their raiding and looting of America is a good, just and a proper thing to do? They dissimulate their destructive hoarding and greed as natural order and we believe them! If they are malevolently intelligent enough to see that their fraud is the treacherous cannibalization of the American economy, what is it they think they are doing to themselves? They may think they are setting themselves up for the rest of their lives and to hell with their children and the rest of US. When their financial abstractions prove to be as worthless as they are we all go down. If they know this, they're gambling the financial disaster they've created for short term gain is operating in an economy with sufficient momentum to last another ten or twenty years. That's fine for the greediest few but can we survive that long when our usefulness to their selfish plan is already minimized? In the past we produced the material goods that they hoarded. They needed US to create their wealth, while we needed them like a tapeworm! With off-shoring, downsizing and automation, they need US only for police and soldiers(2) to keep ourselves and the rest of the world under their dominion. We need to beg them to employ US at ever decreasing wages, in their service, if we wish to live at all. Why did we let them make over our world for the benefit of their tiny fraction of the population?

No, that's not the way it's always been! The myth that it's strong individuals, not cowardly cliques stealing from people with weaker organizations is, like capitalism, a very recent invention. It is delusional to believe that it's individual strength that directs the will of the population rather than collusion by small gangs of unscrupulous parasites. It is self destructive of the human race to tolerate these useless creatures, our fraudulent masters, among US. Our natural

social instinct provides the imperative to individuals to join groups (social units and basic societies) to advance our interest in mutual survival. The societies of today, dominated as they are by the puerile greed and selfishness of a few, are become abominations of human nature. Greed is evil because of the pain and suffering it causes. Upscale avarice is therefore much more evil than most of US can imagine. Few of US have the power to do so much evil. I say without facetiousness: their greed is more evil than ours, because it causes more pain and suffering. Further, few have believed that greed dominates human nature before this generation. The new dogma is merely a rationalization for the hoarding by an elite few of the wealth that we produce. Even the purveyors of that delusion abandon it when they need our cooperation to create or assure their wealth and security. They reclaim it immediately when we ask for just compensation for our efforts on their behalf. Much of the cultural evolution of the human race has been misdirected to their own selfish ends by the rich workless classes, since the beginnings of civilizations three or four thousand years ago. Until the coming of corporate mass media to the people alive today, only a few fools or sycophants believed the evident world order to be just, fair or good.

I can imagine, a million or more years ago, small bands or clans of upright walking, tool using hominid people. The survival of these early human societies demanded mutual support and cooperation. One individual who hoarded food that had been hunted and gathered by all would threaten the survival of the group. The rich and their MBA and politician sycophants would not be tolerated by a group that was determined to live. A warrior that grew oppressive to the community he was supposed to defend would likewise pose a threat to the survival of all. Neither George nor Saddam would last very long in a society that relied on common sense and well being to continue its existence. Such groups were successful for at least two hundred times the number of years that our civilizations have been dissipating the planetary wealth and the energy of the people for the aggrandizement of a few fools. I'm not suggesting we abandon civilization to become hunter gatherers. But we'd better acknowledge that unbridled greed does not serve US as well as the older, much longer lasting economic paradigm did.

One of the worst features of the new world order is the ease with which its citizen's minds are conditioned to respond automatically to anything that threatens the integrity of the program. The conditioned thought response to the suggestion that an older economic paradigm may contribute more to our survival than the one inflicted upon US today is: There was no progress in all that time. That's of course not true. It's also not true that the financial industry is, as they claim to be, the force which accelerates progress. Progress in mining, tool making and agriculture during the older ages laid the foundation for larger scaled communities and the need for laws, civilization, to govern them. If progress proceeds, like population, at a positive exponential rate, the greatest amount would occur at the end. But that's not the evil part of the lie.

The evil part of the lie about progress is that the economic paradigm of dissipative looting dissimulated by naming it free market capitalism encourages improvement. In reality, economic power is exerted to stifle any progress or individual whose creations can not be enslaved to the profit of those who are already rich. They allow only that to go forward which contributes to their wealth. That's what comes of unmaking the natural law and social instinct to cooperate for mutual benefit by loosing the abomination of self serving, community corrupting greed and allowing it to dominate our lives. The CEOs and politicians are happy with the rewards of the masters, which they've received for having placed the human race at risk. They may even have programmed your mind to support their short sighted looting of the economy we depend upon for life.

(1) The well-publicized trials of a few CEOs expose little of the corruption that has been eating America, with little relief, since the Grant administration. The existence of paper entities like Enron, who produce nothing, who muscle their way into middle positions in industries using financial [paper] weapons, is itself destructive to real economy.

(2) Rummy's high tech low manpower army may downsize the last stable job market in America.

Political Education:

Democracy depends on a populace informed with the truth. The truth is the truth. If the most vile liar on Earth should happen to speak an unqualified truth, though I doubt George will ever do so, that statement would still be true. The character of the speaker affects only what we may expect to hear. Character, like other lies acted out or spoken, does not affect the truth. The truth is reality.

But can we come to know the truth through corporate media reporting. I don't believe they report many facts that are deliberately false. Strategically placed lies are sufficient to mislead US and are more difficult to uncover. But the dissembling of the truth is another matter. Publishers deliberately withhold truths that don't support their agenda. Their agenda is that of all large corporations and the politicians they collectively own. They wish to maximize profit and preserve the existing distribution of wealth. If a reporter is hired who insists on telling truths that threaten the status quo, she/he will soon be unemployed, just as whistle-blowers and trouble makers are dealt with in any other industry.

An example of how our minds are diverted by the occlusion of truth by reported facts is the transference of the infrastructure owned by the people of Iraq to Haliburton and others. After we payed good tax money and enriched munitions makers in order to bomb it into rubble we fatten Haliburton with more tax money to rebuild it. They'll need those funds to buy it from the Iraqi government for pennies on the dollar. Once said corporate giant has created, with our money, an infrastructure worth buying, they'll reinvest a little of it to economically enslave the Iraqis by buying their property cheap. While this fraud is taking place we have our attention diverted to the fairness of the contracting process that set the energy and construction giant into place to commit the larceny. We are further distracted by the complicating argument that no German, French or Russian companies, who built the Iraqi infrastructure in the first place, should be allowed to take part in the looting. By the time all is said and done the Iraqi people who've been looted are completely forgotten.

This hoodwinking of the American people in the interest of domination and profit by the paper people has been going on since at least William Randolph Hearst's war of 1898. Hearst apparently boasted he was more powerful through his newspapers than the president and to prove it Hearst would start a war with Spain within six months. Backlash to the contrived war inspired McKinley to the further abuse of, "My country right or wrong!"(3) Almost twenty years later, it took the Anglophile Wilson three years of media manipulation after the U.S. complicit sinking of the Lusitania to make up the American peoples' mind to go to war against Germany instead of England, as spontaneous popular opinion had previously demanded.

Politicians and media have grown increasingly adept at pushing our buttons with the aid of modern psychology and in the support of corporate tyranny. How do they differentiate between a good dictator, worthy of support, and an elected or dictatorial regime that we must eliminate in the name of freedom and democracy? If it aids the oppression by finance or industry they

convince US it's a good dictatorship. If on the other hand, an elected government takes property from a bloated feudal aristocracy and gives it to poor farmers as did Allende in Chile, then it's the right thing to do to place a fascist military dictator like Pinochet in power to begin an eighteen year reign of terror in order to set things straight. "Why should we let another country go communist just because its stupid people voted for it." - Henry Kissinger, September 11, 1973. Allende was murdered on 9/11/73. I wonder what the Haitian people and Aristide did to deserve the para military gangsters bearing U.S. arms? Did Saddam have weapons of mass destruction or did he just refuse to play ball, or are the real reasons hidden? The problem is: we can't know the truth because we can't trust our sources. Should I believe Saddam's a bad guy because everybody says so when it's obvious everyone gets their information from the same untrustworthy sources? If you don't know what to believe you'd better believe nothing than to believe greedy corporate media or politicians. The only thing sure to prove out is their profits. Our freedom depends on the good will of our politicians and their corporate bosses. Democracy in America is sabotaged by the want of sincerity and truth.

(3)from: My Country, Right or Wrong by Barbara Quint, Editor, Searcher Magazine [Quint cited the quotes section of Microsoft Bookshelf] "'Our country! In her intercourse with foreign nations, may she always be in the right; but our country, right or wrong.'" Naval commander Stephen Decatur originated the phrase in a toast given at an April 1816 banquet in Norfolk, Virginia, to celebrate his victory over the Barbary pirates. (The action in Algeria also gave the U.S. Marine Corps anthem its "to the shores of Tripoli" phrase, saluting their first renowned military action.) Fifty-five years later, Carl Scars, German-born U.S. general and U.S. senator, clarified the concept, "Our country right or wrong. When right, to be kept right; when wrong, to be put right." British author, G. K. Chesterton would probably have agreed with Schurz, since he wrote in 1901, "'My country, right or wrong' is a thing that no patriot would think of saying except in a desperate case. It is like saying 'My mother, drunk or sober.'""

Energy:

Fossil fuels come from organic matter accumulated and processed by the planet over millions of years. Organic matter comes from water, minerals and compost interacting with sunlight. The growth of organic matter stores energy from the sun. This accumulated energy is reaped by burning coal, oil, and natural gas, fossil fuels. We're using fossil fuels faster than they can be produced by the Earth. Ultimately they must be depleted. No sane person would deny this. Our energy input to the Planet Earth, including the energy stored in fossil fuels, comes from sunlight. Uneven heating of the atmosphere by the Sun is the source of wind. [Geothermal energy will not increase. Even if a practical source, it is, like fossil fuel, finite.] The fossil fuel bank account is getting short. Sunlight is our only income. If we can't live with the energy we get from the Sun, including the wind, we are going to die. Borrow and spend politicians and abstract economists especially take note. We must all face the truth. We must recognize physical reality. We can only do what's physically possible. No amount of words can change reality. Only Wall Street and politicians can run forever on hot air. Or so they seem to think.

Editorial:

"When in Rome, do as the Roman's do"! That implies: if you don't like what the Romans do you should leave. That would please the Romans but it wouldn't please me. Even if it was possible to escape the influence of the malevolent culture, I would choose to stay. But the

Romans are so pervasive in their world that there is no retreat from them. You must either be their slave or be one of them. If I wish to destroy or merely moderate their evil, first I must learn what I can of how it's supported. The best teacher is experience. I will do as the Romans that I might survive long enough to learn to contrive a means that contributes to the elimination of their destructive ways from the culture. There is some probability they will be replaced with a sustainable economic paradigm. It's worth the chance. We have little to lose. More good is squeezed out by their evil every day. Whether my goal is achievable or not it amuses me to work toward it. It is my freely chosen purpose to attempt to dispel the clouds of illusion from the heads of the people, which are conquered by the fraud and fear of the Romans.

March, 2004

Q: Is the human race marked for extinction by our choice of a dissipative economic paradigm?

A: A culture that values individual gain, selfishness and greed, more highly than the survival of the species, will destroy itself by its shortsighted strategies for personal success. If we continue to allow puerile posturing fools to run our world by teaching US what to think, we will die before they do. We are emulating myopic children who have old, worn out bodies and minds.

Reality vs. Illusions, Lies and Distractions:

When Safeway feels threatened by Super-Walmart selling groceries, the former must reduce worker wages and benefits to compete. Now here's a dominos effect to worry about. Never mind that vertically integrated retailers are making huge profits as their own middle men and only the workers making, growing or retailing the products and ultimately the consumers, feel the crunch. How do the general population suffer from the lower prices? If we need two incomes (or even three or four jobs per family) to pay the rent and buy food and cheap clothes because of the overall trend in workforce and wage reduction, our quality of life must suffer. If we need second or third mortgages and a ton of credit card debt to get by or even merely to pretend we have a lot and our lives aren't really stressful, hamster wheel heart attack machines, owned by the bank, then we are being deluded. This is not the good life.

What's worse, it can't last! [Humorous?] Money is not real wealth. It is a token that represents goods and services that people do physical work to produce.(1) The taken for granted notion that capital finance contributes positively to the economy is a lie by its inventors and delusional mind poison to the rest of US. Anyone who makes money on money contributes to the ultimate dissipation of our economic energy. Banking, brokering, insurance, i.e. the financial free market, is self-destructive. Thirty-five hundred years ago the dissipative effect of usury was apparently understood. It was forbidden by the law of Moses. Whether or not God told Moses to write this law is beside the point. The point is that to make money off of money produces only money. It creates no material goods to spend that money on. It takes from the work done by others but gives nothing but words in return. Our economy is the greatest fraud and confidence game ever conceived. Its sole evident purpose is to support a tiny fraction of the population in luxury, without the need for them to do any real work. Secondarily, it allows paper people [corporations] and the dead to own property and to dictate our lives, making US virtual slaves of their neCROCKracy.

(1) Wealth is land and material goods. The source of wealth is the ability to produce goods from planetary material. It's the alteration of resources of the Earth.

Politics:

In the 1950's or '60's the Supreme Court forbid forced prison labor. This had to be done in order to break up Southern chain gang slavery and the corruption and graft and harm to the economy of this low or no wage competition to free workers. About the same time "separate but equal" was found unworkable by the real patriots who sat at the time and women's rights gained recognition, in part by actions of the same court. This is also the time that conservatives began yammering about legislation from the bench. Their objection has always been to the hampering of their ability to feed their greed with cheap [slave] labor and the unfettered exercise of their racial and sexist bigotry. That's why billboards called for the impeachment of Earl Warren until the day he left the court.

From the late 1800's until the court interceded in the 20 years after WWII, contract prison labor forced thousands into poverty, with the unfair competition for jobs the slaves embodied. Kickbacks were the norm. Innocent people were arrested and convicted by corrupt police and courts to fill the slave labor orders and the pockets of the officials. Today uncounted homeless wander the streets until they're lucky enough to get an orange suit and room and board in exchange for "public" works. I've seen no evidence of non-systemic corruption. It's undeniable that the use of prison labor contributes to the increase in joblessness, underpay and underemployment, poverty and homelessness. The conservatives must be proud of their "progress" of the past forty years.

Economy:

Adam Smith understood the limits of a market economy. He understood its dissipative nature. For non producers to take a profit on goods made by the labor of others, markets must expand forever. If the market has a finite limit then profit on goods made by others, depletes the economic energy. The trader takes from the economic engine but puts no fuel into it. In the days before fast shipping and communications, a useful service was performed by these middle men and the dissipative effect was diffused by the growing market place. Today these parasites of the economy have all the money and power. In order to fuel the economy we must borrow from them. The interest we pay them (the money they skim as it "circulates") exacerbates the problem of consuming the goods they do not produce but control with their money. In the end they have even more money but there are still the same amount of goods and we still won't be able to buy them without borrowing. At some point the kite will no longer fly. The con will fail.

Among the most facile and specious replies to the inevitability of a finite market limit is the notion that our corporate patrons and caretakers have thought of this. They plan to exploit overseas middle class markets that they're building up in the places in which the real goods are manufactured by cheap labor. So don't worry, the paper people think they can and will take care of themselves. But what happens to US? Manufacturing and most real work in America is history. Engineering and accounting are going to Asia. All of middle management can't be far behind. Watch out! That gang banger might be violent if you try to get his job at Walmart or McD's. Why are plums and cherries so high at the peak of the season. Maybe the upper class of Chile supports our prices in the summer while ours returns the favor come winter. Is exported food the cause of lower quality, higher priced meats and produce. Twenty years ago that condition only existed in poor neighborhoods in America.

Those who fill their pockets by looting America, by exporting the real wealth to China or wherever, if they believe their lie, that we all benefit from their greed, are not only arrogant, vain

and conceited, they are fools and idiots.

Religion:

The bible is not really clear about the nature of Original Sin. The fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil is a picturesque description but not very specific. That's appropriate. I think Original Sin took many forms before the human race became greatly tainted. One of the worst forms of the spiritual poison is living off work done by others. This, in today's economy, implies controlling or dominating others. Domination is original sin no matter which side of it you're on. When done to avoid real work, as it almost always is, control of the will of another is the most onerous sin that can be committed. It spiritually destroys the perpetrator and the victim. The hoarding of wealth that is intended to and does follow, causes immense pain and suffering among millions of people. That is the measure of evil: the amount of pain and suffering caused. The worst sinners are those with the most hoarded wealth. It is only possible to be rich by taking of the work of others. No one could work hard enough to physically create the material goods that constitute riches. The less choice we have in dealing with the ruling parasites the worse their sin. We have no choice but deal with the money changers if we wish to live. Like Moses, Christ knew the evil of the financial industry. That's why he drove them from the temple. That's why they had him tried and murdered. It's about time we get even.

Editorial:

The puppet Bush Administration and the corporations who pull the strings are traitors to America. Sending the jobs to China is evidence. Exporting food to Mexico and South America, Australia and Japan is evidence. That we have less real money and higher prices is evidence. The decline in buying power of the wages of a 40 hour job since Tricky Dick is evidence [of party conspiracy]. The elimination of overtime pay for 8 million Americans including fire fighters, police, nurses and veterans of the Iraq War is evidence. Inadequate health care for 42 million Americans is evidence. The greed of the rich's corporate empire is evidence. The indifference of the 130 year old paper people to the needs of human beings, whose ancestors created economies millennia ago to sustain our existence, is evidence. The insensitivity and stupidity of the politicians, CEOs and the rest of the corporate clones is evidence. That these evil ones are role models for our children is evidence, perhaps the most damning evidence of all against these treasonous, treacherous scum who have risen to the top of the boiling pork pot they put the fire to themselves.

Ask them why they do it? They'll speak with great uncton, assuring you of their wisdom and exalted stature. When you are sufficiently humiliated to be impressed by their lies, they speak of their duty to the stockholders and their puerile sacred principles [greed and selfishness, pretentiousness and arrogance]. You know, I don't give a damn about the stockholders. I don't care what they think is fair or morally correct. I want a chance for a decent life for all Americans. And that means these assholes and their bullshit rationales have got to go! It's them or US. Whose side are YOU on?

But if we choose, we can easily change this intolerable economic paradigm. We have the power. We do the work that supplies the stuff of life. Our labor produces the material goods (or it would if they hadn't foolishly given the real wealth of material production to China) that the elite workless class steals and hoards. If we all stop for a day or a week, and let them know we're serious, things will change. The threat of the loss of their privilege was enough to gain huge concessions in the 1930's. The conservatives have undone most of these in the past forty years.

Overtime pay and the forty hour week were established by FDR in 1938. Bush is trying to take it away from 8 million Americans, including police, firefighters, nurses and veterans in March 2004. The fools argue that making Americans work longer hours for the same pay will create jobs by making products more competitive overseas. i.e. They'll steal our work then sell the products elsewhere. They'll have to. We won't have the money to buy them.

Two summers of burning the cities brought the Civil Rights Law of 1964. But we don't need to loot the supermarkets to make our point. We merely need to stop working for a few days and let the rich know we've had enough of their childish indolence and larcenous lifestyles. We want our fair share, that is to say, all of the material goods that are produced. They can do some real work and begin to pull their own weight if they wish to live. Hereditary laziness and parasitic behavior must be rooted out of the gene pool to insure the survival of the real human race.

The possible solutions, which I've offered now and in past issues, to the problem of our dissipative economy, our way of life which is dysfunctional for most of US, are nonviolent and protective of the American Constitution. It bothers me that, historically, most change has come about through violent means. But this needn't be so. The bottom line is the rich need US to work to make their wealth or even to merely survive. We don't need them for anything. Their continued existence is a threat to our survival.

February, 2004

Q: How are the good rewarded in this life?

A: The good are viewed by the evil as an opportunity to make more money. The better you are the more likely you'll be seen as an easy mark. Without an afterlife or a just god, we're screwed. [note: I want a God who adequately cares for the living instead of one that neglects us until we're dead.]

Reality vs. Illusions, Lies and Distractions:

A thousand years ago did our ancestors approve the feudal land owning lords' right to starve who they would, that they might hoard an excess of material goods? The land of the Earth [and often the people on it], the common gift of God, was made private property by the aristocracy. The owners' law said they might do as they wished with it... regardless of the pain and suffering visited upon the majority of the population by the monopolization of the means of survival by a small gang of ruthless criminals. Were the ministers of the peers, the middle class of the day, as oblivious to the evil as their counterparts are now? They were certainly rewarded as well for their treachery as they are today. They flattered themselves in the same manner. They and their masters were easily as pretentious and self deluded. But were ordinary people as taken in by propaganda in support of evil empires? I doubt it! I think it took three or four generations of corporate controlled government, media and schools to make US all as stupid as the bourgeoisie.

If every generation intervening between US and the feudal times had been so docile, democracy would not exist. The founders of the American Republic would have seen no need to overthrow the economic tyranny of kings. If such people had lived until today they would not have been so easily convinced to allow the privatization of our common wealth of land and resources, that are needed by all to survive. They would not have allowed the perversion of free enterprise for the satisfaction of the greed of a few. They would not have permitted the survival of the American people to be placed at risk by the exportation of the wealth of our nation to increase the profit of a thousand paper people. Ninety-five per cent of the stock of those thousand corporations is owned by less than one per cent of the population. That elite group is no longer human. They're

parasites, like vampires living off our lives' energy.

Bush et al. are hiding their economic tyranny beneath a cover of lies, mostly about the propagation of democracy. Unless filtered through minds saturated with corporate propaganda, the acts of the evil Bush regime and its trite vision would be impossible to sell to the American people.

Economy:

Eight hundred years ago a group of dispossessed farmers may have gathered together in Sherwood Forest to try to stay alive by hunting the king's deer. Their land had been stolen by the economic elite class of their times. In attempting to revert to an older economic paradigm, they ran afoul of the laws imposed by the tyrannical property owners.

The feudal lords of Robin Hood's day had a lot in common with the rich stock holders who own ninety-five per cent of the land and everything else, not just the stock, in the contemporary corporate tyranny. They were and are less than one per cent of the population. They employed and employ police and armies to maintain and expand their evil empires. Today they buy politicians and CEOs to fulfill the roles performed by a middle class of ministers and officers in olden times. They suborn the managers to treason against humanity now as they did then. But they are as unconscious of all these things as they are of the self destructive path onto which they've led US.

If you wish to know what the elite owned corporations are doing to America, don't ask them. They don't know. The managers and politicians who do it for them know even less. All they know is their individual gain. None see the collective effect of increasing profit by having goods manufactured offshore by cheap labor. None see the inevitable decline in demand when they have all the money and we're jobless and broke. No one see the danger of the Nixon courted and Reagan-Bush-Clinton-Bush cultivated "trade partners", especially China. None see that exporting jobs is throwing away the real wealth of America. All they see with their heads in the box is their individual bottom line. That line is on paper. It's inedible. You can't ride in it. It won't keep you warm and dry. You can't live on robbery if your victims have nothing left to steal. You can't steal from those who are as strong or stronger than you are. If you delude yourself about your strength you will surely die. Will you start a war with China if they say, "We've got your factories and goods. Now go home! We are and will remain indebted to you."

Editorial:

Going on three years ago 3000+ people died as the result of terrorist attacks of 9/11. Every year a quarter of a million American lifetimes are lost by those who can't afford adequate health care. Volume I #28 9/1/01 SEE MEDICINE, then close window to return here Every year 5000 Americans die due to food related illnesses. SEARCH CDC, then close window to return here Inadequate healthcare is a result of the tyranny imposed by the [abstract] service economy. Inadequate and lax food inspection is the result of pressure exerted on the government. The food industry wants to increase profits and they don't care if you die as long as they cut costs. These economic terrorists cause more pain and suffering each year than any third world thug ever dreamed.

But what sensational sales pitch rivets your attention? What distracts you from the greater evil? Could it be the lies and exaggerations of an administration and congress who are complicit in the greed of the true rulers of America? Could it be that a Texas oil man and a multinational energy and construction corporate CEO have the well being of their masters instead of the American

people as their primary motivation? If so, these criminals are also traitors. The deaths of at least hundreds of thousands and probably millions of people each year can be traced to the deprivation and poverty that must exist for the elite classes to have their excess of worldly goods. Their greed is the cause of many shortened lives... unnecessary deaths.

Down with the tyranny of the paper people. Such concepts must be eliminated from the gene-pool of our thoughts. To allow such corruption of intellect to continue to breed in our minds is to court the disaster of the extinction of the human race.

January, 2004

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Reality vs. Illusions, Lies and Distractions:

A thousand years ago did our ancestors approve the feudal land owning lords' right to starve who they would, that they might hoard an excess of material goods? The land of the Earth [and often the people on it], the common gift of God, was made private property by the aristocracy. The owners' law said they might do as they wished with it... regardless of the pain and suffering visited upon the majority of the population by the monopolization of the means of survival by a small gang of ruthless criminals. Were the ministers of the peers, the middle class of the day, as oblivious to the evil as their counterparts are now? They were certainly rewarded as well for their treachery as they are today. They flattered themselves in the same manner. They and their masters were easily as pretentious and self deluded. But were ordinary people as taken in by propaganda in support of evil empires? I doubt it! I think it took three or four generations of corporate controlled government, media and schools to make US all as stupid as the bourgeoisie.

If every generation intervening between US and the feudal times had been so docile, democracy would not exist. The founders of the American Republic would have seen no need to overthrow the economic tyranny of kings. If such people had lived until today they would not have been so easily convinced to allow the privatization of our common wealth of land and resources, that are needed by all to survive. They would not have allowed the perversion of free enterprise for the satisfaction of the greed of a few. They would not have permitted the survival of the American people to be placed at risk by the exportation of the wealth of our nation to increase the profit of a thousand paper people. Ninety-five per cent of the stock of those thousand corporations is owned by less than one per cent of the population. That elite group is no longer human. They're parasites, like vampires living off our lives' energy.

Bush et al. are hiding their economic tyranny beneath a cover of lies, mostly about the propagation of democracy. Unless filtered through minds saturated with corporate propaganda, the acts of the evil Bush regime and its trite vision would be impossible to sell to the American people.

Economy:

Eight hundred years ago a group of dispossessed farmers may have gathered together in Sherwood Forest to try to stay alive by hunting the king's deer. Their land had been stolen by the economic elite class of their times. In attempting to revert to an older economic paradigm, they ran afoul of the laws imposed by the tyrannical property owners.

The feudal lords of Robin Hood's day had a lot in common with the rich stock holders who own ninety-five per cent of the land and everything else, not just the stock, in the contemporary corporate tyranny. They were and are less than one per cent of the population. They employed and employ police and armies to maintain and expand their evil empires. Today they buy politicians and CEOs to fulfill the roles performed by a middle class of ministers and officers in olden times. They suborn the managers to treason against humanity now as they did then. But they are as unconscious of all these things as they are of the self destructive path onto which they've led US.

If you wish to know what the elite owned corporations are doing to America, don't ask them. They don't know. The managers and politicians who do it for them know even less. All they know is their individual gain. None see the collective effect of increasing profit by having goods manufactured offshore by cheap labor. None see the inevitable decline in demand when they have all the money and we're jobless and broke. No one see the danger of the Nixon courted and Reagan-Bush-Clinton-Bush cultivated "trade partners", especially China. None see that exporting jobs is throwing away the real wealth of America. All they see with their heads in the box is their individual bottom line. That line is on paper. It's inedible. You can't ride in it. It won't keep you warm and dry. You can't live on robbery if your victims have nothing left to steal. You can't steal from those who are as strong or stronger than you are. If you delude yourself about your strength you will surely die. Will you start a war with China if they say, "We've got your factories and goods. Now go home! We are and will remain indebted to you."

Editorial:

Going on three years ago 3000+ people died as the result of terrorist attacks of 9/11. Every year a quarter of a million American lifetimes are lost by those who can't afford adequate health care. Volume I #28 9/1/01 SEE MEDICINE, then close window to return here Every year 5000 Americans die due to food related illnesses. SEARCH CDC, then close window to return here Inadequate healthcare is a result of the tyranny imposed by the [abstract] service economy. Inadequate and lax food inspection is the result of pressure exerted on the government. The food industry wants to increase profits and they don't care if you die as long as they cut costs. These economic terrorists cause more pain and suffering each year than any third world thug ever dreamed.

But what sensational sales pitch rivets your attention? What distracts you from the greater evil? Could it be the lies and exaggerations of an administration and congress who are complicit in the greed of the true rulers of America? Could it be that a Texas oil man and a multinational energy and construction corporate CEO have the well being of their masters instead of the American people as their primary motivation? If so, these criminals are also traitors. The deaths of at least hundreds of thousands and probably millions of people each year can be traced to the deprivation and poverty that must exist for the elite classes to have their excess of worldly goods. Their greed is the cause of many shortened lives... unnecessary deaths.

Down with the tyranny of the paper people. Such concepts must be eliminated from the gene-pool of our thoughts. To allow such corruption of intellect to continue to breed in our minds is to court the disaster of the extinction of the human race.

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Morality, ethics and the emotional engagement of populations are in a constant state of change. Only the greed, corruption and treachery of the powerful and rich elite remains the same. "A good slave works for food alone."

Q: Does the decline in buying power of consumers in the past 35 years indicate a conspiracy of fraud among the wealthy elite and their wholly owned subsidiary politicians and other corporate clones?

A: Not necessarily. they might all be acting on a common principle of amoral greed. Each one takes all they can steal from US, without regard to the pain and suffering they cause to one and all. These people are as insensitive to their fellow humans as pigs to one another at the trough. They all focus so tightly on personal gain that they are as unaware of their cumulative detrimental effect on the economy, as they are of the pain they cause US thereby. Self awareness of collective evil, by the wealthy perpetrators, is a prerequisite to conspiracies on their part. They aren't smart enough to pull off a deliberate scam. The system only works because they and we believe we are good people in a just land.

Reality:

Childish stupidity prevails. The wealthy elite, who claim to motivate progress with their money making schemes, more often impede it in the name of greed. They suppress advances, by refusing to capitalize them and other more active means, that threaten the profits of existing scams. They buy genius and its produce and lock it up with intellectual property laws that guarantee only the owners may direct the course of humanity. They also assure that the real originators of technology, literature, art or science will profit only slightly from their own work. Where is the human race headed under the leadership of the greedy elite? Wherever or to whatever they're leading US, you can be sure they'll have more of it and we'll have less.

Of course we're free in America to choose not to cooperate with their selfish scams. We certainly don't have to vote for their puppets or cheer their rapacity. If you do choose to exercise your freedom of choice in "negative" ways, instead of little, you'll get nothing at all. You may choose of your own free will to starve... that's the only freedom there is in America... else you must choose to obey. You must chose to be "positive". If the truth is not "positive", that is: if George doesn't want to hear it, then the truth must be suppressed.

Illusions, Lies and Distractions:

The cowardly sneaks, whose positions are hidden behind a curtain of lies, exert their social power like children. They gang up, all against one, as they single us out for discipline. Incredibly, they believe they're strong, intelligent and mature individuals. Our children, we and our masters are deluded. The difference, when there is one, between children's fantasy and adult evil, is economic gain. Individual strength and maturity have nothing to do with it at all. They always act as a gang. Whether overtly or economically violent, by force or by systemic fraud, the pain and suffering these gangsters cause is the greatest evil on Earth.

When society is viewed as a whole, by what goes down, it's seen that the rich have formed the most powerful and evil union the Earth has ever known. They band together with perfect solidarity to take and keep for themselves all the wealth but enough to keep alive and cooperative those they need to produce it for them. The human race is their herd and they are the owners, the controllers. They force US to purchase our existence by giving them the fruits of our labor. Yet it is they who are superfluous to the economic formula.

No one may join their union without their permission. They never give it unless they feel threatened. By insisting that we act individually, while they act as a gang, they assure they'll seldom need to allow newcomers into the temple of wealth. We'll act for them by keeping one another down, through competition among ourselves. Only enough will succeed to maintain the illusion that anyone can be like them. If you're one of many who believes anyone can be rich who is smart enough or works hard enough, you haven't done the math! You've been taken in by the great delusion.

To see the mathematical impossibility of riches and workless indolence for everyone, just simplify the economic equation, while maintaining its essential integrity. That puerile exercise would not be necessary in a world that had not been made stupid by the childlike lies of the selfish, greedy elite. Many of US saw this when we were younger but allowed ourselves to be gradually or suddenly deluded due to the necessity to survive (or we plain sold out) in a world of finance created by selfish abominations of human nature.

What is the abominable disease that afflicts the human race? They are the rich and their corporations, wholly owned politicians, management and justice system. A part of the sick delusion is that the people in general are the stockholders who own the corporations. If, as they say, fifty percent of US own stock, so what? Less than five percent of them own at least ninety percent of the stock and everything else. Do you see now why it's mathematically impossible for everyone to be rich? You should also be able to see why the rich are not merely unnecessary but are actually a harmful blight on the economy that sustains US all.

Politics:

I was asked, "Do you think Bush's reelection is guaranteed by the capture of Saddam?" Are Americans really that stupid?

But then we believe politicians care for US and our way of life, not just for the greed of their masters. Anyone who claims to represent all Americans is a liar. You can't represent the vampire elite and their prey at the same time. The bible put it another way: "You cannot serve both God [good] and [the system] Mammon!"

Economy:

The economy is about the production and distribution of the real material goods and useful services that are required to sustain life or, when possible, to make peoples secure and comfortable. Banks and money, stocks and bonds are about providing luxury for a few individuals at the expense of the general population. Without the goods, those abstract means of making money of money have no use or value to the rest of US. Such schemes of enrichment for the few are the usury forbidden by the Law of Moses. They represent imaginary work, which we euphemistically call busyness. Real work is that which directly creates material wealth like houses, clothing, food or cars. Real work is hands on. Some abstract [imaginary] work is necessary but it is always dissipative to the economy. How is it that Moses could predict this outcome and forbid the practices 3500 ago but we're unable to face the facts and take

responsibility for our foolishness today. The more generously usury is rewarded the more destructive it is. This is simple math. The rich and their wholly owned CEOs, politicians and lawyers are looting the country, and reassuring US that it's "the best of all possible worlds" and "What's really changed since the days of Voltaire?"

It's the same evil if you live in America or Russia (before or after the fall of the Soviet Union). Only the hands in the pork barrel change. The misery and suffering [evil] imposed on many for the welfare of the elite remains the same. They, whoever they are, appropriate most of the wealth and most of US suffer thereby. The economy must eventually collapse under the weight of their greed. It cannot forever bear an incessantly increasing load by the workless class elite. Only real work sustains. I'll leave it as an exercise of the citizenry to determine a means, without change to the U.S. Constitution, to encourage real work and discourage parasitic and dissipative economic practices.

As things are, to profit, we must descend to the lowest common denominator of morality and scruples. Our collective efforts concentrate on the creation of money while the goods are made in China. As consumer's jobs and wages disappear, even Walmart prices rise beyond our reach. Safeway excuses abuse of its employees by citing the necessity to compete with Walmart. The monkeys keep on seeing and doing. As we increase the management and labor pools through job exportation, the unemployed will increase the power of abstract marketeers to economically terrorize the dwindling remainder of the employed, with the fear of function loss or lower salaries and wages. Though the economic tyranny, enforced by the lower and lower living standard that they inflict, is a boon to stockholders, what do those stocks [monies] really represent? How many of US truly benefit from our system? How many will be better off tomorrow? If you believe we can all be rich and no one must do real work, what do you think you'll eat? We will have food marketing and distribution systems but no farms or farmers! Will they grow food in China to feed US? Will they exchange that food for worthless paper? Before it gets to that stage, I believe the Chinese will say, "Thanks for the machines and factories, now go home fools!"

What is the plan for the worst case scenario? If the Chinese nationalize the multi-national corporate factories and keep the consumer goods for themselves, what will we do about it?

Law and order:

Increased scrutiny at airports in response to the increased terror alert status just before Christmas must have added to the chaos on the busiest travel days of the year. Was this calculated to keep people at home and so to clear the lines for the sycophants of the elite? Whether this incident was coincidence or one more Machiavellian plot is beside the point. There is no goodness without good will. There is little good will left in the every day lives of Americans. "Nice guys finish last." Fixing the world begins at home and strengthening the just-us system will hurt, not help US. We need to quit running on fear and begin to think for ourselves. We need to defend our own dignity, lives and property from the evil, greedy elite and their wholly owned politicians and corporate clones.

Energy:

By 2020 the fossil fuel will be gone. George first acknowledged this 20+ year old data a few weeks ago, when he said we must plan for the energy needs of our children. Will power companies install PV on your roof, then bleed the kilowatts back over existing grid to redistribute it to you for an exorbitant charge. What seems like a George solution? The Oil

Industry, fearing for their share of the loot, may prepare a war of liberation in which they'll battle PG&E and others. They'll refuse to be left out of the profits when the oil is gone. They can't figure out how to start the war now, while they own the president, and maintain their claim that there is no energy/ecological crisis. How will they spin-play this one? We've already seen the start. George acknowledged the 20+ year old data.

Medicine:

Mad cow testing, byproduct feeds, for show FDA meat inspectors... as profit motive does for all things, masters' greed gives US nothing. Unsafe food is nothing but another source of ill-health. The most greedy doctors and the most costly treatments are guaranteed by the same mechanism. Med school doesn't attract healers. HMOs manage for their own profit. Corporate management and control of the means of our survival will kill US all! We're diseased by the wealthy elite.

Editorial Column:

To end on a humorous note: what hope is there for the survival of the human race? The seemingly coordinated corporate demands for our time are moving the middle class to postpone having children or to elect not to breed at all. If this becomes the norm, the true believers will effectively remove themselves from the gene pool. The corporate devastation of families will self destruct. All of our problems will be solved by default. After a generation or so, abominations like George W. Bush will simply fail to show up at the battle. The degenerate, through their greed and selfishness, ironically, will have neglected to regenerate.

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Q: Is it time for regime change in America?

A: I'm not sure. I would like to believe the rank and file conservatives are starting to see through the Bush-shit. But I fear we'll have to put up with more of it until a critical mass of objectors is attained... due conscience, common sense or whatever awakens determination to resist economic tyranny.

Reality:

There are no bad reasons; there are only bad acts. I see that we're living Act IV of a tragedy. Thank the greed of the corporate masters. With the aid of their wholly owned subsidiary politicians, staged right and left, their bad play has made a mockery of liberty in America. The freedom to choose between serving the economic masters as a corporate clone and starvation is an affront to the entire human race. But the flock of sheep we've become is blissfully unaware of our condition.

Illusions, Lies and Distractions:

Push the cheat to the final throw. That's how to uncover the nature of the Bush monarchy. George II has substituted a mockery of freedom for rule by the people. He corrupted the electoral process with the fraud in Florida. He's gambled the survivability of the human race on "scientific" opinions his masters have bought and paid for. Thus he shall increase your sense of safety and well being as his corporate owners and trainers rape the Planet, on which our lives depend. He's almost finished gutting the bill of rights to give you a sense of security in a world indignant over the economic tyranny for which he acts as a shill. He's killed over four hundred American military personnel in Iraq, to increase the wealth of his evil masters.

The illusion of liberty is sustained by the fault tolerant program(1) installed in the corporate clones of the middle class, the rank and file conservatives. But no conservatives see themselves as rank and file. It's their pretension and posturing, their credulity that makes them so easy to fool... with the same old tricks ad nauseam. Maybe, if possible, George's frauds will have to cause more blatantly obvious damage to America, before true followers will see reality. I'm not sure though, that enough rope exists for him to hang himself in the limited view of the party faithful. That's how efficient virtual sheep processing has become.

The illusion of rebounding prosperity due to policies designed to impoverish US for the benefit of the wealthy elite and their sycophantic CEOs and politicians is shattered by noting one fact. Two people must work full time to earn 75% of the buying power of one in 1968. This follows 35 years of decline in real wages and good jobs. This is the Walmart and service economy legacy. If you wish to know the true intent of words or acts, see what they've accomplished. And if you want to know the true effects of tax cuts, note how much more than taxes you pay each year to banks in interest etc. or for insurance and day care. Note also that those necessary services would cost a third or less than they do presently, if done on a nonprofit basis. It's the unmitigated greed of the elite that causes most of the misery on Earth.

(1)See "Denial" Chapter 3, elsewhere on this site, for an explanation of "fault tolerant [human thought] programming."

Politics:

To betray the spirit of freedom in America is treason greater than any domestic terrorist or spy could imagine. The tyrant that controls by controlling the information with which choices and decisions must be made, by lying, is the most onerous of despots. A person who cheats in elections in America, through intimidation of voters, tampering with ballots and suborning Supreme Court Justices, is a traitor to freedom and democracy. Do you know any such treasonous person?

What freedom and democracy remains when elections are no longer free and honest. If the outcome is rigged the election is a farce. Freedom and democracy no longer exist when a candidate's brother can throw the election to his co-prince. What we have now more closely resembles the neo feudal aristocracy that is the essence of our tyrannical economic system. That is capitalism truthfully described. What kind of idiot could support such evil and call it good?

Is it possible in America to control intelligence in such a way as to spend American lives in order to provide windfall profits to your friends? What kind of demon would pervert the spirit of freedom in this way? How many high crimes and misdemeanors does it take to impeach and convict a president? What kind of fool will ignore consistent and persistent evil "for the good of our democracy?" The grim chuckle this irony induces must be nurtured and spread if our freedom is to be regained. We can rid ourselves of this evil, parasitic regime, if we will it so.

Economy:

Usury, the increase of money sans growth of material goods [real wealth] is the fatal flaw in our tragicomic economy.

The harm caused by taxes is far down the list. The neo-conservative illusions haven't changed for eighty years. The skilled workers and middle class pay most taxes. They're tricked into voting for those they think will decrease their burden. As with the economic security they ache for, the carrot of tax relief will always be just out of reach. That's economic necessity. The equation can

never be balanced but to admit the bourgeois beyond token representation among the elite would not compute at all. The system couldn't stand the shock the truth would bring. It's easier to win the lottery or become a star than it is to succeed by the traditional formulae.

Energy:

ADM feeds the world, except when they can get more money out of the corn by burning it in your SUV. But the producers of the gasoline that the alcohol supplements don't want to pay for damages their MTBE may have caused. The Energy Bill, which conservatives vow will be back, limits a communities right to recovery of losses that might be suffered due to MTBE contamination. This is the kind of litigation the Bush administration considers frivolous and disruptive. Energy corps will be pardoned in advance for, and excused from liability for their environmental crimes. They want more money and to protect that they've already stolen but refuse to take responsibility for the harm done by their rapacity. We're expected to give and take but mostly give. They take and take some more.

Medicine:

The profit motive guarantees the greediest will get most of the money and dedicated healers won't have the connections to get into med school. The insurance companies have already increased the cost of medicine beyond what most Americans can afford, through their rapacity. Their profits, like those of banks and brokers, are purely parasitic. They take money from the system but produce no material goods. The service they provide, if necessary to anything beside feeding their greed, can be done on a nonprofit basis. The things we need collectively shall be done collectively if our economy will be sustained. The survival of the human race depends on a sustainable economy.

The medicare changes don't address the problem of insurance company greed. Note that many of the medical and malpractice insurance companies are owned by ex-physicians or their heirs. This means that practicing doctors are no longer working for themselves but are basically well paid wage slaves. Other than decent pay, they're much like ourselves. (Except also their pride in their pretentious social position. But that won't last unless they get the money and autonomy back.)

The Medicare Bill doesn't address insurance company greed, the major cause of the failure of the health care system for most Americans. It actually subsidizes insurance companies. The 1.5 billion in corporate welfare is to encourage them to accept privatization. As with all government sell outs, the poor and middle class taxpayers (the poor pay a lot of SSI tax) will pay for the extra big mouths of the rich insurers at the public trough. How many times will they run this same con on US before we wake up and eliminate the unnecessary and destructive rich elite and their shills from the gene pool? [Ed. note: Literal removal is not implied. By eliminating the motive, these antisocial personalities will no longer be synthesized. Thus the genetic correction of the human species will be a nonviolent procedure.]

Editorial Column:

An economy that rewards useless manipulation of money and cheats real workers and innovators is an abomination. You wonder why the third world hates US. You'll soon know first hand!

October, 2003

Q: Is a visionary a prophet who sees what's coming or what may be?

A: Perhaps. More importantly, the visionary sees what is, with a rare perspective. The view is unoccluded (or at least less than ordinarily hidden) by the illusions, distractions, distortions and lies created by the wealthy elite and propagated by their corporate owned politicians and media.

Reality:

Righteous morality, just law, a sense of fairness are virtues by which we ought guide our existence. Some believe we do. The not quite but more like reality is: scoundrels pretend to virtue while stealing from fools who live virtuously.

Don't jump to conclusions! It's not foolish to live virtuously. It is inestimable folly to act virtuously towards those con artists who use a pretense of virtue to hoard collectively produced wealth. To deal honestly with those who will only distort, distract and lie in order to gain advantage is madness. Yet, unscrupulous politicians and other minions of the economically elite masters count on our sense of fairness to assure the success of their eternal fraud.

Illusions, Lies and Distractions:

"Shut Up and Sing" the conservative propagandist and subverter of democracy writes. She defends conservative greed and ruthlessness by labeling well known artists who oppose the fascist evil as the elite. This typically disingenuous projection is the only thing that's genuinely tried and true in the policies of the economically elite rapists of Humanity and Earth. The misdirection produced by the distortion and lie seduces US with the appeal to our sense of fairness more than any other virtue. It is similar to how talking about what a sports star deserves distracts US from the unearned wealth of the truly elite and greedy: the rich masters who own all politicians but control most completely the conservative "mind".

Conservatives see opposition to their adventurous greed as "Treason". I see economic treason in their businesslike subjugation of America and the world. Profit at the expense of an increase in poverty, pain and suffering for the majority, here and all over the Earth, is betrayal of humanity on a scale never realized by any tyranny since the beginning of history. That is injury in need of vindication. To have some last blush Barbie Doll project the evil of her masters onto the victims of their greed in a misguided and distorted nationalistic fervor is adding intolerable insult.

Religion:

When conservatives have distorted an idea, principle, religion, democracy or whatever, to serve greed and economic tyranny by the workless class elite, they cling tenaciously for many generations to "their" corrupted ideologies. Their mind set is a sense of their right to dominate and be served by the rest of US. They possess or are possessed by a demon-like malignant sensation of moral, spiritual, intellectual and genetic superiority. That works well for recruiting most rank and file thralls (the wannabees) but it makes sincere ideologues uncomfortable.

I feel concern and pity for the true believers. But they lead the rally to make concessions to the conservative evil. To compromise with those who will only consent to place themselves above US, to dominate and be served by US, is to surrender freedom. Loss of freedom is the broadest avenue to pain and suffering; therefore it is the greatest evil on Earth! It is evil for all who participate. Economic domination in a democracy is equivalent to any form of totalitarianism. To dominate others or allow domination of self is Original Sin. Metaphorically speaking, this evil must be eliminated from the gene pool, if we are to live truly. No person, only ideas must die to

progress to the elimination of the desire to dominate and be served from our consciousness.

Editorial Column:

How can you tell they're lying? The only true and simple answer would be some sarcastic remark like, "Their mouths are open". While it's a fact that what most people say most of the time is not completely true, that doesn't always equate to lying on their part. Most people believe their illusions and delusions. They merely repeat the lies of others with which they've been deluded. Statistically then, and truthfully, there's a high probability of correct procedure if you judge people to be uttering untruths whenever they speak. If only fools are honest, there's no one to be trusted. So dies the hope of salvation.

Hope lies in the development of a "clear, strong and autonomous" thought... "stripping away the worldly conditioning". Those quotes from the I Ching are easy to understand. Their truth is obvious. Get rid of the delusions (cultivated by the selfish and unscrupulous) and think for yourself. But implementing them in our lives is no easy task. It can't be done in a day. Many can only work toward the goal. One may seek the truth for a lifetime and never quite find it. However, I prefer the unsure path to truth to the certain capitulation to delusion. Now we're back where we started. Instead of "how can we tell when they're lying", you can ask, "what are some of the guideposts on the path to Truth?" I warn you: it's a difficult road. In the end you'll have to find your own way.

The human imagination holds an image of good and evil, by which we judge our acts but mostly those of others. Even in that sentence there's a conflict between the collective and the individual. Almost anyone who judges an act to be qualitatively good or evil, will also be attempting to influence their own self interest, usually at the expense of the rest of us. When most people tell you what is good or evil, they're also enlisting you in the service of what is "good" for themselves. That selfishness may be furthered by creating cliques of common self interest within the general community. Whether by an individual or by a subset of society, placing self ahead of whole results in an increase in the suffering and pain of many... for the benefit of a few. So, I throw out the qualitative differentiation of good and evil.

I want no kinds of good and evil. Still I must judge the effects that acts (and words that result in acts) have on me and on the community of humans and on all of life. The way I've found to deal with my paradox is to redefine good and evil. Good is that which aids or is conducive to living. Evil is that which causes suffering and pain and hampers survival. The first law, the law of nature is: "Thou shalt survive"! In order to live we all do good and evil. We may judge our acts and those of others by the quantities of good and evil that they contain for us, individually and collectively. Obviously, by my definition, a thing may be simultaneously good and evil.

It is not by qualities but the quantities of good and evil that we must judge. If a thing is helpful to my survival and that of the human race and not harmful, it is good. How good it is depends on the measure of the benefit it provides. If a thing causes pain or suffering it is evil. How evil depends on how much pain and suffering it causes (only how much never to whom). We also see by the light of this truth, that the greatest evil that we do is that which we do collectively. Yet we invariably attempt to find individuals on which to fix responsibility and blame for the ills of our society. We will never create a better world in this way. We must learn to fix the problems, not the blame. We must want to see reality truthfully if we're to know our problems.

Our greatest problems are not, strictly speaking, caused by individuals. They are certainly not caused intentionally, though they may be the result of the deliberate behaviors of many. They happen none the less. What ultimate evil is responsible for most pain and suffering on Earth? I

don't think anyone will argue that poverty is at the root of most pain and suffering. Disease is connected to poverty; the rich can afford health care not available to many: a bigger problem in America than in most of the first world. War results in an end to suffering for some of the poor who have to fight it and enrichment of those for whom it's fought. Poverty or that which results in poverty is the primary cause of pain and suffering. What causes poverty, the unequal distribution of material goods? Many more than those who call themselves conservative would rationalize their greed by having us believe laziness and stupidity are the cause of poverty. Blaming the crime on the victim is a way to place responsibility for collective problems on individuals. But it's not greed or abuse of power by any one individual that results in poverty. No one person could work hard enough to be rich and no one could be evil enough to be responsible for poverty. To be rich one needs to take a little portion from many people. To cause poverty requires the cumulative effect of part of the population attempting to expropriate more than their share of the collective product of the human race. The cumulative effect of individuals acting in their own self interest without regard for and often with malice towards their fellow humans is the greatest evil on Earth. All material goods of human societies, wealth, is produced by cooperative work of the collective. To be rich one must have a greater share of the goods that many people cooperate, willingly or not, to produce. The rich are the result of collective action as much as the poor. To solve our problems we must see them for what they are: collective problems. If we are led into denial by our individual greed, our problems will only get larger.

Here is one example of the application of the quantification rule for the measure of evil. Though placed in terms of individuals it applies as well to groups. I once stole a pound of cheese from a supermarket because I was hungry. If my theft caused pain and suffering it was on such a small scale that I've never become aware of it. It involved no excess and I stole only what I needed to live. Enron executives, the tip of an iceberg, stole hundreds of millions. They caused and continue to cause a great deal of suffering and pain among thousands of people. They and all who hoard wealth are to be judged grossly evil for the great harm they do to individuals and to the community they depend on to produce all they've stolen. My evil is negligible beside their's. If I and every poor person on Earth stole a pound of cheese tomorrow and every day thereafter, the collective evil we would do would still be negligible compared to the harm done collectively by the rich, to the entire community, every day that they exist.

The truth is reality. To dissemble or obscure parts of the truth is to lie. Lies, like any other evil, must be evaluated by the amount of pain and suffering they cause. It is never not evil to hoard excess material goods at the expense of the collective or any individuals ability to survive. Most lies, especially the fundamental illusions and delusions, are in the support of the greed of the elite and may be apprehended by following the trail of the money.

We started by talking about the differentiation of lie from truth. We conclude by realizing that lies must also be differentiated by the quantity of "evil" they cause. The most harmful lies are the rationalizations for evil that are told to us collectively. The pain and suffering caused by the existence of an elite who hoard collectively produced wealth is so great that most other evils are insignificant compared to them. The lies they insinuate into our consciousness, which create a basis for our thought and an excuse for their greed are the greatest evil done to the human race and all of life. How can you tell when the rich are lying? That they exist is sufficient evidence. The wealthy elite, their politicians and the other corporate clones who rule in their name, con the rest of us with any lie that serves to maintain their workless class economic superiority. They are rich because we cooperate with them. Our cooperation is bought with a little money and a lot of intimidation and lies, the greatest of which is that we need them to survive. The lives of the rich

are dependent on us and the lies they tell us! The existence of the wealthy elite and their lavishly compensated minions, the intermediate overseers, is an evil that we can no longer afford to overlook or tolerate.

If you go about speaking these things how will conservatives (reactionaries) react. If they really don't believe such to be true their arguments will be inept and they may grow angry. That's because they only know what they're told by their overseers. A more intelligent conservative will know the truth and, by first choice, project his own evil onto you. Failing that, he'll attack your character, credibility and self confidence vehemently. Conservatives don't wish the truth to be generally known. It would queer their pitch. If you get the second reaction from a dumb conservative its because he's clever enough to mimic his masters when confronted with something he doesn't understand. If you ever convince one of the truth, he'll likely seek you out for a rematch after conferring with his mentor/controller. If he comes up with a better argument on his own it may be attributed to his thorough psychological and behavioral conditioning.

September, 2003

Q: When is the truth disloyal?

A: The most important loyalty is the loyalty to the truth. The truth is reality.

Reality:

Is it disloyal to speak the truth about national security secrets? I know no security secrets and doubt that many do. Childishly dramatic conditioned thought responses can be at ease. Those are not the truths I wish to speak. Ironically, the most obvious truths are not hidden but remain less well known than the secrets our paranoid politicians fear will be disclosed. It's no secret that the emerging first world nation of Iraq of the 1980's had its blossoming infrastructure bombed into rubble between 1990 and the present. It's no secret that the American people will pay to rebuild what Americans payed, sometimes with their lives, to destroy. It's no secret that the Iraqi people will pay interest on the reconstruction debt, never owning their country or its produce... or that our government will give the spoils to the corporate masters. That is: we pay with our blood and money on both ends and our masters pocket the profit and do the Iraqis into the bargain. Yes, I imagine that conservative politicians, the only kind we have, preach that it's disloyal to speak those truths about the proven purposes of wars, though they're obviously no secret. The best kept secret I wish to know is this: How will the American people benefit from the appropriation of the Iraqi infrastructure by multinational corporations who have impoverished US already and now seek fresh blood in Iraq?.. in India?.. in Malaysia?.. on the Pacific Rim?.. in Argentina, Chile, Brazil and all over South America, Africa, the Earth?

Are the stocks of aggressive economic institutions doing well? Can we eat those stocks?

Illusions, Lies and Distractions:

Does the conspiracy theorist sense something false in government or society, then jump to a conclusion concerning what it might be?... Is it like a person who senses a falseness or childishness in a particular religion, who then seeks a new religion to fulfill their need to remain psychologically secure and dependent?

Are we deluded about the nature of our society and economy? Can a system be said to be good that requires many to live in debt and poverty, so that a few may have much more than they need or can use? But hasn't America always been the good guy, supporting freedom and democracy

and the rights of the downtrodden? Have we ever fought a war of aggression or acquisition? I mean before Iraq. Well, besides the Mexican War... the American Indian Wars... the Spanish American War... the Korean War... the Vietnam War... countless incursions in South America and Africa... many even found WWI questionable. But we still have the American Revolution, the War of 1812 and WWII. Dohhh! I forgot the subjugation of the socialistic Hawaiian natives by right thinking corporate farming interests.

Economy:

As the economy becomes more dominated by abstract mechanisms that create money for rich individuals but produce no usable thing... that take from the collective effort and create nothing but suffering and pain for the majority... that are parasites on the body of the human race, the moral issues we really need to face will become more apparent. The rights of the individual are not more or less important than the rights of the group.

Which should we support the most, collective or individual rights? It seems somehow schizophrenic to me to pit the individual against the collective. Both are required in order to survive as either individuals or as a species. We must do the things that need to be done as group. I must do the things I need to do as an individual. The group needs are dependent on the cooperation of individuals. Individual needs and acts are not truly so if they're dependent on the cooperation (or defrauding or coercion) of the group.

We all cooperate to make our economy work to provide our wants and needs. The greatest part of the increase due to our collective effort is appropriated by a relatively small number of wealthy con artists. What are their most lucrative frauds? Money lending, banking, brokering of all sorts and insurance are the principal usurious occupations and those which do the most damage to the economy. They are parasitic in nature and dissipative of the collective well being. We need some of these services but they don't deserve to be rewarded like real work. Garbage collectors are more valuable to society than bankers. If both occupations disappeared tomorrow, who would you miss first? Remember, trash collectors take from you that which you don't want. The collective needs, those we all require, can be done collectively on a non-profit basis. Thus they will damage US less than they do at present. The only way to save on hog food is to get the biggest pigs away from the trough. Send them to market and realize their potential value. I wonder if their parasitic greed has any value in a truly private marketplace? We know the only use their "public services" have is to build their individual wealth at the expense of the public good.

Editorial Column:

Do you think I'm too hard on America? Do you understand that it's not America or Americans that I criticize? The economic elite and their wholly owned politicians and corporate overseers are not true Americans. Their acts of economic treason are the source of most of the suffering and pain in America. Their treachery is the greatest evil on Earth. Much of it is legal. [They control the legislatures.] We must take America back if we're to save it!

August, 2003

Q: What is the greatest evil perpetrated on the American People by means of the Patriot Act?

A: Unpublished, unofficial abuses of surveillance tools are the real danger to [life and] liberty perpetrated by the treacherous fools who created the Patriot Act.

Reality:

Illusions, Lies and Distractions:

Today the government needs to survey email, web sites and maybe your hard disk to be sure you aren't planning a terrorist attack. Long after the latest class of boogymen have been exorcized from the national consciousness and replaced by some new hysteria, the snoop technology will still be in the hands of the best government money can buy. And even today information irrelevant to the apprehension of the forces of evil but of great interest to your employer may find itself the subject of an unofficial conversation. That phone-call could cost you your livelihood. Many of our politicians and their corporate masters dislike criticism of any kind. They think you should not acknowledge awareness of their scams; you should stay in your place and keep your mouth shut. They're very patronizing. They'll abuse their power for personal gain, then claim they had to do it to survive in the business climate they created themselves. If that email to your friend is critical of your employer's downward spiral of morality or some politician who supports corporate freedom at the expense of individual well being and liberty, you could find yourself sacked without knowing (or ever finding out) what hit you.

Some may smile and say scornfully that such things have always gone on... that I'm naive or paranoid or [by a schizophrenic critic] both. Arrogant posturing words are of no value to anyone. Hypocrisy is the evil corruption that eats away at the human race. Some care only about their personal situation, with no regard for the consequences to those of us who toil creating luxury, while living in relative misery ourselves. These are the corrupt center of our self destructive culture... the "Heart of Darkness". To all greedy, shortsighted fools I say: there's a train comin' down the track and its headed for your SUV. High tech is gone to the Pacific Rim. Computer programming is shipping out to India. Accounting is moving to Malaysia. Most manufacturing was exported years ago. If they haven't got to you yet, you probably know someone who's no longer with your firm. Was he or she the critical sort? They're always the first to go. By the time they get to you it won't matter what you've said or done. They'll laugh at the naive loyalty you hold up like a shield. America will have been successfully looted and we'll be moth-balled, awaiting some final solution.

Hope springs eternal in the hearts of fools. We still think our masters are going to take care of US. No matter how many times they screw US, we never see it coming! But we're superior to the ignorant masses at home and to all foreigners... aren't we? We all have someone to look down on, from our grand house on Paranoid Heights.

But do we believe any of this? I've said nothing that's not taken for granted. It's the (long ago accepted because what can you do?) baseline for our culture. We're so thoroughly conditioned that the truth we all know also sounds like paranoia to US. If mass schizophrenia is normal will we ever know it? I mean, we know the reality of our condition but we're so convinced it can't be any other way that we allow ourselves to be deceived about its quality. We know the facts but won't face the truth.

Hark, I hear a conditioned thought response! What say you, Penkoff? What alternative have I to offer? What's better than this? I'm telling you we're on a self destructive economic, ecological and dysfunctional cultural path and you want to know how to tweak it? A boulder is rolling down the hill towards us and you wish to discuss the relative morality of kinds of rocks? I've warned you of the danger. I don't care what you do about it. Hang the politicians. Nuke the boulder. I don't care. Just do something. Nothing is better than what we have! That is: chaos, no social

order, is better than the virtual slavery of debt and ever increasing poverty. I'm tired of living only to satisfy the greed of the masters. I'm ready for a change. I want the right to a real life that may be lived without taking from others of my own kind. Down with the socioeconomic cannibalism of the past 6000 years! Eschew the ill-gotten gains of economic self consumption. Just say NO to greed!

July, 2003

Q: Do I want to run the world?

A: I don't want to run the world. I want to recreate it in such a way that the kind of selfish and greedy idiot who is stupid enough to want to run it, couldn't screw it up. [Any worse than is!]

Illusions, Lies and Distractions:

I quote myself from Volume I Issue 3, 2/10/2001.

Q: How soon will the Wall Street Sheep be sheared?

A: Harvests took place in 1929, 1987 and during other mishaps of abstract economy. When can the middle class expect to be despoiled for the first time in the new millennium?

Volume I Issue 3:

Support for the Bush Tax Cut is growing as reports of industry lay offs and NASDAQ decline permeate the news. But, as noted, the money from tax cuts (or loans from the FED) will not get to the people who need to spend it in order to turn the economy up. Feigned strength of will, or willfulness, or even token tax concessions cannot change reality.

Wake up George, the conservative lines are played out. You've already got all the money. You must give some back to the people from whom you took it.

You must George! If you want to continue to trick the fish into biting, you'll need to feed them until they are strong enough to take your hook. This time it won't work to just throw around a little chum to attract them.

And you know, it doesn't really matter whose statistics are "honest". What's eternally true is: the wealth of the rich is produced by the rest of us. A tax cut for capitalists might stimulate supply? Theoretically the jobs they create could get money to workers. The jobs won't be created unless capitalists foresee a demand for the goods produced. Tax cuts to the middle class aren't enough. The lower class doesn't make enough money to pay enough taxes for a tax cut to be meaningful. (It doesn't matter what the fraction of the percentage is.) Higher wages for low and middle classes and stable prices are the only real solution.

Bush's plan simply won't work.

The current problem is that growth is slowing due to low demand. The money must go first to "consumers" (and those who won't need to use it to service debt) not "producers". Bush's plan will exacerbate the problem. The middle class should come to their own conclusions about what more credit card and home equity debt will do to their futures. Bush's words will not feed, clothe or house anyone. They won't pay for anyone's retirement.

Here we are almost 2 1/2 years after. The middle class sheep have been sheared and the DOW has climbed back past 9000. I wonder if our shepherds will wait until it reaches 12000 before they call for another harvest of their live stock? The first tax cut sold on the notion that surpluses left by Clinton would continue to grow along with increased economic security. Instead of the promised surpluses, they've borrowed 160 billion from the social security trust fund. The baby

boomers retirement and much more has been mortgaged to pay corporate welfare (our tax money and whatever else Bush can find) to the economic elite. Most of US face rising debt and further slide towards poverty. What other illusions, lies and distractions have been propagated for the further enrichment of the masters (the eternal purpose of all that they do) in this interval? Much conservative propaganda will sound familiar to you. Some of it has been around since before the corrupt Grant administration. They do like the tried and true! I intend to word it in a novel way but the content will remain essentially true to their intent. My intent will be apparent.

The terrorist threat to democracy must be met by dismantling democracy, in the name of security and freedom. In order to preserve our liberty we must allow it to be destroyed. We must surrender our freedom if we are to be free. This can be understood in the context: liberty is the freedom of our masters to live on the fruits of our labor while doing no real work themselves. Our liberty is the freedom to exist in poverty in the midst of plenty that we've created with our sweat.

If the Saudi people react to the theft of the oil money by the Saudi Royal puppets we must be prepared to invade Arabia in order to secure the oil for the satisfaction of American and British corporate greed. If we allow any population to free themselves of poverty who knows where it will lead. In order to rid the world of slavery we must make the world our slaves. Any who react negatively to the "new world order" must be labeled outlaws and terrorists.

An economy that has slowed because the rich have all the money and because the rest of US can borrow no more in order to consume, must be healed by giving the rich more money.

Forest fires that contribute a very small percentage of the greenhouse gases must be stopped by clear cutting the forests. Thus at one stroke the forests and the environment will be dealt with forever.

Extrapolating from many points of conservative ratiocination I feel assured, if it ever comes to saving the fishing industry, it will be accomplished by fishing out the oceans. Likewise, if it's discovered the Planet is shrinking and so threatening the real estate market, we will be encouraged to place a planetary class nuke at Terra's center to create a broad belt of meteors in the Earth's orbit for the brokers to exploit.

Freedom of thought consists of remembering everything you've ever been taught about the futility of socialism, whenever the economic tyranny of the rich is mentioned. Always remember, actually questioning anything without using the thought filters with which you've been provided, could endanger your freedom to think. That is especially true if your thought carries you beyond the bounds of your instruction. [Or is that construction?] You know what's real because your leaders have told you everything you need to know to perform your function.

Who do you know who thinks like this? Who has pitilessly trained US to think this way since the rise of the manufacturers and capitalists... in order to preserve the ill-gotten wealth of their class?

Reality:

The Bush budget proposal, like his tax cut and every influence he has asserted during his term to date, threatens the jobs and security of millions of Americans in order to further enrich his elite masters. The words, the ideas employed by this and all demagogues are designed to cover their true intentions: to enthrall constituencies of loyal, unthinking true believers. For instance, the privatization scam, popularized by Margaret Thatcher and imitated by Ronald Reagan, is supposed, in theory, to lower the cost of government by outsourcing public responsibilities to more efficient private contractors. The government must still expend money for the contracting

process and oversight, so we start with additional expense. But more importantly, the contractor must operate at a profit. Putting this other and much larger mouth at the trough, can only cost more money, all other things being the same. If they actually do save money it can only be by cutting employee benefits or pay. If the health care, rent or food of the employees must be subsidized by welfare do we really see any savings from privatization? If they do the job with less employees, we must pay for retraining and/or unemployment insurance. With corporations treacherously moving jobs, money and themselves out of the country, displaced employees can end up homeless after the "reformed" welfare runs out. Any way you look at it, doing our public works with private companies costs the taxpayers more. That extra is the tax money the contractor sticks in his pocket.

While there has been much study done to demonstrate government waste, the additional costs associated with privatization are not well published. We're supposed to take it on faith that the Bush government, like that of his father and Ronald Reagan before, knows what's best for US... They would never steal our money to give it to their lazy, useless, rich masters. And that's exactly what rank and file conservatives believe. The pilferers of our public funds hide their larceny behind words and count on the faith of their followers.

But up jumps the devil to test our faith. Edward Kennedy introduced an amendment that would have the administration demonstrate the cost savings in proposed privatization scams. If public employees can do the work for less, they can keep their jobs. This, the Senator pointed out, would be a great relief to many of the National Guard in Iraq (and their families at home). There are a significant number of public employees who have been deployed. The jobs they left to go to war and lay down their lives for America are being threatened by Bush's fraudulent and treasonous economic schemes. How's that for whipping the dog that not only provides your sustenance but guards your house while you consume it? Apparently even some of Bush's personal guard are starting to choke at the enormity of his economic crimes. The Republican Senator from Georgia, Saxby Chambliss, rose in support of the Kennedy amendment. He said its about time we find out what really costs less.

If the American people ever wake up to the foul deeds hidden by the fair words of our leaders, there will be no expenditure considered too great to appease them. The empowerment of the labor unions in the 1930s attests to the fear of the masters when the slaves threaten revolt. And don't forget, a hundred years of peaceful negotiations brought blacks some little sympathy and lot of lynchings, shootings, bombings, burnings, unjust prosecutions and police dogs. Two summers of burning the cities got the Civil Rights Law of 1964 and affirmative action. Now that you know how it works, how are you going to act? Are you rich or are you poor? Or are you in the middle like the lukewarm that Jesus did eschew?

By the way, it was speeches like that to which I just referred, and driving the bankers from the temple, for which Christ was killed. The Pharisees and Sadducees [Pat Robertson] were people who put on a show and pretense of goodness in order to enslave the minds of the public, to make sure the people, the source of their own wealth, remained securely enthralled. It was a security issue for the Romans too; they were merely quelling a local uprising before it spread. Before Christianity became a force, the Romans had time to infiltrate and subvert it. See the story of Saul the Centurion. [Centurion: leader of a hundred men, a division of a legion of ten thousand men; analogous to a Captain in our army.]

Politics:

Clinton was impeached for lying about consensual sex with a young adult. His lies caused no

suffering, pain, misery or death. Bush lied about the effect of a tax cut in order to give more money to the already bloated rich. His lies contribute to the further slide toward poverty of many Americans and of people around the world. In our country two people must work full time for average wages to have 80% of the buying power of one person 33 years ago. The service economy is a fraudulent crime. It is economic treason to the American people. Where are the moralizers who insisted that the principles violated by Clinton demanded impeachment? What does their silence in our current situation say of their values?

Self righteous conservative moralists are also silent about the lies(1) Bush told in order to whip up emotion in support of his war of acquisition in Iraq. American corporations are rebuilding the infrastructure that we destroyed with our tax money. Who do you think will hold the mortgage when the bill is presented to the war impoverished Iraqi people? Who will get the greatest part of the oil money? Not the Iraqis. Not the American people who footed the bill. Most of the money will go to pay interest on the debt. If our government ever actually holds the paper, they'll sell it to their corporate buddies at a discount real quick. Another example of the marvelous workings of privatization.

These frauds and deceptions have already cost the lives of hundreds of American soldiers. Most enlisted personnel are refugees from the evil service economy empire. They join the military because it's the best, often the only job they can find. The economic scams of American corporations, supported by Bush, are looting America and impoverishing most of US. Bush's lies, unlike Clinton's, are causing suffering and death here and around the world every day. What sort of twisted values and principles allow "right thinking" Americans to ignore them? Come on Christians! Let's really do something to rid the world of evil. Impeach George W. Bush, then try him and the rest of the peers for treason.

(1)The careful wording of the untruth in the State of the Union address indicates a deliberate attempt to mislead. The entire justification for the war has been built of dissemblings. The fragmentation of the truth in order to deceive is a lie. But whether or not Bush himself is the malicious liar or he was taken in like the rest of us is irrelevant. Criminal, incompetent or both by turns, we can't afford to have one like him in the White House.

Religion:

It's not about ideals, values or principles. It's not about goodness. It's about truth. It's not found within you. It's all around you all of the time. Truth is everything that is and almost nothing that's said about it. Philosophers and Theologians seldom know the truth or care to. When they do they're usually ridiculed or degradingly labeled. They will be placed in the margins in any case. The truth has no great market value; it's a threat to a world recreated by the con artists who own it. The Truth can't be heard. You must open your eyes and see the Truth for yourself.

Though we can't compel truthful vision, we can sometimes identify the distractions and expose truth that's occluded by deceptions. The true believers will resist our efforts, which will seem iconoclastic to them. They're comforted by the security blankets rapped about their heads. Though it may be hopeless to attempt to relieve them of there highly valued afflictions, it's amusing to try. And it may be the only hope we have for survival as a species.

Medicine:

A TV morning show host interviewed a Florida cab driver. "Jimmy" was wounded by bullets eight times in the chest, arms and legs. Some of the shots passed through one part of the body

and caused more wounds in another.

Jimmy, a black man, managed to escape from his cab and reach a house where the residents called 911. He was examined at the hospital and minimally treated. The doctor told him that several of the bullets had passed through and two or three were still inside. Jimmy was told he could stay or go. Jimmy had no insurance and little money. The TV interviewer said, "that sounds like a classic case for a second opinion."

It sounds to me like a classic case of triage by the ability to pay. The choice he was given was no choice at all. After a collision last year, I was suffering from a concussion severe enough to cause dizziness and disorientation such that I couldn't fill out the hospital forms. I pleaded with the doctors and administrators to call my daughter, and Air Force Officer, who lived near by, so that she could assist me. They ignored my pleas and offered me instead the "choice" to leave. They wouldn't comment on my condition. They persisted in their efforts to persuade me to choose to leave.

When I realized there would be no further treatment (I had been x-rayed and no broken bones were discovered) though I complained of visceral pains, I succumbed to their urging and left. My daughter was outraged when I reached her by phone and she heard my abnormal speech. She wanted me to return to the hospital to war with the staff. I asked, "what's the use?"

I'm sure Jimmy felt more frustration and anger than I did. His injuries were much more serious, yet he had to return to work the next day, if he wanted to continue to eat. My daughter looked after me until I could walk and see straight again. But the television interviewer had made a blunder in the talk with Jimmy.

After the commercial break, the interviewer covered his naive and possibly liability creating comment about second opinions by saying, "I'm sure you got the best medical treatment possible". Jimmy sadly, somewhat bewilderedly and very slowly shook his head.

June, 2003

Q: What is the most basic function any economy must perform in order to remain viable?

A: It must provide for the continued survival of the human species.

Reality:

Real Work - 1. Efforts of mind or body which result in the creation of material products. 2. A service with a direct physical effect or movement, such as transportation, medicine or the tangible alteration of existing material object(s). 3. The production of Art, literature, recreation or entertainment that someone, if only the artist, finds esthetically pleasing, emotionally satisfying, uplifting or otherwise valuable in their own subjective judgement is also real work. [Ed. note: Art may not be useful or necessary work; it may not feed the artist. It is none the less real. It doesn't contribute to our physical sustenance... "Man does not live by bread alone".]

Abstract or Imaginary Work - Services, like financial, that manage, exploit or otherwise appropriate the value of real work done by others.

Real work sustains the human race. Imaginary work is always parasitic on the economy. Some imaginary work is necessary to direct the flow of real work. i.e. We must cooperate to accomplish large tasks. Our interactions result in agreements that require necessary abstract work to create. But more and more of our work time is spent in fraudulent make-work (busyness), that is primarily imaginary work. Such efforts are designed to enrich the elite(1) at the expense of those who do real work. Necessary, useful, desirable or not, all abstract work is dissipative and therefore parasitic on the economy. We depend on the economy for life. Very little imaginary

work is necessary. We don't need the rich at all.

The rich don't earn their wealth by hard work. The rich force US to do the work for them, under a passive threat of starvation. Alternately they may have inherited wealth from those who had enslaved our parents and stolen the fruits of their labor. They speak of expanding the work of their fathers and the risks the family has taken over the generations. They would not have been in a position to grow so large without inheritance of the collaborations of a corrupt and dysfunctional (for most of US) society and culture. The wealth they risk is stolen from US. No one gets rich unless many others do the work for them. The abstract economic environment, that allows some to rip off the work of many and to become rich, is abomination of nature.(2)

(1) Some of the middle class are elevated. That maintains the illusion of a meritocracy. Remember, the [inferred] real function of the politician and management class is to create a buffer between the workless class elite and those of US who do real work. It is real work that's required to sustain human life. The buffer also serves as a conduit for the fruits of our labors which are stolen from US by the wannabees and corporate clones, for the evil elite they serve and emulate.

(2) To bequeath wealth is for the dead to exercise control over the living. The Earth supports life. It is unnatural for the dead to dictate who has control of the Earth... from which all things come. No other species can pass on the winnings of territorial/sexual competitions. We may righteously teach our children to compete but they must do it on their own. The beginning of the abomination of nature that humanity has become, may be traceable to consignment of stolen community property to individuals by their dead parents. Life is for the living!

Distractions:

While fatuous Senators spiel specious rationalizations and a childish President boasts of the evil he does in the name of nationalism but really for the sake of the selfishness of the elite, we dote on their media reported betrayals of ourselves and all humanity as if they were the great and morally upright deeds claimed. We ignore the consequences of their greed inspired actions to the economy we depend on for life. We're easily diverted from meaningful thought about reality by the show they put on for US in the theater of lap dog media. When the stock market bubble burst the abstract economy was injured, with very real but unnecessary consequences from which we're still suffering. But that serves the grand illusion: the trickery by which real material goods are traded for the abstract magic beans of imaginary economic means. When the real estate bubble bursts the banks, the heart of the imaginary economy will be destroyed, with devastating results to the artificial and very plastic world of abstract economy.

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Politics:

Economy:

Late in May, the junior Senator from Utah, Robert Bennett, spoke of entrepreneurship and small business in support of the new tax cut. He described how his own S-Corp distributed all profits to himself and the four other shareholders. It was then reported on their 1040 with their salary income from the corporation. The top income tax rate at the time was Reagan's 28%. Thus they avoided corporate taxes and dividend taxes. The corporation showed no profit and let no dividends. Further he stated he lived on his salary and all but the 28% of his share of the profits,

enough to pay the taxes on the part reported as personal income, went back into the corporation. He mentioned having sold his shares before running for the Senate. This was early in the speech and apparently was meant to deflect charges of conflict of interest. He spoke of having mortgaged his home to get the \$75000, which was his share of the startup capital. He said nothing of the ultimate gain he realized when he cashed out nor did he enumerate his increase due to his CEO salary. He spoke only of the inhibition to growth of new enterprises caused by taxes (especially taxes on dividends and capital gains) and that such increase creates new jobs. He implied that tax cuts to the wealthy elite and elimination of dividend taxes would benefit entrepreneurs like himself.

Entrepreneurs like the Senator undoubtedly create jobs. Though the value of their enterprises to the human community may be questionable, many of them should be encouraged. Perhaps we should tie tax relief to an increase in the number of living wage jobs which contribute to the generation of real material wealth. But the elimination of capital gains and dividend taxes gives much more to the workless class elite than to the entrepreneurs it supposedly encourages. The true capitalists hoard wealth by usury and do no real work. The tax cut is one more flim-flam in a nation ruled by con artists. It will precipitate borrowing from the Social Security Trust Fund to pay for the administration's programs of corporate welfare: the corrupt government (military etc.) contracting system. The working poor and all those suffering from poverty and neglect will get no relief. They'll have their pitiful retirement looted. As in all things: we do the work; we pay the bills; they get the benefit! If I knowingly borrow money from them, that I can't or won't repay, I can be imprisoned for fraud. Who will prosecute our fraudulent, elite owned corporations or their subsidiary government. Justice in America is truly Just Us for the rich. The system can't work without undifferentiated enforcement of the law. If we must ignore the offences of some, then let's go for the criminals who do the most harm to US. That is: the President and his [ad]ministrators, the Congress, the Courts, the bankers, the brokers, the CEOs and the workless elite who own them all.

Law and order:

Indict, convict and execute sentence on the President, the Congress, the top corporate cloned marionettes and the puppeteers who own them all. It would send a message to others who might threaten our existence by stealing our sustenance.

Energy:

They're debating energy policy in the Congress right now. That is: they're deciding how to split up a large portion of the money they're about to steal from your social security to increase the profits of "the truly greedy".

Foreign Policy:

While the US Military makes the world safe for the operations of corporate looters overseas, the children of our soldiers are eliminated from participating in the tax cut as are all of US (at least 40 million) who make less than \$27,000/year. Who will fight wars of acquisition for the elite, when our children have been neglected in the name of the greed of our leaders?

Editorial Column:

It's no longer about, never really been about, competing philosophies or religions. It's not about variations on the dominant economic theme of a time or place. Nor is it about conflict between

existing political systems. It's about the freedom of the ruling wealthy elite to continue to live in workless class indolence, while the rest of us do the work that provides sustenance for the human race. We create material goods. They devise abstract means to steal them from us. If their law or morality fail to acquire the fruits of our labor, they organize us into police, armies and nations to control ourselves. We maintain their suzerainty by staying in the massmind places into which they put us. We're self maintaining thralls... virtual slaves.

Right now, as at most times in recent human history, soldiers are acquiring the fruits of the labors of our fellow humans somewhere. That is being done for the benefit of the elite parasites who infect all the people on the Planet. I deliberately exclude the wealthy from the human community. They prey on us. They're no longer human because they do no work. They contribute nothing to and take everything from the human race.

Don't condemn the soldiers among us, who do the work of the masters. Like most of us, "they know not what they do." When they confront the counterparts they've been pitted against, they may only choose to kill or be killed. Thou shalt survive is the fundamental law of nature. We all work, most of us unwittingly, for the masters. We enslave ourselves then forget, with the aid of the grandchildren of the mother of all lies, its supporting disinformation and propaganda, the true nature of our existence. We no longer perceive reality. We must at least pretend to believe the lies that rationalize their greed. If we don't, it's hard to earn a living. Most, who renege on the birth contract of virtual slavery, die. If the police don't get 'em starvation will. The dead and imprisoned can do nothing to help us awaken to the truth. But the dead of the rich can imprison our minds.

If we're to be saved we must save ourselves. That starts with awareness of the "Mother of Lies"... the human culture of the past 5000 years and the greed its based upon. No philosophy, morality, economic or political system that's been theorized, invented or implemented in that time is adequate for our salvation. To begin to help find a better way we must first open our eyes to reality. When enough of us are aware of the problem, we can begin to create a solution. Ask yourself: How is the "Mother of Lies" reinforced by her descendant, contemporary propaganda?

A reminder: What word or phrase was the semantic equivalent of "shock and awe" and was used over sixty years ago?

"Blitzkrieg!" Office of Homeland Security services were performed by the Security Force (or Security Staff), translated from "Shutz Staffel" [SS]. The particular Semitic Nations pursued have changed.

May, 2003

Q: When will George plant weapons of mass destruction in Iraq, if none are found to back up his claims?

A: He may never need tell more lies. We may soon forget the reason for the war and quit asking about WMDs.

Distractions and Other Lies:

Immediately following the invasion of Baghdad, the non-existent modern equipment from the hospitals was looted, along with artwork from museums, cash from banks and much else. I heard one baffled CNN correspondent report live that the hospitals seemed to be very well equipped though low on supplies. It was never mentioned again on any newscast I caught. The fleeing Iraqi officials were accused of the worst of the looting. Some of the artwork etc. has been

recovered from U.S. reporters and soldiers. Where are the infamous weapons of mass destruction?

What do we know for sure about anything? We know governments, our own included, sometimes tell the truth and sometimes lie. We know they dissemble or withhold the truth to forward their agendas. We know the emotion grabbing reasons they give for the things they do. We know those reasons and the "truth" we've been told can change on the fly when necessary to maintain rationalizations. We know we're expected to accept the contradictions without question. We're usually told it's a security issue. Morality, principles and values also cover a lot of territory. In the end, the only truth we know is that our government sometimes lies. We know for sure they lie!

Reality:

If spirits or backs can't be put in service or broken, they're imprisoned or killed. That's what Western Europeans have called life for 1500-2000 years. Strength and intelligence must serve or die. Americans and Euro-peons, who think ourselves the epitome of evolution, laid down our arms and did as we were told by the Romans or their spiritual progeny. Today's survivor is one who knows his place in a gangster society. What kind of culture has come of this abomination of human nature?

Economy:

How much of your money each year goes to insurance companies? How much to banks and other financial institutions as interest or fees? How much to taxes? Of the tax money you pay, how much goes to our common needs and how much is diverted to unnecessary corporate welfare, ending up in the hands of CEOs and principal stock owners? They are pirates of free market privateering; we call them "successful". Do we label them so because they "succ" us dry?

Do they suck up everything we produce with our labor, beyond that which is required to sustain our lives? Are they starting to tap that final pool of common produce, because they're running out of things to steal from us? How do they plan to maintain their own lives(1) when we're dead? As their blind greed destroys the economy we all depend upon to maintain life, have they who will do no real or useful work thought of anything beyond their short term bottom lines? If you think George's masters are likely to care for those who provide their wealth, that they are capable of solving any problem they've created through their hoarding, you're kidding yourself.

But you don't have to kid yourself. You'll soon be diverted by the next Mid-Eastern boogeyman. They played Russia for almost fifty years. They have Korea in the wings, just in case Islam folds early. What they don't have is creative ideas. To be conservative is to eschew thought in favor of the psychological conditioning we call information and education. It is to accept the lies of superiors without question and to allow yourself to be shunted into any emotional response which will cover the looting of America by corporate clones. Republicans, Democrats and good Third Reich Germans all have a lot of mental processes in common.

Religion:

Domination is the one true religion of the West. We call Jesus, the proponent of freedom, love and peace, Lord. We've perverted his teachings of self awareness and community interest to the abusive ends of the hoarders of our wealth. We render unto Caesar the wealth produced by our work, while allowing the money changers to foul the temple. We're dominated by the spiritual heirs of feudal tyranny and their Roman antecedents. Domination is abuse, no matter how gently

inflicted or willingly accepted. It is sinful to dominate or to submit to domination. It's abomination of human nature.

Medicine:

Doctors in Hong Kong, Toronto and at the CDC have filed patents related to the SARS variant of the Corona Virus. Have they invented or improved the virus? Is it possible to patent a product that occurs naturally? I want to patent the human eye, oh hell, why not the whole head including the brain. Then I can receive a royalty from anyone who thinks or even perceives reality through eye, ear, nose or throat. Understanding the magnitude and quality of that which we're willing to swallow, I doubt I'll make much money.

During the week of 4/27/03, it was widely reported that there were no known cases of SARS in the U.S. on 5/5/03 I heard PBS report forty some known cases of SARS in America, up (by or from?) thirty some the previous week. I was driving at the time and couldn't take notes. The difference between by or from could correspond to advancing or retreating epidemic. But the data is not trustworthy. We were told during the previous week: there were no known cases. As usual, the only thing we know for sure is that we'll be subjected to lies.

Editorial Column:

Does it matter whether or not George and his followers are true believers of the masters lies or their basis is cynical self interest? But that begs a question. Are they sincere in their belief that cynical self interest is the best strategy to achieve the goal of common survival? I can only answer with a question. Who cares? It's pointless to speak of the sincerity or not of a corporate clone of the elite masters. They believe what they're told to believe. The reality of suffering and pain for the fast becoming majority of Americans never enters their crooked little minds. They ignore forty million+ Americans without adequate health care. They refuse to notice the growing number of homeless: those whose unemployment insurance has run out without the recipient having found another job. They're blinded to the real effects of their greedy tax cut and are demanding more suffering and pain with another round. It's hard to accept that even George is that greedy and stupid. He can't really believe his own Bushshit. If he does, we're in real deep.

1They may be able to do without us, if we develop robotics or cloning sufficiently for them to survive without our cooperation... Dohhh!

April, 2003

Q: Is SARS Mother Nature's final solution?

A: Perhaps. Or it may blow over, after drug companies have been granted permission to experiment on populations, instead of the costly laboratory process.

Distractions:

No matter what happens we can count on our politicians to exploit it for the benefit of their masters. Likewise, we can rely on their ability to distort, spin and otherwise distract us from their true intentions... even on those rare days, when they know what they're about.

Politics:

Education:

Is Bush of the 21st Century as great a showman as Hitler of the 20th? Is it possible for post

modern speakers to be as effective as the great performers of earlier political dramas? Almost sixty years after the death of the Third Reich, we still fear the trappings of Adolf's demagoguery... perhaps more than the content of Nazi [or fascist] ideology and methods.(1) Though Bush is limited in the effects of staging he may utilize, by the lingering terror of Hitler's Germany, George still manages to put on a pretty good show. What really differentiates Dubya from Adolf?

Though many of the stage effects of both demagogues are similar in style and psychological content, the massiveness of the props used to help create the desired impression on the group consciousness [mob spirit] that Adolf employed is not available to George. We keep the fear of Nazis alive to limit our charismatic leaders' abilities to ply their trades. Is our defense sufficient to protect our liberty?

Except for a few, mostly Semitic Mid-Easterners and fellow travelers, we are free from secret and arbitrary imprisonment. White middle class Americans may come and go as they please. The same was true for most Germans in the 1930s and 40s. We have freedom of speech which we voluntarily limit to loyal use, in the service of unity. The Germans didn't want to say anything disloyal to Adolf or the Reich, as most of US curb speaking unguardedly about the trashing of the Bill of Rights by W. and his puppet court. We keep our mouths shut, when in the company of our conservative bosses, if we value our economic position. Nor do the economically unassailable have much criticism to offer... But theirs is a different reason. Not many have the courage to suffer the opprobrium of peers in order to speak an unpopular truth. [Ed. Note: Truths become popular by decree of the administration and are drilled into the mindless thralls, who blindly follow and echo the masters.] The abuse of freedom represented by speaking up honestly can lead to loss of job and livelihood. You and your children may be cut off from the benefits available to loyal constituents. Such taken for granted limitations on liberty [the price of freedom], if they don't lead to the physical violence of incarceration, homelessness or worse, are still powerful tools of the galvanizers of populations.

But the real question is: does George W. Bush measure up in leadership ability to Adolph Hitler?.. NO!

Hitler did what he did knowingly, though his course may have been redirected by the economic elite, after the fact of his control of the mind [singular by intent of the author] of the German people. George, on the other hand, is a premeditated creation of economic puppet masters. He is, most likely, unconscious of the strings he pulls to make US dance to the tune. [I said "most likely unconscious". But there are some similarities in the superficial mannerisms of the two, while making speeches, that may contradict my belief. These are especially evident in the smug, gloating facial expressions seen after they realize they've just put something over... or almost anytime they realize they have their audiences hypnotized.]

In the final analysis, Hitler manipulated his people to the ends of his own insane imaginings. George is preformed [informed ahead of time] concerning his directions. He is, himself, just another true believer like the fools who follow him.

Economy:

American airlines gains wage concessions while protecting top execs' bonuses and golden parachutes. The news of the perfidy prompts unions to rescind the concessions made last week. Boeing to lay off 1000 aircraft manufacturers near Seattle, Washington. Most corporations claim they must cut costs to maintain (or regain) profitability. None see that as they and others in diverse segments of the economy cut jobs and consumer incomes their situation can only

continue to worsen. The economic engine that provides human sustenance is running down. The imaginary Wall Street economy may perk up at the news of lay offs and wage cuts but the profits to be made in abstract manipulations represent no real material wealth. When we stop consuming, and so stop producing real goods and useful services, survivability suffers. Will the idiots running and ruining our world ever waken to the disastrous cumulative effect they're visiting on US like a plague?

The plague of poverty that results from the ascendance of the panderers of abstract economy is a threat to the survival of the human race. The worthless workless class, who've devised this evil, need to be removed from power and privilege and made to do real work... to earn an ordinary living like the rest of US. Many of the fortunes that cause the disease these parasites propagate were stolen by those long dead. We need appropriate tax legislation to relieve our economic illness. We must free ourselves of the nectocratic malady. It threatens all of life on the Planet Earth. It's their money or our lives.

Religion:

Most fundamentalists are working poor whose only chance for the good life comes after they're dead. Bush could never get their votes if they understood the effect his policies have on people in like economic circumstances. As with gun control, he needs the support of those who wear blinders to all but their mind consuming obsessions. George will say whatever it takes. He doesn't care about America, freedom or even the God he speaks of. The only God that has any meaning to George, if we judge by his actions, is Orwell's "Money God". Is George W. Bush insincere or does he truly believe? It doesn't matter. The God he truly serves, whether W. is a hypocrite or a deluded patsy, is known by George's actions, not by his words. "By their works ye shall know them!"

Medicine:

$t_0 = 4/16/03$; $t_5 = 4/21/03$ CNN- [paraphrase] China reports an increase in incidents of SARS from 37 to 339 cases in the past 5 days. Such reports are uncharacteristic of China.

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$I = 339$; $I_0 = 37$; $t = 5$ days; solve for $k=0.443$

$I = 6$ billion; solve for $t = 42.67$ days.

4/21/03 CNN- An Australian doctor comments: "No vaccine for SARS is in sight. If one were invented today it would take months or years to test and distribute."

4/21/03 PBS-[paraphrase] China admits to 448 cases of SARS after reporting only thirty-some last Friday.

Editorial Column:

Politicians and media alike seem to consider China a poor source of information. China would, therefore, be a very good patsy to credit as the source of disinformation our patrons want disseminated. The closeness of the Chinese would make facts attributed to them very hard to check. If Dubya's gang made up the numbers above to justify deregulation of the drug

companies, they are typical of the incompetence of those clowns. The exaggeration is, in that case, so blatant there would be no time to even over react. No doubt, if so, they'll create an even more outlandish story to cover the faults of the original fiction. In fact, as the day unfolded the character of the news story changed to hint that China had been hiding incidents in previous reports. In defense of the administrations IQ, it might be posited that they had put out the first story to create sufficient sensation to make US receptive to their plans, then toned it down to make it more credible. Check out the changing "facts of justification" as the war in Iraq unfolded. Most twelve year old boys tell more consistent lies to facilitate their manipulations.

I don't know for sure what's true. I only know there are no reliable sources of information. Everybody lies to further their own agendas. In the end I can only make inferences about the truthfulness of individual statements based on the results, which I can perceive through my physical senses, discounting the words I hear. I may further judge those results by the amount of suffering and pain they relieve or cause, as the promises play out for good or ill.

Distributing untested drugs is a crap shoot. The risk of exacerbating a problem outweighs any potential benefit. The more we screw around with nature the more insecure our survival becomes. That's all we can know for sure. In the case of SARS, the ability to run the risk of untested drugs doesn't exist. Don't let the fanatics of deregulation stampede US again.

Perhaps I underestimate the evil of our leaders. How better to reduce the population than by tricking the majority into voluntary suicide... by steering the mob into demanding a poisonous drug we hope will save US. Is there enough robotic machinery; are cheap, stupid clones close enough to perfection to replace US as servants? Maybe we'll only be thinned out in preparation for the day our work won't be needed to provide life and luxury for our masters. Maybe the three year life expectancy of the homeless, as their numbers continue to increase, is an indication of the master plan.

Whatever's happening we can be assured the quisling plutocrats are directing it through their treacherous corporations and politician puppets. The nature of our perfidious leaders is devolved to a blind greed that is the center of a failed strategy for the survival of the human race. We may choose to renounce their principles of avarice or be dragged into an evolutionary dead end with them.

(1) This ironic truth is evidenced by our willingness to support fascist dictators, like Franco, Pinochet and many others, if they allow our corporations to save money by using the labor of their populations to create products for underpaid Americans to consume on credit.

March, 2003

Q: Are Saddam's crimes more onerous than those of right wing terrorists like Pinochet?

A: What a foolish question. Everyone knows that oppressive cruelty by those who oppose U.S. economic dominion is evil, while violent fascism, especially when it labels its opponents terrorists, in the defense of conservative principles of greed, is the price we must pay for freedom... Dohhh!

The Mother of All Lies

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Distractions: Politics:

Is the freedom of capitalists to monopolize the wealth of our nation and every nation more important than our right to live on the Planet Earth? What deceptions and diversions will be used to distract US from the ultimate issue of conservative policies... the fruits of The Mother of All Lies?

The defense of freedom, the liberation of those more oppressed than ourselves, "the spread of democracy" are the tried and true in the bulwark of deception that defends the right's right to benefit from our work and that of others around the world, in order to satisfy their lust for power and wealth. That's what righteousness means to them. That's what it meant to Hitler, Pinochet and many others. Saddam is a bully and a tyrant but that's not the crime for which he's being punished. Plenty of brutal dictators have been supported and even placed in power by America in the past and present. (No, we didn't put Hitler in power. We didn't put Bush in power either. They both obtained it fraudulently.) To gain our favor, evil must only submit its population to corporate economic terror of a kind approved by America. That is: American ruling wealthy elite and their British antecedent must get the biggest piece of the pie.

Peace and freedom are the rationalization for the war of acquisition of the wealth of Iraq. It's

not enough that the Iraqi people, not Saddam, must pump and give up their oil for food alone. Now our greedy masters want the entire infrastructure. And they want US to give our lives to get it for them. Aside from the satisfaction of "liberating Iraq", as Bushian propaganda would have it, how will most Americans benefit from the spending of our children's blood?

The greedy few claim that the capitalist's right to increase profits by sending jobs out of the country, forcing both parents to work to feed the family, in the best case, homelessness and death in the worst, is the foundation of freedom. The owners are liberated by the evil suffering and misery they cause US. But it's treason to Americans that the controllers, through Bush-like puppets, commit. Yet that perverted "freedom", to steal our works, is that which we're defending by attacking Iraq. The irony isn't acknowledged by conservative plutocrats. They aren't aware we're not all deluded. In fact, most of them actually believe the deceptions employed in the perpetration of their scams. Those who are honestly cynical think they're guarding the secret of wealth for the "deserving" few. They believe themselves to be smarter than, stronger than and morally superior to the rest of US. If you don't believe that, read it in the eyes of any of their middle class understudies [wannabees], as they childishly mimic their masters looking down their noses at you. But maybe you think our condescending "betters" are those who protect US? Remember, the shepherds are dressed in sheepskins and they eat mutton! They'll only protect their own interests from foreign or other rival predators. And, when it comes down to it, we do the protecting and dying, to preserve their right to prey on US.

Will there be more jobs and higher paying for the working class and poor enlisted soldiers who're fighting and dying in the war? We're ostensibly fighting to free the world of the threat of mass destruction at the hands of a terrorist regime. But it's the corporate service economy (an institution of economic terror) that benefits. They'll end up owning the rebuilt Iraqi infrastructure¹ when they squeeze the conquered and foreclose on the loan securities. India, Argentina, Chile and many more have fallen or are falling to the new [abstract] colonialism. Iraq has been harder to crack. We're now resorting to the tried and true: military aggression. If you believe, as George probably does, the reasons given for fighting in Iraq, you've been deluded by proxies of rich puppet masters. If, when our girls and boy's come home, they grow angry over ingratitude and inequality here and commit a crime of protest against slavery, they'll be imprisoned. And so they'll finally learn what happens to spirited young Blacks and Mexicans who won't stay in their place in America.

Economy:

We fight and die to defend the rights of our masters to take the greatest part of the wealth we produce with our hands. The wealthy elite take the profits and pamper the politicians and middle class corporate clone overseers. We who die to support these useless parasites get service economy jobs at McD's not at the bank or the brokerage. Our families suffer. They squeeze the education of our children and the medical care we get, to further increase the profits or decrease the taxes they've never paid their share of to begin with. Those profits, already bloated by exporting the good jobs, will be further exaggerated by munitions and military supply contracts, which produce no permanent wealth², such as houses or other necessary and durable goods. War is wasteful when waged for the best of reasons. This one's true purpose is for the worst: to feed the greed of the workless class of wealthy parasites. The soldiers and their families will do the work and suffer the pain but won't share the reward.

We can pretend our leaders are fools who try their best and these things just happen. The consistency of suffering of the majority, who work to provide sustenance as well as luxury for

the rich, workless class minority, indicates some intelligent coordination. The politicians and CEOs and certainly the rank and file conservatives may be unaware of the means by which their actions are directed. There may have been no conspiracy to direct the nominal corporate leaders and their politician pets. But they act in unison to take and hoard the material goods which they placed no hand upon during the creation thereof. The political and economic propaganda helps them sustain the system they inherited. We are those who support these parasites. We tolerate them because we believe their lies, not least of which is that we can all be rich if we work hard enough. They tell us prosperity will result from allowing them to rip off more. If we work harder for them we'll all benefit. It always works for them. We never get what they promise.³ But we continue to believe.

Editorial Column:

The service economy is a conspiracy of fraud that constitutes treason to the American people by the wealthy, through the use of the corporations and politicians they own. In the past thirty odd years the standard of living afforded by the income of the average American has decreased to forty per cent of what it was in 1970. Thirty-three years ago a construction worker or middle manager earned about \$20,000/year (probably more because un-clocked hours didn't exist back then). In 1970 I bought a new Oldsmobile 442 for less than \$4000. T-bone steak was 89 cents / pound. A new sub-division home could be had for \$25,000. Today the average income in America is about \$21,000 [1999] with many under \$10,000/year. Fifty to sixty thousand dollars per year are required to approach the buying power of one income thirty years ago. I don't care that it was not deliberate. I don't care if we trample on the rights of the greedy few to correct it. I care that its continuation will result in increasing misery, suffering and pain for most of US. I care that the freedom to starve to death is a bad joke. I care that they have the money that we need to survive.

Money represents material goods that people work to make. The most important thing we make is the food we need each day to survive. There are other important things but it'd be miraculous to live long without food. We may say that the primary purpose of human economies is to provide for our survival by the creation and distribution of material goods, especially food. Money is a token which is useful for the distribution of goods to those who need them to live. But it's also helpful to understanding, to think sometimes in terms of the goods them selves.

It is still abstract but imagine that one bean represents all the food and material things required to sustain one life for one lifetime. Further, let's say there is one bean existing for each person on Earth. It is a mathematical certainty that if one person has half of all the beans, one half less one of the people must have no bean. [Ed. note: Please don't get literal minded on me. I know there is no such thing as an indivisible bean representing a lifetime's sustenance. But even the densest should be able to understand the importance of this concept.] Let's poke our heads a little further out of the box. Imagine that one person, working moderately hard eight hours per day five days per week for forty years, using culturally developed techniques, could produce one bean during her or his lifetime without relying on anyone else's work. There are no doubt some rugged individuals out there who might produce two, three or even four beans, without relying on others to do the work that needs to be done to have so many. But no one could possibly do enough real work to produce half of all the beans. No one can get rich without relying on work done by others. If someone has told you otherwise, they are lying. So how do people get rich. now that we've seen the hard work theory debunked?

Abstract vs. Real Work

Abstract work is like imaginary numbers, sometimes useful but never real. Yet it is non-work that gets the greatest reward. Making money from money, called usury and forbidden in the Bible, or conscripting slaves to do real work for you, are the only ways to get rich. [Ed. note: As seen above we're being paid less and less for our labor. Eventually, if the trend continues, we will starve. In the case of forthright slavery it's considered immoral not to properly feed and care for your slaves. Having freed us and paying wages instead is a great boon to business. The masters are now free to let us starve. That is, if we remain docile.] I repeat: no one gets rich by their own hard work. The use of abstract financial machines, or the stealing of the labor of others with money, is the only way to acquire and hoard great amounts of material goods⁴.

On the relative value of labor vs. compensation: If garbage men, farm workers, truck drivers and road crews withdraw their contributions to society and all the insurance companies, banks and brokerages disappear at the same time, which loss will we feel the soonest and most acutely? If you answered you'll miss the bankers et. al., you've never been hungry and are hopelessly naive. We should call you Marie.

We need to learn to differentiate correctly between parasitic vs. constructive behaviors. That is: unnecessary services or those done by but not for the community, and those we require to make our lives livable. Services that are needed for all of us must be done by and for all of us. We have an institution designed to do what we wish to cooperate to have done for the common good. It's our government. We must take it back from the rich parasites who've bought it and twisted it to their own malevolent uses.

Banking, insurance and brokerages must be nationalized. The fortunes amassed by the usurious private exploitation of these community functions must be confiscated by appropriate taxation⁵ and used to fund necessary financial and other services. Done that way, no additional burden will be placed upon the middle and working classes.

¹The money the World Bank loans as foreign aid comes from middle and working class taxpayers. When countries default, the government sells the paper, at a discount, to private banks which ultimately foreclose on that country's infrastructure. The corporation grows richer and more powerful, while the rest of us grow poorer. This amounts to one more form of corporate welfare... another way to steal our money. In the end they hang the scalp of one more nation on their belts, right under ours.

Let's recap. The banks bought the loans, that were made with our tax money, at a fraction of the cost. They get the interest. They get the country's infrastructure. We foot the bill because the rich, as everyone knows, pay no taxes.

²Bombs can only be used once. Unlike food or medicine, they do not help to maintain life. The munitions workers will get a few weeks or months of subsistence wages. The elite owners will get real profits which the rest of us will pay for with our taxes. Always keep in mind: taxes are a means of taking money from the majority to give to the rich. It doesn't have to be that way. Once upon a time we did public works with our collective money that benefitted the entire community. Though we continue to cooperate, through working for the workless class to create all the wealth, we get little of it. The union of the indolent rich must be busted.

³An economy that has rich and poor is like a chain letter. To be rich an individual must take a little of what many people make. No one can work hard enough to create enough material goods

to be rich. A ten by ten chain letter requires 1010 (ten billion) people to respond in order to fulfill its promise to the person who started it. More importantly, the money always moves from the bottom to the top. Theoretically, the recipient will spend it and it will circulate. That's more likely to have some effect [Those with newly acquired wealth don't often immediately see that they must start some sort of bank or other financial scam in order to secure a high return on their money.] than trickle down does in the overall economy. The revitalization is hampered as more money is created by the inflationary interest charged on that which is loaned back to us.

4Speaking to jobs provided by the rich so that the ignorant, who can devise no way on their own, might live, I'll say: This is true only because of the monopolization of land and knowledge and the disruption of ancestral cultures. Many or most of the dependents of the wealthy would do fine if their patrons did not exist. It's ironic that the greedy workless class justify their existence by the harm they've done and do to the rest of us. Even disguised as the benevolence of giving us a way to live, the crime of having stolen our ways of life many generations ago isn't hidden.

5See prior issues for a definition of appropriate taxation.

February, 2003

Q: Do we label leaders morons because we're envious of the rich and jealous of their pampered people managers, like W?

A: I believe the habit to be lazy and the result of poor role modeling more than envy. The ad hominem argument is just too easy in George's case. With conservative attacks on liberals almost exclusively limited to the personal, good people should try to set a better example. It's dangerous to have an imbecile in the white house and we must protect ourselves. I suggest we find a more effective weapon than name calling.¹

Distractions:

Iraq is the distraction. But does George know it? I don't think so. He wants to believe a connection with al-Qaeda. He wants to believe there are hidden weapons there. It distracts him from the lost war on terrorism. It distracts him from Osama, who's perhaps hiding in Pakistan.

Pakistan! In the center of Pakistan live the "Muglia", the descendants of the Mongol hoards of the eighth or ninth centuries A.D. Converted to Islam more than a millennia ago, they're still a fierce and independent people. The Pakistani government is unwilling to interfere in the tribal lands, unless severely pressed.

Several months ago the army of Pakistan removed a suspected al-Qaeda terrorist from the Muglia territory. That person is in Guantanamo today. Several weeks ago the same army stopped eight Muslims at a check point. They attempted to restrain four of them. The suspected terrorists and their four companions were surrounded by a crowd who took them into hiding. The tribal Mullahs claimed the refugees to be religious scholars and refused to turn them over or disclose their whereabouts.

Following the previous arrest of the Guantanamo detainee, the democratic government of Pakistan lost 52 seats in their Parliament to the Muslims, led by the dissatisfaction of the Muglia. The government is not responding to any pressure that may be being exerted to interfere further in the central tribal region of Pakistan. They don't want to lose more seats, possibly control of the nation itself.²

Politics:

Pakistan, created by British edict, has an interesting cultural history. It was the first part of India to be reached by Muslim missionaries. By the time The Great Khan arrived about the tenth century AD, Islam was well established. The Mongols, called Muglia by Pakistanis, though largely converted to the predominant religion, remain territorially aloof in the central Tribal Lands in Pakistan.

Should Pakistan, a nuclear power, come by free election to be in the control of the cultural heirs of Chenkis Khan, will George invade to free the world of the threat of their [proven not assumed] weapons of mass destruction?

Conservative principles demand, as George well knows, that we exert sufficient pressure on the Pakistani government to get those terrorists and possibly Osama himself into custody. If the nuclear arsenal of the democracy of Pakistan, through free election, should fall into the hands of the Muslim descendants of the Mongol hoard, so be it!

Economy:

Our tax money goes to corporate welfare. Star Wars is one large example but not the biggest part of the anti Robin Hood American tax structure. George had spent the imaginary surplus twice before the first tax cut passed. Now that the depression, the inevitable result of shortsighted, take the money and run conservative policies, has half killed the economy, George's solution is, guess what, another round of tax cuts for the rich while borrowing against taxes the rest of us must pay in the future, to give his masters more corporate welfare today.

It's bad enough that the rich have already stolen all the money through the legal and systematic means available to corporate culture. Now they want to use their wholly owned subsidiary politicians to tax our children in the future so they can have more money than yet exists. And they want it today! George has words for everyone but the goods always go to his masters.

Editorial Column:

The pressure of economic survival, under which most in America suffer, may be accurately likened to terror. The stress of anxiety about job and financial security are the chief products manufactured by corporate terrorists and compulsorily consumed by US. Their price is heart disease and clinical depression for many... purely psychosomatic symptoms for more. Everyone, we're told, is envious of the "successful". So the elite conclude they're justified in continuing to dominate US for their own selfish gain.

The truth is reality. The truth of the economy is it's the means by which the human race feeds itself and so continues to survive.

The fundamental economy is about material things... the necessities of survival. We can classify various works according to the material support they provide to humanity. We may say that they contribute to our well being or that they diminish it. Some useful or necessary services may contribute nothing material. Other services are purely parasitic because they're unnecessary.

The purely parasitic elements in our economy are like a pyramid scheme. This was acknowledged by Adam Smith. He pointed out that the system can survive only as long as markets continue to expand. Like a pyramid scheme with ten lines by ten letters, 3 more people than exist on Earth are required to participate in order to make it work. Our economic abstractions produce imaginary wealth just like a chain letter. Banks, stock and bond markets, brokerages of any kind etc. take the material goods we produce without producing any real wealth. In the end they can only bleed us dry. Starvation will be our end, and their's, 4 unless the

greedy fools wake up or we put them in their proper place. We support them! They do no real work! They are our dependents, though in their infinite capacity for denial and projection, they see just the opposite. The arrogant and pretentious elite are the dead weight pulling down the economy and the rest of humanity, including US.

1I plead guilty to much laziness and labeling in the past and promise to at least attempt to find a more effective means to take down the idiots running the human world... Dohhh!

2My facts on current events in Pakistan are attributable to PBS.

3A ten by ten chain letter requires 1010 (ten billion) people to respond in order to fulfill its promise to the person who started it. More importantly, the money always moves from the bottom to the top. Theoretically, the recipient will spend it and it will circulate. That's more likely to have some effect [Those with newly acquired wealth don't often immediately see that they must start some sort of bank or other financial scam in order to secure a high return on their money.] than trickle down does in the overall economy. The revitalization is hampered as more money is created by the inflationary interest charged on that which is loaned back to us.

4They may be able to cease to depend on us to do their work for them... if we develop robotics or cloning sufficiently for them to survive without our cooperation... Dohhh!

January, 2003

Q: Will more tax cuts, real for the rich and token for a few of the overseers [middle class], forestall further economic decline and the human suffering implied?

A: George doesn't care... even if he does understand. The real question should have been: Does it matter if your killer is deliberate and malicious or just a greedy, insensitive fool? But, since I asked the other first, I'll answer it. More money for the workless class of rich parasites and their wholly owned corporate overseers and politicians will exacerbate the problem that their monopolization of the means and resources of human survival is causing to real human beings.

Volume III Issue 1:

Distractions:

Terrorists and "rogue nations" distract us from the economic terror of un-American corporations... the means of controlling US slaves. The resulting induced mass delusion is a betrayal of humanity by our masters. Sound too simple? The pattern of economic oppression and exploitation of producers of material goods by the workless class rulers is not complex. It may be complicated by the attempt to list all the individual abuses. That exercise is futile and unnecessary. It doesn't matter how they're doing it. It matters THAT they're doing it! What we need to see is that for one parasite to have much more than it needs many people must have less... that our economic system is a betrayal of the human race by a few greedy, lazy, inhumane traitors to our species.

Politics:

Education:

What we need to learn is this: The measure of evil is the suffering and pain caused by acts (or

words that result in acts and lifestyles), within the context of human social interaction. There is no morality, philosophy, religion or law that can prevent evil. The differentiations and rationalizations that go on in those mental games are irrelevant to those who suffer deprivation and death. Or they would be irrelevant, if they were not used to support the evils perpetrated on humanity by amoral plutocrats. The rationalizations of our leaders and masters become a part of the evil atrocity of economic terror they inflict on US and the rest of the people on Earth.

Economy:

The maximum penalty for treason is death. Possession of more wealth than one needs to survive, while many (moving towards most) have barely or not enough to live, is evidence of treason. The suffering and pain caused by the evil of greed is greater each day than all the acts of other kinds of zealots since the beginning of civilization. The plutocrats who dominate the Earth have betrayed not only Americans but all the peoples on the planet. Their removal, through the mechanism of their own laws, is not only fitting (ironic only in the sense that they never intended their laws to be used that way) but necessary for the survival of the majority of humans. Their elimination as a class will be required for the survival of the species.

There are those among us (not only the middle class) who, in their delusional [wannabe] elitism, refuse to believe the problem threatens their existence. They won't see the increasing joblessness and homelessness nor that it is caused by the corporate policies of greed and the puppet politicians pseudo solutions. They're blind to the simple fact that tax cuts for the well to do will not allow the jobless or underpaid producers to consume us to prosperity. Making money from money does not create the material goods needed for survival. Wall Street is superfluous. Worse it is the problem. It facilitates the hoarding of goods needed by the majority to live.

Editorial Column:

I'm an American. I experience reality first hand... only in America. So I know that what I'm about to say is true, for sure, only in America. From what I've heard, I guess it must be true everywhere on Earth. So I'll speak as if it's true throughout the Planet.

On the Planet Earth, all laws and all nations support excess and hoarding of material goods by small parts of their populations. The things are produced by the remainders of the populations... the majorities who actually do the work. The rich do no work. They are the workless class.

These economic systems, consisting of parasitic wealthy masters and poor slaves, cause great suffering, pain and many deaths among the majority... we who do not benefit from the work we do. Only the workless rich gain very much by our cultural paradigm.

The measure of evil is the suffering and pain it causes. Laws and nations, as they are today, are the greatest ill on Earth. But, the institutions are not intrinsically evil. Used to satisfy the greed of a few at the expense of misery and suffering for the many, our civilization is become a corruption of our social instinct and an abomination of human nature. The measure of evil is the suffering and pain it causes. How do we alleviate misery?

We can take a step towards the reduction of evil. We can raise the estate tax to 100%, with one standard deduction large enough to preserve a family farm or business. The money can be used to feed, clothe, house and provide medical attention for those who need it. It may be used for public works that provide jobs and create wealth that we all may share. We may think of more steps that can be accomplished within the law, to move towards a sane economy that works for all of us. But we must do something. The state of decay of humanity and danger of extinction grew gradually by the unwitting agency of the ignorant selfish few. We must now do something

large and sudden to reverse the trend before their blind greed kills us all. Then we can begin to move, for our common well being, towards a sane, functional economy and world.

And we must do it. We must realize that ecological and environmental dangers, like growing poverty, are caused by, what is for most of us, our dysfunctional economy... that the threat of war is based on economy... that racial and sexual bigotry are cultivated by conservatives to divert attention from the evil of their self serving economy. We cannot count on our leaders to help us save the world. They have a conflict of interest.

No hero will save us. That requires sincerity and a good faith effort on the part of the ruling elite and their CEOs and politicians. I don't think George is up to it. He will, I predict, try to create the media illusion of salvation. But, barring a miracle, he will only make the problem worse by reapplying the ever failing, "tried and true", conservative theories. They've never worked and never will.

No, George doesn't have what it takes to implement a real solution to our immediate economic problems. And he certainly isn't up to the long term threat of extinction due to total economic meltdown. Note that such a catastrophe might occur under existing rules even though there are plenty of food and material goods to go around. It can happen because the monetary systems which distribute the goods are not working. The money is stuck at the top and George and the experts can't figure it out. They weren't trained to deal with this inevitability. They're conditioned only to take the money by whatever means they can devise. They were never taught that the game can only continue indefinitely if they give it back, so we can spend it again. They delude themselves by believing they may have all the apples in one box and we can still play the apple game.

We and I emphasize WE! must do something. They, our leaders, are challenged beyond their limited potentials. If we are to be saved we must save ourselves. No God or Hero will be forthcoming. We must do it ourselves. The masters will do nothing but to speak deluding words. They aren't able to let go of their greed. We're on our own. But there are a lot of us, more every day, and only a few of them. We have limitless potential. We may even have enough time.

December 13, 2002

Subservience to the rich, whatever alias they may be traveling under, has been constant throughout written history. Morality, ethics and the emotional engagement of populations are in a constant state of change. Only the greed, corruption and treachery of the powerful remains the same.

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q: Is it futile to attempt to challenge the system?

A: Maybe. I don't care. It amuses me to try and I would feel cowardly to do nothing while many suffer and die to satisfy the greed of a few.

Volume II Issue 15:

Distractions:

The evil of a tyrant lives and dies. The evils of social problems continue to worsen. Why are we able to pretend that the misery, pain, suffering and death that are built into our social/economic institutions are not more onerous than the temporary ills of selfish individuals, like George or Saddam?

Describe real human misery, suffering, pain and death. You'll receive talk, not help in response. The required action will not be forthcoming. Empty words are all our bosses and rulers are willing to give. They rationalize their conservatism. They explain that real solutions are disallowed by their traditions, values and principals of greed. Their actions and our money (stolen by taxation from the poor, working and middle classes and given to the rich in defense contracts and other corporate welfare) will be reserved for dealing with the petty tyrants and other distorted and exaggerated issues, with which they distract us.

Politics:

What is genuinely relevant to us? Jobs, money and the corporations themselves are being moved out of the country by treasonous multinational CEOs and politicians, in service to their plutocratic masters. The resulting low wages and joblessness cause an increase of misery, pain, suffering and death to the majority of US citizens. The middle class, which overlaps the opposing groups, along with many of us who are smart enough to know better, often consents to our betrayal by the elite. The 9/11 attack, onerous as it was, pales in comparison to the evil of American economic terrorism.

On September 11, 2001, thousands of innocent Americans died in attacks directed [symbolically] against the power and wealth of our country. [Ed. note: I can't help but feel personally disconnected from the symbolic target. That doesn't detract from my condemnation of horror with respect to the criminal irresponsibility of the zealots who planned and perpetrated the act of terror.] Every day thousands of the forty million Americans without adequate health care die, due to the criminal economic terror of American corporations. We accept that terror as a fact of life: an inevitable reality of capitalism. We don't bat an eye at homelessness or hunger. We ignore the lack of opportunity, not only in education and good jobs, but in all aspects of American life. How is it possible that we fail to condemn the evil of our rulers?

Economy:

V2i14 [the last issue] introduced the 100 apple economy. Some people, who're greatly impressed by their superiors, suggested that I didn't understand the complexity of the system.

Having been daunted themselves by pretentious, patronizing, overbearing idiots, they hoped to build up their wounded self esteem at my expense. i.e. They wanted to act like their betters and attempted to confuse me with bullshit delivered in a confident and smug tone. They were surprised at my response, having been so completely deluded when the scam had been run on them.

The truth is: simple formulae may be applied to complex problems by the mathematical technique of variable substitution. Let one person stand for one percent of the population. Let one apple stand for one percent of the worlds material wealth. Now whole classes people may have fractional apples (slightly more than nothing) or multiple apples or much more than they need or can justify in the world of want in which most of us live. The formula may be used with confidence for any number of people or groups and any amount of goods. It won't, though, quantify all the pain and suffering (the measure of evil) done in the abstract domain of economy. What is abstract economy?

It's any economic activity that has only indirect connections with material goods. Banking, the prime example, is based on usury. Making money from money is forbidden in Mosaic Law. Leviticus 25:35-37 reads , "35- And if thy brother be waxen poor, and fallen in decay with thee; then thou shalt relieve him: yea, though he be a stranger, or a sojourner; that he may live with thee. 36- Take thou no usury of him, or increase: but fear thy God; that thy brother may live with thee. 37- Thou shalt not give him thy money upon usury, nor lend him thy victuals for increase." In Nehemiah 5:7, "I rebuked the nobles and the rulers, and said unto them, 'Ye exact usury, every one of his brother. And I set a great assembly against them.'" (I referred to a King James version.)

I'm not a Bible thumper but I believe the prohibition against making money with money, without direct connection to the material goods it represents, is common sense. At best, usury dilutes the value of money. Interest creates more money without creating more real products. The increase in the value of stocks does the same. There are useful services, like medicine, that must be supported. The non-industries that deal only in abstractions like money are usurious, parasitic and harmful to the economy. They are not justified by necessity. They are intolerable for the pain and suffering they cause. Their practitioners are stealing from the rest of us by making the money we have worth_less.

Read an economical allegory Apeshit

Editorial Column:

Capitalism is an economic system. Democracy is a political system. When capitalists control a representative form of government it's no longer free or of the people. Free market economies may develop into capitalism. When they do, as in America, they're no longer free. Capitalism has led unswervingly to plutocracy, rule by the rich. Plutocracy is incompatible with freedom. The freedom of capitalists is inconsistent with that of people. Capitalism destroys free markets.

People need jobs, not ideology, philosophy or morality. Values, principals and standards [of greed] are mere words. People need money to live. Defense of the status quo is an assault on the lives of the best part of the human race. We must defend our lives. I say to the rich and powerful elite of the Earth: "It's your money or OUR lives!"

November, 2002

Q: What is the law of first precedence?

A: Thou shalt survive is the immutable law of nature.

Volume II Issue 14:

Truth:

Multinational corporations and their wholly owned corporate politicians are a threat to the livelihoods of the majority of most of the Earth's populations, including humans. The greed of the wealth hoarding masters is an immediate threat to life and is the source of most suffering and misery on our planet.

We are justified, even bound by the immutable law of nature, in the defense of our lives. The evil we must do to live is not comparable in scale or quality to the evil done by the rich elite in the pursuit of wealth and greed. We do what we must do to maintain life. They do what they desire to provide themselves with excess... at our expense.

Distractions:

What is more harmful to us, the threat of evil to be done by a Mideast bogeyman or the loss of our livelihoods? What is more hurtful to American life, the sexual exploits and covering lies of a libertine president, or corporations (and their wholly owned president and congress) that ship jobs, and consumer's money, out of the country? Treacherous, often larcenous CEOs, who undermine the economy by downsizing personnel and salaries, making it impossible for us (without enslaving debt) to consume products and keep the economy afloat, are an immediate threat to us all. The scale of this corporate economic terror shrinks Saddam and Osama to almost negligible proportions, while making us long for the simpler, less harmful offenses of horny Bill. The immorality of the greed of the elite has no easily recognizable standard for comparison. The only measure of evil we may apply is the amount of misery, pain, suffering and death caused. Who has the greatest negative impact on your life... today and every day?

Forty million Americans are without adequate health care. This treason by our masters results in the loss of nearly 250,000 lifetimes per year. That evil is traced directly to corporate greed, the corruption which is innate in elite created legal bodies. The corporate clones, the wannabees, who oversee all of the plutocratic holdings, are the curse visited upon us in payment for our loyalty to the rich who've destroyed America. We are told how well off we are... with a straight face.

Politics:

The word politics has the same root as the word policy. Politicians are those who [supposedly] create policy. Police are those who enforce it. That was pointed out to the students by a Professor of Mideast Studies during the only poli-sci instruction I elected at Arizona. The class took place in 1987. I didn't realize for several years that even then our policies were decided in corporate board rooms... not by our government.

The American form of government is as good as it gets. As an ideal of democracy it's suffered only from the influence of the rich. Our wealthy masters have enslaved us economically while maintaining an illusion of political freedom. But the vision is fading. The rigged election of a president and the wholly owned two party politicians are wearing away the veneer of liberty that hides the flaw in our system: the rule of the elite in America.

Economy:

Imagine that all the material goods consist of 100 apples and all the human population are 100 people, who subsist on that economy. In such a system, for one person to have 50 apples, at least 49 must have none. That is a mathematical certainty. No matter how complex or abstract the economy becomes, our lives still depend on it to supply us with the stuff of survival. The distributive constraints indicated by the simple formula apply to groups or individuals... to 6 or six billion. The ratio of excess to suffering is derived from the analysis of material reality. It is not to be found in the rationalizing bullshit of wholly owned politicians.

The boy-fool responds, from his repertoire of conditioned thought responses, "but what if they was a 150 apples and only 100 people?.. huh, huh, huh." He thought he really had me there. After all, it worked on him.

"If there were", I reply, "people wouldn't be starving in Africa. There would be no homeless in America. Bush wouldn't need to raise bogeymen from the dead to divert your weak attention from the hard, cold truth." Truth: the wealth of the minority consists of necessities stolen from the majority.

Many of us fool ourselves. We pretend, motivated by vanity and defense of dignity, that we haven't been fooled. We allow ourselves to believe that the lies we are told are certain knowledge derived from our own experience. We willingly participate in our delusion. Doublethink, I think, was an observation, not a prediction, by Orwell.

Religion:

I figured it out! George is Jesus! One of Christ's first and most impressive miracles was to raise Lazarus from the dead. Jesus did that to comfort the old man's family. George's reason for bringing back Osama may be less unselfish and caring. But it is miraculous.

Editorial Column:

In "Mark Twain" by Ken Burns, recently replayed on PBS, the comment of one academic suggested that Twain's pursuit of personal wealth and comfort was inconsistent with his social/economic criticisms. The same source concluded that Sam Clemens' work must have therefore been inspired, unconscious. Such naive expectations of purity are a common delusion.

The belief that one must live purely and consistently with one's ideals is a conditioned thought response. It reinforces the existing evil disparity of wealth.

The first law is: THOU SHALT SURVIVE! That is the immutable law of nature. If we fail to preserve our lives in the capitalistic context, if we fail to provide ourselves with the time to work for awakening and change, our ideals will die with us. Our world is dominated by the evil of capitalist greed and hypocrisy. We must live to fight it, by whatever means are necessary. Take care not to do as do most. Don't lose sight of your ideals or worse, embrace the system as a good thing, due to the cruel and ironic necessity of participating in it's evil. Focus!

October, 2002

Q: What is the significance of September 11th?

A: On September 11, 1297, in the Battle of Stirling Bridge, Scots led by William Wallace defeat the English.

On September 11, 1541 - Santiago, Chile, is destroyed by indigenous warriors.

On September 11, 1609 - Henry Hudson lands on Manhattan island.

On September 11, 1649 - Siege of Drogheda [about 30 mi. N. of Dublin, Ireland] ends:

Oliver Cromwell's English Parliamentary troops take the town and massacre its garrison.

On September 11th, 1922, the British, our economic and political antecedents, gave Transjordan Palestine to the Zionists.*

On September 11th, 1973, the CIA deposed Salvador Allende in Chile and imposed Augusto Pinochet, who began a 17 year reign of terror on the [disappeared] middle and working classes. Henry Kissinger reportedly remarked something like, "Why should we let Chile fall to socialism just because it's stupid people voted for it?"

* " . . . Article 2 of the Palestine Mandate [June 1922] stated that the administration would 'secure the establishment of the Jewish national home.' . . . In September 1922, the British government presented a memorandum to the League of Nations stating that Transjordan would be excluded from all the provisions dealing with Jewish settlement, and this memorandum was approved on 11 September. From that point onwards, Britain administered the part west of the Jordan as Palestine, and the part east of the Jordan as Transjordan. . . ." - British Mandate of Palestine, From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia.

Volume II Issue 13:

War:

The North Koreans have admitted breaking a treaty by announcing a nuclear weapons program. Perhaps President Bush should redirect his new war power to the Pacific Rim. That would be less a flip-flop than having said war is his last resort, even if the later rhetoric hasn't been used in fear of the negative impact his previous words were having on the upcoming elections. We can expect a return to the harder line after November 5th. But we can also expect the primary focus to remain on Saddam. It's safer to attack someone who might develop and use weapons of mass destruction, than one who already has them. George will make noise about treaty breakers and point to his foresight in having broken the missile defense agreement. [Ed. note: It is much easier for the presidents overseers to steal tax payers money by throwing it in the bottomless pit of improbable missile defense, than it is by almost any other form of corporate welfare.] Bush II is too "diplomatic" to attack a real threat and too obtuse to recognize the real danger!

Distractions:

Does the war on terrorism distract you from the economic terror and anxiety normal people feel over mortgage payments, credit card debt and lack of job security in the glorious global market? The workless class rich are not concerned. Their wealth is protected by a five thousand year tradition of usury and wholly owned politicians (substitute kings, dictators, tyrants, aristocrats, plutocrats... whatever) like George W. Bush. Sometimes they've been one and the same.

Is there a conspiracy here?... the illuminatae?... whatever? Who cares? It only matters that most live in misery or delusional debt supported semi-affluence and false hope, in order that few may live in luxury, by stealing the produce of the many. The imagined, with the help of politician inspired media and schools (on behalf of the workless masters), prosperity of the middle class is a test of intelligence and sanity. Their belief that they too can be rich is, collectively, the belief everyone can have wealth and no one has to work for it. (i.e. No one need actually do work to create material goods.) The belief in Santa Claus is more plausible. Remember, for one to have a thousand times the average, ten thousand must have one tenth of the normal income or net worth. What measure determines value for you? How many suffer all their lives, then die too soon, to

support a 40 billion dollar fortune? But you believe you're the one who can rip off the rest of us. Maybe you'll dream up the next corporate scam-fad.

The exportation of jobs and downsizing of corporation's domestic operations is a crime of treason against the majority of Americans. Likewise is moving the base of formerly American multinational corporations out of our country, after they've looted US. The few CEOs who benefit through stock options and bloated salaries would disagree with anything that inhibited their entry to the elite. These *perpetrators* and their generally accepted practices are more criminal than is "a cooker of books" or any stock fraud imaginable. Their existence is predatory and we are the prey.

Darwinism you say. "The Territorial Imperative", ...is Robert Ardrey still afflicting humanity with specious anthropology? Even if we equate private property with sexual territorialism, the big buck or chicken does not bequeath his/her estate to his offspring. They must earn it for themselves. I know our elite aren't confident in their ability to make it on their own.

Challenges to the assertion that the rich can't compete with us on a level field, can be easily tested. Tax estates at 100% (I see a standard exemption to allow for an analog to family/clan territories, no greater than is the value of a small family farm or business) and give the proceeds back to the community. If the disinherited heirs rise to the top, employing the same head start and opportunities the rest of us have, I'll admit I was wrong!(1)

But do we worry about the threat to our survival posed by our failed 5000 year old culture? Do we long to return to a more egalitarian system based on the millions of years old pattern used successfully by our forefathers, before the present nightmare ever manifested?(2) No! Instead we allow ourselves to be distracted and deluded by threats, real and imagined, the roots of which [real threats] are almost always traced to the unscrupulous greed and economic terror of our masters. They offer to save us from the reaction to the horror they've created, in order to maintain their system of unearned wealth. And they say they're defending freedom! Why do we tolerate a system that is dysfunctional for all but a few assholes? Why are we afraid to be free and think for ourselves? Are we crazy or just plain stupid? "Run, Forest, run!" We must escape Capitalism to survive in America.

We don't need to change our form of government to change our economy. They are separate things. Capitalism is a form of economy. It has nothing to do with the form of government. The same may be said of socialism or communism. By equating capitalism with democracy, we incorporate an almost schizophrenic contradiction into our minds. We are free under our constitution (as it was interpreted in 1968). We are slaves of capitalists. The more we allow the wealthy to control our government, the less free we become.

Economy:

The anchorman seemed a little puzzled. After acknowledging that two thirds GDP is the result of consumer spending, he flailed about trying to find the reason we aren't buying our way to prosperity again. Could it be that fear of terrorists, CEO rip-offs or stock market decline is undermining consumer confidence? Those stabs at an answer must have sounded trite even to one so used to repeating the same drivel ad nauseam. I feel sympathy for him. It must be tiring, if he has a clue about anything, to repeat night after night the evidence that shows our entire system to be a fraud, a pyramid scheme, and have, apparently, no one ever notice that all the money is at the top. We can't afford to borrow any more. The base is crumbling. The pyramid must fall.

Like any pyramid scam, our economy can only work for a while. Maybe we've reached the end. The service economy has accelerated the failure. For products to be purchased in America,

Americans must have money. For thirty years we've relied on debt [FED responses] to revitalize the economy. The greed of the rich and the wannabees of the upper middle class have denied real wage and salary increases for the majority. Job exportation has resulted in domestic downsizing, minimum wages and homelessness... again in the name of the greed of a few parasites. We can't afford to borrow any more. The experts and politicians, blinded by their hellish greed, will never let us have our fair share of our produce. They will stand in denial of reality until the end of time. We follow and take advice from those fools. What does that make US?

The parasites of the workless class and their subservient CEO and politician overseers produce no material thing. They take what we produce, while our living standard declines. If we all starve, who'll feed them? Their Chinese slave laborers may not get permission from their government to care for our worthless, workless masters when we're no longer around to pander to their greed or fight for them.

Editorial:

What is it? Do we only respond to emotional appeals of our greedy and dishonest leaders? Will they have us shift the blame to scapegoats until we die, still deluded with the promise of security? The promise that is never fulfilled only renewed. We give up more freedom every time they ask. They tell us each time that's what's required to defend freedom. That makes sense only if they speak of the freedom of our rich masters to enslave us.

Do we deny the facts or fail to think about them at all? What is reality? I think we mistake tokens and symbols for the real things they represent. Words may describe reality but they are more often used of late to misrepresent the truth. That corruption is by and for the benefit of those who produce no material thing. We are controlled by the words of the workless class that they may maintain their wealth. [Real force is employed when words fail. But that no longer seems necessary to keep US in line.]

(1) Breaking up the hereditary monopoly of wealth will be a step in the right direction. It won't solve the problem without coordinated measures. The rich, who oppose the unionization of their workers, i.e. slaves, form the strongest [tacit?] union on earth. Whether or not there is an organization representing their solidarity, they always act in unison to oppose human economic progress towards gaining our fair share of the goods we produce. They will react by closing ranks to see to it that the disinherited rise back to the top, with the aid of their union. That response must be countered by limiting family net worth similarly to the way we must limit inherited wealth.

(2) I'm not suggesting we all become hunter gatherers. But we need a culture that works for all of us and that honors (or at least is friendly to) the Earth, which is the source of life.

August 20, 2002

Q: What is the greatest crime of the victim's of our economic system?

A: The greatest crime the majority of Americans commit is to believe that the economic system is a good thing. To believe it is an inevitable evil is a serious misdemeanor. Slavery is always evil and we must never cease to fight until it's destroyed.

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Delusions:

"Money is a burden that creates a lot of stress. You don't want the headache". We're often oppressed with such specious lessons, to discourage envy of the rich. I notice there is no rush to unload their wealth on us. I guess the pain of its possession is bearable.

Be that as it may, the possession of great wealth does cause the master to be almost as stupid as the people from whom it stole its money. Such misery is not as unbearable as that suffered by the poor but it is real. For example, wealth precludes ever thinking clearly, honestly and intelligently about the human social condition. A rich person may never lapse in denial of the reality: one may have much more than average only if many have much less (live in poverty). Even an absolutely amoral cynic must pretend to be unaware of the consequences of their greed for the sake of their public image. That leads again to denial and obtuseness. Most of them come to believe their lies, when conscience reasserts itself in late middle age. [Ed. note: If you're tempted to excuse the suffering and misery caused by the greed of the rich, because we're all a little greedy at times, remember that there's a critical difference in scale. The number of people who must suffer misery and death to create one fortune is tremendous. An average income is not, by definition, excessive. It requires no one to suffer in order for itself to exist; the greed in this case has no consequences.]

Economy:

There's a difference between free market entrepreneurs and capitalists. The latter eventually consume and eliminate the former. That's well known and taken for granted. The importance of the direction in which our economic culture is moving is less often noted.

As the rich capitalist owned(1) [multinational] corporations grow larger and fewer (and loot America before they leave the country), we can observe increasing uniformity and decreasing opportunity. The money that they make represents either material goods that we make or it's stolen from us by inflating the money supply. We do the work and they take the profits. Only the most zealous fool, a true believer, could deny that we are slaves to the workless class capitalists. How much longer can we tolerate this injustice? What happens to us if we fail to stop them before they move their loot and themselves out of the country?

When we say, "capitalists make our lives intolerable... that it's wrong for them to have so much and us so little", (2) we're told that the freedom of the rich to exploit us, for their lazy, selfish ends, would be restricted and their rights to all we have and ever will have would be abridged. Further, it's immoral, unpatriotic, godless and intolerant of us to have such ill feeling toward our treacherous [to the human race they have renounced in the name of greed] masters. All manner of supporting arguments, such as the good of human progress(3) are used to gain popular support for a system that produces the least good for the greatest number. To tolerate the freedom of the few elite masters is deny our own liberty... to be slaves in all but name (and the property maintenance that keeps slaves healthy enough to work)... to support a workless class of wealthy parasites.

An economic system like ours can only continue to deteriorate as the wealth is concentrated at the top. Consumers can't afford to continue borrowing, to keep it going for ever. The system can't be maintained by the will of the elite to dominate us. If we continue as we have, the economy will collapse and we'll suffer the most harm when it does. We allow them to dominate us and bring us to this end. No one but a fool would willingly follow the selfish tyrants who are leading us to ruin.

Editorial Column:

Leadership of willing followers for the common well being requires sane intelligence and good will. Domination, power or control of others is always perverted to selfish ends... especially when an end in itself.

When the rule has become domination for self interest instead of leadership for the common good, one must dominate to lead. In order to wrest control from those whose evil selfishness is destroying the human race, we must become like them. There's only one solution to the dilemma. Like a house so diseased and vermin ridden that it's unhealthy for human habitation, we must burn it down and start over again. We must have a new beginning(4) without the evil structure (economic system), that works only for the workless wealthy class.

G. W. Bush knows nothing of good leadership. He apparently does a passable job of disguising his desire for domination and of masking his selfish ends. After all, he convinced almost half of those who voted in his election. But there's an upside. It means that less than a majority of us are necessarily fools. That's an unexpected improvement.

(1)A very small percent of the population own 60% of the stocks. Special corporations own a substantial portion of stocks. So it is false to conclude that average or middle class Americans own the remaining 40%. Even if over 50% of the people own stock, we don't own much of it. It is correct to say that a few capitalists own the corporations.

(2)Theoretically, though social conditioning precludes such heresy, we might say it.???

(3)They never fund any but proven technology. We support R&D with our tax money and consumer dollars. The rich never pay their share of taxes.

(4)This may be accomplished without violence or overthrow of the government. The constitution needn't be amended. Simple changes in the tax laws can bring an end to the ruinous tyranny of the greedy, wealthy workless class. We may start by taxing estates greater than \$2,000,000 at 100%. The heirs of the rich would still have a huge head start on the rest of us. Those, if there are any, who actually worked for their fortunes, would have them while they lived.

August 5, 2002

Q: Is the quotation "the poor will always be with us" meaningful out of context?

A: No, but that's beside the point. They are words and the poor are real people who are deprived through the existence of that which is described by the unspoken but necessary complimentary saying: "The rich will always afflict us." We need to rectify this wrong.

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We are trained to think and believe that the workless class deserve their wealth and that we are poorer than they because we haven't worked hard enough or are weak and stupid. If we fail to confront that lie or take an opportunity to rectify the dysfunctional nature of our economic culture, I'll admit, we're weak and stupid. But you can not get rich by hard work. The most unscrupulous among us rise to the top, like scum in any boiling pot of fat meat.

In a healthy economy, money represents material goods that people work to create. To survive,

people must work hard enough to create the food, clothing and shelter sufficient for their own needs. If we work harder we can produce enough to support others who perform useful services for the human community. If I make twice as much as I need, for instance, I can support a doctor. But no one can create enough material goods in a lifetime to supply the greedily hoarded wealth of a workless class vampires. No one can work hard enough to get rich. No one!

Let's do a little math to illustrate the consequences of supporting wealthy workless class parasites and scavengers. I'll start with a simple example then scale it up. Imagine an economy with only three people. If we sum their wealth and divide by three we arrive at their average net worth. If one has exactly the average and another has twice the average then the third must have nothing. We could stop here, after labeling our three representatives the middle class, the wealthy workless class and the homeless poor. (The last is not likely to be with us much longer. Starvation is ugly but efficient.) But I promised a scaled up example of this mathematical process and I won't renege. I'm not really all that political.

What is the mathematical consequence of a fortune of 60 billion dollars in a society where the average net worth is \$50,000? There are many valid solutions but 6.0×10^{10} divided by \$50,000 equals 1,200,000 people with nothing at all. 2,400,000 people with \$25,000 net worth also satisfies the equation. I think you get the picture. Millions of people must suffer deprivation, poor health, pain, inferior education and all manner of misery to support one very rich person. We've many workless parasites to support. We simply can't afford them any longer.

Perhaps some minds are conditioned to respond: "The rich create their money. It doesn't represent anyone's work or material goods, so it's not stolen. They've simply been smart enough to manipulate the economy to their own benefit." That's so specious that I almost despair of explaining its falseness, at least to the kind of fool who would say it. However... If their money represents no one's work or material goods then it is worthless. It is purely inflationary. Deliberate inflation of the money supply is stealing from us all. It especially hurts those who already suffer the most. It is a fraud and should be outlawed. The entire economy for the past 5000 years has, effectively if not deliberately, been an insidious scam to rip off humanity. The beneficiaries of our system are a few lazy, useless parasites. The human race, after millions of years of fitness among the life on Earth, may actually be threatened with extinction by this upstart culture, which is based on appeasing the greed of workless classes. To live we must rid ourselves of the parasites who infect and enslave us.

The pastors or ministers of an individual church, belonging to and assigned by the super-scribing denomination, are analogous to middle managers in a corporation. Can you imagine, say Microsoft, taking responsibility for the non-work related criminal acts of it's employees? The courts don't hold corporate entities [abstract, legal persons] accountable for the illegal acts of corporate clones, regardless of whom those acts serve. Neither does the media. Yet the Catholic Church is being depicted as reneging on an offer to settle civil matters involving priests, who've transgressed the law. They were not required to pay for the ungodly acts of their fired agents. They offered to do so out of a sense of social and moral responsibility. Such high standards have never been evident in the workless class or the corporations they've spawned to separate themselves from the law and humanity.

July 21, 2002

Q: Will the Corporate Accountability Bill, being rushed through Congress, make the stock market appear to be safe and restore investor confidence by preventing a few criminal scoundrels from ripping us off in the future?

A: Those TOs [Top Officers] who haven't yet stolen their fortunes and moved them off shore, certainly hope so. I'm hopeful that Americans will wake up and demand real changes, before W. packs up the White House and the treasury and moves to the Bahamas. Yes, that's hyperbole. But packing up the Social Security Trust Fund [so that it may be easily carried off by his corporate friends] is an off' stated goal of the Bush Administration and its gullible supporters.

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Distractions:

For those in a position to rip off the earnings and savings of thousands, even millions of people, the American economic system, "free market capitalism", WORKS! Feudalism also worked for the powerful land thieves we called aristocracy. Before that the Roman Republic worked for the most powerful and wealthy patrons (those who occupied the Roman Senate). But the clients did the work and the patrons stole and hoarded the wealth produced. Just as with the serfs in the middle ages and workers today, people do the work and the masters gather the benefit. It doesn't matter whether we call them patron, lord, master or employer; the wealth ends up in the hands of a few and the rest of us struggle miserably to merely survive. The wealthy workless classes live in luxury on material goods they've stolen from us.

They've stolen more than just our money and goods. They've destroyed our economic independence. Before the industrial revolution there were many family farms, autonomous trades and crafts people and small self employed shop keepers who lived free of plutocratic domination. The real work and real economy that they embodied and is still the basis of human culture and survival, has been seized by [abstract] legal persons that we call corporations. They've stolen our economy and made it their busyness to divert our production to the satisfaction of their greed and the indulgence of their sloth.

Most of the busyness of corporations is imaginary. It produces no wealth and it's manipulations of abstract representations of material things are usurious and parasitic to the real economy. It is the means by which the workless class rip us off and it is getting worse not better. No amount of wailing will return us to a simpler time and no amount of prosecutions of corporate officers will change the criminal nature of today's corporate culture or that of its predecessors for the past four thousand years.

The laziest and most useless among us, the workless class rich and their subsidiary TOs and politician overseers, have always banded together in the strongest union. They control police and armies and use them to keep us in line. They break the will and spirit, co-opt, kill or imprison the strong and intelligent, who are born among us in every generation, those who can't be made stupid. The masters are weak and stupid and rely on their gangster like perversions of social instinct to maintain their wealth and power. They have betrayed the human race for the satisfaction of their greed and lust. Their selfish appetites have resulted, with rare exceptions through most of history, in an increase of misery for the rest of us. Look at the past thirty years and see the direction they are taking us. After a period of progress in wages, working conditions and living standard between 1936 and 1970, the buying power of most American families has been on the decline.

From Volume I number 17; 5/19/01:

" In 1970 chicken was 29 cents/pound, hamburger 39 cents/lb. A new Olds Cutlass Supreme® was less than \$4000. A new starter home was \$20,000.00. Compare: \$1.29; \$1.99; \$30,000; \$100,000. Prices have increased by a factor of at least 5, in most cases, over 31 years. [Other price increases are hidden by trick packaging. Weights and measures are effectively tampered with by injecting water in meat products and failing to label it properly. That chuck steak you bought on sale will shrink twice the norm for an unaltered specimen, when placed on the grill. If you try to fry it in a pan it will be boiled instead.]

In 1970 minimum wage was about half of what it is today. Wages and salaries in most positions have approximately doubled. A person in a given job can purchase 40% (100 X 2/5) of what one could command in 1970. A woman gets 75 cents for every man's dollar. If a male and female both work, their combined buying power is about 70% of what one of their parents could command in 1970. We are making up the difference with second mortgages and plastic credit."

When automation, down-sizing, job exportation and outright stealing are added to the picture, we see only misery, suffering and death in most of our futures. We are told by George that to curb the greed of the workless rich and their corporations would be an unfair restriction on their freedom. Well George, to allow them to continue to enslave us, so that they may remain free to do so, and for the sake of their greed, is a threat to our lives. Guess whose right to life I support?... Whose side are you on, fool?!

Economy:

Enron was an energy broker. They had no power producing capability. How many of the other great offenders were purely abstract busynesses? In the sense that the stock market is supposed to be a source of capitalization, it is less abstract than entities like Enron. Such "busynesses", because they cause no material wealth or useful service to be produced, [they even used the transmission lines of others] have no product that they themselves create, are purely parasitic on the economy... and on those of us who do real work. They should be outlawed like burglary tools. Their nature is larcenous; what can be expected of their predatory organizers but more theft?

The abstractions of economy, imaginary constructs, are the fantasy worlds of amateurs. Economists and MBAs have lost sight of the real production of goods and services that are the bases of the livelihood of human beings, and their professionalism [of economists et al.], if they ever had any, was also obscured by the new, poorer perspective. The idiots think they can turn paper entities into real wealth. They're mentally diseased. At least the feudal lords had and traditional capitalists have enough sense to rely on real land, property and the sweat of people to turn their delusions of grandeur into riches. Explore the BBC Business News. They seem to be on the verge of awakening to the reality of fantasy land economy in America and the British Commonwealth.

BBC Business News

Search for "corporate scandals", then link to "Wall Street Scandals at a Glance". There is a good summary at that last link plus links to articles and analyses from which you can infer for yourself the fraudulent nature of what I'm about to describe: third level economic abstraction.

"Money is the root of all evil". As the first level of abstraction, in an economy of material goods, our tokens of exchange certainly live up to their description. But money is a useful

medium of trade, when its use is limited to such. It is, however, the starting place, the abstract root from which more harmful economic practices grow.

Loaning money at interest, usury(1), is the exploitation of the first level of economic abstraction. As such it is an early essay in the craft of living by the toil of others. According to the Bible, "man must toil and earn his bread by the sweat of his brow." Those who make their livelihood by working their money (i.e. living off our work) can not be said to be morally upright in a Biblical sense. Capitalism is an extension of that sort of evil.

The second level of economic abstraction is capitalism and the stock market.(2) This is a more troubling abstraction because it portends undermining the basic economy of the production and consumption of goods. It does so by concentrating wealth more completely in fewer hands. Consumers are less able to buy goods and create profits because of the hoarding of money and wealth. Greater profits and fewer capitalists result is less cash available to consumers. The cyclic market depressions are accounted for by this mechanism of capitalistic greed. This fundamental flaw in the theory of free market capitalism is a source of childlike denial in the minds of its proponents. Capitalism (the wordy obscuring of greed and tyranny) is not, ultimately, a workable economic system. But as a second level abstraction it is at least based on the ownership of real, physical assets. Farms, mines, factories, energy production, transportation and communication all have a material basis in reality.

Third level economic schemes are purely imaginary. They exist only as thoughts in our minds or on paper. They make money but create no material product or service. They are fraudulent in their nature. They're characterized by the lack of real, physical assets for the creation of products. They make their money in a purely parasitic way. Companies like Enron who broker but produce no energy or WorldCom who buys telephone time on existing switches and lines and resells it, with no value added, at a profit, are representatives of the third level of abstraction and of economic parasites.

To wonder if there will be more scandals, when the existence of a workless class (without the subsequent evil of the second and third levels of economic abstraction) constitutes fraud, is naive beyond belief. The third level parasites feed off the feeding by capitalists off the work of the people.

Editorial Column:

It seems ironic to me that so many continue to believe that they too can become economically independent in the abstract economy. Even while consumers must borrow money to simply live and keep this fraudulent economy going, they continue to believe everyone can own stocks and no one needs to do any real work. Wake up! That delusion protects the riches of the workless class. It's a carrot on a stick. And it's not even a real carrot. It's mathematically and physically impossible for everyone to do. It's so improbable for anyone to do as to be negligible for most of us. Why do we support a system that must be dysfunctional for the majority?

The rich and the wannabees keep taking more and more. Caught in their insatiable greed and lust, they refuse jobs and living wages to us, in order to increase their profits. They're incapable of seeing that the cumulative effect of their selfish stupidity is the destruction of the consumer fueled economy. Money in the hands of consumers is the fuel of the economic engine. The rich fools and their wholly owned TOs and politicians are trying to make the engine run faster by cutting off its fuel. And they keep telling us they know what they're doing.

Do they know their killing us? If they do, what have they got in the wings to replace us as the providers of their sustenance and wealth? Because if they know what their doing we can only

conclude that they are committing premeditated murder on a massive scale. But I don't think they see that yet. I don't think they see that the economy is being destroyed by their blind greed. I think our economic and political leaders are fools. However, they're not as great of fools as we are, if we allow them to continue on this dead end course.

The appropriation of our land, our property, our labor and our lives, for the satisfaction of the greed of a few, is the most evil purpose the human race can be put to. We must find another way. We must rid ourselves of rich parasites and their sycophants or we will die.

(1)The first level of economic abstraction includes loans, bonds and insurance. That is: usury - using money to make money. It is forbidden in the law of Moses as part of the elaboration of the Ten Commandments.

(2)It's arguable that the stock market is the third level of abstraction. But, because it is a source of capitalization and for the sake of a more easily understood paradigm, I'll keep it where it is.

July 14, 2002

Q: What is business?

A: Busyness: an endless display of activity, in the absence of real work, that's designed to impress the marks with the power and importance of the "busyness" person. It's also the distraction of the victim from the busyness person's theft of the benefit of the real work said victim is performing.

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Distractions:

The Congress is working on an act to make corporations more accountable and to criminalize stockholder rip-offs. Many in the Senate and the House also hope to provide a means to recover stolen moneys from the ex-CEOs etc. That is: Congress wishes to prevent future stealing by the means of artificially inflating stock prices, then cashing in options before the collapse. I know that we can't get Enron or WorldCom or others with the new act. (I strongly support the constitutional prohibition of ex post facto laws.) But I don't understand why the existing laws against fraud and treason don't apply to the entire abstract economy.

Those who do no work, the workless class, the rich, make money by selling it at a profit. Whether as stocks, bonds, loans or brokering, their busyness creates no real wealth. It is merely a perversion of abstractions and tokens. The rich are a liability that consumes resources but gives nothing in return. Since they do no work, we may identify all that they have to be stolen. These traitors to the survival of Americans should be prosecuted and their ill-gotten gains confiscated. Their treason must not go unpunished, even though the pursuit of individual traitors is futile.

The evil treachery doesn't wholly reside in any number of separate persons or any subset of the society. (i.e. There is no form of bigotry that will solve our problems.) There is more culpability in those who possess more wealth but the entire economic structure, together with the way we perceive our culture, is also at fault. Our problem isn't that there are rich people and wannabees who are criminals. It is that it's criminal to tolerate a workless class of rich parasites, who take whatever they want and contribute nothing that's real.

To allow the wealthy to continue their antisocial behavior after they're dead, through the demonic possession of their heirs, is beyond criminal. It's abomination of nature. Though the

workless class have enslaved us for more or less a hundred generations, we have always had the power to eliminate their abuse. We lack only direction and will. They've instructed, trained us like domestic animals, to despair of ever being free of their selfish rule. We've meekly complied with their order... their self serving principles and values.

We must begin to value material contributions to our mutual survival more highly than the ability to live [luxuriously] on the ripped off efforts of others, while doing nothing that's real one's self. The system must be redesigned to reward those who do real work and negatively reinforce parasitic behavior. The predations of the rich and wannabees in the middle class must be extinguished from our culture, while actively punishing those who resist the necessary changes.

In light of the fact that the system, our economic culture itself is to blame, it becomes clear that the pursuit of individual wrongdoers by the Congress, while it may do some good, is still a distraction from the real view of our flawed economy. It [our economy] serves only the least fit and laziest among us and the majority suffer(1) from their greed. The system works for them and we do the work. Until we eliminate the reward for greed that is basic to our economic culture there will always be new ways to steal. We will never pass enough interdictive laws to stop the theft of the material things we need to survive.

Some sort of free market economy might work but capitalism does not and never will. No system based on greed and hoarding of resources of survival, needed by the majority to merely live, can ever be anything but corrupt. It's genesis, it's original conception, is a corruption of the real economy that supports human life on the Planet Earth. It is, by its depraved nature, dysfunctional for most of us. As such it's a failed strategy for survival of the human race.

Economy:

The economy slows because the people have no money with which to consume products. Giving money to those who already have it does not solve the problem. The trickle down theory is another expression of the greed, that causes the imbalance, which precludes consumers from buying. It exacerbates the recession. Loaning money at interest, so that products may be purchased, also decreases the probability of successful recovery. (2)

Why, aside from having experienced the last twenty years(3) of down sizing, job exportation, wage depression, rising prices and other disloyal and treacherous frauds, do I believe trickle down can't work? Those who sell products make their money so. Giving them the money to sell to us who must buy the products, would occur to an idiot as a solution for a slow economy. The tax cut and corporate welfare in the form of porkish government contracts and direct subsidies, for those with the most money, those who sell things and/or loan money, seems the brainchild of a fool.

From Volume I number 4

" Land and the goods that are produced are the real wealth. The tokens and abstractions that represent them, such as money and stocks, will not support life. Yet we reward the minority who manipulate the abstractions of wealth and punish those who produce it from the Earth. "

Manufacturing outside the US is profitable for the elite and the 35% (mostly middle class) who are the minion overseers of the rich. We who do not benefit cannot buy the goods so produced. If our buying power continues to decrease the remainder of us (and many of them) must ultimately starve. Are the miseries produced by job and income reduction and the tax cut to the masters

(including elimination of the estate tax) the result of foolish short term thinking or the deliberate plans of genocidal despots? Does it make a difference?

"Oh I'm sorry little person, I didn't kill you deliberately. I couldn't see that robbing you of your livelihood to boost next quarters bottom line (and my stock options) would result in thousands of premature deaths. And I'm not responsible for your problems. I've got to look out for myself.", says the typical politician or TO. [Top Officer: is appropriate because that's where most of the wealth we produce goes TO. Forgive me for ending the sentence with a pseudo preposition but the construction amuses me.] I'm sure we'll all be satisfied with such answers. We must! Words are all we'll get. Isn't it good to know you're killer will be a fool instead of an evil criminal.

During the Great depression of the 1930's, the abstract economy broke down. When the stock market crashed, capital was not available and production slowed drastically. The unemployed had no adequate safety net. Much misery and suffering resulted. We are moving towards that state again. Note that all the means of production still existed; farms, factories and transportation were in place and idle. Only the abstract motive was missing from the real economy. That real people starved and suffered so that the fraudulent system, owned by economic parasites, might not be disrupted, even when not functioning, is criminal. It is the most evil and destructive form of terrorism that exists on the Planet Earth.

Law and Order:

Foreign Policy:

But let's not worry about nasty realities. The greed of the rich is inevitable so get used to the natural consequences of free market capitalism. Let's think about how the death of the bill of rights and the compromise of constitutional division of powers is going to free the world of terrorists. (Except the economic terrorists but it's not healthy to think about that so let's just forget it.) Oh our glorious administration is sooo perfect. Aren't we lucky to have a supreme court so wise as to have chosen our wonderful president for us. So Christian of them.

Religion:

I've often wondered about the appeal of a religion that gains converts and maintains membership by first threatening to continue one's suffering after death then offering reward instead if you will just continue as a slave for the remainder of your life. I mean, first they notify you that you can't even escape misery by dying then they offer you salvation but you have to die to get it. Do you get it?

Editorial Column:

The following is recycled verbatim from Volume I Issue 3, 2/10/2001:

What will conservatives say when the American People get tired of Clinton bashing. For eight years the Republicans obstructed every decent thing that Clinton wanted to do. They didn't argue the issues. They diverted attention to irrelevant personal behavior. Is that the only strategy the right can create to distract us from their real principles: selfishness and greed?

The Bush tax cut will not have the desired effect. The rich already have almost all the money. Giving them more with the Tax Cut will exacerbate the problem. No amount of fast talk or reference to skewed statistics and show piece principles will change the truth.

Maybe an analogy will get through. Think of it as a parable, George. Imagine you have an oil well and a machine to take oil from underground and place it in a reservoir at the top. Now imagine that your well goes dry and there is no place to drill a new one. Keep in mind that this is

only an analogy and loopholes in the words will not likely be reflected in the reality it represents.

Now imagine that you don't need all that oil but you really like pumping oil into your reservoir. It makes you feel powerful and superior. So what are you to do? All the oil is in the reservoir. Well, if you could find a way to pump it back into the ground, you could start all over again. The machinery that pumps it up to you would react automatically to the increased demand and you would refill your reservoir at the top very quickly.

I think you may have guessed by now that I'm really talking about the economy. So what mechanism could we build to get money back down to the bottom so that the wealth machinery would have something to do and the rich could continue having the fun of stealing the money from us, while feeling smugly powerful and genetically superior as well?

How about, instead of eliminating the estate tax, we make two million dollars deductible and 100% is taken after the sheltered portion. That wealth could be distributed to the poor on a graduated scale based on income. [Ed. note: I should have said inversely proportional to income last year. I knew then how obtuse and twisted are conservatives, especially if anything is let loose for interpretation through their greed filters.] Or it could provide high paying jobs to those who don't already have them and we could add many new management positions into the bargain.

If we efficiently redistribute the money, it will be spent. Then the machinery that harvests money will have something to do. The heirs of the rich may have to build their own machines but with a 2 million dollar start up they'll still have a much greater opportunity than the rest of us. And each generation will have the chance to prove their worthiness. Plus they'll have the fun of playing the game for themselves. This is a win win proposition.

But unfortunately the rich have a real union. They are a gang who will threaten us with an economic bludgeoning if we fail to give up our money on demand. They don't wish to complicate the fulfillment of their lust by paying us to produce real goods to sell to us.

(1)The meanings of suffering and misery, throughout my texts, are not limited to inadequate food, clothing, shelter and medical care. They always include stress due to debt, inadequate job or retirement security and other life shortening corporate environmental factors that are too numerous to list or may not as yet have been identified.

(2)Redundancy is an unfortunate necessity when dealing with economic and political leaders. The conservatives, especially, will distort, corrupt, deny and/or project back on one... a conditioned process not requiring intelligence... anything that's not painfully explicit and simple enough for an idiot to understand. Hence, since the conditions of comprehension conflict, constant repetition is necessary.

(3)The TOs [Top Officer(s)] and other wannabees have been looting America for longer than twenty years, now they're moving themselves and, most recently, their corporations, out of the country. This is treason and should be separately prosecuted as such. Even many of the long established parasites are losing to these upstarts. Not that I have much sympathy for the degenerate heirs of capitalists but their money should be going back to us, from whom it's been stolen, not to a new set of thieves.

July 4, 2002

Q: What is the TRUTH?

A: Fundamental truth is the simple material reality that is perceived through our senses.

Corollary: truth for all humans is the nature of our existence, unadorned by fanciful interpretation. The truth is always present but few care to embrace it. We prefer the delusions with which we have learned to filter reality. That conditioning is constantly reinforced by corporate [plutocrat] owned media, politicians and one another.

Volume II Issue 8:

Distractions:

Ridding the Earth of Terrorists will make it a safe place for the rest of us to live and prosper.

Ridding the Earth of Communists will make it a safe place for the rest of us to live and prosper.

Ridding the Earth of Socialists will make it a safe place for the rest of us to live and prosper.

Ridding the Earth of Unions will make it a safe place for the rest of us to live and prosper.

Ridding the Earth of Jews will make it a safe place for the rest of us to live and prosper.

Ridding the Earth of Native Americans will make it a safe place for the rest of us to live and prosper.

Ridding the Earth of Heretics will make it a safe place for the rest of us to live and prosper.

Ridding the Earth of Muslims will make it a safe place for the rest of us to live and prosper.

Ridding the Earth of Barbarians will make it a safe place for the rest of us to live and prosper.

History proves none of the latter have been effective and neither will be the first, I predict. But all of the above have been or are contemporary distractions. They divert us from the truth: the fundamental flaw of our culture.

Human culture's disease will not be relieved by eliminating those, no matter how misguided or malevolent, who wish to cure it. As Dickens said in *Hard Times* in 1854,

" 'Tis not by them the trouble's made, sir. 'Tis not wi' them't commences. I ha' no favour for 'em---I ha' no reason to favour 'em---but 'tis hopeless and useless to dream o' takin' them fro' their trade, 'stead o' takin' their trade fro' them! "

What is the trade of the "outside agitators" ("mysterious strangers" in the words of Dickens) that so terrorized and confused the 1850's businessman, pretentious of hardheadedness but fancifully romantic nonetheless, that his post modern analog still labors with the same problem and mental affliction? It [the trade] is the eternal struggle to relieve the misery of the majority, those who produce the material means of survival of humanity, only to have it stolen from them by the workless class, through their overseer CEOs and politicians. The misery commences with the greed of the masters. [Ed. note: I don't believe, as we have been trained to think, that greed is basic human nature. I believe that common folly to have been designed to assuage the guilt of the most greedy. It doesn't matter! If true, there's still a critical difference of scale. The evil of which the workless class are capable, in attempting to satisfy their greed, is differentiated from that of the majority by its quantity. Less than five per cent of the population own more than ninety-five per cent of everything. They are physically responsible for more than ninety five per cent of the misery, suffering and untimely death among the producers of their wealth. They are morally responsible for all evil.]

Dickens also described most of the lies that supported and still support our dysfunctional economy by obscuring the source of our misery. The greatest delusion is the "right rule" of self interest [greed]. Our faith in this unenlightened theory betrays us. Its corollaries, called by Dickens "common fictions" are regularly repeated by corporate owned politicians, teachers and

other media at every opportunity. They are:

1) "The rich deserve their wealth because they've worked hard to earn it." The truth is: their usurious manipulation of capital is not work. It does not contribute to the wealth of humanity. In fact, the theft and hoarding of the production of others by a parasitic few threatens the livelihood of all.

2) "Anyone and everyone can be rich if we work hard enough." Do the math! An idiot can see that if it takes the production of a thousand to support one of the rich that only one in a thousand can be rich. And if you believe that hard work will result in an invitation to join that exclusive club you're more foolish than our greedy masters. I don't think George is a hypocrite. I think he believes this shit.

3) "Any demand by workers comes of the desire to live luxuriously without working for it." This is pure projection by the elite parasites. The evil of the rich is to have all the money and irrationally demand more... to insist that the economy will work for them while the rest of us do the work... to perpetuate the fraud and exacerbate the problem by loaning us the money they have stolen from us so we may buy the life sustaining goods we have produced. Adam Smith knew this farce couldn't continue indefinitely. Yet we conveniently forget the requirement for infinitely expanding markets. Nothing trickles down but the one thing our masters have in infinite supply... shit!

4) "Labor and all social problems are always due to outside agitators who cause dissent among the docile slaves." This is denial and projection by the source of our problems, the elite rich, who are our masters. They will not see their greed is the root of evil. They must convince their victims of their own self delusion to assuage their conscience. Their cold cynicism enters consciousness only in momentary exposures that are easily hidden under a blanket of lies. They lie first to themselves so they may tell us the "truth". We are the fools of self made fools! [Ed. note: Perhaps the most ironic false principle: we're to be grateful to our employers for allowing us to be their slaves.]

We see by the preceding that the fundamental flaw (and its supporting lies) has been with us for some time. We see that it's had proponents and opponents. Many of us know the abominable nature of the human disease and find it onerous, though we may fear it's hopeless to cure. But, I suspect, we might still benefit from a clear definition of the problem.

A society in which some classes labor to produce the materials of survival, which are ultimately owned by a workless class, is a slave culture. Whether or not the slaves live comfortably is irrelevant. There is no right and wrong in corporate culture, a slave culture. It's all wrong!

[Ed. note: labor does not include the manipulation of the tokens, money, that represent wealth. All such abstract maneuvering (imaginary works) are usurious, therefore inflationary and parasitic. The only real work is the production of material goods and useful services such as transportation (of goods and people), education, communication, health care and (re)creative entertainment. Retailers are necessary merchants. Wholesalers, bankers, brokers and other workless parasites who own us, though they need us for theirs, are not required for our survival. The hard fact is: they threaten it!]

Politics:

Economy:

W's elimination of the estate tax reinforces the slave culture by perpetuating the stranglehold of the masters. We can eliminate the workless class masters by confiscating their property when

they die. A 100% estate tax, with a fixed amount deduction (several million dollars should be enough competitive advantage for even the most degenerate heirs) will be a start towards a sustainable economy, society and culture. After that first small step we must follow through by redistributing the stolen goods we have so recovered.

The wealth may be returned to the people, the source of all production, by providing adequate food, clothing, shelter and health care for all Americans (first)... by raising wages and salaries for those fortunate enough to have real work to do... by creating jobs in material wealth producing endeavors for those of the unemployed who are not made busy (including the ex-parasites) in the production and distribution of the basic needs for all. Survival is the first priority.

The systems required to start the work of honest distribution of the wealth we produce are in place. We need only will it to begin. Few laws must change. No change in the form of government need take place. The Bush Administration, who protect the rich in all things, have recently launched an assault, possibly final and fatal, on the bill of rights. That and all damage done to humanity by the greedy, treacherous parasites who rule us, must be undone!

Editorial Column:

Our culture lacks nothing but good will. We have all we need that's bad. It's flaws are superfluous. They are not wanting of addition. We need to clear our minds of the disinformation installed by education, media and one another. We must demand that the conditioning of minds, to respond automatically to hope with despair, cease and desist. We must root out the thought filters by which we sort our sense perceptions and by which we are deluded and enthralled... by which our slavery is perpetuated. We must rid ourselves of the parasites whose denial and projection would lay their responsibility for our misery at our own feet. If we allow their greed to continue, it will destroy us all.

If we allow ourselves to continue to believe that greed is our inevitable nature, we rationalize the culture of which we are the victims. We justify, in the eyes of the pigs that rule us, the perpetuation of our slavery. It's not a matter of right or wrong. It's whose side are you really on. You have no choice but you may freely identify. If you identify the masters as your kind of people, then you betray the human race. If you support them but are not really one of them, you are not only a traitor but a fool.

You are deluded if you believe it's in your self interest to remain a mindless slave of corporate culture. There is no enlightened self interest there. They will make the planet uninhabitable for humans, while they destroy our life supporting economy, in the name of greed. It is not a question of Capitalists or Communists... of Arab or Israeli... of black or white. It is simply survival. In order to survive we must eliminate the fundamental flaw. We must recognize that the slave culture, disguised by mere words, the so called "free market economy", is a failed strategy for survival of the human race. We have become, through the greed of a few, unfit to survive on the Planet Earth.

June 12, 2002

Q:Is power as intoxicating as alcohol?

A: The intoxication of power is different from that of alcohol, which is proportional to the amount one has abused the body's system. The delusions of grandeur produced in those with too much power are proportional only to the pretentiousness of the self-abused leader.

Volume II Issue 7: Distractions:

Thousands of innocent people die in the terrorist attack on the World Trade Center.

ADM boasts of converting corn, a renewable resource, into alcohol to burn in our automobiles. Alcohol made by distillation has been a mainstay of the economy and social control mechanisms for centuries. Its use to move fat, drunken middle class asses in a literal sense is, perhaps, novel. The self avowed "supermarket to the world" is making fuel from food while starvation occurs at home and abroad. What is treasonous betrayal of the human race?

Is there a connection between these two seemingly unrelated examples of terror? The ADM variety is purely economic but a much more chronic pattern. Which causes more suffering and death? Is the misery and starvation of the poor, at home and abroad, related to world trade? Are the wealthy and their corporate clone overseer managers and politicians, by whom no useful material thing is produced, responsible for all terror? Are their greed inspired policies a threat to the survival of humanity? How would Darwin analyze this reality?

Rhetorical questions all! We do the work. They, the corporate/politician overseers, the perpetual economic terrorists of all the human race, take the produce... in the name of their/our masters. We are left with debt, life shortening stress of coping and the fear of being displaced [by downsizing, a computer, a robot or job exportation] from our dismal positions as virtual slaves. If we complain, they tell us we are lazy and so they deserve the stolen and hoarded wealth that they have or hope to successfully attain. There is no sense of irony or even hypocrisy in the abuse of the "Protestant Work Ethic". They are true believers... very religious!

They say to confiscate and reimburse their un-worked-for riches to us, their victims, would be unfair to them. They say, when confronted with the suffering caused by their terrorizing greed, that the world isn't fair. They don't see their double think. They don't know they have been trained to respond in that schizophrenic way. To them the phrase, behavioral conditioning, triggers memories of psych 101. If anything, they may think, in a vague way, of Pavlov and Skinner. They don't really think at all. Who are the fools to whom I refer?

Economy:

In the most general sense an economy is the sum of one type of social interactions which contribute to the continuation of the human race. By that definition ours isn't an economy at all because it puts a significant portion of the humans at risk of starvation. To take a positive approach: our so called economy is merely a fraud designed to make a few rich at the expense of the rest of us.

The "get down to it" survivability of the human species, or any subset thereof, is very much more dependent on farmers, miners, teamsters, craftspeople and tradespeople than it is on plutocrats, CEOs, politicians or the armies or police the latter use to terrorize us and so maintain their parasitic, life destroying system of stolen and hoarded wealth... And the lazy, useless economic vampires have the effrontery to tell us they "make the world go 'round".

Editorial Column:

How could we have prevented the coming of Mid-Eastern terrorists?

When the oil was secured by the British after WWI, through the co-opting of the Saudi Royal family and the subjugation of resistant states, our predecessors could have killed the ancestors of today's terrorists along with rest of the malcontents. To accomplish such an impossible task would've required genocide but would have precluded the need for Israel's terror tactics against the British and others, which the former employed to wrest a homeland, after WWII, until the

foundation of the State of Israel in 1952.

But, though we rewrite history every day, we can't change past material reality. The mistakes of the past, no matter how we deny them, cannot be undone. So how can we create a world safe for capitalist greed? That is after all the overriding issue of all debates and the source of all terror.

It seems that moralizing by the greediest few only works for a portion of the population. We can't convince everyone to abandon their own life in order to allow plutocrats to vampirize us in peace. Only a cowardly majority respond favorably to that bullshit. Likewise, brute force only seems to antagonize those determined to throw off slavery. Even the loyal fools must have limits to the abuse they will endure. [Note: theoretical limits exist though there's no empirical evidence.]

After much thought, I deem the solution to be working together [nonviolently] to rid our species of the parasites that infect us and threaten our survival. But don't tell George. He'll claim his workless class are the victims and the rest of us the plague. (See "moralizing" in the preceding paragraph.) If his projection/denial succeeded we might commit mass suicide to please him. But we'd have our revenge from the grave. He'd starve in a month without us to do for him that which he's too lazy or stupid to do for himself.

April 16, 2002

Q: Who represents more value to society, the parasitic economic terrorists and their CEO and politician henchmen or garbage collectors?

A: If the rich and their fools disappeared tomorrow, our lives would improve through the relief of the dead weight they represent. If the garbage collectors quit, we would be buried six feet under our own refuse within a few months. You decide who is more valuable to your physical survival!

Volume II Issue 6:

Illusions:

W. tells us that his tax program will allow the poor to begin to climb the ladder of success. When we are all rich stockholders, who will grow the food, build the houses, make the clothes or create the technology that supports our survival. We have become dependent on complex systems for physical continuity but George seems to believe that we can all live on the abstract economic constructions that are employed to enslave the majority of the population... those who actually do the work that allows the human race to materially prosper or even continue to exist.

A fourth grader of mediocre intelligence, yet unspoiled by the propagandistic system of social [thought] conditioning we call news and education, could see that our pyramid scheme economy cannot work if none of us actually works. Such a clear thinking mind might also realize that concentrating the wealth at the top destroys the basis of our culture... the people who create the means and resources of material survival.

So go on calculating your own plan for success. But remember, when we're all rich there will be nothing to buy. Without food you will die. George offers pie in the sky. Am I exaggerating the danger? Yes! It will never get that far because each of the cyclic market downturns gets a few of you. In the end the golden ring will melt before your eyes. All you'll have is the stress of bearing the mountainous burden of debt you contracted to fuel this fools paradise of an economy, which has been sold to each generation in turn for the past 120 years.

Does anyone need to ask who benefits from the fraud we call an economy?... Who suffers misery, poor health and death to make a few rich?... Do we need to know the names of the

economic terrorists who've tricked or intimidated us into accepting a system that is functional only for them and must ultimately fail even that selfish purpose? No, they can remain anonymous and yet be easily identified.

Economy:

After a million years or more of successful survival, humanity is apparently mind locked on a road to extinction. Capitalism and its [evolutionary] economic predecessors are a failed strategy of survival for the human race. Money is not wealth. The only riches are the material goods and land that money represents. Abstract economy (banking, stocks, insurance etc.) creates money without substance to justify it. The devalued tokens are concentrated at the top, making consumption, the primary economic activity, impossible. Sending jobs out of the country and debt fueled buying, necessary to keep the kite flying, exacerbate this problem. Real economy is about acquiring the things we need to live! Abstract economy is about selfish hoarding of money that stifles real economy.

Less than ten thousand years ago, individual members of a clan who refused to work but attempted to direct the work of others; who further took the greatest share of the wealth produced, by trick or intimidation, would be exiled to starvation or executed by the intended victims of the fraud.

Unlike today's middle class and their elite masters, our forbears would never have had the opportunity to develop the self delusion of superior strength, intelligence and [Darwinian] "fitness". A band of gorillas would be smart enough to dispose of a leader who developed such a parasitic and lazy demeanor. Common sense seems to be lost within groups of humans.

I still can't comprehend how the childishly selfish wealthy elite convince themselves they are the most intelligent and strong of humans... that they actually deserve their ill-gotten power. Anyone who looks can see they are a gang of dull followers who depend on mutual support for their authority. Yet they insist that we stand one by one to face the force of their group effort. Ironically, many of us are fooled by this cynical hypocrisy and succumb through a sense of fairness. It reminds me of Blake's couplet:

"Tell me my boy, what seest thou there?"

"A fool, tangled in a religious snare!"

Tangled we are, in a web of nationalistic religion that Capitalism wove. We believe anyone can go to the top though we know that Rockefeller started with backing, probably from the landed gentry who were looking for a new gig as the remnants of feudalism unraveled. That he squeezed out oil competitors ruthlessly is also common knowledge. But less known how William Randolph Hearst got his backing to buy or steal the small mines in the Black Hills, using hired thugs to deal with recalcitrant prospectors. Phelps and Dodge did the same thing with the Morenci copper mine in Arizona. Railroads, chemicals, cars, power and other utilities, food production, packing and distribution were all started with money from the footloose aristocracy or previously successful merchants or industrialists. In their turn, the capital corporations spawned banks, lending institutions, insurance companies and brokerages of all sorts to work with their excess plunder.

Most people know or suspect some, most or all of this but remain trapped by a sense of fairness or are intimidated and feel powerless. We don't know what to do!

It may not be a complete solution but we can start by creating a flat 10 million dollar deduction

for an Estate Tax rate of 100%. The liquidated assets can be used to build and operate schools, hospitals, libraries or whatever. We could afford health care for all Americans. We could give the stocks to the corporate employees and allow them to buy their own health care. The children of the wealthy would still have a ten million dollar head start in life.

The plutocrats would have their pillage for their lifetimes. Most importantly, the hoarded wealth would get back in circulation where it could be used to purchase consumer goods and keep this ridiculous farce of an economy from failing altogether. And fail it must, according to Adam Smith, when markets cannot expand. Markets require consumers with the ability to buy in order to merely exist.

Confiscating the stolen goods and land of the dead makes good sense but it definitely is not a complete solution. It does nothing to curtail the serious loss of buying power due to down-sizings, wage suppression and job exportation. It fails to address giveaways of our tax money to the rich who pay no taxes during their lifetimes. There are more ways to be dishonest than I could count and new ones are invented every day. How 'bout we just define the possession of more booty than one could make with ones own hands, during the working life to date of the thief, to be larceny and use the current laws to prosecute the wealthy. Would John Ashcroft take advantage of the weakened Bill of Rights to pursue economic terrorists.

Anecdote:

Today I read part of this issue to two people in a coffee shop. When I attempted to read more from the April First issue, I was interrupted by the young woman who accused me of practicing mind control. She cut off my several attempts to explain that it's mind control I'm trying to expose, with sadly predictable and specious conditioned responses. Then she patronizingly enjoined me to rethink my words. She had said she was raised in a commune but her attitudes seemed solidly middle class to me.

It seems that average, normal people are only willing to have their minds controlled by the wealthy economic terrorists who steal their money. No, they are more than willing thralls, they demand the security of their slavery. Too bad! I wish to control no one's thoughts. I believe that real solutions to human problems depend on many of us developing clear, strong and autonomous minds. My hope is the antithesis of the social/behavioral conditioning by which we're all subjected.

After several minutes of discussion and a final labeling, by implication, of me as some sort of Svengali, I was asked to not share any more of my thoughts.

On reflection, I think my words must have been starting to open her eyes. The truth is scary. Maybe reality is too brutal for most young people to bear. Perhaps she thought I was endangering myself by speaking the truth openly, in a strong, clear voice. She said I might be offending someone, though insisting she wasn't offended and didn't necessarily disagree. Those who fear to hear or speak the truth are already dead. I don't think anyone is out to get me. Few have sufficiently prepared to be able to take me seriously.

There were hints that she is trapped by education and media delivered social conditioning. Is the conflict between the desire to believe our society is the utopia we've been trained to perceive and the hard truth of economic oppression too great? (Oppression which we've been trained to believe is inevitable, though we also "know" it does not exist in Amerika... at least it's not as bad as those other places.) Whatever the cause, the quivering fear was evident in her voice as she struggled to maintain her middle class posture of superiority. Needless to say, with sympathy for her distress, I backed off. It's cruel to speak of normal schizophrenia to true believers.

Another kind of closed mind was represented by the 57 year old gentleman who told me nothing could be done about it because the "dictatorship" [the Masons as I soon discovered] planned it this way thousands of years ago. That was more information than I need to condemn our system. But his assertion that the rich have medical resources that will allow them to live much longer than us and that our genes will be eliminated from the Earth's pool [my own paraphrase] was too plausible to wholly deny.

I did say that it didn't matter to me whether the economic terror, that results in so much more misery and death each year than all the tyrants that have ever existed, was planned on the spur of the moment or ten thousand years ago... or not planned at all but merely a found situation used to the advantage of the greediest and most unscrupulous among us.

It is interesting to me that so many conspiracy theories show an understanding of the core material reality of economic oppression but exaggerate and elaborate the causes. In the process they discredit the central truths that spawned the fanciful explanations.

At the end I assured him that though "resistance is futile", I will continue to voice the truth and so amuse myself for the rest of my life.

April 1, 2002

Q: What is the reality of words?

A: In the beginning words represent reality. They are the first level of abstraction. The beginning of the end is the use of words to misrepresent reality. At the last, words have no meaning but to ensnare and enslave minds. Words, like the thralls who are stripped of their material produce, are in the service of the greed of the elite. Hopefully, truthful words may effect an escape from the trap.

Volume II Issue 5:

Distractions and Delusions:

I work to live. One who lives to work probably lives for another. The employee's life has meaning only in the context of the others. He lives and gives his life; he works for another.

We must do something to obtain the necessities of life. We must that is, unless we can get someone else to do our work for us. That's not very likely. We're too busy working to support a parasitic wealthy elite.

The Protestant Work Ethic works to keep us in that service. Those are some of the words that misrepresent reality and keep us enslaved to the perfidious, lazy masters. Our leaders and their wholly owned subsidiary politicians have betrayed us. Will they be tried for treason?

Economy:

If I can beg, borrow or steal, by trick or intimidation, ten percent of the produce of ten people, I will no longer have to work to support my own life. This concept is the basis of human economies as we know them. When I take twenty percent from... no, make that 25... 30... from a million... no, ten million... ...people, I begin to appreciate the nature of economy in this era.

Can this pyramid scheme work for all of us? This is our economy. Curious that we call it ours, though it only works for a few of us, while the rest of us do the work.

In the end our economy is an upward spiral with an undermined foundation... us! Pyramid games are based on impossible mathematics. When the biggest winners lose sight of the source of their wealth... when money is disconnected in minds from the material goods it represents...

the human race is physically threatened by an abstraction of labor. Someone must actually do the work, if we are to survive. That is material reality. That is truth... the only reality with which we can live.

For at least a million years human beings lived in economies in which every person contributed materially to the survival of all. That cooperative culture is the tried and true. Starting no more than ten thousand years ago a small percentage of the population began to find ways to steal the produce of others. In such manner they escaped any real work. Ten thousand years is one per cent of a million.

The tyrannies, cults, suzerainties, aristocracies and plutocracies that have and do exist, right down to our own, all have one thing in common. Ninety-five per cent of us do the work and five percent of us do no real thing but to live in luxury. Calling a slave state a democracy and holding sham elections between two wholly owned politicians, does not make us free of our rich masters. To beat them within the system you must join them; you must betray the majority of the human race. Remember, their membership is limited to five per cent of us. Also remember, their policies seek only the satisfaction of their own greed. To not care about any life but one's own is anti-life. Their selfish stupidity is a threat to the survival of the human race. I predict that this infantile (less than ten thousand years old) cultural paradigm will result in the extinction of humanity, if it's not soon replaced.

Politics:

Politicians create policies that are enforced by police. What are the policies going to do for us? Maybe they'll poison the environment and kill us all. Perhaps they'll precipitate a nuclear holocaust. They might decide to replace us with robots and clones. Then the old slaves could be freed to starve. The rate at which materially productive jobs are leaving the country is evidence that they don't believe they need us any longer.

When income tax was 90% of everything beyond the first hundred thousand, the rich, even after engineered loopholes, paid only a little more tax than they do after W.'s tax cut. Getting some of what they stole back into the common pool they stole it from was better than giving them our tax money through unnecessary and dangerous government contracts. This is more especially true when the government is going in debt to support the greed of the elite masters.

In volIn12; 4/14/2001 I wrote:

“Elimination of the estate tax will exacerbate the economic crisis the politician puppets are pretending doesn't exist. Money needs to get to the bottom before it can be pumped back to the top. Eliminating any means that is an opportunity to take money back from the rich and put it into the hands of the poor will, at the least, contribute to economic stagnation.

A real solution that will never be accepted is to set the estate tax deduction at two million with an additional ten million for bona fide family businesses that might fail if stripped of capital. The remainder, after deductions, of any estate, would be sold at public auction and proceeds go to building houses, creating jobs and providing medical care for our forgotten homeless and other victims of upper class greed.

We all depend on our economy for survival. It belongs to us, not to the wealthy elite who merely own it. [Their abstract inventions are the means of enthrallment.] The economic progress from 1870 to 1970 in America has been rolled back to the early 1950's level in the past 30 years. A two income household has less buying power than one income in 1970. We produce the things that they control. Why do we allow it to go on? Are we so completely fooled by their bullshit?"

A year ago they refused to admit there was a recession. Now they are lying about the a recovery based on an imagined increase in consumer confidence. Well... perhaps some consumers are susceptible enough to foolish wishful thinking that they will borrow more money to feed the greed of the masters. It certainly isn't coming from the corporate down-sizings or the jobs that have been exported by the elite in the past year.

Editorial Column:

The fundamental basis of any economy is survival. To see this core in our economy you must throw off the constraints of its context. Operating within the enclosure of social conditioning, the ability of your mind to penetrate the obscuring delusion of selfish lies to the truth [slavery to the rich] is all but completely neutralized.

Survival is the evident purpose of life. We must obtain food at least. Shelter, clothing and security help us to live long enough to contribute to the continuation of our species. Life requires labor. You may work for your own living or you may con others into doing your work for you... at the risk of being justifiably labeled a parasite.

The rich are parasites. They have deluded and/or intimidated the rest of us. When we are less foolish than they desire, or not afraid to label them honestly, they will respond, at the least, by discrediting us. [There are an entire class of truths that we are conditioned to automatically respond to with incredulity. That topic requires volumes to discuss in full.] The bottom line is: we do their work for them and they steal almost everything we produce. They must laugh at the easy control over their domestic animals that the Protestant Work Ethic provides them. Why don't we throw them down?

The middle classes are a buffer between those who do the work required for human survival and those who steal ninety-five per cent of the wealth produced. The typical bourgeois is trained, unlike most domestics, to emulate the masters in affecting an attitude of superiority over those who do the real work... that which provides the livelihood for all of us. The right and duty to exhibit childish pretension and sometimes a better grade of scraps from the masters table, is the reward for having betrayed the majority of humans. The managers have more than most of us but their vain self-delusion, encouraged by the true elite and nurtured in fraternity houses, makes them ultimately more foolish. I would rather be poor but aware of the evil we must struggle to destroy... if the human race is to continue.

A complete fool can never overcome the oppression of the wealthy elite. Bourgeoisie foolishness is reinforced by a carefully cultured conceit. (This dehumanization is accomplished by the parents and schools in the automated system of behavioral conditioning installed by the ruling elite, in the nineteenth century, as part of the cost/benefit of universal education.) Their single-minded sense of superiority over the rest of us serves only the evil masters that the middle class fools wannabe like. Breaking through the superficial but hard patina of vain arrogance that typifies such a "personality", may be the most difficult battle in the struggle for meaningful change.

Who are they really trying to convince?

March 14, 2002

Q: Is the greed of politicians, and those who own them, a deliberate conspiracy to cause the extinction of higher animals, perhaps including humans?

A: I must answer that with another question. Do you care whether your killer acted maliciously

or stupidly?

Volume II Issue 4:

Distractions:

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A downsizing is in progress. Costs must be cut. It's the way to attract wall street attention and get the stock price up. That's what the owners pay the CEO to do; what makes his stock options so valuable. But who should be marked for culling. It can't be one of the fraternity brothers. It doesn't matter which fraternity they're all good old boys. Even if many of them are alcoholics, incompetents and non-contributors to the corporation, they will be protected. They are dead weight but born lucky.

You on the other hand are a social drinker, hard working, never sick and a skilled producer. But you don't have good connections. You'll be the last to know. That's how it starts. The word leaks out from the top. People start treating you differently. You may not know what's going on. You'll start feeling depressed and won't be able to work as efficiently. Maybe you'll start drinking more than usual. Now they've started to get a real case on you. If you confront them they'll tell you you're paranoid and have one more reason to get rid of you. Maybe you'll believe them and give them some hard evidence by visiting a company psychologist. By the time you get to the soup kitchen you'll be convinced of your utter worthlessness. But you needn't worry about that for too long a time.

The average homeless person survives three to five years on the street. Shelters provide exposure to athlete's foot, body lice, drug resistant TB, AIDS and peers who will teach you the benefits of substance abuse, violence and other life shortening occupations. I used to wonder what happened to people after their Workmen's Comp. ran out and they dropped from the count of the unemployed. Is this corporate amerika's solution to over population?

I wrote that four years ago and it was briefly exposed at this web site. What has changed since 1998?

CEOs are still getting rich by reducing our real incomes, forcing us to go deeper and deeper into debt to maintain our lifestyles. They have undoubtedly invented some new betrayals and frauds to expand their repertoire but, as Enron is the rule not the exception, we know they are still fattening on our life's blood.

Some of you, no doubt, think the service economy is beneficial to you. How much credit card debt do you carry? Do you have second and maybe third mortgages? How much of your vehicle(s) do you actually own? Most of you should realize that abstract economy is making something from nothing. Nothing but imagination is what it starts with and nothing is what you'll have in the end.

Politics:

Environment:

Eric Schaefer, of the Environmental Protection Agency, resigned to protest the Bush Administration's interference, on the behalf of polluters, in Clean Air Act court cases brought by the government. Eric indicated that the attempt to stop the poisoning of the atmosphere is being undermined. He reported that he was being told: W's Clear Skies Proposal will deal with the toxins later and in a less costly way. Eric reflected that we need to stop SO₂ and particulate

pollution now to save billions in medical expenses for bronchitis and asthma etc. He didn't mention lung cancer.

No one wants to admit that the rising rates of killer lung and skin ailments are due to lax enforcement of existing laws exacerbated by lengthy litigation deliberately prolonged by corporate bio/eco-terrorists. The Bush regime harbors, supports, aids and abets the eco, bio and chemical poisoning [of Americans] by their evil corporate masters.

Christina Todd Whitman, head of the EPA, responded by attacking Eric's motivation. He told us over a month ago he was leaving. It's not sudden. The Clear Skies Proposal will do a better job and be less costly. We'll spend the money directly on cleaning the environment instead of wasting it on court cases. When challenged that the proposal, which is not yet in place, must delay the process, she "double-speaked". We'll continue to pursue cases under the CAA. She denied undermining existing cases.

The ironically named [because it obscures the issue] Clear Skies Proposal will cause billions of dollars of our money to be spent both publicly and privately to clean up the poisons spread by corporate killers and to treat our pollution related diseases. If enacted, the new law will save millions or more for the environmental/economic terrorists. This isn't a novel form of corporate welfare, designed to give tax money to the elite who pay no taxes. It's merely a variation on a theme. But what purpose does the Bush Administration serve in all things?

To answer my own rhetorical question, W. serves the satisfaction of the insatiable greed of the masters. From the "Clear Skies" will come a rain of our tax money in the form of public clean up of private pollution. The corporate gangsters dump poisons in order to increase the profits of their foul businesses. If we ask why should we pay, we will be told it is our responsibility because we succumbed to brain numbing advertising and bought the products they irresponsibly make. This will be true even when the product, such as energy, is one that has become a literal necessity of survival.

Aiding and abetting the poisonous polluters of the environment in which our children must grow, is only one battle in Mr. Bush's war against life... and for the further enrichment of the elite. The privatization of social security investment is another. It will be so much easier for the rich to get their claws on our retirement investments when they can simply harvest that money during the cyclic market downturns. No one has caught on to this trick in 150 years. It's a sure thing.

Economy:

What is the reality of the economy?

The economy was and is the means by which groups of humans survive on the Planet Earth. In America, prior to the service economy, there was sufficient production to supply the needs of all, including a growing number of non-producing managers, bankers, brokers, lawyers and the most purely parasitic of all: capitalist plutocrats, who have lived by money alone and have done no real or even abstract [imaginary] work.

The capitalist plutocracy has evolved from the free market economy and has ultimately choked its predecessor to death. Ironically, the process has given rebirth to a kind of feudal aristocracy that was the antecedent of all European cultures of the past 1000 years. They are no longer a landed gentry but their spirit lives on in the corpus of capitalism... a kind of possession.

The service economy began with the abstraction, the thought, the description in words of a system. When completely realized, it will have replaced an economy in which material goods were produced at home and purchased with the wages paid to the producers. Twenty years ago,

there was still sufficient production to supply the needs of all. But the supplanting theory has failed to keep its promise of plenty, except to a fortunate few plutocrats and their most trusted lackeys, the CEOs and politicians. I can't but believe such to have been the intention with which they started this inhuman experiment.

As a result of the realization of a theoretical mechanism of plundering, the remainder of us have only mounting debt or losses of livelihood, home and ultimately life... to look toward. The medical service we can afford is declining for most of us. So it is with the quality of all that we buy, even the most basic commodity, the food that keeps us alive. This is the world of humanity we have allowed to be created by the unbridled greed of a few. Divining just how the service economy has served to further this treasonous betrayal of America and how it will play out from here, could be left as an exercise for the student of reality. But I'll give you a hint: think about how the masters might live, after those of us who make [and are] their tools, grow their food and fight their wars have starved to death... Are they really so short sighted?

Editorial Column:

The Clear Skies Proposal should be called the Clear Sailing Act. It is so typical of conservatives to offer words, lying, obfuscating words at that, instead of real solutions for serious problems, that comment beyond this simple mention hardly seems necessary. But if polls and media reporting still reflect a little of reality, there are many among us who are taken in by the fraudulent words and acts of the con men we call leaders...

W.'s trash talk about nuclear weapons use and an axis of evil may not be founded in stupidity as I've believed all this time. Perhaps it is deliberate distraction from the economic and bio terror being committed against the American people by his malignant masters. Is George really as dumb as he appears to be?

Not many of us could live if the systems on which we've become dependent in the past 150 years, suddenly went away. Few of us will live anyway, if we allow our livelihood to remain in the control of the greedy, irresponsible economic elite. In any case, a vote of confidence for politicians and businessmen is tantamount to freely choosing mass suicide. Sound paranoid?

The facts are: their environmental, economic and foreign policies threaten our existence. It only remains to be determined whether they are acting from blind, stupid greed alone, towards destruction, or working with cynical insensitivity to eliminate us and save themselves. Ultimately the dead have no preferences, so why am I bothering with this.

I don't know why it easier to ask people to save their own lives when it can be shown their potential killer is acting with deliberate malice. And the truth is: I don't know whether the elite act stupidly from greed alone, unaware of the hazards, or if they have a plan to save themselves. I only know for sure that capitalism is no longer viable. It has become a failed strategy for the survival of the human race. Even the capitalists will die if they keep to their course. So let's look to where we're going. Then we can try decide the innocence or guilt of our killers.

The horrible irony is: the money that the elite are killing us to have for themselves will have no value if there is no one to produce material goods. If the people who make things, grow food and transport commodities all die, there will be nothing for money to buy.

OK, so the products are being produced out of the country. Does that then mean that the service economy is a transition to a cheaper labor force? Will we still be needed for anything in a few years? Can our managerial services be replaced by computers? Can transportation of goods be handled more efficiently by robot vehicles? Is any such technology under development or

evolving in that direction? Will the elite be able to clone a few scientists, engineers and technicians to tend their utopian machines? How will they dispense with the rest of us?

There is no hope in philosophy and morality. They have been reduced to self serving rationalization by the wealthy elite. No amount of words can change the material reality of economic terrorism. If we replace this system with a sicker one, its ills will be more obvious and easier to heal. The only relevant symptom of our cultural disease is the material reality of economic servitude.

The price to be paid for the continued maintenance of the abstract economy of the ruling elite is the impoverishment and probable death of many humans, including most Americans. That is true with or without the paranoid nightmare scenario of automatic production envisioned above. The middle class think they share in the illusory profits of the service economy but all they really have is a mountain of enslaving debt and the gut eating, life shortening stress of worry that they will fail to please the masters and so lose their positions. Wake up, suckers!

March 1, 2002

Q: How do conservatives gain popular, enthusiastic support from the same people they have economically terrorized, under threat of violence whenever necessary, for thousands of years?

A: At most times we bury the truth of our misery (due to the domination by the wealthy) deep in our consciousness, which allows us to delude ourselves with the hope that we can become wealthy and so escape oppression by becoming oppressors. From the perspective of the elite masters, our [inconsistent and illogical] reasoning serves the further purpose of moral rationalization for the economic status quo.

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Distractions:

"Liberals represent the working and lower or middle-middle class majority." The illusion in the preceding statement is subtle. But we are deluded if we believe liberal support for corporate culture does not betray us by its core of conservativity. The actions of corporate cloned and owned politicians (i.e. the entire collection) belie and contradict the benefit they claim to produce for the advantage of 80% of us. [Ed. note: In the final analysis, all mainstream American politicians are conservative.]

An example of a delusion in the works is the administration's plan to loot the social security trust fund for the corporate masters. Has W. mentioned this proposed scam since the Enron fraud surfaced? If so, is this a sign of bold disregard for our intelligence or of administrative obtuseness?

Welfare reform was a reinforcement of the delusion that it is poor people who are stealing our tax money. But corporate welfare has been the modus operandi of the wealthy elite for 50 years. Investing our social security retirement money in the stock market will create one more avenue of availability to other sets of "Enron" executives. Actually, I'll bet the current gang are looking for a new gig. We can count on George to take care of business.

The reference to welfare reform ties in nicely by demonstrating the integration of activity within the corporate-government which rules us. [They always keep in mind the satisfaction of their greed, which rules them.] The states have complied with the welfare reform act's provision that 50% of recipients be found jobs by drastically reducing the welfare roles. Thus they made an alternative way to decrease payments instead of putting people to work. This was the only

solution possible due to corporate exportation of jobs. Will George's proposal that we increase the requirement to 70% find jobs for the homeless that have been created by the previous measure... or the additional victims to be tortured under this "new" plan? I don't think W. cares as long we continue to believe that it is the poor, not the rich, who cause our misery by stealing our money.

Politics:

The conservative paradigm for control is based on the three Ds: distraction, delusion and dishonesty.

Education:

When are we going to learn?

Economy:

Mr. Skilling, formerly of Enron, who made 63 million in the retirement ripoff deal, would have us believe that the economics of the collapse are much too complex for ordinary humans to understand. Only genetically superior MBAs are capable of comprehending how a billion dollars of the collective pensions of Enron workers, Arizona's, Florida's and Georgia's teachers and state employees etc. disappeared. Coincidentally, Enron's "unfortunate" executives were enriched by about a billion dollars during the same period... Duh-uh!

Law and order: Foreign Policy:

If we remove the evil doers from the gene pool the human race will thrive. But since so many of us do evil, obviously we must differentiate according the scale on which the evil is done. Petty offenders, those who do little harm to their fellow humans, comprise the great majority and must be ignored if our species is to survive. We can't totally eradicate evil without going extinct. But those who cause increasingly large amounts of suffering and death, like al-Quaida gangsters, the Bush administration and American corporate economic terrorists, must be rooted out and disposed of like any threat to life on the Planet Earth.

Religion:

Don't be concerned with the material suffering imposed by our leaders. You'll be rewarded in heaven after you die.

Medicine:

The profit motive provides the best in medicine as in all things.

Editorial Column:

Will a few years in an executive prison restore the retirement funds to those who were ripped off? No, nor will lawsuits, even if successful, regain more than a third of the victim's losses. The lawyers will be the only winners regardless of the conclusion. We need to make some serious changes in leadership and philosophy. Capitalism has evolved to a largely abstract system that simply does not work.

Commerce in a free trade environment was defeated by the concentration of capital. The damage occurred during the last half of the 19th century. None of the repairs attempted by presidents have stopped the cyclic harvesting of our money using stock market declines, crashes

and other mechanisms. The control and healing introduced with the SEC and social security by Franklin Roosevelt had the most lasting effect. But it has been almost completely dismantled by conservatives during the past three decades. The investment of the trust fund in the stock market will complete the impoverishment of Americans to satisfy the greed of the wealthy capitalists.

Entrepreneurship is impossible when would be entrepreneurs must rely on investment by the parasitic ruling elite. The interest which must be paid constricts the profit margin or causes an inability to compete. The life blood of any but the blessed children of the rich is simply sucked dry by the vampires.

Executive level business administration is a way to escape victimization by capitalist vampires. Like Enron officers, you may join the amoral elite in betraying humans by stealing our means of survival to fatten yourself. By adding to the bloatedness of the parasitic plutocrats you may be rewarded with a concentration of the efforts of many [wealth, in the form of material goods], which all others need distributed among us to merely continue to live. You too may learn to look upon humanity as domestic animals provided to your genetically superior selves... by God! ... for the provision of your luxury.

What, ask you, would I replace it with? Nothing... No great changes are required. We can start by outlawing all forms of unary. Those who make money from money instead of taking part in the output of material goods or services, will be made to live on their abstractions [imaginings] rather than parasitically on the material things the remainder of us cooperate to produce.

January 25, 2002

Q: Will stronger families solve the problem of violence in the schools?

A: Probably, but the same conservatives who give lip service to family values support the right of their greedy masters to send jobs out of the country, lowering wages and forcing both parents to work in order to feed the children. The evil economic terrorists of America are never willing to put money where their mouth is.

Volume II Issue 2

Distractions:

The White House is anxious and concerned that people are losing interest in the "War on Terrorism", as poles show increasing importance attributed to the economy by the populace. Let me say that another way. The W. House expresses concern that the people are not sufficiently distracted by terrorism. It appears that the populace is starting to notice the economic terrorism of the corporate masters, which originates with the richest 5% of the population who own 95% of everything including the stocks of the corporations, which own the politicians.

Politics:

Religion:

Is John Walker Lindh a traitor or merely a hopeless fool? Swapping American Nationalism/Judeo-Christianity for Mid-Eastern Nationalism/Islam does nothing to relieve delusion. Nor does it encourage clear, strong and autonomous thought any more than does the homegrown mythology.

To heal the human spirit, people should be encouraged to interpret their own reality. You can seldom trust another to tell you the simple truth. You must never trust anyone to interpret the material facts or moral implications for you. Think for yourself! To think for another or allow

another to think for you is the original sin we perpetually commit.

Education:

"Shooting at MLK High School!" One side of the conservative mouth says, "deterioration of family values, working moms and divorce are responsible for the problems of America." At the same time the other side of their shit-hole spews: "exporting jobs, low wages and down-sizing are good for the economy." Let nothing interfere with their sacred greed!

The hypocritical parasites, who own and rule us, support the idea of families until they must pay sufficient wages to allow one parent to stay home with the kids, while the other works to feed the clan. Greed and selfishness rule the self contradictory principles and every other characteristic of conservatism. These traitors and thieves must be tried and imprisoned for their perpetual crimes... including the origination of original sin. [Ed. note: None of the many forms that original sin takes, abuses of mind, body and spirit that may be described by that metaphor, are inherited. They are all learned behaviors. "Eating the fruit of the tree of knowledge..." may be understood as the corruption of thought, in order to control another... presumably to avoid doing one's own labor.]

Economy:

A huge tax cut for the rich, followed by the inevitable recession (see volunteer VOLIN02), lead to a fat prize, retardedly raided by the rich... What is social security? They won't pay taxes so "our" government (in the case of liabilities it is "ours") must borrow from our retirement to pay for the giveaway of our tax money to the rich.

Who received the money that Enron "unwisely invested" in the Cayman Islands? It doesn't matter who steals from our retirement investments. It matters that Arizona's, Georgia's and Florida's state [teachers and/or employees] retirement accounts had a cumulative half billion invested in Enron. There are many more whose losses have made others richer through this fraud. W. wants us to invest our social security in stocks. Perhaps Jeb's success with Florida's trust has inspired him.

It matters that all economic leaders and most politicians scheme to rip us off for their rich masters. The tax cut for the rich, followed by huge budget increases, required that we borrow our social security. It is one more multistage fraud and on a scale that dwarfs Enron. In every case, our money is gathered, then ultimately redistributed to those who need it least. The military expenditures will make the bloated contractors richer... and on and on ad nauseam. With this tax cut then borrow [scam] in place, perhaps there will be no need to steal our trust moneys by investing them in the private sector (loaning them to corporations who will shift them elsewhere then fail). We can simply give them away in the form of government procurement and grants. They get their money the old fashioned way, larceny by trick or threat.

Law and order:

When will we bring the greatest terrorists to justice? The economic terrorists who cause greater misery and suffering among all people for all time are the rich parasites for whom we work. Their [legal] tactics make the deeds of a strong armed robber or even Osama bin Laden appear petty by comparison. [Ed. note: This publication does not suggest that any crimes go unpunished.] We need to get our priorities straight. We must criminalize all forms of stealing. We must imprison the greatest thieves first.

Editorial Column:

The facts speak for themselves. During the Third Reich, Germans followed a charismatic leader to their destruction. W. has less charisma than a rock. We pretend otherwise and follow him in spite of good sense.

Bush, like all rich masters, leads only to the satisfaction of his own greed. That is all his kind know. They don't know to where their road ultimately leads. They are the greatest and most stupid evil that ever crawled out of the muck on the Planet Earth.

January 17, 2002

Q:Is there thinking "inside the box"?

A: No, inside the box implies one has been informed. All the thinking has been done by others and installed in the cloned mind through education and other corporate sponsored social conditioning.

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Distractions:

Does the exacerbation of the misery of the poor and middle class through the misappropriation of tax dollars by the corporations ("economic stimulus package") require retribution as does any act of terror or treason?

Yes, corporate economic terror, supported by the Bush administration, is responsible for more death and suffering each year than Osama bin Laden might dream in a lifetime. Hang al-Quaida gangsters in the same tree with the evil corporate terrorists and their treacherous politician lackeys!

Politics:

What is the effect of decreased labor costs, due to exportation of production, on the health and welfare of most Americans? Does increasing the size of the [unemployed] labor pool at home, with the latest round of corporate down-sizing, strengthen the marketplace? Do you have second mortgages, home equity loans and credit card debt? Did the borrowed money help to keep the economy afloat? Can you borrow and consume more to fuel the satisfaction of executive greed or that of their masters? Encouraging those whose insatiable greed has created humanities problems will not lead to solutions!

Education:

Will our children be more deluded than us? Primary nurturing is done by and for the state and the corporations which own it. Worse, they are too greedy to provide the daycare required so both parents may work [for low wages] to provide the necessities of life for their children and luxury for the masters. They force us to pay for the enthrallment of the next generation of virtual slaves: our own children. The system is evil... an abomination of human spirit!

Economy:

When you've been laid off, welfare has expired and you are homeless, you can expect to live for three to five years. Who is to be held accountable for the murders of so many Americans? Who are the treacherous economic terrorists?

Law and order:

Enron officials, most other corporate executives, their wholly owned politicians and the masters of all must be held accountable for the suffering, misery and death, which perpetually result from their policies and other greed inspired crimes. We need no new laws to pursue the legal entities or the equally shallow and cold blooded beings who direct the corporate abomination. Existing statutes, which forbid treason, grand larceny, fraud, reckless endangerment, manslaughter and murder may be used to imprison the wealthy and their high ranking thralls (corporate executives and politicians). If we need to turn common felons out to the streets to allow incarceration of those who pose a greater threat to humanity, such must be our priority. The thieves, murderers and drug offenders who are locked away today lack the imagination to do evil on a scale that approaches the proven measure of our economic/political leaders.

Editorial Column:

The only measure by which we may judge the [negative] value of our masters and their wholly owned corporate clones and politician puppets, is the amount of suffering, misery and death that they cause, by the unregulated expression of their malice and greed. We must conclude: the survival of the human species is threatened by the selfish avarice of 5% of the population... the wealthy beneficiaries of the economic system.

Most of you can, no doubt, fill in the gaps apparent in the syllogism above. For those whom the leap is too great or whose grasp of the premises is tenuous, a brief expansion of the argument follows.

The basic premise is: the economy consists of the things we do together to support the continuation of the human species. The fundamental function of all human social interaction is the provision of food and physical protection... security, such that individuals live long enough to procreate. When all people contribute equally to the creation of the material necessities of survival, the system, whatever it is, can remain serviceable.

When some people begin to rely on others to do the work of survival for them, the economic system is weakened. When those parasites gain sufficient power to hoard most of the material wealth produced by the rest of us, the species is threatened because the survival of the majority is made less sure by the greed of a few. If we die, they die. We are the ones who work to produce their material wealth. They could not live without us.

2001

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"A good slave works for food alone."

Q: How has George W. Bush gained credibility as a leader?

A: Before the attack on the World Trade Center W. couldn't have led a shore party of drunken sailors to a whore house. Our confidence in him would not exist without the collaboration of terrorists. It makes me wonder...

Issue: thirty:

We don't need to show complicity before or after the fact to assign a measure of culpability to Bush and his masters. They gained and are gaining power and money from the aftermath of the September 11th attack. While mouthing horror, grief and compassion and calling for vengeance they act to play our emotions for all they can win. They continue to ignore the economic terror to which they eternally subject us and the rest of the human race.

The "leadership" continues to appeal to us to spend money for the sake of their abstract economy. They acknowledge their dependence on consumers but childishly refuse to see that we can't continue borrowing it back from them at interest in order to respond it and make them richer by sales and usury. Their greed and stupidity rivals Marie Antoinette.

Wake up corporate idiots and Bushlike thralls! We can't spend more money. You and your masters have it all. We can't afford to borrow more to try to satisfy your childish greed. The limit has been reached. Your delusional beliefs blind you to the evil of corporate economic terrorism that is the basis of your lives.

We must root out evil from human cultures. Our survival as a species depends on it. Should we start with Mid-Eastern boogeymen or the economic terrorists at home who make our lives miserable from birth to death; who cause untold suffering and pain for most of us, that they may live a life without toil?

The answer, obviously, is to look away from the evil that is done to us by our masters. We must find other, less troublesome and difficult wrongs to right. This, in spite of the fact that corporate culture is responsible for thousands of times more misery, suffering and death each year than all the tyrants since the beginning of civilized, systematic exploitation and oppression of humanity.

You know it's true. We only need to reflect on the nature of our existence to prove it. The truth never changes because we are too weak and fearful to act in our own behalf. We want someone to save us.

No priest or politician, no God or hero will save us. We have brains. We must use them to save ourselves. If we follow W. or any other of the elite or middle classes we will be led to destruction. They can't get beyond their greed and avarice. Despite their pretensions to superiority, they are small, stupid, selfish people with inferior minds. They can't save us. We must save ourselves.

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9/26/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q: What fate should befall the terrorists who attacked and destroyed the World Trade Center?

A: All those responsible must be eliminated from the gene pool of the Planet Earth.

Issue: twenty-nine:

Our shock and grief turning to anger and grim determination to carry vengeance to the responsible parties unites us in emotional single-mindedness. These common feelings are a normal part of the human social instinct. While they prevail, rallying words and promises of retribution against those responsible are natural and predictable. Larger views are not to be expected at such a time.

Though we can't expect too much objectivity when immersed in an emotionally charged

circumstance, we must still remain on guard towards the less scrupulous among us who would profit materially or politically from the horrendous acts of other fiends.

Responsibility for the single most horrible act of the new millenium is not limited to the perpetrators, organizers, financiers and those who shelter the vermin. We must examine the basis of our social-economic system for contamination with evil that contributes to the abomination of such people.

Who is responsible? Is it just the latest boogeyman? No, anyone who supports economic oppression and terror at home or abroad shares guilt for the suffering imposed on ordinary human beings on September 11, 2001 and every day. Did any of the elite die there? Will any of them die in the war we must fight to avenge their material loss as well as the lost lives of our fellow Americans?

Who will pay the taxes to support the "War on Terror"? Who will benefit from our willing contributions? I can predict the distribution of the burden we must support as easily as forecasting to which pockets the money will go. Sixty per cent of us physically produce all the material goods at all times. We receive the least benefit and our children die in the battles. Thirty-five per cent of us betray our fellow Americans by being overseers for the masters. That middle group are politicians, bankers, brokers, CEOs and managers. They are wannabe elite. [Some of them actually make it.] The five per cent who own ninety five per cent of everything including us [overseers too] will get the money and do no work.

How is it that the five per cent who are elite have managed for thousands of years to live in luxury yet "they toil not"? These are not "birds of the air" and are not provided for by "the Father". They are provided for by us! Why do we do it? They need us. We don't need them. Why do we do it?

Most of us are people of feeling. We feel pity and grief for innocent victims. We feel outrage at wanton violence. We feel the need for retributive justice when we encounter these things. Our masters pretend to feel what we feel, while coldly calculating how they may manipulate us by our common feelings... how they may profit politically and economically from our suffering. When they have taken our measure they inform us in such a way as to best satisfy their greed. They control the information we have to work with and we are so-o-o controlled.

We are scared by terrorist acts and so terrified by the incessant government warnings, through their pet media, that we gladly urge them to curtail our constitutional rights by "giving law enforcement the tools they need" to fight terrorism. Luckily Congress, even some Republicans, balked at the point of allowing government snoops to track the web sights we visit. [I suspect corporate and educational systems managers have been doing this for their own purposes for some time.]

There is also resistance to taking the control of wire taps away from the courts and placing it at the discretion of the executive branch (law enforcement). If we so allow the weakening of the fundamental constitutional division of power (checks and balances), after the too successful raid on the bill of rights, in the name of law and order, that took place in the 1980s, our democracy will no longer exist in reality. It will become a facade of freedom that can be identified only by a name with no living body.

While we are distracted by our veangeful leader's plentiful words, the stock market is falling and the middle class is being stripped of its savings. Oh yes, the elite have plenty of cash on hand to buy up those bargain stocks. The rest of us are watching the CEOs get tens of millions in salary increases for laying off tens of thousands of workers. The predictable fall in consumer activity will further exacerbate the economic recession. Who cares but those of us peons who

will starve? The elite will still have enough labor and machines to produce the things they need to maintain their lifestyles.

And W is urging us to help the economy by spending money. Duh-uh, has he been paying attention. Where is that money supposed to come from? {Visa is advertising a contest: the more money you spend on your Visa card in two months the more chance of winning that amount. You too shall win the lottery! So spend, spend, spend.) Is Bush really that stupid or is the advice to consume merely a disingenuous lie designed as part of an overall policy of delusion?

I wonder how our masters treat the employees of the foreign corporations they own?... say in Chile?... or Korea?... or Afghanistan? But world trade is best left to the big boys. They know what they're doing. We're too small and stupid to play in their game. We're just smart enough to be played.

VOLIN28

9/1/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q: Is violent revolution or overthrow of the government necessary in order to bring economic relief to the majority who suffer under the domination of the elite masters of abstract economy?

A: No. The economic terrorism of elite owned corporations and government may be eliminated without recourse to violent means or change to the form of our government. The course of action required to make our economy functional for all of us begins with the redistribution of estates greater than ten million dollars by increasing the estate tax to 100% with a ten million deduction. Start by attacking the greatest evil. When the bad example is eliminated the individual learned behaviors will improve instead of degrade our species.

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Distractions:

The funneling of our tax money to the rich is still being hidden behind a screen of unrealistic projections and fraudulent accounting schemes designed by the administration to project economic growth by the redistribution of imaginary tax surpluses. Giving more of our tax money to the already bloated rich will further oppress our lives.

The only way to stimulate the economy is to get money back to the consumers who must spend it. The conservatives selfishly refuse to increase incomes. They will only loan us the money at usurious interest rates, while increasing the pool of underpaid service economy labor, more of whom are homeless each day, by shipping jobs out of the country. Only a fool could believe that such policy will succeed in doing anything but to exacerbate the problem.

A delusional rationalization for the existence of such a dysfunctional economic system is that the strong individuals naturally prey on the weak. But this has nothing to do with individuals. The wealthy elite are a gang. Their power is based on their united control of the mass of the population by the corruption of our social instinct. They count on our individual behavioral predictability to sustain the privilege of their abominable clique. They have betrayed humanity! After what they have done to us, what could we do to them that could be considered unfair?

Medicine:

If over 40% of the population is without adequate health care what is the effect on their projected life span? If lives are decreased, on average, from 70 to 60 years, then (100 million / 7)/60 is the number of lifetimes wasted each year by the differential provision of medical attention. That is 238,095 people that could have lived another 3652.5 days but who died during the past year. In one hundred years over 23 million will have succumbed to this wholesale slaughter in America. Neither Hitler nor Stalin accomplished so much evil in the long run.

This wholesale death is a direct result of the nature of the abstract economy we have invented. Individual murders seem almost petty by comparison. Immoral or unwise behavior by the victims of the elitist health care system, while they may contribute slightly to the problem, are not the major force behind this pervasive evil perpetrated by our masters in the name of greed.

Life is Great and we are part of it. If the wealthy elite are allowed to continue to wilfully satisfy their greed at the expense of the majority, for how long will we be able to continue to live?

The question is not a moral one. The only relevant questions are: whose side are you on or which side are you supporting as you drift in anxious indecision?

A choice based on wannabeeism or false and foolish pride could prove fatal to you and your family. Perhaps more explicit words would sound more forceful. I have more respect for the native intellectual ability of the majority of people, if reawakened, than to condescend or patronize. If instead I sound offensive and iconoclastic it is because I fear for the well being of the bulk of the population if we aren't soon shocked into awareness of the evil that openly bought America... while no one seemed to be paying attention.

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8/18/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q: Does a photo-op showing the president sawing a dry limb from a tree in a Colorado forest, accompanied by a few words about "proper management of natural resources" indicate an environmentally sensitive administration?

A: No! Symbolic gestures and truly ironic words [dissemblings] never outweigh the real consequences of policy designed to fill the pockets of the elite masters with money conjured by the senseless destruction the planetary storehouse that provides the raw materials employed to create and support us all.

Issue: twenty-seven:

Delusions:

Conservatives want to lower taxes and get the government off your back. They promise to protect your right to keep firearms. Why do they consistently back legislation that gives your tax money to their rich masters and undermines the bill of rights? Why do they support police and judges who confiscate guns from poor people and ignore the criminal activities of the wealthy elite?

The answers to those questions are obvious. No one would vote for them if they were honest about who they are, what are their intentions and what their policies really cause to happen. You can't judge anyone by their words. You must see what they do and how it really affects you. Let no one tell you what they're about. They'll only lie to cover their crimes. After a while you'll be

able to accurately predict how a person's or a group's action will cause or relieve your suffering. "You must separate the wheat from the chaff."

Economy:

I've been trying for several days to catch a stock market report that gives the actual levels rather than merely a few deltas. This morning I finally glimpsed the Dow for a couple of hundred milliseconds. There was no accompanying commentary. The low ten thousand figure is a shocking 33% off from the 13000 high of a few months ago. The NASDAQ was more than 50% higher, at over 3000, than the 1900 reported early today. [8/15/2001]

What was the percent drop of the overall market that is known as the crash of 1929? Remember? That was the one that launched the great depression. Does it make a difference that it occurred in a day or two rather than over a few months? The newsperson's comment was that consumers were starting to make purchases that would revitalize the economy. Are they trying to get something started by telling us it's already begun? Will their wishful thinking get real money down to the people who need it to make this thing happen?

Those whose economy is abstract have all the money. They will not raise wages and salaries because that decreases profits. They will not desist from seeking even lower cost labor by moving production out of the country. How do they expect us to consume their products if we have little or no income? Will they issue more credit cards and further exacerbate the problem by eroding even more of our buying power with the usurious interest we must pay?

What is abstract economy? It's making money from money and not actually producing any real material thing; Moses called it usury and Jesus concurred. HE was arrested and executed a few weeks after cleansing the Temple of usurers. Does the failure of abstract economy, real or imagined, affect our ability to produce the means of survival from the resources supplied by the Earth, the immediate source of all life? Has our economy, which in contemporary usage is the vehicle by which we distribute the goods we work to make, ever not been dysfunctional for the vast majority of us? Why don't the elite do any real labor?

What is real labor? It's anything that contributes in a meaningful way to the production of material things. It certainly includes farmers who till their own soil, construction workers, miners, mechanics, factory workers, garbage collectors and those who provide other useful services. It also includes researchers, scholars, planners and entertainers. (Amusement relieves stress and increases our efficiency.) Add a few non-redundant low level managers but only because we are a large population. It does not include those who own only stocks, securities and real estate and who do not participate in production of real goods and services other than by capitalization. That last is an unnecessary and usurious function that only exists because of the immoral hoarding and/or stealing of the tokens of exchange we use to distribute the things that we make.

To sum up: if compensation for work was paid according to the real contribution to survival of the species that an individual makes, rather than to reward greed, unscrupulousness, laziness and childish selfishness, there would be no rich millstones to drag us down. The last would be first and the first would be last. If we want the prophecy to be fulfilled, we must do it ourselves.

Editorial Column:

What is a critical difference of scale? If I live in a society in which I must do evil to survive, am I as culpable whether I do the minimum of harm that I must to sustain my life or the most of which I am capable in order to satisfy greed? Is a homeless person who cons you out of a meal or

a pair of shoes as guilty of sin as an insurance man or creditor who steals 10% or more of your annual salary by their systematic usury? What is more fraudulent, lying to get food to eat or living parasitically on abstract economy? Keep in mind; the same parasites who have undermined the viability of the human species have sent the jobs out of the country to increase their unworked for profits. Only one in twenty really benefits from our way of life as it is today. That means our culture and economy is dysfunctional for 95% of us.

If we are to begin to remove evil from our society, we must start with the greatest ills. That is only practical, common sense. When no one is rich we can begin to work on less irritating parasites like politicians. The insurance men, oil men, bankers and brokers will have gone with the first wave.

It will be a long time before we are good enough to concern ourselves with the minor annoyance of petty thieves and swindlers. Besides, with the example of the elimination of big operations, which will be outlawed in a sensible society, many of them will give up their childish malevolence in order to lose their place in the line. Withhold the reward to extinguish the unwanted behavior and perhaps negative reinforcement won't be necessary for some of those who are not yet completely hardened criminals like the wealthy elite.

The practice of economic servitude that started less than ten thousand years ago is the source of all of our problems. It must be abandoned if we are to survive as a species. I've heard it said, we are the brightest, most knowledgeable people who ever lived. Surely we can find a better way than this weakly disguised slavery to supply our needs. Surely we must!

We must devise a way of life that heals our psyches. It must replace the abomination of spirit that seeks only to take advantage of our individual weaknesses for the satisfaction of the greed and malice of the elite. It must strengthen and empower every one of us individually and not do so at the expense of each other.

VOLIN26

8/4/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q: Do you believe anyone will ever catch on that "free market capitalism" is an oxymoron?

A: Some have already caught on but we don't yet have sufficient numbers to bring about meaningful change. George Bush obviously has no clue. He continues issuing weakly disguised calls for the further concentration of wealth with no apparent recognition of the damage he's doing to the economy.

From the phony tax cut to protection of corporate interests with the version of the patient's bill of rights he is willing to sign, which like "workmen's comp" does more to protect the corporations from litigation than it does to aid the nominal beneficiaries, George has consistently supported the elite and their abominable domination of 95% of the population including himself. Don't be fooled by pretentiousness. George is just a wannabe like most politicians, CEOs and all the rest of the 35% of us who have betrayed the rest of us to curry favor with the 5% of us who have renounced their humanity in the name of greed.

By their laws, treason is punishable by death. My own folly is to continue to hope for their cure.

Week twenty-eight:

Does anyone still believe Bush about anything? Enough examples of his foolish servitude to the wealthy elite have been illustrated, not merely a few in these issues, to allow us all to see through him.

But he thinks we don't see through his resistance to the version of the patient's bill of rights which is the least of evils. He claims that lower limits on corporate [civil] liability are in our best interest. Are we as stupid as George seems to believe? Why should his insurance masters be allowed to mistreat patients at any price? Why should there be any settlement limit on deliberately managed medical malpractice?

If lawyers are charging an exorbitant 33% or more to handle malpractice or any suits, we must codify limits to their fees. But the civil penalties are the only little bit of control we have over the corporate maiming and killing of their "human resources" and customers. Settlements must be larger if we are to protect ourselves.

Larger settlements will serve the second purpose of stimulating the economy. They can be an aid in taking back a little of the money that the elite have stolen from us. If we are able to consume without the need for taking on self destructive debt, the wheel can continue to turn for a while. Of course insurance prices must be frozen at the same time for the good to take effect.

I know that large settlements and frozen insurance costs are only one small step for humanity but we must begin somewhere. Insurance companies, with their 400% profits and CEO compensation at 10 to 100 times greater than any other industry, are an obvious place to start. An after thought: oil companies may be worse because a lot of their excess thieving is reinvested in consumer credit and insurance. Come to think of it let's nationalize all three and outlaw the private businesses.

Let's begin ridding ourselves of economic parasites by eliminating the worst offenders. They would be a lot cheaper to support in prison and the economy would flourish without the dead weight of so many swindlers.

Editorial Column:

Shamans, for countless years before the dawn of civilization, protected the spirit of humanity. They were the psychologists of mass consciousness and the healers of individual minds and bodies, as well as the repositories of the clans inherited and acquired knowledge.

No recall of the ancient art and consciousness is likely. We must each heal our own spirit. Ultimately we need to devise a way of life that provides for the healing and maintenance of our psyches. Difficult, but it's been done in prehistory and succeeded for hundreds times the years that "civilization" has been wrecking lives and environments. We can do it again.

Whatever we invent, we must destroy the abomination of spirit that seeks only to take advantage of our individual weaknesses for the satisfaction of the greed and malice of elite gangs. It must

strengthen and empower every one of us individually and not do so at the expense of each other.

The masters devise laws to protect their own unscrupulous greed and selfishness. We must heal ourselves of the childish behaviors that infect us. We can start by outlawing parasitic economic practices that threaten our individual and species survival. We can no longer afford to support the rich!

I'm suggesting personal cleansing of perspective. I do not counsel elimination of any individual. If we improve how we think about the basis of our lives, our lives can change for the better. How do we know it will be better? Good will is the key and the morally acceptable way to discriminate. It is discovered in the real consequences to us of acts, not in the words they use to describe what they do to us.

Besides, if this is the best we can do we will kill ourselves off in most scenarios. That might not be all bad. Unless we change, it would be better for the rest of life on the Planet Earth that the human race be extinct. Let's not let us get down that far on this dead end path.

Remember, only one in twenty really benefits from our way of life as it is today. [Ed. note: "benefits" in this context, may be interpreted: is not humiliated, demeaned, dispirited, impoverished or made to suffer in some other way in payment for dispensation from the elite, if they deem you worthy, to continue Earthly existence.] That means our culture and economy is dysfunctional for 95% of us. And we do the work!

VOLIN25
7/21/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q:How does the corporate terrorist regime deal with resistance or the unspeakable, rebellion?

A:Much in the same way totalitarian leadership has dealt with dissidents since the time of the Roman Empire or earlier. Romans gathered all the men of a village suspected of counter terrorism and killed every tenth one. That is the source of the word decimation. Hitler's troops did much the same but gathered their victims at random from, for example, towns in France where "The Resistance" was suspected of activity. Modern economic terrorists more closely follow the second model.

For instance, if an economic victim fails to pay debts, the elite, who have caused the problem by hoarding all the money in the first place, instead of forgiving the loan and allowing the cash to flow and thus aid the economy, pass on the burden to other debt victims, who are not yet so weakened by corporate economic debt terror that they will fail to make the higher payments.

To add insult to injury the lenders then blame the victims for the crippling anti-life greed that characterizes the wealthy elite. If they were just lining us up and shooting us, at least there would be no doubt about the malice of the sub-human masters! We must cast off our misgivings and mistaking, if we are to solve our economic problems.

Week twenty-six:
Politics: Economy:

"... Indeed he is in great fear, not knowing what mighty one may suddenly appear, wielding the Ring, and assailing him with war, seeking to cast him down and take his place. That we should wish to cast him down and have no one in his place is not a thought that occurs to his mind. That we should try to destroy the ring itself has not entered into his darkest dream..."

"The Two Towers", J. R. R. Tolkien

Religion:

If you are rich you may afford the luxury of high moral standards, for the pharisaic purpose of public display. Then you will, of course, ignore the mores while stealing your wealth from the middle class and poor.

But the poor can afford only to do what they must to survive. Our nature, by self preservation exempts most of us from the moral standards that the elite pretend to but ignore in their dealings with us.

The irony is obvious. No one lives the morality we profess. But where does irony stop and mass schizophrenia begin. That can only be determined by self examination. Judge not until you have judged yourself. Then judge only whether you are happy with the way our world deals with you. Do you highly value the way of life you have been forced to choose? Let he who is committing real sins of economic terrorism and wealth hoarding be the first to be stoned.

Even Christ drove the money changers (usury: making money from money) from the Temple. That's probably the real reason he was executed.

Editorial Column:

The Shamanistic tradition and philosophy maintained a viable group and individual psychology that supported human survival for over a million years.

The abomination of nature, human spirit and morality that we've lived for ten thousand years or less is anti-spirit, anti-human and anti-life. A pyramid scheme culture is self-destructive.

We can't all go back to being hunter gatherers and there is no need to do so. We can adopt a philosophy of Life that functions for the majority. In any case, we must rid ourselves of the parasitic, dysfunctional, pyramid scheme economy that serves only the elite.

The 5% and the 35% (CEOs, politicians etc.), who are their sycophant functionaries, perform or create nothing useful in our economy. Those 40% are parasites who derive their incomes from the abstraction of wealth. Their usury is forbidden by Mosaic Law.

Unlike true professionals, whose abstractions lead to the creation of real things, the 40% of whom I speak manipulate only money. They move about the tokens that may be exchanged for wealth but produce no useful thing by that labor. They need us to do their real work. We need them for nothing!

But apparently we like being preyed on by the rich. Unlike our dealings with the poor who beg a small share of the produce of our labor, that they might live, we eagerly hand over to the elite the greatest part of our production. We seemingly give our whole hearted approval to the system they have devised to avoid doing any work themselves.

The wealthy elite rationalize their sloth by telling us we would be just like them if we could. By our credulity we are enthralled. We make their lie our delusional reality. Though we know only one in twenty can be rich and significantly fewer can become one of them, we continue to do their work and give them most of what we produce. Is it fear or stupidity that keeps us in the harness? Is it better to live as a slave or die resisting slavery?

VOLIN24
7/7/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q: Which is better, the conservative or liberal "Patients Bill of Rights"?

A: Neither! The conservatives throw us on the mercy of the corporations who are cutting jobs and wages. The Republicans are assuring us that the so called free choice they claim to be providing will be the choice between eating and having any health care whatever. The liberals do nothing to address the 40,000,000+ [progeny of the 19th century's immigrants?] who have no health care at all.

Week twenty-four:

Renunciation of Delusion:

You owe all that you have to society and the economy that existed before you were born.

No! Being born into this system is like being born addicted to a hideous drug. It uses our bodies and minds against our own best interest. Without it we will die. It is dispensed by the elite at their pleasure and is the source of their wealth. It is they who owe us.

They owe us a way of life that is free of their evil. For many of us that is a philosophical change to such as existed before Julius Caesar brought Roman economy to Western Europe and Briton. To accomplish this, the evil that has grown in us must be exorcized. Those who have renounced their humanity by having partaken willingly and having benefitted substantially of the changeling spirit must be exiled to live among their own species, whatever other than human thing it may be.

"It is wisdom to recognize necessity, when all other courses have been weighed, though as folly it may appear to those who cling to false hope. Well, let folly be our cloak; a veil before the eyes

of the Enemy! For he is very wise, and weighs all things to a nicety in the scales of his malice. But the only measure that he knows is desire, desire for power; and so he judges all hearts. Into his heart the thought will never enter that any will refuse it, that having the Ring we may seek to destroy it..."

"The Fellowship of the Ring", J. R. R. Tolkien

An aspect of the ring that binds us is debt. The rich have all the money and will only loan it to us, exacerbating the economic slow down with additional interest to be paid from stagnant incomes. They've had the estate tax repealed to help them hoard even more. Forgiveness of debts would do something to balance the wobbling wheel.

The merry-go-round can't go on forever no matter how stupid the operator, who believes it will. However, if all debt were forgiven and wages were raised we could ring a few more rounds out of it and rid ourselves of some financial parasites with the same stroke!

Our present philosophy is described by our behaviors. Self preservation prescribes our interactions with one another. If we are unaware of inconsistencies between guiding thoughts and actions, we are schizophrenic. If we falsely claim principles that are contrary to what we do, we are unscrupulous.

Today's society forces us to be schizophrenic or unscrupulous (or some mix of the two) in order to survive. We can't adopt a positive philosophy of Life and make our actions consistent with it, if we individually hope to thrive. We will extinguish ourselves as a species, if we continue on the anti-life course set by the economic elite. The only way around the horns of the dilemma is to do what you must to survive in the present while working to bring about the philosophical and behavioral changes required for long term viability of the human race.

Such a course will be necessarily inconsistent in the short term. The conservatives, those who oppose life by their greed, [Ed. note: Yes, there is some of that in all of us but we must begin to heal ourselves and our species by limiting its influence.] will attempt to discredit any genuinely pro-life (nothing to do with abortion) formulation by pointing out the imperfections that are required for our individual, immediate survival by the mode of existence the same mob has prescribed. If we do nothing, we give our tacit approval to the self destruction of the human race by the corrupt, anti-life hierarchical construct of the plutocratic elite. [Ed. note: A thing that existed before you were born is not necessarily natural.]

We can't be altogether good and hope to live in this insane world we've created for ourselves. (More accurately, the world that has been created for us by the wealthy elite.) But we can, at least, not place ourselves in harms way by actively or morally defending and supporting the evil we must do to survive. We don't have to be wannabees and true believers.

Politics:

The "Patients Bill of Rights", whatever form it finally takes, will serve the elite and further bind the rest of us with inappropriate gratitude. We will owe them no thanks though, because whatever compromise passes will assure that we have less and the elite have more money. Like death and taxes, it's a sure thing!

We can boast and bluster about how great is our opportunity but when the sums are complete, 5% of the population own 95% of everything including the politicians. Change will come when 95% of us refuse to continue to tolerate the deluding lies by which we live and the liars who mouth them at the command of the elite.

Education:

Be sure your children are taught to be competitive. The corporations will not hire them if they are not willing to strive with their peers. "Divide and conquer!" Julius Caesar, circa 50 BC. It wouldn't please the stockholders to have the clones, who do the actual work, act up before their betters. So they must be taught to fight only with each other, like dog's competing for scraps. Yet even coyotes are smart enough to band together to take down a large animal that threatens the pack. They also know how to get enough food to live. What else do we need to learn?

Economy:

Is privatization and deregulation smart policy? Private enterprise is not more efficient than government bureaucracy. It only places superfluous, greedier mouths at the hog trough. This reality refutes the unsound conservative theories to the contrary.

Medicare, publicly managed health care, operates at 2% overhead. Privately managed health care operates at 30% overhead, while guaranteeing that competent medical opinions will be ignored in favor of profit producing managerial decisions.

The lines at HMOs etc. are as long as in countries with socialized medicine. The doctors are paid less than those in private practice so these corporate entities are not attracting the best. Our money is squandered and the government hasn't touched it. It's like an industrial tax. Privately managed health care is the worst of both worlds.

Deregulation of energy and airlines have proven equally disastrous. In the sixties, planes were comfortable, uncrowded, on time and fares were low. No one was dying of embolisms caused by cramped positions long maintained. Anyone who flies, uses electricity or buys gasoline and/or other fuels needs no other example to prove the point.

Wake up Americans. Realize whose side we are really on. The truth is: no one in any of our layers of corporate owned government competently represents us.

Editorial Column:

In the beginning, at the dawn of history, we can see that small clans were regulated by their common beliefs and so achieved survivability. Some aboriginal peoples about the Earth have done so to this day. Shamans were and are chosen to help us keep to the path of mutually supportive single layer life. This survival strategy, this egalitarian economy, has been viable for over a million years.

In the end the economy is a vast pyramid that is crumbling as the individual members of the base compete with and destroy one another trying to rise to a higher level among the rocks. This is encouraged by the heads of stone at the top.

The leaders can't see the bottom through the haze of their privilege. They imagine themselves to be the grand culmination of evolution. Their self delusion is supportive of their greed. They don't understand the all too human nature of a pyramid but believe themselves to have been placed at the apex of their own abstract invention by God.

Foolish species like foolish individuals make themselves subject to extinction by a true and indifferent nature. No matter how high they stack themselves their dependency on the cooperation of others will bring them down as they destroy the base that supports their structure. This insanity is motivated by the misbegotten attempt to defend their dysfunctional distribution of wealth. Keep in mind: this anti-life construct is a human abstract invention. Though built on a purely imaginary base, it may have real and disastrous consequences.

The Shaman wouldn't have thought it possible to get here from there in a mere 10,000 years or less. We've wrought failure in less than 1% of the time that success had prevailed.

VOLIN23
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"A good slave works for food alone."
"If there is no food, he graciously
dies for the sake of the master."

Q:Is there a conspiracy among elite owned (they own 95% of everything) corporations to cause harm to the human species or to life on the Planet Earth?

A: It doesn't matter if they have conspired to become of one mind or they individually came to the same conclusions based on what is good for their several bottom lines. It doesn't matter whether they each invented their own greed and selfishness or merely mimicked one another. It only matters that their principals, values and morality serve only themselves and are largely dysfunctional for the rest of us.

Week twenty-three:

Spins:

On Friday June 29th, 2001, NBC aired a documentary entitled "Tampering with Nature". The thrust of the portion I watched was a sickening attempt to confuse the issue of global warming. The four "scientists" were not identified as to discipline. From the specious remark, repeated several times, that "warming may be a good thing", I conclude they weren't physical scientists.

They remarked that the economy would suffer if we did anything to cut down on carbon emissions. They mentioned 17,000 scientists who did not sign off on the global warming warning. They said nothing about the field of study of those who abstained. They said nothing of ocean warming or the increase of silt in the rivers that kill corals and interfere with plant growth

(including agriculture) at the base of the food chain, both on land and in the sea. Their interest is apparently limited to the protection of abstract economic issues that should have nothing to do with our basic survival or that of the rest of the interlocking life on the Planet Earth.

I'm left to wonder, "what planet do they come from?" Then it struck me. These are the kind of "scientists" to whom the president referred, when he spoke of relying on "real" science. They are the kind who will say whatever it is the elite want us to hear.

Economy:

The economy is fueled by buying. Two thirds of the buying is done by "consumers". The remainder of the buying is done by those who make goods for consumers or by the government for our common needs (apparently mostly military).

Consumers buy things. Five % of the population get 95% of that money. They won't give any of it back in the form of wage and salary increases if they can avoid it. They will try to find cheaper labor and reduce manpower in order to increase their profits. This causes the economic problems about which they are in denial. They will only loan their profits to us at interest, further exacerbating our economic woes.

The only solution is to get the money back from the top to the bottom so that it may be used to consume. Debt must have limits. But can the elite see this? No! They are selfish children who wish to have their cake and eat it too. They will affect a knowing air and/or a commanding tone and we will suffer from their childish stupidity. Do the math!

Energy:

Fossil fuel prices will continue to increase until there is no more coal, oil or gas to sell. The Earth's stored energy will take millions of years to replenish. When we have used it, less than 200 years after the start of the industrial power up, it will be gone forever as far as we're concerned.

If not for conservative energy policy designed to fill the pockets of fossil fuel producers, alternative power sources would have been developed and deployed by now. Solar electric systems have been cost effective for remote applications for 15 years. In 1986 it was cheaper to install a PV array with battery storage and AC inverter than to extend the grid five miles. The distance to that perimeter is inversely proportional to the price of electricity produced centrally. Power barons have suppressed this truth and many others with the aid of their politician lackeys.

A late scam is alcohol fuel supplements. To turn grain into alcohol to burn in our vehicles while as many as 30,000,000 Americans are under nourished is treasonous. When the lowest are dead, you may be required to replace them. Eventually the [possibly unconscious] culling will reach your level. At least 60% of us will be considered expendable by the greedy elite who have created the Earth's problems. Their solutions, as always, will be constrained to cause suffering to anyone but themselves. They will not see the danger they pose to much of the Life on the Planet until it is too late to save even their own less than worthless skins. Who cares what they may

have foolishly intended. They are standing against Life itself!

They don't care if we suffer or die. They only care for their profits. It's time to disarm these criminal fools before it is too late for us. We must take back the money they have stolen. We must assert our right to life by stripping them of their weapons, the industries and privilege they have abused. It's them or us! Whose side are you on?

VOLIN22
6/23/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q:If the Earth's problems are blamed on overpopulation, rather than the greed of the elite, what criteria will be used to decide who is culled?

A: The thinkers will protest at first... on humane grounds. After much anguish they'll agree with the conservatives in order to save their own skins. It will be called a compromise with the elite, who own the politicians and the world. Thus the problems will be temporarily abated while their cause will be preserved. Only the innocent will suffer.

Week twenty-two:

Distractions:

The indignant denial that we are foolish to tolerate domination by the wealthy elite is the basis of what it is to be a fool. We can never be anything but fools until we admit that we are fools. The cure for this disease is complicated by our failure to display the symptoms during individual encounters. We are usually only foolish as a group.

Politics:

Bush says, "we are a much too litigious society". The reference is typical of conservative knee-jerk responses to law suits that threaten their masters' wealth. This week it's in defense of the tobacco industry. George is calling for the limitation of liability concerning the deadly and addictive drug with which these lords of darkness have poisoned the American people for the sake of their profits. Will treachery never cease?

I'm speculating on the notion of suing the State of Arizona for personal economic damage due to the dilution of the labor market, as a result of letting prisoners at less than minimum wage. In your face George!

A meaningful class action may be based on prison labor and related economic and common good issues. The suit against the several States and the Federal Government shall cover the following points:

- 1- wrongful death in any case involving murder committed in the course of a robbery or other act promoted by the inability of the perpetrator to gain lawful employment in the diluted labor market;
- 2- for allowing corporations to seek cheaper labor out of the country. This criminally negligent

practice leads to homelessness and death of human citizens;
3- for failure to nationalize industries that produce goods and services critical to the survival of Americans. Energy, communications, medicine etc. must be considered public works which provide for the common welfare. Like roads, Post Office, military and police they are constitutionally mandated by our common incorporation.

The dereliction of duty by our lawmakers indicated by point three is their most onerous inaction of the 20th century.

Economy:

I've been informed that Tucson expects 12,000 new jobs at Raytheon as a result of the proposed missile defense system.

If the 12000 jobs materialize and average 50k, the cost to the taxpayers is 6 billion plus at least 100 billion more which will be siphoned off by the stockholders of Raytheon and supporting vendors. The problem is consumers need more money and this cash will have to come from us through taxes. We will only see the [approximately] 5% that is paid in wages. We won't make enough to support the taxes so, as with "Star Wars", the government will borrow the money at interest from the already bloated rich.

Loans mask economic stagnation and decline. The problems of our economy will be made worse if we are so deluded. Ultimately the debt, public and private, must cause an economic collapse with the concomitant increase in joblessness, homelessness, starvation, disease and death.

The wealthy elite, their politician lackeys and especially the rank and file thralls will never see through to the end result of their short term bottom line greed. In fact they will try to move more money into their accounts by seeking cheap labor overseas. Anyone but a conservative fool could see why this will further exacerbate the problem.

There is only one lasting solution to the slowing consumption that is causing the economy to falter. The majority must have good paying (minimum wage \$20/hour) jobs. Only if the conservatives let go of their precious dollars can they be spent (and so immediately return to the elite) by those who are not too debt ridden to consume us out of trouble again. The private debt (note the recent barrage of second mortgage, refinance etc. advertising) that has kept us afloat till now must have a limit.

Higher wages as economic stimulus may be accompanied by government spending on frivolous or necessary common works. It doesn't matter whether it is military hardware (which wastes resources because it produces no permanent wealth) or homes for the poor (which are sorely needed). What matters is that the wealthy stockholders of the government contractors, who frenetically feed on the pork, be cut out of the loop. The 90% or more of the money they steal is counter productive to the hoped for effects of public expenditure.

If the government borrows the money or taxes the already suffering majority, the result is likewise negative. The only way public spending helps is if we tax the rich to pay for it. One way

or another we must get the money back from those who have taken it all, if we are ever to solve our economic problems. That is the truth. [Ed. note: They'll get right back as soon as we spend it. What's the big deal?]

But the truth has a snow balls chance in the hell of an economy in which we suffer. The abstract economy, that which merely represents real things, the tokens and symbols we use to facilitate the trading of material wealth are given more stature than the goods themselves. How has this convolution of reality occurred? Ask the rich conservatives who have all the money.

Law and order:

They are protected by the laws their politician-employees enact. We take the orders.

Energy:

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission [FERC] has moved to limit energy costs in the Western States. They schizophrenically claim to be protecting consumers and investors.

The FERC action is too little too late. To hell with the investors. Energy is critical to our survival. If the immature power plutocrats threaten our lives with their childish greed, we must take their dangerous toys away. We must nationalize the energy industries if we are to protect our common interest: continued life.

Foreign Policy:

Are they running us through [with] the terrorist lesson again? Are you distracted from the formidable economic tyranny at home by the fear of petty foreign boogeymen?

Editorial Column:

Any industry whose bloated profits threaten the well being of Americans identifies itself as treasonous. The disloyalty to ourselves and our country must be answered by the majority who suffer from the deadly corporate policies. The corrupt principles that support such greed must be rooted out of the national psyche.

Get your mind right!

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6/16/2001

"A good slave works with fear alone."

Q: What is fair?

A: It is fair, according to the president, that the wealthy get a tax cut even though they pay no taxes. Equal opportunity to get rich is not suppressed by law but is such a low probability due to

the old boys' and girls' nets of the elite that it may as well be so. To this Bush has responded, "life isn't fair". It seems fairness is only sometimes worthy of consideration.

Week twenty-one:

Distractions:

In order to secure my rights in a democratic society I must defend the rights of others. Does that include the right of the elite to economically enslave me? Is the doublethink paradox so debilitating we can never escape it's wordy snare?

Economy:

Nortel, a comtech giant, lost 19 billion and is pointed to as a reason for the stock market's poor performance. The multi-national Canadian based corporation has responded with an announcement that it will lay off 10,000. If these employees made 100,000 each (highly unlikely since managers rarely lay off themselves, even though they and their masters are the ultimate problem) the savings would amount to 1 billion. Who are they trying to impress?

This is just one more example of abstract economic thinking that impacts real people and our ability to consume and stay alive. The downsizing is designed to impress Wall Street. The gods of spiritual economy are shallow enough that they will never fathom the depths of cumulative effect. The real economy of goods and services that we need to survive is bought and paid for by the sweat of consumers and always ignored by the manipulators of the symbols of wealth.

Education: Law and order:

"Man sues Walmart for brainwashing him." I hope he wins. A million suits against a thousand corporations could put an end to the sickeningly automaton like corporate identities that possess most of us, either directly or by contagion. The problem is epidemic since Microsoft and other giants bought the schools.

Granted, many throw it off at the end of each work day but few escape without some internalization of the condition. For most it only takes a key word or signal, as with the "Manchurian Candidate", to trigger the cultivated response/demeanor suite, even if away from the job.

Try it out on anyone who works for a corporation or the government. Do not do this to anyone you like. Do not try this at home!

[Ed. note: I wouldn't be so cruel to anyone under any circumstances. You can observe as much abomination of humanity as you can stomach if you simply keep your eyes open. Creating circumstances to view, or other more direct participation in this horror is grossly immoral by my standards.]

Energy:

This slot is filled by a guest intellect today.

A few months back, there was considerable talk about a looming gasoline shortage. The Tucson newspapers printed articles about the local price of gasoline hitting \$3 a gallon by mid-summer. Now gasoline prices are dropping below \$1.50/gallon and the papers say the price drop is due to LARGE INVENTORIES (=abundant supply??).

The state of California has been having electrical power shortages and "Rolling Blackouts." One suggested solution is to build power plants in Northern Mexico (where environmental laws are more lax), so petroleum and coal can be sold to the Mexicans and they can sell electrical power to California. Meanwhile, a power company in NEW Mexico, USA wants to build a 345,000-volt power line from the Palo Verde Nuclear Power plant near Phoenix down to Santa Ana, Sonora, to sell excess power to Mexico. There's strong opposition to that power line running through environmentally-sensitive areas in Avra Valley, AZ.

It seems that to get a straight answer out of certain persons...

Studying a textbook used for History in the northern U.S., it's possible to get the idea that every white person living in Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana, etc. around 1850-1862 owned slaves. In reality, probably a small minority could afford slaves, and many probably didn't believe in slavery.

It's also possible to get the idea that every non-Jew living in Germany from 1938-45 desperately wanted to kill as many Jews as possible.

It's possible for another similar misconception to develop in the near future. Several months ago, I saw an article that said that half the population of the U.S.A. now own stock in corporations. If half the population-plus one person-own stocks, then "The Majority of U.S. citizens are stockholders." Then one might further generalize that "The U.S.A. is a country of corporate owners, and their corporations are exploiting the world."

Editorial Comment:

It is more than possible that the economic elite who own more than 90% of all stock want us to be deluded. They want us to believe we own the corporations, especially when some liability arises. The misleading statistic that's usually quoted is: "more than half the stock is privately owned". That begs the question of who owns it and who owns the stock in the corporations that own the remainder? The answer of course is that 1% of the population own 80% of everything and the next 4% own 15% more.

I'll do the math for you. Five % of the population own 95% of everything and we are the slaves that satisfy their greed. Do you want to know who they are? They are one in twenty of us. That's all we need to know. I'll leave it as an exercise to determine which group your beliefs support; whose side are you really on?

Foreign Policy:

George is to share his vision of Russia's place in the world with President Putin. Does patronization always indicate a self-aggrandized fool? I also wonder at the wisdom of pompous posturing in the former Soviet Union and present nuclear peer.

It's one thing to boast about our strengths in our own living rooms but quite another in our neighbors home. Maybe it was for consumption by the American people through a plastic press. Does he really believe us (or anyone) to be such fools? Is he projecting?

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"A good slave works for food alone."

Q:How does the Bush plan compare with Reagan's trickle down theory?

A: The only thing that ever trickles down to us is the flushed contents of their toilets.

Week twenty:

Politics: Ideology/Religion: Education:

I learned many years ago that Americans are less expensive to maintain as homeless than having them work for the employers who hire the bulk of illegal immigrants. The bosses claim we won't work for them. If you ask for the job, you'll be discouraged. Typically one is told, patronizingly, "you don't want this job." If persistent, you will be firmly turned away. Why?

I'm concerned about much that happens in the world of humanity. I'm particularly concerned about the way homeless and jobless Americans are played against illegal aliens for the sport and profit of our less scrupulous employers.

The best of the businesses who hire refugees take advantage of the illegal status of their employees to demand unreasonable effort in poor working conditions. Exceptions may exist but they are not the rule. Typically businessmen and their lackey politicians point to the least innocuous situation whenever any uncomfortable subject arises. Most employers of "wet-backs" pay less than minimum wage. They ignore child labor laws. they pay no taxes, social security or workmen's compensation.

In the not uncommon worst case, the scum call the Border Patrol to rid themselves of unwanted employees to whom money is owed. Even the normal practices would lead to legal sanctions if perpetrated on citizens. So Americans need not apply. If we become homeless and die, the slavers claim no fault. They call it economic necessity. The conservative whine of the lowlife American business machine offends my ear.

But if you think it's impossible to compete against alien slaves, try do get the job being done by a prisoner. The work that might keep a family from homelessness is performed by inmates who cost the taxpayers \$30,000/year plus to maintain. Many homeless people, by desperate efforts, end up in these positions. It would cost half as much and reduce crime to give them \$15,000/year before they despair.

The next time someone tells you that anyone who wants a job can get it, think about how that lie is constructed with false labor statistics. Remember, when one's unemployment runs out and one isn't working or in prison, one becomes an unperson. I know. I've been to school.

Economy:

Formula for fleecing the American flock. Phase One:

Follow in the footsteps of successful scoundrels. Reagan led off with tax cut that took money paid mostly by the poorer majority and gave the greatest part of it to the rich ten percent of the population. The rest of us received a token reduction to keep us quiet. "Hush, Puppy!"

Thirty-three percent of the Bush tax cut goes to 1% of the population. Another 33% is earmarked for the next 9%. A total of 71% goes to the top 20%, who pay 40% or less of taxes. We receive token tax relief and encouraging words. Their protestations of compassion for the American people and the claim to be fueling consumption fly in face of reality. The rich get the money!

Phase Two:

Reagan borrowed the money that was robbed from the poor and given to the rich to pay for Star Wars [no successful systems implemented] and otherwise build up the military. That gave even more of the tax money we pay to the elite in the interest we pay on the loans, not to mention the defense contractor scam. Anyone who objects to the rip off is accused of un-American disloyalty.

Bush has already promised a missile defense and general upgrade of the military that his budget with tax cut can't afford. Will he, in the name of nationalism, borrow the money back from the elite who have conquered us and pay them tribute in the form of usury (interest which our tax money must pay) for the privilege of being screwed by them?

When will we ever learn?

Law and order:

IF we make economic tyranny a capital crime we could rid our selves of most of the parasites who feed on us. That group of criminals include the 1% who are the elite, all the politicians who are their puppets, most of the lawyers, bankers and CEOs. The latter overseers are also guilty of treason to their fellow slaves by working for the aid and comfort of the enemy. As such they may be tried as traitors under current laws.

The hoarded wealth we confiscate as evidence can be used to heal the Planet, including ourselves, of the harm their system has done.

Energy:

The rolling blackouts are now being predicted for many more States than California. I suspect that the power tyrants, through their wholly owned Federal Government, will try to extort more money out of us using any threat that opportunity offers or greed can contrive. Up to a point, the

more we complain the worse they will make it sound. It's called negative reinforcement. Don't cave!

To say that they will take advantage of any crisis, real or imaginary, to increase profits and reinforce our meek acceptance of their larceny, is not to say that the power catastrophe is not real. But it does suggest the possibility that it may have been planned by conservative pigs. The more politicians point away from the energy rich Texas tyrants the more I believe that problems may be engineered for profit.

Foreign Policy:

Global warming and the oxides of carbon emissions that are causing it qualify as foreign policy fraud on two counts. Unfortunately the Law and Order and Energy headings are already taken this week. What I hope to get around to saying soon would also fit well under Distractions [Delusions] which I've decided to omit for the current issue. But how will I justify this usage?

For one, Carbon dioxide emissions are a matter of the negotiated and signed Treaty of Kyoto, that Bush has, with megalomaniac confidence and with the support of the conservative privy council, abrogated. [Will drawing and quartering of political opponents be brought back by the old boys?] The second justification for the displacement to this column is: the attack on Life alienates us from the Planet itself. This self destructiveness may not be foreign to George but it's very strange to me.

What caused the issue to re-emerge this week was the report of a council of scientists that global warming was real and a serious threat. Duh-uh! I guess the administration couldn't find anyone foolish enough to say what they wanted to hear. [Ed. note: see "good science" week ten of "The Volunteer"; Bush press conference, 3/29/01] Of course spokesmen rush to voice their concern, while simultaneously digging the ditches for the next line of defense in the selfish war against life waged by the wealthy elite through their conservative minions.

Now that the report is in, a new committee is to be appointed to study the issue. They commissioned experts and were disappointed; I assume the new committee is more predictable. If this were merely seeking a second opinion, it might be considered prudent. The third or fourth or hundredth time around it is childish stubbornness in the support of selfishness.

Their idea of proof is to be caught with their hands in the cookie jar. That may have worked on their parents but mine new better. Whatever! The consequences of Bush's ignorance, whether disingenuous or natural, is too serious a threat to Life on the Planet Earth to allow his immature greed to continue to grow.

Support Life! Abort Bush's illegitimate administration.

Editorial Column:

The members of both major political parties in America are the wholly owned subsidiaries of corporations which are mostly owned in turn, like almost everything else, by the elite 1% of the

population. The politicians serve their masters best by quelling unrest among the populace they oversee. To this end they will say whatever it is they think we want to hear.

The acts of politicians will always serve the real rulers but will be described as if we will be the beneficiaries. We must let them know that words and token relief from the economic tyranny of the elite will not serve any longer. These people are weak and stupid. That is why they were chosen to "lead". But they are trainable.

We can extinguish the unwanted behaviors exhibited by our politicians if we present a united front and refuse to give in to the onslaught of lies. The day after Labor Day, 2001, can be the first National Sickout Day. If we give sufficient advance notice to our overseers it can send an unmistakable message. They may at least throw off their sheep's clothing and we will better understand the challenge to life with which we are faced.

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"A good slave works for food alone."

Q:When is foreign investment treason?

A: An example of free enterprise treason resulting in immediate and predictable damage occurs in the case of moving manufacturing out of our country. Many displaced Americans become homeless. Sometimes their families join the men in the jungle but more often the unit breaks up so that the women and children can get public assistance. Occasionally, since welfare reform limits lifetime benefits to three years, the families get back together on the streets. With the average life expectancy of a homeless person at three to five years we can see that such reunions are rare.

Week nineteen:

Education: Religion: Delusions:

Conservatives have told us often that they support the tried and true. They eschew theories and new ideas, like people having money enough to live debt free for instance, with specious but catchy slogans: "tighten YOUR belt", "lean and mean", "good for investors" . Their principles and the ideas that flow from them are always designed to keep themselves rich and the rest of us poor and in economic chains.

What theories flow from their principles and how are they proved? Deregulation and privatization are two examples.

Deregulation of the airlines has led to choked airports, overcrowded and cramped planes and high airfares that have become taken for granted. The occasional price wars are the exception, not the rule. Loosing of communications has led to high basic rates and a mountain of additional, often hidden charges. The energy industry has created a crisis that might destroy our nation.

Privatization of prisons has been disastrous. After the breakouts, our police forces have to pick up the pieces at great additional expense to the public. Contract Post Offices interpose another mouth at the trough. That is why privatization always fails. Corrupt military contracts should have taught us long ago that corporate welfare is more expensive than the government tending to its rightful business, our common affairs and well being.

But for all their blathering about tried and true and the glories of their corrupt brand of free enterprise, conservatives never seem to learn anything from experience. They cling to their delusional theories until the bitter end. That's because it's merely our suffering they must endure. They will be wealthier than ever as a result of their apparently crackpot schemes. Though many of them are as deluded as they would have us be, the con artist originators of their theories know exactly what they are doing. The rest of us better wise up before it's too late.

Economy:

How affluent are the least wealthy 60% of Americans? Would our economy have been strong through the nineties if that group had not taken on more debt? Will three to six hundred dollars each cure our problems? If we had decent wages we could afford to consume our economy back to health and pay taxes to fulfill our common needs.

The tax cut is supposed to help. Anyone but a conservative could see that the economy needs higher wages and fixed prices so the lower end can consume in volume. But they are blinded by their principles. They can't see beyond their individual selfishness and greed. They have no clue about the cumulative effect of their consuming avarice. They don't even know what a real economy is or who really makes it go.

We can't afford to play their game any longer. We shouldn't have to borrow what is ours and pay interest to do so. We shouldn't be grateful for the bones, like the tax cut, they throw to us, especially since our work put the meat on their tables in the first place.

We should demand that the elite support our system in proportion to the benefit they get from it. [Ed. note: 20% of the population will get 71% of the tax cut. They pay less than forty percent of the tax. In light of that redistribution of wealth, the new tax law might be considered direct taxation by the elite's corporations using their politician puppets as tools to take our money.]

We must end the bonds of debt and force higher wages and fixed prices. The first workday after Labor Day, 2001 can be National Sickout Day. The threat, if serious (as indicated by letters and emails to politicians), may cause the infantile conservatives to forget their failed theories, which are based on principles the rest of us are foolish to tolerate. If we assert ourselves sufficiently, they will provide the relief from low wages and high prices that people really need.

Politics:

Conservatives, who have created the puritanical moral tone with which they attempt to mislead America, are now telling us all college students drink illegally so lay off. I agree. Now tell them to abandon their anti-human hypocrisy. Their weak, knee-jerk flip-flopping on the moral issues

of which they run afoul should surprise no one.

Morality has been devalued by conservatives as they developed the public perception of personal wrong doing into a political weapon. To turn their bludgeon against them reduces us to their childish level. It strips our nation of dignity and takes the focus from significant issues. So let's forget moral indiscretions until the next time Bush begins to preach to us about his publicly professed principles.

Law and order:

The corruption of the Supreme Court in the theft of the presidential election last fall was a passing disease that temporarily weakens the separation of powers. The trivialization of the high court is a self inflicted blow to their credibility from which they may never recover. Why grown men and women would condescend to rule on the use of golf carts in the PGA is incomprehensible to a normally intelligent human being.

The Supreme Court has the power to pick and choose over the cases they will hear. Why did they choose this case? Are the current justices so cowed by their masters that they must demean themselves with sports rulings? [ED. note: I know that's not fair. The ruling was about the Disabilities Act. But conservatives deserve a taste of their own semantic medicine. They spend so much time spinning and twisting the truth to their own ends, though, that it may have been inadvisable. Perhaps it presents them with a vulnerability they don't have to manufacture within themselves for projection onto us. I would hate to be guilty of lending originality to conservative arguments.]

Energy:

Price caps to stop energy trusts from profiting by our suffering would displease the one per cent of the population who own almost everything. They whine that such humanitarian measures are not consistent with their principles of free enterprise and theories of supply and demand. The theories have only been around for a couple of hundred years. Give them a little time. They are sure to work in the long run. And we'll be economically flogged by the masters if we refuse to pretend to believe their lies.

I for one believe conservative theories have always performed as expected. Their realization unfailingly results in more of the common wealth being concentrated in fewer hands. It is the rest of us, not the elite, who need to wake up. The stylized smirk that the president sports tells me he doesn't fear you will open your eyes any time soon.

Maybe he's right about the low probability that he'll have to take responsibility for his avarice. Don't you hate a guy that gloats? But can we be sure he has no respect for us? Perhaps instead of under-estimating our intelligence he's merely assessing us with his own.

"We don't need rhetoric. We need leadership." Thus George dismissed the possibility of meaningful action and offered more words for the California energy crisis. The Houston corporations, whose price gouging is causing much of the suffering, are not to be criticized for

asserting their free enterprise right to profit from the sufferings of people.

That's what happens when we worship the sacred economic cow. We need to differentiate between material and abstract economy and begin to favor the real vs. the imaginary. The former is what we need to survive. The latter is what the wealthy elite need to maintain their privileged existence.

Foreign Policy:

Call home foreign investments and indict non-compliant CEOs for treason! The right of an employer to increase profits by displacing American workers, often condemning them to homelessness and death, conflicts with the right to life of the victims of this greed. Whose freedom should take precedence? Does George W. Bush support the treacherous employers or the American people? The answer is not to be found in his hollow assurances.

Each employer looks only at her/his own bottom line. The cumulative effect is to destroy the base for the demand that they claim to be more efficiently supplying. Individually they think they are smart. Collectively they couldn't be more stupid. If we continue to believe in their foolish economic theories, such as the belief that the service economy can support us, we may starve.

And who does George support? I know whose side I'm on. I see W. beyond the barrier.

Medicine:

We need a subspecies of clones to work at McDonald's. They will work for less than minimum wage and never complain. In fact, they won't even be real humans. We can buy and sell them like any domestic animal, unless we're broke because they have our jobs. [Ed. note: remembering the credulity with which "A Modest Proposal" was accepted a couple of centuries ago, I hasten to add the preceding does not, as far as I know, reflect the desire of any intelligent being, especially my own.]

Editorial Column:

Are we deluded to believe that conservative devotion to the wealthy elite is the "right thing" for our country? Since the birth of America, hundreds of thousands of working and middle class citizens have died to protect our freedom. Many more have made sacrifices large and small to support war efforts.

A popular bond poster during WWII depicted the face of a smiling young pilot with a fighter plane in the background. All was overwritten by the slogan, "You buy 'em, we fly'em". That tells the whole story. We worked for frozen wages in the factories to make the war technology. We paid the taxes and loaned our money to the government to pay our own wages and pursue the war. We died on the battlefields to preserve our right to serve our country in all things. What did the one percent who own everything do beside war profiteering?

The children of the rich owners seldom fight and die in wars. The elite create no material thing.

They don't even pay taxes. (Their loopholes live in infamy.) They only take the profits of all that we do. "The system works", but not for us. We die on the battlefields and succumb to debt at home, while their net worth and incomes soar.

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"A good slave/American works for food alone."

Q: Do you believe in God?

A: Yes. I also believe that Lucifer won the battle for heaven and deposed the original creator. The devil then lied to us in the history that he wrote to cover his abominable crime. I know that's an unusual belief... but it does account for the ill nature of our economic system and that of the demons who control it.

Week eighteen:

Distractions:

There is very little that's straightforward. But it doesn't matter whether they lie about their intentions or they are merely selfish, pretentious children. It doesn't make a difference whether they take advantage of an existing situation or conspire to create it.

A perennial distraction that plays on our emotions and moral sensibilities is the wealth of entertainers and sports stars. At least they amuse us for their money. That's more than we get from those who only own stocks and other abstractions of the wealth that we produce.

Politics:

They create policy to preserve the system whereby we do the work under the scrutiny of politician and CEO overseers and other appointed or elected straw bosses. They take 95% of the proceeds. They create public opinion through the media they own. They are 1% of the population.

When we know who gets the most benefit from "our" system, we will know who they are. But it really doesn't matter who they are. It only matters that they are and that we must obey them to survive. Are you happy with life as their slave? That's a condition I'm no longer willing to endure.

Education:

We've all been to school but what have we learned?

Economy:

Tax cuts for the rich, including elimination of the estate tax, will exacerbate the economic

slowdown, which the politician puppets are acknowledging. Money needs to get to the bottom before it can be pumped back to the top. Eliminating any means that is an opportunity to take money back from the rich and put it into the hands of the poor will contribute to economic stagnation.

Set the estate tax deduction at two million with an additional ten million for bona fide family businesses that might fail if stripped of capital. The remainder of any estate after deductions, could be equally distributed to the workers who produced the stolen wealth. Or it could be sold at public auction and the proceeds go to building houses, creating jobs and providing medical care for our forgotten homeless and other victims of upper class greed.

Appropriate solutions in the case of abstract businesses, those which directly produce no material wealth, are beyond the scope of this text. I will say that humans can't survive in a world made exclusively of such parasitic enterprises.

[Ed. note: Solutions are never possible until the problem is known. In a large system of free people responsibility must be distributed. This publication hopes to contribute by increasing awareness in general. Until our eyes are open we can't hope to see where we may go. I'm aware of the irony in my abstract offering. But I'll starve to death if this is all that I do.]

Law and order:

Republican lawmakers have declined to investigate Dick Cheney's pay off reception or Bush's dinner for large, soft money contributors. "It's not the same thing..", [as Clinton] they childishly whined. Twenty-five million dollars were raised. Is soliciting bribes on a large scale, perpetrated in government housing, the same as the petty misappropriation of public property?

Energy:

Enjoy it while you can still afford it. If they rape the last virgin wilderness to increase the supply of energy, they will still not sell it to you any cheaper than they must. They will only use any crisis to raise the price again and again. They will never begin to look at alternative energy sources until the last dollar has been squeezed out of dead humanity. It's a jealousy thing. Their humanity died centuries ago and they want to drag us down with them. Of course, when our bodies are as corrupt as their spirits, they'll still be alive.

Foreign Policy:

If all our manufacturing is done outside the U.S. we can all make abstract (service) contributions to the global economy. I'm sure China and Russia will recognize the need to be regulated by our management. We don't need to worry about having real food to eat or any material thing. We control all the money. Ha ha, what can they do? [Ed. note: the mockery above is not meant to reflect the hopes and dreams of the author.]

Religion:

In 1936 George Orwell's "Keep the Aspidochelone Flying" payed homage to the fearsome money god: "Something deep below made the stone street shiver.
The tube train, sliding through middle earth.
He had a vision of London, of the western world;
He saw a thousand million slaves toiling and groveling
About the throne of money. The earth is ploughed,
Ships sail, miners sweat in dripping tunnels underground,
Clerks hurry for the eight fifteen with fear of the boss
Eating at their vitals. And even in bed with their wives
They tremble and obey. Obey whom? The money-priesthood,
The pink faced masters of the world. The Upper Crust..."

Medicine:

Are you afraid of the possibility of Über Mensehe clones? Think again! It will be an under class of semi intelligent slaves that they replace US with. Look at how efficiently they've dumbed US down already. They don't even need genetic engineering. They have corporate media, wholly owned politicians and a slug dumb middle class begging to sell their children into bondage.

Editorial Column:

Our politicians have bolted from the influence of Americans and taken the leads of corporate campaign funding. Many believe the latest spy in the FBI should be executed. What is more treacherous toward the American people...?

Investing our manufacturing infrastructure in nations that we cannot defeat in war is treason. Balances of power shift. We cannot predict the future. Taking high paying jobs from Americans and shipping them out of the country for the sake of cheap labor is treacherous. This is true whether or not our military can secure corporate overseas investments.

Corporations, their CEO's, major stockholders and their wholly owned subsidiary politicians who support this perversion of free enterprise must be tried for treason if America is to be saved.

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"A good slave/American works for food alone."

Q: Would it be fair to the elite to confiscate their wealth when they die and return it to the common pool from which they stole it?

A: When we complain of slavery to Pharaoh we are told: "life isn't fair." Fairness, apparently, is a quality that is owned by the rich and employed only for their benefit. They also own the creators of public opinion and contemporary mores. How do we solve this democratic dilemma? The future is writ in Microsoft(r) commercials. "Enterprise Software"(r) is a dissolution. not a solution for most of us. [Ed. note: Microsoft(r) is an example. This by no means indicates that they alone are responsible for our economic problems.]

Week seventeen:

Delusions:

Economy:

Politics:

Politics may be defined as the art of creating policy. The policy for years has been to divide public opinion and virtually enslave the majority for the bona fide benefit of only a handful of elite. They pit white against black, middle class against working class, anything that diverts attention from the rich who are the root of our problems.

It doesn't matter if they are labeled plutocrats, aristocrats, politicians or fascists. Morality, ethics, philosophy, religion, biology and principles are all distorted to serve their greed. What is important is the resulting physical reality. All else is delusion, merely words that bind us to their will.

Can it be better than this? Who knows? We live under the threat that it could be worse. No one has been allowed to publicly explore the positive side of genuine change. When suggested, the voice is drowned in paranoid theories that predict things must deteriorate. Who has such nightmarish fantasies and why?

A conservative Italian billionaire was elected Prime Minister [of Italy]. He promised to create conditions in which all could become rich like himself. He failed to note that, if everyone had a billion, a billion would be worth about what everyone has now. [Ed. note: probably less!] You shouldn't be laughing at foreign folly if you believe the Bush plan is any less absurd.

Foreign Policy:

Speaking of foreign folly, bring our investments home before the rest of the world gets smart and takes them from us. Our "fearless leaders" will not be able to Pinochet every Allende who is waiting for an opportunity to help people. Do you think the puppet, George, will be able to bully and coerce the Chinese?

Education:

Policy and budget have been proposed to divert more of our tax money to the rich and less to our schools. Tax cuts and vouchers are part of the orchestration of the Bush score. Conservative and fraudulent are synonymous.

Law and order:

"Capitol punishment isn't vengeance, it's retribution." With that specious distinction Pat Buchanan dismissed objections to ending the suffering of Timothy McViegh by assisting in his suicide.

The message we are sending to would be mass murderers: "Don't worry, you won't have to live

with your conscience too long. You may not even grow old enough for compassion and remorse to become well developed in you." Caring is a quality of emotional maturity: a state not necessarily associated with chronological age and never attained by many. It can even be apparently lost to some as they grow older.

Energy:

"It would send the wrong message to investors to limit the profits of oil companies." I interpret that to mean that abstract economy always takes precedence over the real needs of people. Remember, 1% of the population own 90% of the stocks, personally or through corporations that they control.

If all the tokens, including money, that stand for wealth went away tomorrow, the things they represent would still be here. We would still need those goods to live. What we don't need is the parasites who own them.

So what is it these stockholders do to us? Higher gasoline prices will take our savings. We lose our little share of the stocks, mutual funds etc. or negate them with debt trying to keep up as the oil ripoff runs through the economy.

Religion:

America is the land of opportunity. The economic elite who have negated that principle will persecute heretics. Who will have the temerity to question the holy writ?

Medicine:

Will the doctors who own the HMOs enslave their colleagues in order to become billionaires? Will their wealth result in better health care for us? Will the lines be as long or the care as available as in countries where socialized medicine is practiced?

Editorial Column:

We need the rich to manage our economy. We couldn't survive without them. That lie probably started about four thousand years ago. Ten thousand on the outside. It has become humanities dominant delusion in the past fifty years.

The human species did fine, in it's natural chaotic way, for a million or more years before the big lie was invented. Chaos is preferable to the perpetual slavery for the bulk of humanity, that can be extrapolated from our "recent" history.

But the belief that chaos will result if we throw the parasites out is part of the lie that enslaves us. We at the bottom sixty percent of the scale of abstract wealth know the most about real economy. (60 percent includes low level managers and technology experts who are living stressfully on plastic credit.) We know how to grow the food and make the clothes and build the houses and manufacture machines and goods. We know how to create, maintain and distribute the real

wealth.

The plutocrats who own it all and us too, know only how to manipulate the tokens of wealth and use them to enslave us. But we should be fair. Instead of reducing them to an inanimate state, let's put them all in one State of the union, with all their paper wealth, and let them go it on their own. That, obviously, implies we will have no more intercourse with those who have denounced their humanity in the name their god: greed. [Ed. note: this proposal is not serious. It is a wake up call.]

They need us. The size of your paycheck should tell you that they are not in touch with that reality; they need to be reminded who does the work and who is getting the free ride. And who really needs whom!

VOLIN16
5/12/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q: Can our schools be improved by testing students for their level of achievement and withholding funding to those whose teachers fail to properly prepare their poor charges?

A: The real problem is indicated in the reports of Universities that students are not prepared by high schools, especially in math and science, to do college work or pursue technical careers. Why don't we test the primary and secondary school teachers for their ability to do the math required for science and engineering studies? To direct children correctly you must have some idea where they're going.

Week sixteen:

Distractions:

The many bullish predictions for the stock market are wishing for a self fulfilling prophesy even if the faithful really do temporarily pump up the market by throwing good money after bad. Wall street psychology (a subset of elite owned media/politician induced massmind) can give the appearance of a strong economy for anyone naive enough to have faith in it. Abstractions can represent reality. Money and stocks are not the wealth itself.

A strong economy requires strong demand. That means people must have more money to exchange for real wealth (adequate food, shelter, other necessities and small comforts). Tax cuts for the rich and loans for the rest exacerbate the problem. We have the people and infrastructure to produce the goods. Higher wages and fixed prices will increase volume sales and everyone will profit even the parasites who created the abstraction of economy and brought it to life in their service.

The tokens of wealth can only represent the wealth. They are not, as economists seem to believe, the wealth itself.

Politics: Religion: Medicine:

Education:

We will never improve education by testing students. An education masters (or doctorate) degree in math or science demonstrates the ability to teach those subjects and manage children at a high school level. Though exposed to some higher mathematics, such teachers do not understand the uses technology has for that knowledge.

Educators cannot be expected to prepare students in the mathematics they must do in college and beyond: that which is needed to succeed in science and engineering. This is true in spite of the current [expensive] television barrage of teacher supportive propaganda or any amount of dedication and determination. Higher wages will attract and keep better teachers. In addition to that, the wholistic solution requires better education and more real world experience for educators.

Economy:

George was offered a job at half of minimum wage. He was told it was a good deal because cash payment avoids taxes. George pointed out that little federal income tax was due on minimum wage, that in this bracket FICA was about 33 cents/hour and State income tax about 2 or 3 cents/hour. He added that Workmen's comp etc. would not be paid and the employer would pocket even more, while his own security was decreased. The potential master said, "George, you don't have a good work ethic."

So, at what degree of employer fraud should one refuse an offer of employment?

It depends on the calculation of time to starvation. If the energy I consume doing the work will cause me to starve more quickly than the greater insufficiency of food due to not having the low wages, I should refuse the job. But does this make any sense?

If you are going to starve anyway why suffer with work? A wage, calculated by corporate economists using the formula above (or empirically by businessmen who can't do the math) in order to keep you working in today's economy, will merely prolong the agony of your death. Our nominal leaders are not responsible for the dilemma that many of us face.

The treacherous experts and politicians who play with our lives for the profit of their masters are too stupid to actually know what they are doing. When they lie to us they are telling us what they are dull enough to believe.

Law and order:

If we put all 14 year old males in prison for life for the possession of violent media induced fantasies, whether or not they act them out, all problems will be solved in fifty to a hundred years.

Proof of the possession of (and by) the real social education is implied by being alive in twenty-first century America. If you were born into the world created by your forebears you are guilty of

being here. Let the jihad-pogrom continue until the Earth is cleansed! [Ed. note: The editor is not responsible any violence perpetrated by others and predicated on his sarcastic, self-indulgent outbursts.]

Energy:

The gasoline prices are a start, a single means. Conservative policies have only one end. Their energy and sole motivation is greed.

With the nation emotionally stimulated, therefore impressionable and vulnerable to suggestion, because of the delay in the McViegh execution, the president declared that the answer to oil company greed was to get more money to the people so we may afford gasoline. (I'm surprised we weren't told to eat cake.) He further stated that a tax cut which would benefit oil company stockholders and FED loans were the means to accomplish his ends. Is your mind creating a demand for the specious lies that George supplies. But his tragi-comic timing is excellent.

Foreign Policy:

Get emotionally involved in the UN slap at US. It will take your mind off the self destructive missile defense. You won't worry about the Kyoto treaty or global warming. Remember first, we are the good guys. We deserve all praise and respect. We are all powerful! We are all good! We are all just! We are all merciful...

The benefits of presidential policy are manifest in our common destiny.

Editorial Column:

The upcoming rerun season mandates that I recycle this bit (with minor changes and additions) originally seen in issue three.

The Bush tax cut will not have the desired effect. The rich already have almost all the money. Giving them more with the Tax Cut will exacerbate the problem. No amount of fast talk or references to skewed statistics and show piece principles will change the truth.

Maybe an analogy will get through. Think of it as a parable, George. Imagine you have an oil well and a machine to take oil from underground and place it in a reservoir at the top. Now imagine that your well goes dry and there is no place to drill a new one. Keep in mind that this is only an analogy and loopholes in the words will not likely be reflected in the reality it represents.

Now imagine that you don't need all that oil but you really like pumping oil into your reservoir. It makes you feel powerful and superior. So what are you to do? All the oil is in the reservoir. Well, if you could find a way to pump it back into the ground, you could start all over again. The machinery that pumps it up to you would react automatically to the increased demand and you would supply your reservoir at the top very quickly. Do supply and demand seem reversed to you? This is appropriate when talking of symbols rather than the reality they represent.

I think you may have guessed by now that I'm really talking about the economy. So what mechanism could we build to get money back down to the bottom so that the wealth machinery would have something to do and the rich could continue having the fun of stealing the money from us, while feeling smugly powerful and genetically superior as well?

How about, instead of eliminating the estate tax, we make two million dollars deductible and 100% is taken after the sheltered portion. That wealth could be distributed to the poor on a graduated scale based on income. Or it could provide high paying jobs to those who don't already have them and we could add many new management positions into the bargain.

If we efficiently redistribute the money, it will be spent. Then the machinery that harvests money will have something to do. The heirs of the rich may have to build their own machines but with a 2 million dollar start up they'll still have a much greater opportunity than the rest of us. Each generation will have the chance to prove their worthiness. Plus they'll have the fun of playing the game for themselves. This is a win win proposition.

But unfortunately the rich have a real union. They are a gang who will threaten us with an economic bludgeoning if we fail to give up our money on demand. They don't wish to complicate the fulfilment of their lust by adequately paying us to produce the goods they sell to us.

VOLIN15
5/5/2001

"A good slave/American works for food alone."

Q:How accurate, how true are the dreams, the stories, the visions that hold human societies together?

A: The value of a particular set of beliefs is not to be found in the beliefs themselves. They are as good or bad, desirable or undesirable, precious or worthless as the way of life that they support.

Week fifteen: Distractions:

You think you've got it bad; what about him? The more severe mistreatment or abuse of another, while deplorable, doesn't mitigate the crimes our masters commit against us. This is difficult to learn. It requires the unlearning of some of our earliest training. On the positive side, when we identify those worse off than ourselves we have discovered possible allies. We can turn that to a high probability by cleansing ourselves of delusion.

Politics:
Education:
Religion:

Medicine:
"Physician, heal thyself!"

Economy:
It's still the same fraud.

Law and order:
It serves the purpose of continued subjugation.

Energy:
Dependency enslaves.

Foreign Policy:
Distracts from domestic abuses by the elite.

Editorial Column:
Our economy is everything. It is survival. It is the source of politics. It is the basis of social structure and all culture. And its present form it is weighed down by our abstract inventions, our imaginary wealth. We justify this (most of our rationalizations are disgustingly similar and naive) by imagining that the economy is a natural outgrowth of our biological nature. To prove it we try to reform our nature to fit our abstract economy, our creation. We are going about things backwards! Have you ever known of an ape who hoarded all the gatherings and caused his family group to suffer thereby? What social mechanism does our biological nature really encourage? Note that our nature is not what we have been taught it is. Psycho-babble propaganda such as social Darwinism is abomination. Would God or Mother Nature approve of our imaginary corruption of Her or His creation? Duh..uh!

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"A good slave works for food alone."

Q of the week:
Q:Should we forgive our trespassers?
A:Don't sweat the little things. But forgiveness is impossible while great sins continue. Remorse, a necessary pre-requisite to absolution, is only proven by undoing the harm. To believe otherwise is delusional. It is as absurd as a ruling elite who believe themselves to be righteous and causing

no suffering. This is no petty matter! Foolishness is more damaging to the psych than critically damped anger or an unrelenting spirit.

Week fourteen:

Distractions:

We are told to judge Bush by his results. If we wait that long it will be too late. We will have suffered too much damage at the hands of this fraudulently "elected" puppet of the ruling elite. This tool of corporate tools is so far down the line from the real power that he has no idea of the full consequences of "his" actions.

Politics:

I think part of the reason for my obstinacy is that I was born six years before the purge of '52. People took freedom seriously then and weren't so confused about what it is. The schools were not yet such efficient socialization machines.

McCarthy began to change all that. Along the way he boosted the movement that made it dangerous to be free, even in the expression of thought (Hitler started the last century's iteration of this recurring massmind). The chief method of torture for heretics was and is economic. The blacklists aren't popular now, so the persecution is no longer so obvious. I don't think that's an improvement. It just makes it harder to see what's going on. Dying of starvation or exposure is only more painful than gas chambers or bullets. Dead is dead.

Education:

Loyalty oaths for teachers, and for many others, were, if not invented, at least revitalized during Sen. Joseph McCarthy's life time.

Economy:

A Harvard spokesman's comment on the sit in of students demanding a living wage for working class employees of the University: "Harvard pays competitive wages". This is a typical conservative spin. It means they pay the least possible amount for labor; what the market demands. It fails to address the real issue.

Lower interest and tax breaks will not revitalize the economy of wage and salary slaves. Two thirds of the economy is consumer spending. All is really, since the corporate and government spending must ultimately translate to goods and services useful or necessary to consumers. We are all consumers, even the wealthy elite. Only higher wages for the bottom 60% will cure the chronic disability of our system to supply the necessities of life for all of us.

Greed and shortsightedness disallows real solutions. Lies and diversions get more employment than people. Conservatives don't even understand that their selfishness is the source of our suffering. Liberals usually support the nature of the economic system and attack specific abuses.

This is treating the symptoms and ignoring their cause. Neither left nor right standpoints help the best part of us.

The middle class wannabes and sycophants are sufficiently co-opted to stifle their own best long term interests in the hope they can hold on to the bones they are thrown. They are in denial with respect to betrayals of their ancestry and their species. They are, along with the politicians and police, the guard dogs of wealthy masters. The animals' restraints are in the hands of CEO overseers.

There are 40% of us who can know by first hand experience how difficult it is to survive in the land of the rich. Another twenty per cent should know but have sold their souls for pretensions. The one percent, who employ the the 39% closest to the top in controlling the majority, are disgustingly real but only pretend to be human.

Law and order:

We are a nation of laws designed by the wealthy to protect their fortunes and assure that only a very small percentage of us will ever join them in the freedom to make de facto slaves of the remainder of the population. Not all laws are flawed, just most. Unequal enforcement (profiling is the latest descriptive) deals with the oversight.

Energy:

We are not to blame George for high gasoline prices. He may take credit for anything good that chances but will not take responsibility for what he actually does. Bad things are typically the fault of the Clinton administration. President Bush, a former oil company executive, I'm sure has no reason to want to support his masters in gouging more money from the American people. But the oil and power companies waited until he was appointed by the corrupted high court to begin manipulating supplies in order to raise prices and request environmental compromises.

I get tired of childish lies, especially those with grown up consequences told by superannuated spoiled brats.

Foreign Policy:

The resolution of the China crisis has the approval of a two thirds majority of the American people. Why did the chief executive walk and talk like a whipped dog throughout the negotiating period? Had he let his mouth overload his donkey at the outset? Is the approval really an inappropriate expression of compassion for a kindred dispirited soul? Or is it just a fiction created by skewed sampling of the populace?

Religion:

We are here. We are alive. We are responsible for our own condition. God will not interfere to save us. We will save ourselves or become extinct. God values life. All life. God is just. God is impartial. God will not interfere if we allow a greedy few to destroy us all.

Believe the evidence of your senses. Do not filter it through the lies you have been taught. Believe your unqualified experience. Don't let your inner thought be formed [don't be informed] by the lies and distortions of the greediest few.

We need each other to create what each of us can't create individually. This is the cooperation on which survival is built. Our civilization is a creation of an abstract means of concentrating the wealth we produce in the hands of a few greedy parasites. It must be transformed for the well being of us all. Perhaps a metamorphosis of the economic vampire masters can accompany the necessary changes to our culture. There is some hope.

There is no salvation except unity of purpose of people of good will and cooperative spirit. It is beneficial to life to rid ourselves of greedy vampire-like influences. We can hope to cure them.

Medicine:

Would you take it, if the medicine you needed was available?

Editorial Column:

The explanations of events are words. The events need no words, they present for themselves. The state of human culture may be seen as the production of wealth by 99% of the population to support in luxury the elite 1%, who prey on us. This condition is self evident and no amount of words will change it. No morality, principle, value or law can justify it to the victims.

Perhaps we can convince the elite to get a real jobs and pull their own weight. I can just see the 1% and their CEOs, politicians, lawyers and managers plowing a field or working on an assembly line. I wonder if they would try to talk the dirt out of the ditch. Can you imagine them chained to a factory floor by the loans they are forced to contract in order to stay alive? I wonder what their moral pronouncements on bankruptcy would sound like after a year of debt slavery.

VOLIN13

4/21/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q: What is the truth?

A: The truth is: we've been had.

Week thirteen:

Distractions:

A friend sent the following in support of a previous issue: "...Unfortunately, knowledge has entered into a domain of individual authorities tyrannically determining truth and these truths

being institutionalized. Science and religion have merged into the traditional western european view that personalities should dominate truth and social agenda." [Ed. note: traditional since the Romans, by the hand of Julius Caesar, wiped out the Druids and subjugated the Celts.] "What passes for physics and math at universities seems to be about individual control, rather than diverse debates and options about a multitude of possible ways equal people can deal with truth. Indeed the Ptolemaic system explaining our origins and building blocks must have the same fate as the old Ptolemaic system."

I couldn't agree more. Unfortunately, if one succeeds in presenting the truth to the people and the ruling elite, in such a way that it cannot be denied, the plutocrats will embrace the truth and claim it as their own invention. Then they will distort and corrupt it to their own ends. That is the nature of our ego-centric universe. Look at what they did to Jesus. ["Ptolemaic": isn't it interesting that only the order of letters differentiates ego from geo. But, since one is Latin and the other Greek, I'll assume that's a coincidence.]

The wealthy controllers of our society are not interested in the truth. They care only to increase their wealth by controlling the mob whom they employ to create it: ie. manipulate by any and all means those from whom they steal money. That is the heart of our culture and the only truth worth pursuing.

The elite fear that truth. They will impede its propagation by whatever means they can invent. They fear the people they have subjugated. If the truth becomes open their paranoia may be realized.

Truth is generally known among the lower economic strata. But, ironically in our "free" society, most of us fear to speak it. The middle class, like Jewish trustees in forced labor camps during WWII, are co-opted by sufficient privilege and security to be motivated to accept the lies with which the elite, like Nazis, delude them. Even the degree of persecution is similar, though not so obviously violent. Does that make the situation better or worse? You can't resist what you don't see. Can it be seen from a different perspective?

Politics:

Politics and all the rest are nothing but distraction, this week and every week. It's all been said here and elsewhere. It needs to be said over and over again until we "learn" the "truth".

Education:

Did you learn much? How much was school a place to be taught and how much a place to be trained? I've often heard "learn" used synonymously with the expected response to a course behavioral conditioning. That's an inappropriate use of the word.

Economy:

Our economy is like the domestication of animals. We are the herd that is milked or slaughtered.

Law and order:

Law and order maintain our economy.

Energy:

Our energy is controlled, like everything else, in support of the economic rulers.

Foreign Policy:

Doh!

Religion:

Is anger directed at the system poisonous to our spirits? Any strong emotion that has no immediate, concrete stimulus is artificial. The class of memory borne (artificial) feelings imply a feedback that builds intensity with or without a real time cause.

Imaginary emotions (abstractions of feeling) frustrate those who feel them and have no effect on the original object. If the emotion is purely imaginary it can have no outlet. If there is no real and honest outlet for any powerful feeling, damage to the psych is all but unavoidable. The usual method, deluding ourselves about reality so that the emotional turmoil may subside, is a cure that destroys the patient's mind.

The key to avoiding self inflicted spiritual damage from strong emotion is non-deluding mental discipline. We must each, somehow, find a way to differentiate real, immediate emotion from that stimulated by memory, including pseudo memories (lies and delusions) drilled into us by our culture. Doing that while remembering the evil in our society is difficult to say the least. But be clear and strong; that is what each of us must do to break the feedback loop and control the damage to our spirits.

Medicine:

They don't have the medicine we need.

Stem cell research is the best thing to come of the study of genetics.

Cloning a human is pointless grandstanding. It is not even genuinely technological. It requires a human ovum and womb to complete. Those who wish to do it are incompetent DNA hackers who know enough to cause harm but not enough to advance science. They aren't interested in science. They wish to be "leaders" at whatever cost to humanity. It's an ego thing.

Editorial Column:

As much as I eschew behavioral conditioning, some of it is natural, spontaneous and unavoidable. We do what we must to survive. We remember that which aids our struggle and that

which impedes it. But we don't have to respond to psycho-emotional training.

We can take intellectual control of what goes on in our heads. We need to assist one another to keep mind and body together until we complete our course of improvements of our consciousness. Only you know the answers.

VOLIN12

4/14/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q:Is the web of our common past an inescapable snare?

A: It's all in our heads. Memories are a trap, only if we allow them to be so. Who would be so foolish as to allow an imposed construction, that exists only in our imagination or as an inherited condition, to rule in the place of our own good judgement or to inhibit our survival in the present? What is a sincere conservative?

Week twelve:

Distractions:

On Monday the White House Press Secretary, in a brief respite from the China/Spy plane diversion, interjected a spin on the estate tax issue. He suggested that elimination of the estate tax was motivated by a desire to save the family farm. The irony would be laughable if it weren't so likely to succeed in fooling many people and even swinging popular opinion in favor this stupidity.

If they are really interested in saving what little farm land that's not yet in the hands of corporate giants, they can raise the current, untouchable \$800k to a million or two. Even ten million may not be too much evaluation and estate tax deduction for a viable family farm or business. ["Viable family farm" may be an oxymoron in the 21st century.]

Politics:

I heard a comment: "Many people would consider Thomas Jefferson a hypocrite..." because he wrote and spoke for freedom and equality while using slaves to earn his living and fathering children by Sally Hemming but publicly denying the relationship. Was Thomas Jefferson a hypocrite?

Jefferson was no more a hypocrite than the average politician today. I don't believe he or they have been conscious of their conflicting beliefs and actions. They have all been caught up in a widely accepted common wisdom of their times and social economic classes.

Everyone occasionally rises above the herd delusion to do something worthy of praise. Mostly we do what we must to survive. It [the delusion] was the same for Jefferson. That's not hypocrisy it's merely foolish and self destructive to allow our social and cultural inventions to negatively

affect our well being.

Education:

Bush's campaign promises, echoed in his inaugural address, are not to be found in his budget proposal. An oversight?

Economy:

Elimination of the estate tax will exacerbate the economic crisis the politician puppets are pretending doesn't exist. Money needs to get to the bottom before it can be pumped back to the top. Eliminating any means that is an opportunity to take money back from the rich and put it into the hands of the poor will, at the least, contribute to economic stagnation.

A real solution that will never be accepted is to set the estate tax deduction at two million with an additional ten million for bona fide family businesses that might fail if stripped of capital. The remainder, after deductions, of any estate, would be sold at public auction and proceeds go to building houses, creating jobs and providing medical care for our forgotten homeless and other victims of upper class greed.

We all depend on our economy for survival. It belongs to us, not to the wealthy elite who merely own it. [Their abstract inventions are the means of enthrallment.] The economic progress from 1870 to 1970 in America has been rolled back to the early 1950's level in the past 30 years. A two income household has less buying power than one income in 1970. We produce the things that they control. Why do we allow it to go on? Are we so completely fooled by their bullshit?

Law and order:

I have no problem with the theory of law or the evident spirit of most of the laws we have created. But unequal enforcement, racial and economic profiling by the police [policy enforcers], and laws written with exceptions for the wealthy elite and their corporations are that which spell justice JustUs.

John Ashcroft decided that the McViegh execution should be carried to the families of victims by closed circuit TV. He said it is the "right", truth, justice, the mom and apple pie American way thing to do. Cogent as his ratiocination may be, I'm curious about the source of his authority or that of the executive branch to do this thing.

I thought such matters were in the hands of the judiciary. Have the courts been so demoralized by the corruption of the all high, which put Bush in the presidency, that they can't or won't speak out in the defense of their territory? Is the price of Bush's "victory" the destruction of the separation of powers, the checks and balances, that are the heart of the constitution? Ironicoler and ironicoler. Color me sad.

Energy:

Enjoy it while you can still afford it. If they rape the last virgin wilderness to increase the supply of energy, they will still not sell it to you any cheaper than they must. They will only use any crisis to raise the price again and again. They will never begin to look at alternative energy sources until the last dollar has been squeezed out of dead humanity. It's a jealousy thing. Their humanity died centuries ago and they want to drag us down with them.

Foreign Policy:

Winston Lord, a former ambassador to China, echoed Colin Powell and others in commenting that "we have been flying these spy missions for years and have nothing to apologize for". I've also heard it said that the Chinese would do the same if they could. I've heard nothing of Chinese allegations on these subjects. Why are we actively defending positions that have not yet, apparently, been attacked?

Religion:

Our collective consciousness is God's computer program.

Medicine:

An epidemic of skin cancer is not proof enough the atmosphere has been drastically altered by our artificial chemicals. "Good science" is that which supports commerce at any cost to life.

Editorial Column:

The latest campaign finance reform, if it passes and is signed into law, is a small step in the right (not George's "right") direction. Some prominent conservatives were boasting how easily it would be circumvented before the Senate vote was taken. Reign in unruly leaders!

Our politicians have bolted from the influence of Americans and taken the leads of corporate campaign funding. Many believe the latest spy in the FBI should get the death penalty. What is more disloyal to the American people...?

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VOLIN11

4/7/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q: Are slave masters evil or stupid?

A: Wha' 'ell difference does it make to those who are permitted to live only to serve!

Week eleven:

Distractions:

I don't think we need to concern ourselves that George will apologize to the Chinese over the mid-air collision, though our leaders have expressed regret for the Chinese pilot's death. But he should thank them for providing a distraction from his domestic policy of economic delusion.

The Bush Department of Agriculture proposed lowering the standards for measuring salmonella bacteria in school lunches. This flag was hauled in after numerous protests by everyone with common sense. Was it a diversion designed to probe our defenses and give us a small victory (a political loss leader) prior to a big ripoff? Or are they really that stupid? Does it make a difference?

We don't have to judge good and evil to know what's good for us. And we don't need some elite jerk or one of the enthralled (yet pompous and arrogant) CEOs, managers or politicians (not to mention the echos from the rank and file) to tell us. [Ed. note: conservatives usually rely on economic intimidation, and the bones they toss us to fight over among ourselves, as their primary means of maintaining popular delusions. The basic difference between them and liberals are their styles of operating in that arena.]

Politics:

I heard a snatch of a TV interview with Trent Lott. In as pompous, arrogant and intimidating voice as he could muster the senator said, "I'll tell you what's good for...".

That was enough for me. I remotely flicked off the TV. The key to understanding our psych(s) and culture(s) is contained in that fragment.

Education:

Some people are conditioned to believe one thing and some another. Differently brainwashed people clash like the colors in the clothing representative of a style for which you don't care. It's all good, if you benefit from a disunited populace.

Economy:

They are telling us all is well, while they are looting our house. The Dow is down over a thousand points since January 20th. The NASDAQ is worse. Corporate layoffs and rising unemployment won't fulfill the promise of surplus tax money or increase demand to forestall recession no matter how misleadingly the word is defined by co-opted economists. The experts to whom we defer are not on our side.

Experts won't tell us, for instance, that the higher paying positions vacated by the laid off will be filled by cheaper, younger proteges and so on down the line. Nor will they say that, though the "cutbacks" increase the profit margin of each corporation that monkey does them; the cumulative effect is to weaken the economy. The same number of jobs or even more may exist but we, as a group, get less of the money.

They are free to run their businesses. We are free to starve.

Law and order:

The law is for the protection of the wealthy elite. The order is maintained by denial of that truth and delusions of grandeur.

Energy:

The prices are going way up in California. They'll get around to the rest of us eventually.

Foreign Policy:

The ordinary overseas amusements have been eclipsed by the collision of a Chinese fighter plane with our spy plane. If policy is hypothesis then is diplomacy empiricism?

Religion:

They say you have to take the good with the bad. The faith of the elite is that they will take the good and leave the bad for the rest of us.

Medicine:

If medicine and money ceased to exist the Earth would return to an unspoiled state. But that solution is as unacceptable as it is unlikely. Radical redistribution of resources is the right medicine we are unlikely to get. Right, in that sentence, is not defined as George apparently defines it.

Editorial Column:

We need to tell all the politicians. We need to say it loud and often. Abandon the policies that support economic tyranny. We want control of the wealth we produce. We don't need your abstractions. We are tired of your lies. We want the real thing. Stop the bullshit now!

VOLIN10

3/31/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q: How can I be spiritually and politically free in a democratic (or republican) free capitalist society?

A: You are impertinent to ask! The only true freedom in a capitalistic system is for the wealthy aristocrats who own it. Your spirit must be subsumed in a group consciousness that serves the elite. A path to massmind nirvana begins at the TV portal.

Week ten:

Distractions:

Bush Press conference 3/29/01: On rescinding arsenic and blacklung rules and wilderness fossil fuel "we will rely on "good science" and common sense reality". Is "good science" that which allows corporations to neglect public and workplace health and safety? Is a person who dies because of the ignorance of an employer any less dead than one who is a victim of corporate disingenuousness and secrecy inspired by cynical greed.

"Tax relief - ...on the side of people... ...against big government." [Ed. note: "on the side of the people"??? Is George realizing his liberal side?]

His remarks were full of conservative touchstones and buzzwords like values, principles, the "right" thing to do, responsibility. His smoke is designed to cover the eternal truth. The only conservative principles are selfishness and greed. They value only money. They deny responsibility for the effects on the rest of us of their cynical, un-American self interest.

He tried to display awareness of our problems by references to: the energy crunch and consumer debt, "caught in personal debt crunch... like government debt". The words are designed to ease our minds and convince us he has the solutions we need.

His solutions are apparently naive, though obviously self serving. They don't acknowledge, for instance, that historically it is republicans who increase the debt and the tax burden on the bottom 99% through runaway, inefficient defense spending and skewed tax laws; that government debt is just another way to give our tax money to the rich.

The wealthy elite became more heavily addicted to the extra cash during WW11, while working class people were dying to protect their right to enthrall us with their spins. Will I be accused of disloyalty for speaking the truth about their treacherous lies?

Politics:

Bush Press conference 3/29/01: paraphrase: campaign finance not about Bush McCain personalities. The press had stupidly tried to infer it was.

Education:

When will we ever learn?

Economy:

Bush Press conference 3/29/01: "worried about the economy" "working on free trade with Brazil"

That's what we need: more cheap labor to displace American employees and lower wages and

salaries for the lucky ones. That will get money into the hands of consumers so they can buy more, creating the demand necessary to end the recession. Good work George! Your friends, those who value greed and operate on the principle of selfishness, will love you for it.

1.6 trillion dollars divided by 40 million families without adequate health care equals \$40,000.00 per family. That's about 100 times the three or four hundred you'll get the first year from a Bush tax cut.

I wonder if the AMA would support a tax cut distributed in such a way as to pay for the medical needs of those families? Or aren't those the kind of family values Bush has in mind?

A two million dollar estate tax deduction for anyone but 100% after that will recycle the hoarded wealth and renew the economy for each generation. There will be the added benefit of the ability of the latest parasites to prove themselves worthy of their parents genes.

Law and order:

An orderly society is characterized by a docile populace. 1.9 million in prison. Up 3% from last year.

Energy:

Bush Press conference 3/29/01:

He said, if not exactly, certainly in effect: Look at all lands not fully protected. Canadian pipelines to US. Want more energy supply. Don't care where it comes from.

What good fortune giveth, conservatives taketh away.

Hydro-electric power development and rural electrification under FDR fulfilled the promise of cheap and plentiful electricity.

Conservative greed reneges on the promise. After 50 years of reactionary legislation and policy, almost all the utilities are in the hands of private corporations.

Those corporations have set the stage for and begun to act out the rate increases that have the potential to destroy the real economy and price us out of the power market. We are dependent on both for survival.

If the working class dies off will they be replaced by a sub-species of slave clones? Was welfare reform the start of the pre-thinning? If the workers are culled who will be next on the list of replacables? Will managers no longer be needed? What is the real ten year plan?

Disclaimer: the speculations in the preceding paragraph are not based on any real plans of which the editor is aware. They are merely extrapolations founded on the likely realization of the conservative principles of selfishness and greed.

Conservatives value only themselves and their wealth. They don't care what happens to you as they satisfy their own desires. When you are dead you are dead. It doesn't matter whether someone conspired to kill you or it was just a neglected side effect of their single minded self interest. It is a little more humiliating if it's the latter cause.

Foreign Policy:

Bush Press conference 3/29/01: He wants to "facilitate peace in the Middle East". He vetoed UN "imposed" peace initiative. Urging Arafat and all participants, through Powell, to stop the violence, is the signal he says he is sending. Ignoring the protests of our friends and allies, he is moving forward on missile defense. He also dissed them, us and the Planet regarding the Global warming treaty. Says we will rely on true science [apparently there is a block of scientists who are wholly co-opted by the conservatives] and common sense. And I thought common sense was what we all saw, heard, touched, smelled or tasted. It smells like more crap to me.

Religion:

Higher Power, save us! On second thought, it may be considered presumptuous to make demands of God. Maybe it is intended that we prove our worthiness to live by saving ourselves.

Medicine:

Bush Press conference 3/29/01:

Here's a thought dripping with irony: The "Patient's Bill of Rights" becomes side tracked to providing liability limits for medical malpractice suits. Is that a typical conservative spin!

Panos Savos conned a hundred year old Israeli rabbi into approving of his plan to clone a human being. A supportive Israeli doctor said he hoped that within two years a human would be cloned somewhere north of Haifa. He added that he desired the approval of the law.

Editorial Column:

The only way we'll ever afford proper health care is to have our fair share of the economy. We need to take some of the wealth back from the elite who horde it. I'm talking of real, material wealth, not the paper that symbolizes it. Their abstract tools serve their purposes by facilitating the theft of the goods we produce.

The following formula was forwarded by a friend:

Engineers and scientists will never make as much money as managers.

A rigorous mathematical proof explains:

Postulate one: Knowledge is power.

Postulate two: Time is money.

Every engineer and scientist knows...

Work/Time = Power

Since Knowledge = Power and Time = Money, substituting we have:

Work/Money = Knowledge

Solving for Money:

Work/Knowledge = Money

The limit [of Money] as Knowledge approaches zero is infinity, regardless of how little Work is done to achieve it.

I wonder if George developed this theory? He really is a mathematical whiz. Or maybe it was one of his "good" scientists?

[Editors note: I'm sure the knowledge to which the formula refers must be awareness on the part of the elite of the suffering of the majority as we slave to satisfy the former's insatiable greed. Managers are the sycophants the rich have cultivated to control us.]

VOLIN09

3/24/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q: How long is too long?

A: To Anglophiles everywhere, 500 years is too damn long to be in Ireland. Get your "Sons and Lovers" the hell out of there! Thank You DH, even though my progeny thinks you're full of it; I know where you're coming from. To the lords and masters especially: there is nothing quite so evil as aristocracy.

Week nine:

Distractions:

America is a democracy? We aren't even a decent republic. It was all a scam to attract European immigrants. In the 19th century the heirs of English lords, who run this country, were short of thralls to die in their soul-less factories. "Give us your poor, your tired, your hungry". We can use them to replace the freed slaves and drive down the cost of labor!

Many things that have been said before need to be often repeated. They need to be presented in novel ways, if that can be done faithfully. The truths were either not understood, were deliberately distorted or were denied by some of the listeners at the times of previous publications.

Politics:

Campaign finance reform will suffer because the wealthy corporations must not have their

freedom of speech abridged (the right to buy whatever TV commercials they choose). So we can do nothing to stop them from making a mockery of our freedom by buying all the politicians and elections. Their privilege is sacred! The bill of rights is virtually dead for the majority who can't afford them. Will the corporations be sanctioned for disloyalty to America through their negligence in the destruction democracy?

Give 'em a break! They only did it out of greed and self interest. And we all feel that. Don't we? There is, of course, a critical difference of scale. However, if we try to limit their freedom of speech, we will only succeed in abridging our own. Their's will not be affected, even though almost everything they are is affected.

Education:

If Bush has been talking of his tests lately, I haven't heard it. The meritocracy has always been a farce. Money always wins. No plan of George's will change that. On the contrary, he wants only to strengthen the monstrous power of the rich. Have you learned anything yet?

We don't seem to be learning to act more sanely or to be less deluded by this weeks lies. I wonder if many people could be taught to differentiate between their truly individual consciousness and that which is common? Would it be easier to distinguish between real time emotion and that which is born in memory or by induction from the mass mind?

Maybe we could sort out our own consciousness, but not by emulating role models. Differentiating emotion would definitely be more difficult.

Economy:

It's abstraction has benefitted only the wealthy elite. But even that will suffer if the rest of us don't consume to keep up demand. We can't borrow any more. We're too far in the hole already. We've reached the limit. We need higher pay and today's prices. If I weigh my right to live against a corporations right to set its pay scales, prices and profit margins, I know whose freedom I'll choose. We and the Planet Earth are the source of their wealth.

Anyway, they'll make more money on the increase in sales. They'll whine that they can't make a profit paying higher wages and maintaining fixed prices. They'll throw group tantrums led by Bush. But it will all be bull. You can tell when a conservative is lying because he is trying to convince you it is the "right" thing to do.

Get real! Morality and law are great when they work. But life is what's important. Making it easier for us to live is the real purpose of society and economy too.

Law and order:

Don't argue with your superiors. They own the law and you get the orders.

Energy:

They stole it all but still believe, foolishly, that they can dis the Planet some more and do it all over again. Whatever solutions they produce you can rest assured they will make more money and you will have less.

Foreign Policy:

Distracts too much from domestic travesties.

Religion:

If you create your own purpose for your life, it can live as long as you.

Medicine:

You can't afford it. But that's not a long term problem. Once all the human genes are patented you won't be able to distribute your own. Without people, there would be so much less human disease.

Editorial Column:

I would propose a life license be issued at age 30 but the irony is too great. (Beside: I'm afraid some fool would take it seriously.) If one had to prove one wasn't a fool each year or have one's license to live revoked, our economic and political leaders and followers would be extinct within in 366 days.

The unfortunate irony is, if you are not a true believer, if you aren't a fool, all the fools who support the system, our human culture and economy, will do their best to insure that you don't survive. Is it better to have your freedom self-abridged because of the threat of ostracization, or have it taken by violent means?

Apparently, genuine freedom of speech is restricted to those with enough money to buy commercial air time. The only real freedom and autonomy that exists is for sale. But the rest of us must pretend to be free or risk being branded disloyal, with the usual consequence of ostracization and death.

VOLIN08

3/17/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q: Should we respect fools more than hypocrites?

A: A hypocrite at least knows what he is doing. His foolishness, if any, is expressed by acting from self interest and greed without knowledge of or in denial of the real consequences of conservative policies.

Week eight:

Distractions:

Was I ever wrong last week! I said, "I don't believe I missed much". Then I discovered that George had repressed the airline strike. I'll try not to be so distracted in the future.

Pointing out the success of JFK's tax cut without mentioning the rollback of the steel prices that set the tone for wage increases and fixed prices, is misleading. The repression of the big steel corporations natural response to large strike settlement was the primary reason the economy recovered in the sixties. Dissembling that cause to emphasize the small role played by the tax relief is specious and dishonest.

On Wednesday 1/14/01 Tom Brokaw reported advice to small investors that suggested they shouldn't hold on to a falling stock too long. He also mentioned that, "60% of the stocks are owned by private individuals". He didn't mention that the 1% of individuals who possess those stocks have along with them, controlling interest in the corporations that own at least another 30%. I don't know where Tom got his information; maybe he was taken in. I recognize dissembling with intent to mislead, in the presentation of a statistic, as typical of the specious reasoning and lies of conservatives.

Education:

The delay of the airline strike, or any strike, is a delay in the wage increases that are the only remedy for recession. Fixed prices and greater pay for the bottom 60% will cure our economic illness. Profit margins will decrease but higher volume sales will make up the difference. The stock market will recover as a matter of course.

That abstract economy (stock prices etc.) must represent material production, is reality. It is evident that economists, politicians and the FED have lost sight of the truth. They are mired in the details of foreign markets, labor costs and other influences on the value of the abstractions that stand for the goods we need to live. In the end we must make and consume the means of survival. No indicator of the movement of symbols for those things nor the tokens themselves are edible. Only higher wages and fixed prices will save the real economy. The freedom of the wealthy elite will not feed the general population. Their liberty to exploit and control us (as well as the abstractions of the means and resources of survival) must, therefore, be expendable for the good of the majority!

But I don't think that conservatives want a healthy economy right now. I think they want to buy your 401k stocks cheap. Do you think you'll have a lot of cash to pick up bargains? Maybe you can buy them with the three or four hundred dollars you'll get from the tax cut if it passes. That is, if you still have a job and pay taxes. Such is the nature of the cyclic shearing of the sheep.

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Law and order:

The recent rash of school shooting incidents provide a pretext for further erosion of the bill of rights. At what point will Caesar have crossed the Rubicon? When he does you can bet it won't abate the violence in America. Media management fixated on profit and localized high population density induce mass schizophrenia. I predict the artificial mental illness will not respond well to political oppression.

Energy:

High air fares are blamed on labor difficulties before they even occurred. High energy costs benefit the Bush constituency. Is it uncivil of me to speak the truth?

Foreign Policy:

The continued blathering about the impossible missile defense system has convinced the Russians to renew the flying of long range, nuclear capable bombers on patrols near the Alaskan border of the U.S. Good work George! If you can rekindle a spark of the cold war maybe you can fan it into the flames of a nuclear holocaust. Hell, even the rumor of such will distract a large block of people from the impoverishment you are about to impose on them. And... you'll be able to give your military contractor friends a lot of our money.

George, if you convince the Russians we are on the verge of a missile defense breakthrough, maybe you can stimulate the launch of a pre-emptive strike. Remember, "use 'em or lose 'em"! But I don't have to tell you that. All your actions are carefully planned with all consequences known. It's a matter of principle with you.

Religion:

God help us! We're in deep this time.

Editorial Column:

Are conservatives hypocrites or fools? It depends on which conservative you ask. In the long run the vast majority of us suffer from their policies. So the determination of how little individual respect they should be given for personal integrity, is a moot point. Hypocrites are only slightly more respectable than fools anyway. That is because they are only slightly more self aware and slightly less prone to projection.

Conservatism is the cause of, not the solution to, the world's problems. Conservatism is synonymous with the childish greed and selfishness of an unruly economic elite and their wholly owned sycophants: media, CEOs, politicians, economists, psychologists and lawyers.

VOLIN07

3/10/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q: Why do conservative Republicans place property before people?

A: Even Lincoln hesitated to free the slaves on constitutional grounds concerning private property. That set the tone and no amount of civil, that is legal, or even kind words will change it. What are we allowed to say? Words become more important than deeds if and only if we may not speak of what we are forbidden to do.

Week seven:

Distractions:

I don't live for money. I know that I need money to live but I don't have to like it. The God I want to believe in did not intend for us to have to live this way.

We are constantly distracted by merely trying to survive in the economy we have created. In the true biological sense of Darwin we are not likely to survive as a species if we continue relying on our non-sense abstract inventions. Its existence only really benefits a small minority of the population. It's been that way for thousands of tears.

Education:
Economy:
Law and order:
Energy:
Foreign Policy:
Religion:
Medicine:

Editorial Column:

I've been distracted from watching the news this week. I don't believe I missed much. We all know what's going down. If we only check the news once a month we can record the progress of the politicians in putting our money in the hands of their largest contributors. They create some show pieces of legislation to pacify us but nothing meaningful to help us. They preserve their real power for ripping us off.

VOLIN06
3/3/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q: Has Bush II been distracted by the Pardon furor?

A: No, it has been created to distract us from what Bush is doing. Du-uh!

Week six:

Distractions:

According to one Bush spokesman, "pardons have not been a distraction to the presidents work on the budget..." etc. Good spin! I never thought the furor was an attempt to divert George. It is designed to distract us from what he is doing.

On Meet the Press 2/25/01 Sen. Domenici of NM said "Congress should get all the facts so we can tell the American people what's going on." I think I'd rather be given all the facts and trust my own judgement. Then Gov. Hucabee of AR: "Bush has done a good job keeping the executive branch and congress focused on the issues. Does the right brain know what the right hand is doing?"

In the State of the Union [SOUA] address Bush claimed success by having set a tone of "civility" in Washington. Does that mean that no one may speak of the contradiction between his words and his inevitable actions? What he does will economically devastate the majority of Americans. Disallowing the expression of the truth changes nothing. It only proves the weakness of conservative spirits.

Education:

Are you emotionally engaged by the president's promises? Thought conditioning depends on it. How else can the truth of actions be hidden from you?

Economy:

"A tax Cut for real Americans", said a Bush spokesman on Meet the Press. "...marginal across the board...". "...the right thing to do...". Where does the money for FED loans come from. What percentage of tax money goes to paying interest on debt the Gov't won't be paying down under Bush's plan.

Ads for 2nd mortgage loans are popping up all over. Spend your equity to help the economy. Believe me, you'll not get much from a Bush tax cut. Would you rather have 5% of \$10,000 [\$500] or 1% of a million [\$10,000].

Bush said, "the warning light is on the dashboard". I agree. However, The tax cut is misdirected. It is not a answer to decreased demand. "Low consumer confidence" is not a reflection of our "faith" in the abstract economy; it mirrors low wages. We don't have enough money to buy and we can't borrow any more. The market must expand at the bottom end. Fixed prices and a higher wages for the lowest 60% is the only solution that will work. But the unqualified truth is seldom heard from an MBA. They know only how to steal for their masters and keep quiet about it.

With fixed prices and higher wages, the money machine will then take care of the beneficiaries of abstract economy at the top. Of course that last will create the problem all over again but there is no point in telling the economic elite they can't have their cake and eat it too. They will throw an economic tantrum that will cause us more suffering than that to which their existence normally subjects us.

Conservative solutions are always designed to pump more money to the top. That's the fundamental problem with the economy [pyramid scheme]. It can't be solved by exacerbating it. Reaganomics proved that. The huge deficits, with the greatest part of the budget [tax monies] paying interest on them, started growing in 1981. Of course, the financiers loved it.

On a tangent: The rich are often explained as the Darwinian survivors: the strong. An ape has more sense than to hoard all the food depriving the rest of the social group. The group of primates has more sense than to tolerate such. An ape could never get away with forming a clique of like minded fellows, a gang, to steal and consume the resources that the rest of the family gathered. What end of social evolution are we at? Or is that devolution?

Law and order:

Increasing population densities are causing people to grow more insane. Putting the worst of the looneys in prison treats the symptoms but does nothing to stop the intensification of the disease. More money for the most crowded would allow them to purchase a little space. This might roll back the clock of extinction a little.

Energy:

Bush wants to expand the petroleum supply wherever possible, including Alaskan wilderness. This is not a solution for today. It only plays to the game of having reserves to sell at the price they will bring in ten years [plan]. Further, the amount of oil there, may only be ten percent of what is predicted. The only real solution is non-fossil fuel energy and conservation. But, in spite of lip service during the SOUA, that wouldn't serve Bush's constituency. They want to maximize profit at our expense.

Foreign Policy:

Colin Powell and George I visited Kuwait for the ten year anniversary celebration of the Desert Storm liberation. The Arabs were assured we will be there to protect the oil whenever necessary.

Missile defense, in the unlikely event that it succeeds, will eventually stimulate the development of more deadly missiles. In the interim, it will shovel the tax surplus into the hands of [conservative] military contractors and require larger deficits. Remember Reagan's Star Wars.

Religion:

We want to help religions with secular programs to assist government with the social agenda. Sounds good but is probably specious, maybe disingenuous and definitely naive on the face of it. Naive, that is, of anyone who believes that it won't end up being another way to funnel our tax money to George's friends.

The human species is only one of the life forms on this planet. In our minds and those of many of the gods we've invented, we are the most important life form here. We are only a part of the totality of life. We are responsible for what we do, for our lives. God is responsible for all life. I don't think God plays favorites. If I'm wrong about that, I still don't think a creative God would tolerate threats to the largest part of that God's work. In fact, the Hebrew God was famous for severe punishment of His chosen ones. Maybe that's because the non-human life does what He wants it to do.

Medicine:

Human genes are being patented. If God doesn't file suit, will air or water be next?

The arrogance of corporate America is incredible! But it is also self aggrandizing to fear that human Über Mensch will be the result of cloning technology. I think it is much more likely our corporations will desire a sub-species of slaves who are just intelligent enough to perform their tasks. The difference between these engineered morons and today's upper middle class is that the former will be payed nothing at all in order to secure their help, by the rich, in starving the rest of us into extinction.

Editorial Column:

If the self serving, pretentious leaders who, affecting high intelligence and moral principles, had themselves been made to drink hemlock in the Agora, instead of having been permitted to impose that penalty on Socrates, the world might be a much better place today. Instead of genius hobbled and under the control and direction of the weak minded but socially strong, the wealthy, it might be free to genuinely advance humanity.

Letters to the Editor:

The writers didn't request anonymity but the letters, inspired by previous issues of this publication, were addressed to me personally. I choose to withhold their names.

#1

Greg K Thank you for your social commentary. I pretty much agree with your assessment, however, I think your attributing this mainly to selfishness and greed, slightly misses a mark which plunges the whole society into the cause. It is selfishness but greed is secondary, it is self righteous, pious self centered-ness that is supported by the "science" of our day. PBS is doing a series called something like the survivors, in which it is presenting the history of life as a violent conflict under the guidance of Darwin's rule of the survival of the fittest. It is essentially saying that evolution is about the development of weapons so that advantage is obtained in the survival of the strong. In other words those who have the weapons disposed to their side are the natural ones to survive. Indeed it is this fear which drives the socially powerful to their actions.

The politics of America is based on the declaration of independence, the bill of rights, and the constitution, yet the constitution was supposed to be a transitory republic, and our history up till WW II consistently created amendments that weakened the republic and increased democracy's power. However, since WW II the republic has been strengthened to the point, that the bill of rights has been destroyed and freedom is no longer the abstract freedom of determining truth but rather the freedom to control others. This has been marked by the right of a corporation to have the rights of an individual. And the policies of Truman to maintain a military and to allow an elitist society to evolve around a republic. FDR may have contributed to this outcome. But the republicans and CEO's have gained the most from this situation.

However, it is the elitism that scientific opinion has gained from these developments that has been the cement that has held these social values in place. In case you did not know science now-a-days is held together by authority more than by experiment. Physics is not a description of mathematical formulas, it is a description of arbitrary mathematics on a probability base. It is the probability base which has been manipulated so that it (science) functions as a basis for empiricism. Technology leads science these days since science is not about seeking truth, it is about controlling truth. Science is not identifying truth, because freedom of speech has been stopped. Publishing has been controlling what scientific truth is these days. Science has become the religion on which the rich and powerful gain their validation.

Science does not know what is true anymore, yet they present truth as the big bang, and that they have some notion of what the genetic code might mean, yet one hears all this hype about understanding consciousness, teleportation, quantum computing, worm-holes in space. These are

all hype and nothing more since the physics-mathematical basis for these things does not exist, except as abstract theorems.

Truth is no longer being pursued, elitism has destroyed our ability to question truth.

#2

Greg:

The Democrats' old idea of "Tax and Spend" served as a sort of a "recycling" mechanism for wealth while getting public works done. But the Republicans are afraid: "If I pay taxes, my weeny will fall off!" The Republicans are happy with government spending--IF it goes to privately-owned government contractors so that it goes straight back into their pockets. But when everyone wants something for nothing; "I want a government contract but I don't want to pay taxes"; the government enters into "Deficit Spending", so that the government must BORROW money from the BANKS, who make a fortune on the interest.

During the 1990's, the popular thing for the Middle Class (those few who remain) was to invest in the stock market to "get rich." This has mostly funded huge corporate buyouts and mergers, while most people's incomes have not kept up with inflation. But "The Economy is Booming", so people have purchased lots of goods on credit to make things look like the economy is booming. "Everybody has a \$40,000 SUV." This just means that private deficit spending has replaced government spending to run the economy. Moving productive activities to other countries (partly via NAFTA), where labor costs are less, has also improved profit for Corporate America. This also means that LAND THAT would have been needed for farming and ranching can be covered with "MORTGAGE BAIT"= expensive houses people can buy so they can pay interest on a mortgage.

One might label the process of banks backing housing development "Mortgage Baiting". Thus in Arizona, we have banks mortgage-baiting in the desert, while in Indiana bankers mortgage bait in the cornfields. I've heard that outside of Buffalo, New York, there's some mortgage-baiting going on.

One way to reduce the burden of the National Debt might be to provide the service of Doctor-Assisted Suicide for all the bankers to whom this enormous debt is owed. They might not realize how much pain they're in, but they still need this service. Then the Republicans can have their tax cuts, the Democrats can increase spending, and everyone can be happy.

Regarding the Harvest of Stagnated Wealth, one must think in terms of Orders of Magnitude, which can be confusing. A 1 M Ohm resistor and a 1 K Ohm resistor can look almost alike, as can a 1 nF capacitor and a 1 pF capacitor. But if one harvested 1 Billion dollars, he could send \$33,000 to each of 30,000 people and STILL have \$10 million to work with.

Editors note: Increase one billion (1.0E9) to one trillion (1.0E12) and the 30,000 (3.0E4) becomes thirty million (3.0E7).

VOLIN05

2/24/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q: If we undermine the inner city schools, will the socialization process suffer, resulting in many unruly people with little opportunity to divert them?

A: Du-uh!

Week five:

Distractions:

While espionage by an FBI agent is not insignificant, it doesn't deserve the share of the focus it is receiving. There are more relevant issues. But our politicians don't care to take responsibility for the damage they do in the name of elitist greed and selfishness. They would rather we examine the more esoteric principles to which they pretend.

The purpose of their show and tell, whether it be foreign or domestic threats, is to divert our attention from the real facts of life. We are and have been, in the case of western Europeans and derivatives, virtual [economic] slaves since the time of Julius Caesar. Longer or shorter times apply to other ethnic groups. All the spins and distractions created by politicians are designed to protect us from the hard truth, so that the status quo remains unchanged.

Bush's defense of the status quo suffers from a poverty of imagination. Clinton, old cold war enemies and petty tyrants in the Mid East must be constantly revitalized in order to keep our attention diverted from the eternal welfare for the rich paid by the rest of us. How much longer will we continue to succumb to those weak spins.

Education:

Vouchers will shift federal dollars from inner city schools that already suffer from overcrowding and under funding, to the elite school districts and private schools of the rich. This move, predicated on accountability and responsibility measured through skewed standardized tests, is supposed to improve education generally. Who will tell the emperor he has no clothes? Perhaps only a child could see through the illusions to the truth.

Is that because socialization has not yet completely deluded the children? If Bush's education plan is implemented the one's with reason to ponder this will never learn enough to figure it out. They won't have as great a chance as we did. And apparently that wasn't a very good one.

Economy:

Earlier oil price increases result in less demand over all as consumer dollars are burnt up. Lay offs and a drop in production follow. Then the stock prices [abstractions of economy] are affected.

Tax cuts end up in the pockets of energy corporations and their stock holders. The middle class is already saturated with debt so cannot mortgage anything else. FED rate reductions will fail to help one day. Are we in that cycle?

Fixing the blame on the dependence on foreign oil does not fix the problem. Domestic oil will still be reserved for the day when energy costs are really high. The same corporations who monopolize the oil here, own or import the majority of the foreign oil as well. They may want to stake their claims on the national wilderness preserves but they will not infuse the system with cheaper energy. The profit motive guarantees it. They are making too much money the way things are. Non-fossil fuel energy production for individual households is a solution the system's owners will not accept.

Nor will they admit that only higher wages and fixed prices will allow consumers to revitalize the economy. Greed and selfishness are the principles that assure business as usual. We will continue to suffer under their dominion until we speak out with a single voice against traditional economic slavery and standards that value a rich minority higher than a productive majority.

But here's a new spin for you, George. Get every one to forget about the real beneficiaries of abstract economy and turn their focus to the nouveau riche entertainers. It's true that sports and movie stars must do something to begin to accumulate their money. But even if a personal economy has a real basis it becomes abstract as it grows.

This diversion serves the second purpose of increasing divisiveness among people. Often the newly rich remember their beginnings and try to use their growing power in the misguided attempt to help those who haven't beaten the odds. Oh, has that distraction already been launched? I don't know what you can do, George, that's original.

Law and order:

Be sure to engage your emotion as directed by big brother. It wouldn't do to have you thinking about the impending legal rip off of the wealth you help produce. A fearful employee is a loyal employee.

Cooperative existence is unnatural. You must only cooperate to produce wealth for the masters. You must not be aware of the process or the contradictions contained.

Think about something else. If you don't fear criminals will harm you or are not outraged by Clinton immorality, you may have time to think about who is always stealing from you. That would not serve your country.

Energy:

Time to change fears/angers. No thinking in between. You might notice that California consumers, with their tax dollars, are paying for the import of electricity to fuel their industry until independent mini-power plants can be installed at the factories. I wonder if the corporations will get a tax cut so that we can foot that bill too?

Foreign Policy:

Major threats are low profile this week. If your emotional engagement is declining and you are in danger of thinking, perhaps you can conjure up a revitalized Russian menace. They are still watching us and it's pay for view. Our wealthy rulers say our loyalty should be immune to corruption by money.

Religion:

In 1936 George Orwell's "Keep the Aspidochelone Flying" paid homage to the fearsome money god: "Something deep below made the stone street shiver. The tube train, sliding through middle earth. He had a vision of London, of the western world; he saw a thousand million slaves toiling and groveling about the throne of money. The earth is ploughed, ships sail, miners sweat in dripping tunnels underground, clerks hurry for the eight fifteen with fear of the boss eating at their vitals. And even in bed with their wives they tremble and obey. Obey whom? The money-priesthood, the pink faced masters of the world. The Upper Crust..."

Editorial Column:

I've heard it said that our social hierarchy is a meritocracy in which the leaders are genetically superior individuals who are also those with vested interests in the community. The thought, and I use the term loosely, assumes that the best, not scum, rises to the top.

I assume that genetic superiority refers to the brain and not the musculature of the gifted individuals. But there was little detail about the occurrence of such genius. Careful here, bigotry is straight ahead.

We avoid bigotry if we assume the occurrence of genius is statistically equivalent across racial, ethnic and class boundaries. But who will decide when it has occurred? Can a non-genius identify a genius? How does an ordinary person recognize the ability to create or comprehend that which the person cannot understand? But there is a less profound problem to address.

Identification of those with genetically superior brains is problematic because they will have been nurtured differently depending on economic class and other factors. Improper nutrition or inadequate health care or education can mask the attribute in question in too many cases.

On the other hand, superior care and education will allow many economically advantaged (or just plain lucky) individuals to claim a genetically superior brain that they do not possess. They will form a clique of their own to support one another's pretensions.

Genuinely superior brains [thinkers] will likely be eliminated from such groups as threats to expose the childish vanities of the pretenders. This dynamic creates a danger that the leaders of business, academia and government will degenerate to a collection of self deluded fools whose principal occupation is the defense of the economic and political establishment of which they form [invented] the spiritual center.

Worse yet, what happens to our progress on all fronts as a species, if genuinely superior minds are forced to conform, in order to survive socially, to the views of mediocre nitwits who are faking it? Will all true thinking be suppressed, even by the thinkers themselves?

Will we become an emotional mob bound together by social instinct? Will we be led to the fulfillment of the greedy appetites of the socially strong? Will that slavery be justified by referring to our possession of individual self interest and an artificial hierarchy of feigned genetic superiority?

VOLIN04

2/17/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q: Are they inept or do they think we are stupid?

A: Maybe they'll meet in the middle, where the Schiz and the phrenia come together.

Week four:

Distractions:

The Congressional investigation of "The Pardon becomes criminal as it moves to the JustUs department. Have our leaders thought this through? Does any politician really want us to look closely at the connections between political contributions and the subsequent acts of those who make and execute the laws? What will we find out about govt. contract awards for the military or public works? What of general procurement? From what else does the focus on Clinton divert our attention?

It's all illusion! I can imagine the strategy: "Create a spectacle and they won't focus on how we stole the presidency and are planning to use it to rape them economically. They will finally beg us to move on". The proofs that such schemes exist are the results that politicians have always produced. Their accomplishments are not in the words they use to engage us emotionally. Their real purpose can be gauged by the distribution of wealth in America. The only standard they hold is used to measure the money they value exclusively of all others and things. That [standard] device is derived from the genuine principles to which they adhere: greed and selfishness.

We allow ourselves to be distracted by their childish, self righteous posturing. Don't be deluded by anything they say. Look only at what they do! Oh, and you can rely on today's politicians to project their own faults and crimes onto anyone and everyone else.

Election and/or Campaign Finance Reform:

A bill was introduced to order a nationwide poll closing time (9PM EST/6PM PST). First they steal the election then project their crime onto the press. Many, accepting Bush's "right to set the tone", allow themselves to be deluded by such foolery.

If large contributions, including those from PACs, were forbidden, no one could "legally" bribe our politicians for any purpose whatever. Until then, we will continue to have the best government money can buy.

Economy:

The leadership is owned by a self serving minority of the population. We can count on apparent short sightedness and ineptitude in dealing with the Tax Cut and all economic issues. But western economies have been dominated by small, elite groups since Julius Caesar conquered the Celts.

Caesar's political heirs haven't forgotten his advice. They even cover their tactics by projecting divisiveness onto us... if we have the temerity to notice their thoroughly unscrupulous greed. The only remaining question is: are they stupid or crazy? Do they think, stupidly, that we are blinded by their brilliance?

The visit to Mexico was probably more an economic than foreign affair. The impact on our economy of cheap imported labor is not what Bush would have us believe. For years conservative employers have claimed they cannot make a profit any other way, while the politicians publically denounced the illegals and privately supported their masters.

But the blinders of short term gain that conservatives wear prevent them from seeing the only ultimate solution for recession is higher wages and fixed prices. In such an atmosphere demand, production and profits grow. Even the financial industry parasites gain. Only short sighted greed and selfishness insist that we must have our cake and eat it too. George, you have to spend a dime if you want to keep making dollars.

Executive orders designed to further weaken unions will have the same effect such tactics and laws have had under Eisenhower, Nixon, Reagan and Bush I. They will help to bring on recession by repressing wages and reducing demand. In the end, production is cut, profits fall and the Wall Street parasites suffer too.

But certain of the Wall Street parasites gain. They are the ones with all the money. They control the majority of the abstract wealth. When the recession causes stock prices to fall they will have positioned themselves to have a large amount of cash or liquid securities on hand. Is the economic policy designed to allow these people to buy up capital, further concentrating wealth, when the exchange prices fall? Whose money are they harvesting each time this happens?

What happens to the tax surplus during a recession? Phony, self serving principles won't save us. Conservative policy is designed to sink us. I predict there will be enough life boats for the economic elite. Of course, only those who remain loyal to their clique will be saved.

Energy:

Has everyone forgotten there is a five to eight year lead time on new power plants? No amount of words or fault finding will solve a real problem. If you can afford it, build an individual power plant for your home. That's what the corporations are doing. If corporate mini-plants succeed in

reducing demand, do you care to wager that grid power prices fall? It's bass ackwards of course. But independent power for people and industry power for industry, would not serve the profit god. It would require that we have some of the money.

Foreign Policy:

Colin Powell led a pep rally for George W's "...vision of a hemispheric policy". The president was in attendance and spoke the ritual phrases. In his comment on the Western Hemisphere he didn't say anything beyond the usual reinforcements of morale.

Did George's visit to Mexico contain an agenda hidden in misleading words? Does he want a ready supply of sub-minimum wage labor to exacerbate our economic problems and make his friends richer?

Iraq has been punished and we are safe from Saddam for a few more weeks. I wish we were safe from the present danger posed by the economic raiders led by Bush. But we are emotionally stimulated by the allied attacks.

Religion:

Does Bush thank God for the science of behavior modification? Is he aware that such exists or is he merely an unwitting victim of it? Learned mental inhibitions, remote stimulation of emotion, memory of emotion and other imaginary constructs constitute the genuine spirituality of many people.

Editorial Column:

What will be the final solution for the 40% of the population who will get little or nothing from the tax cut. Their wages are held down by the conservative principles of selfishness and greed. Incomes in the lowest and second quintiles top out at \$17000 and \$32000 respectively.

IF we delude ourselves, we might believe the average income for the second quintile is \$25000: a taxable \$15000 or less after dependent and other deductions. Fifteen per cent of that is \$2250. A 5% reduction puts about \$15 per week in their pockets. It will be less in many cases. Democrats are predicting much less in their assessment of Bush's plan. In any case, there will be nothing for the bottom quintile. Moving up to the third quintile, we receive little more. Sixty per cent of the people get a token tax cut but we are expected to consume the economy out of the slow down.

By the time we get to the top of the fourth quintile the dollar amount of the tax cut begins to impress, if not anger, the bottom 60%. Though it's not significant to those who receive it. But let's return to the majority. Who are we and whose side are we really on?

We are the workers, the technical achievers and the lowest level of management. We are the people who actually make and distribute the things we need or want to buy with money. We deal with real material goods as opposed to the top 40% who mostly handle tokens and abstractions of

the products and, of course, consume the highest quality and most expensive goods. They also own most of the land.

Land and the goods that are produced are the real wealth. The tokens and abstractions that represent them, such as money and stocks, will not support life. Yet we reward the minority who manipulate the abstractions of wealth and punish those who produce it from the Earth. Does this seem to put our economy at cross purposes to you?

Conservatives might be able to infer our existence from the goods they consume. Unless they are capable of so completely deluding themselves as to believe their sustenance is manna from heaven, they must know that someone produces the things they take from us. But when one lives in the abstract world of money, one is insulated from the real sources of every day things and the people who make them.

We think we choose sides. But, if we are honest, most of us just find ourselves on one, whether we want it or not. Many of us, in denial of reality, pretend that`s not really where we`re at.

VOLIN03

"a kinder, gentler, more
compassionate newsletter.
Well... a less arrogant and
self indulgent one than last
week... Come on, let`s have
a little fun anyway!"

2/10/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Q: How soon will the Wall Street Sheep be sheared?

A: Harvests took place in 1929, 1987 and during other mishaps of abstract economy. When can the middle class expect to be despoiled for the first time in the new millennium?

Week three:

Economy:

Support for the Bush Tax Cut is growing as reports of industry lay offs and NASDAQ decline permeate the news. But, as noted, the money from tax cuts (or loans from the FED) will not get to the people who need to spend it in order to turn the economy up. Feigned strength of will, or willfulness, or even token tax concessions cannot change reality.

Wake up George, the conservative lines are played out. You've already got all the money. You must give some back to the people from whom you took it.

You must George! If you want to continue to trick the fish into biting, you'll need to feed them

until they are strong enough to take your hook. This time it won't work to just throw around a little chum to attract them.

And you know, it doesn't really matter whose statistics are "honest". What's eternally true is: the wealth of the rich is produced by the rest of us. A tax cut for capitalists might stimulate supply? Theoretically the jobs they create could get money to workers. The jobs won't be created unless capitalists foresee a demand for the goods produced. Tax cuts to the middle class aren't enough. The lower class doesn't make enough money to pay enough taxes for a tax cut to be meaningful. (It doesn't matter what the fraction of the percentage is.) Higher wages for low and middle classes and stable prices are the only real solution.

Bush's plan simply won't work.

The current problem is that growth is slowing due to low demand. The money must go first to "consumers" (and those who won't need to use it to service debt) not "producers". Bush's plan will exacerbate the problem. The middle class should come to their own conclusions about what more credit card and home equity debt will do to their futures. Bush's words will not feed, clothe or house anyone. They won't pay for anyone's retirement.

Sales taxes take a much larger percentage of the monies of the poor and elderly than does income tax. Why not give the 1.6 trillion to the states so they can eliminate sales taxes: at least for necessities. Local autonomy and responsibility are perennial conservative issues. Would relief for the poor, or more than token tax cuts for the middle class, fit the agenda?

Law and order:

News media have chosen to increase the frequency of reporting spectacular acts and potential acts of violence this week. We are apparently not fearful enough to be thankful that we have John Ashcroft to protect us.

The conservatives are still trying to focus on Clinton. The diversion is cover for their anti-Robin Hood agenda. The House Government Reform Committee needs to be investigated for the misappropriation of tax money for investigations designed to distract the American People from the ongoing rape of the economy.

The scale of the conservatives's anticipated crime makes the Clinton pardons insignificant in comparison. The House is not only wasting time and money; they are using it to lie to us by dissembling their true purpose in carrying on this farce.

Energy:

After the West, Georgia might be the next to have plug pulled by the deregulatory fiasco. The solution: more deregulation. D'oh! Why didn't I think of that? We all know the economy is in danger of becoming less top heavy. We must do everything we can to funnel more money to our rich benefactors. George, we congratulate you on your economy of thoughtful and effective policy.

Foreign Policy:

While we contemplate the arrest and trial of terrorists, crimes are being committed by the economic terrorists who create policy. That is the root of our problems.

George grows out of principles that preclude genuinely thoughtful responses to anything. His remedies were all prescribed centuries ago. Is George's brand of feudalism the solution to the twenty-first century's problems?

They aren't even his own ideas. We can expect him to mightily defend the territory of his biggest supporters against incursions by decent people. One of the tactics in that war is to distract eyes that stray too close to home. That is the real function of conservative foreign policy.

Are you beginning to get the idea that I don't believe George is sincere about what he says. Don't worry, I know he is sincere about what he wishes to accomplish. The further impoverishment of the majority of the population is imminent. I wish he would come right out and say it. If honestly portrayed, I have no fear that the American people would fail to whole heartedly reject George and all his presumption.

Editorial Column:

What will conservatives say when the American People get tired of Clinton bashing. For eight years the Republicans obstructed every decent thing that Clinton wanted to do. They didn't argue the issues. They diverted attention to irrelevant personal behavior. Is that the only strategy the right can create to distract us from their real principles: selfishness and greed?

The Bush tax cut will not have the desired effect. The rich already have almost all the money. Giving them more with the Tax Cut will exacerbate the problem. No amount of fast talk or reference to skewed statistics and show piece principles will change the truth.

Maybe an analogy will get through. Think of it as a parable, George. Imagine you have an oil well and a machine to take oil from underground and place it in a reservoir at the top. Now imagine that your well goes dry and there is no place to drill a new one. Keep in mind that this is only an analogy and loopholes in the words will not likely be reflected in the reality it represents.

Now imagine that you don't need all that oil but you really like pumping oil into your reservoir. It makes you feel powerful and superior. So what are you to do? All the oil is in the reservoir. Well, if you could find a way to pump it back into the ground, you could start all over again. The machinery that pumps it up to you would react automatically to the increased demand and you would refill your reservoir at the top very quickly.

I think you may have guessed by now that I'm really talking about the economy. So what mechanism could we build to get money back down to the bottom so that the wealth machinery would have something to do and the rich could continue having the fun of stealing the money from us, while feeling smugly powerful and genetically superior as well?

How about, instead of eliminating the estate tax, we make two million dollars deductible and 100% is taken after the sheltered portion. That wealth could be distributed to the poor on a graduated scale based on income. Or it could provide high paying jobs to those who don't already have them and we could add many new management positions into the bargain.

If we efficiently redistribute the money, it will be spent. Then the machinery that harvests money will have something to do. The heirs of the rich may have to build their own machines but with a 2 million dollar start up they'll still have a much greater opportunity than the rest of us. And each generation will have the chance to prove their worthiness. Plus they'll have the fun of playing the game for themselves. This is a win win proposition.

But unfortunately the rich have a real union. They are a gang who will threaten us with an economic bludgeoning if we fail to give up our money on demand. They don't wish to complicate the fulfilment of their lust by paying us to produce real goods to sell to us.

VOLIN02
2/3/2001

"A good slave works for food alone."

Week two:

Economy:

1/31/01 George announces a tax cut for charitable donations. How much will this affect you? But it will assuage the national conscience. The White House press release this morning hailed it as a demonstration of George's compassion. George is very generous to his wealthy friends, with our money... before or after he steals it from us.

If everyone gets the same percentage of tax cut the bottom 40% get nothing at all. Guess who gets 80% of the 1.3+ trillion dollars over ten years? If we spread it out equally to 120 million adult consumers (whether or not they can get enough work to pay taxes) it is \$10,833.33 each. Over ten years that is about 50 cents per hour for forty hour weeks. But they don't plan to give most of us even that much. Is this how they propose to build up demand and forestall a recession?

1/31/01 But Alan has lowered the prime to 5.5%. Where does the FED get the money they loan to the banks? Do we go in debt for it... so it can be loaned to us at a profit? Is this method of bolstering demand for the sake of corporate profit better than raising wages and creating good jobs.

LBJ cut taxes, raised wages, eliminated unemployment, reduced debt and created an economy so strong it took Nixon's policies and the war in Vietnam a full eight years to destroy it. Nixon was long gone before his swindle came to fruition. Let's not let George's fuzzy peach of a plan ripen.

An ongoing problem for the working poor is prisoners and illegal alien labor employed below minimum wage. I don't mind the competition from immigrants as long as they adhere to the standards instead of being exploited to get employers around them. But it galls me to listen to Bushshit about our great economic system when its anybody's guess how many homeless have dropped off the charts (and probably died within 3-5 years), while cheap prison and illegal laborers are made to compete unfairly for the miserable jobs available. (Remember, Reagan changed the way we count the unemployed. 4% under LBJ was a lot smaller percentage of real people without jobs than is 4% today. Sound like an oxymoron? Check it out. It's newspeak statistics!).

Employers always want to minimize wages. This is good for profits and therefore Wall Street does well. But low wages ultimately decrease demand causing cut backs in production which cause lay offs which decrease demand. For at least twenty years the response has been to cut taxes (which puts little additional money at the disposal of 40 to 60% of employees) or lower interest rates thus increasing non-government debt. The only real beneficiaries are Wall Street financiers and other parasites born of the abstraction of wealth. Even economists can't be so blind as to believe the ability of the economy to support debt is infinite. Look at the changes in the distribution of wealth over the past twenty years.

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The money needs to come back down from the top. But the only way they are willing do that is to loan it to us; at a profit. An idiot could see this can't work. It will just exacerbate the problem. Are conservatives in denial of reality?

When JFK/LBJ strengthened unions by holding down prices as wages on the bottom end and in the middle increased, we spent money that we didn't have to borrow. The increased demand for consumer goods caused production to grow and industry profits (and even the Wall Street parasites) benefitted. So tell the fools to get their heads back in view and get with the program before their shortsighted greed and rationalization providing principles get us into a hole from which we can't dig out.

Law and order:

If it hadn't been Ashcroft it would have been some other conservative. Flawed philosophies produce flawed government. At least we know who to watch in one department. Come to think of it we know who to watch in every department of the Bush administration. Whoever he chooses deserves scrutiny.

John is a law and order man. Apparently two million, 1/4 for non-violent drug crimes, are not enough slave laborers to satisfy conservative economists. Prisoners cost \$30,000/year to house, cloth, feed, guard and doctor. If we gave a fourth of them \$10,000/year plus \$5,000 worth of [wholesale] drugs, we could save \$15 billion per year and put the dealers out of business. This last would work better if we spent the 15G on 500,000 additional addicts who are now on the streets.

Energy:

"It's a Western States issue" 1/31/01. George refuses to be accountable for the conservative deregulatory feeding frenzy that has created the "California" power crisis. The refusal to take responsibility for the real problems brought about by the policies of Nixon, Reagan and Bush I is typical of the right wing. They have words for everything but competent action is reserved for fortifying their own positions of interest.

Bush's response to California's energy crisis is: "it's their own fault". George is great at fixing the blame. Can he fix real problems? Cheney said on Meet the Press 1/28 the problem is: "deregulation was not" thorough enough. Presumably that means the problem should be fixed by multiplying the price six-fold to the consumers. 1.3 trillion dollars would buy enough independent solar power installations to provide free power for 120 million families. The \$10,000 dollars required up front for good solar electric system for a single family dwelling is probably less than you would pay for twenty years of electric bills at the OLD prices. We could put it to a vote but votes don't count with Bush.

Foreign Policy:

Seems to have dropped below radar this week. But when it reappears it will be as a means to funnel money into the hands of defense contractors large and small. I've worked for defense contractors at \$50,000+ per annum. Even "salaried" employees are paid by the hour because the contractor gets three times as much as the employee for each hour worked.

It's a turnkey operation for the owners of these money machines. The government supplies, building, furniture even pencils. We supply the money. The contractor supplies only resumes, references and an empty bank account to be filled at taxpayer expense. And the products do not increase real wealth.

Religion:

Bush II issued an executive order to allow public funds for community and religious social programs that off load the problem from government. Is our man of principle ducking responsibility by handing it to churches. Or is this his way of making sure only deserving people get help. In the application process for these funds, that his Executive Branch creates, will white supremacists in the guise of religion be eligible. What about Muslims?

Some Muslim nations are labeled terrorist. Do we weed out some American Islamic churches? Where do draw the line. Lines drift and usually (sorry Euclid but Albert won't mind) bend around to form a circle. Who will be placed outside the boundary of acceptable religious behavior? Will the remaining inner circle constitute the "establishment of religion".

We know how the suborned majority in the Supreme Court will react. This is the worst case scenario for justice.

The best case scenario is Just Us: public money will be funneled to George's friends and

supporters for the administration of the "private" charitable programs. Regardless of conservative propaganda to the contrary, private administration of public money always costs more than government bureaucracy. There are limits to the size of government paychecks.

Let's not let George circumvent those limits in his distribution of the spoils of his victory [in the Supreme Court].

Social Security:

Are the scam plans quietly going forward while Bush declaims no desire to make an issue of Clinton's white house exit. Come to think of it the news has been full of backward looking, ironic Bushshit all week. What is their smoke screen trying to hide?

Editorial Column:

The Truth is powerful.
The one true God is the One who tells the Truth.
The one true religion hasn't been invented yet.
The real truth is, I doubt we'll ever cultivate
the lower forty. Though, all it really needs is leveling.

The American pie is divided such that 59% of the people have 4.7% (the lower 2/3 of them have 0.2%) of the goods and money, while 5% of the people control 59.4% of our wealth.

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Why won't the FED's rate reduction work to keep demand up? (Market expansion is required for a pyramidal economy to continue to function.) It's been working for thirty years. That's exactly the problem. The middle class is saturated with debt. The loans [presumably from the 5% at the top] must go to the 36% of people in the middle. That group controls 35.9% of goods and money. The 59% don't have enough credit to borrow us out of the feared recession and they don't make enough to pay income tax. A tax cut won't put the money where it needs to go.

The almost religious zealotry that conservatives bring to the discussion of the wages paid to employees eschews the obvious solution to the demand problem. We must get the money from the top to the bottom. Sharp increases in wages are required. Only greed and selfishness prevents us from accepting this truth.

Middle class pretentiousness and wanna-be-ism are the impediment to overcoming our denial. The 5% are supported by the 36% because they are the managers and overseers created by the elite to do so.

But fear not, greed is secure. The 40% who own 0.2% won't be seeing this email. If they could afford computers or even decent educations, the high tech boom might more easily continue. I

won't hold my breath until they get a reasonable wage.

-For the American Just Us system, Ashcroft is the ideal, the standard choice. But he might dull the patina of civility on the surface of a chaos of selfishness and greed, the real principles of conservatism.

2/2/2001 Senator Hatch said to the detractors of John Ashcroft, "let he who is without sin cast the first stone". Does that mean that unless one is perfect one may not judge that the acts of another are harmful, ie. sins, even if they affect the imperfect one.

Ashcroft's acts may affect me but it is unlikely that mine will affect John. The scale of the potential harm is also a factor. We have more right to judge John, even though we're imperfect, than he has to judge us. And that goes for George and all the Dick's in the White House too. I do hesitate to judge anyone as immoral. But I know what I like. And I'll be the judge of the value of anything or anyone to me.

-George, I know you have delegated the Pardons and White House looting to staff, but presumably you are in charge. Let's put Clinton behind us. We want a clear view of your preparations to sack the treasury for your masters. Don't worry, our expectations are no more or less... for a political demimonde.

Remember, no amount of opprobrium heaped on Clinton will legitimize the Bush presidency. We will hold George II accountable for looting the treasury and starving the productive sector of the economy, to make his friends richer.

Bush is here and now. What he does has a more immediate and profound effect on our lives than any irrelevant issue or past deeds of scoundrels he can dream up or exaggerate to distract us. We can't afford to be diverted from the truth by allowing our emotions to be played.

Maybe you've known the truth all along but you don't believe there's much hope. HOPE! The Truth is powerful. Spread the Truth!

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"A good slave works for food alone."

Week one:

Politics:

No money for foreigners who perform or counsel abortion. I remember we were to be less arrogant and more humble in our dealings around the world. If they want our patronage they must do as we say.

Would it be too cynical to suggest that pro-life leaders' hidden agenda is to promote a large

population of cheap, service industry labor. Who but the rich want and can afford servants?

Education:

I predict accountability through testing will some how be twisted to yielding more money from the poor to the rich instead of pinpointing weaknesses in the education process to be fixed. Conservatives are so predictable. Insert your thoughts here.

Economy:

There are so many government scams to tax the poor to give to the rich that this is hardly necessary. The conservatives are saying that 5% of the people pay 50% of the tax. They are getting off cheap. See the tables at: http://ufenet.org/research/wealth_charts.html

The charts show they aren't paying their share, based on their share of the wealth. Check out the Census Bureau to see that the disparity of income is even greater. The numbers, no matter how deceptively presented, are probably reliable.

Who's side do you think Bush is on?

Social Security Reform?

Give the bulk of the money to the rich and their demimonde to build up their retirement investments. The remainder of us, 40% at least, will starve but who needs us.

Energy:

Bush's response to California's energy crisis is: "it's their own fault". George is great at fixing the blame. Can he fix real problems? Cheney said on Meet the Press January 28, 2001 the problem is: deregulation was not thorough enough. Presumably that means the problem should be fixed by multiplying the price six-fold to the consumers. 1.3 trillion dollars would buy enough independent solar power installations to provide free power for 120 million families. The \$10,000 dollars required up front for good solar electric system for a single family dwelling is probably less than you would pay for twenty years of electric bills at the old prices.

Foreign Policy:

About missile defense: see taxing the poor to give to the rich. If you aren't familiar with the abuses of military contractors you don't need this because you aren't from this planet. By the way George, how many times have you spent or given away that 1.3 trillion by now? What if the projection falls short?

Medicine:

1.3 trillion dollars divided by 40 million families without adequate health care equals \$32,500.00 per family.

Editorial Column:

On Thursday January 25, 2001 FED chairman Alan Greenspan testified before the US Senate Budget Committee. Though he included what everyone wanted to hear, I believe the weight of his double talk opposed a large tax cut at this time and supported elimination of the deficit. You can count his multiple conflicting votes by reading his address.

FED:

You might also see that he paid homage to the one true religion by chanting the sacred litany: Capital Investment, Production [labor] and Demand [consumption]. He gave due respect to the effect of debt, government debt, taxes and spending. Isn't it surprising he didn't dwell on the relationship between private debt and demand?

All is comprehensible to a careful reader. Only one question, which I've had for thirty-five years, was not satisfied. Where did Capital originate?

The faithful always approve of rituals well performed. Careless readers will find support for whatever position they chose. George II claimed Greenspan's words favored his 1.3 trillion tax cut for the rich. That clears it up for me. Capital is originally gathered as taxes or some violent means from the people, by the wealthy.

At 8PM MST on January 26, 2001 I viewed a Microsoft advertisement on CBS. Empty stools by a bank of Web Servers supported a voice over which enthusiastically informed us that dependable MS products can make money for us without human intervention.

Will FED floated banks loan jobless people the money necessary to consume the products available on the web and other consumption required to sustain the life of a healthy ECONOMY [Amen]? What a great formula for survival: less employees, lower wages, bigger profits, loan the taxpayers their own money to bolster demand. What happens when most corporations approach total automation? Will they loan us the money they won't have made, because there is no demand, so that we may continue to live?

charts

But George will save us! He'll find a way to funnel more of our money to Capitalists, the wealthy priests of the true religion. Then they can more quickly finance our displacement by reducing their payrolls. (The jobs created by the production of robotics, automation etc. are temporary. Once a working system is entirely in place these workers won't be needed.) But not to worry, Wall Street will be flourishing and the labor problem will be solved forever. The economy will be totally abstract. Dip shit and eat it! Bush will give us nothing but deluding words to consume. If we give him enough time to test his agenda we'll be lucky to survive at all.

Typically, conservatives respond to warnings about the direction we are moving in by labeling them alarmist; the democratic process of compromise will diffuse the danger. Since 1970 our standard of living has decreased for most of us due to the erosion of the buying power of our wages. Remember, loans aren't earnings, at least not for us. Two wage earners can now buy 80% of what one could purchase with his or her earnings thirty years ago. Our ability to consume and

keep the economy going can afford no more compromise. The pyramid is too top heavy already.

We can't support any more Bushshit!

Those who remember can try to spot the lies in the [probably] accurate statistics of the Commerce Department at the link above. Hint: compare your memory of average wages in 1970 to those today. Compare the prices of the two times. Based on your knowledge what do you think the tables are trying to hide?