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Happy Hour In Woke-Ville

In Woke-ville where I reside, there is ongoing opportunity to experience the irrationally absurd. Today's happy hour, where my attendance was mandatory, was such an event.

The food was great but I knew better than to drink with my neighbors. Towards the end, the talk moved to the *wondrous inclusive temperament* that is Ashland—where we find ourselves sharing the same table with gay/lesbian couples—and whomever else.

So as to test their boundaries of inclusivity, I asked if we include free speech in our inclusivity, giving equal footing to those with whom we disagree? And, am I included: an aging, unrepentant, 2nd Amendment male, who denies blanket accusations of privilege and entitlement, a masculine protector of women—a proud man from the 1950's?

This was delivered, good-naturedly, with a laugh, but received in silence. Responding to the silence I ventured that there is always some group under attack—now it's white men. Minor outbursts, offered-up with a dash of etiquette, challenged how I could equate my entitled life to what has been done, across the years, to blacks and women?

I agreed that women and blacks suffered greatly, but the attack on white culture, especially white men, has gathered notable force. This was scoffed-off, outside of any inclusivity—through denials from women at the table—with no sympathy for white men.

With my good-naturedness having reached its limits, I let the subject drop. Around me were murmurings that politics was not an appropriate subject, but then again these folks have Kamala signs in their yards and keep current with their NPR subscriptions.

I miss the old days when, if Kamala were the candidate it would be okay to say that if elected she would become the 1st moronic, woman of color president, or, sport a bumper sticker reading: *I hate him so much that I willing throw support behind morons.*

What the *happy hour folks* don't realize is that their supposed disinterest in politics on the global scene, is making its way into their own back yards—into their happy hour. And delusion abides when talk of inclusivity omits free speech/protection under the law.

Delusion rules. ZeroHedge (the closer we get to the election), reads like the Onion/Babylon Bee. Fran Lebowitz calls for Joe Biden to disband the Supreme Court (is she a 4th grader?). Kamala, the more moderate, wants Supreme Court packed w/morons.

Delusional epicenter is my state, Oregon, where Dem/Sen. Wyden no longer lives (moved to NY). He proposes to pack the Supreme Court with his *Judicial Modernization and Transparency Act*. Gerrymandering (political parties redrawing district lines to

gain votes), is bad enough, but *redrawing* the Supreme Court messes with rule of law.

Wyden proposes to pack the court with 6 more justices (dems), audit each member yearly, and require a 2/3s vote to overturn a law. Unlike Lebowitz, Wyden is a long-time senator who should know better than to re-write the Constitution for political gain.

Also, WEF sellout, John Kerry, pledges his allegiance with notions that *effective governing requires compliant adherence to a singular ideology—governing is too challenging when it can't stop people from seeking/discovering information that is against their interests*. He uses language that seeks to *hammer* this information out of existence.

Kerry is the enemy of the republic Jefferson spoke of: "Let no more be heard in confidence in men, but blind him down from mischief by the chains of the Constitution."

If Kamala/Walz prevail in the election, it's over for our republic. Unless they get taken down, using constitutional powers mandated to the states and citizens, we'd better take copies of the Declaration of Independence/Bill of Rights/Constitution—and head out.

That Kerry feels need to function as a traitor to the 1st Amendment, hopefully shows globalist frustration and fear that they are losing. In less than 5 weeks—we find out.

The incurious among us don't realize the harm they do to America by not opening their minds to reality. 2 great deniers of free speech constitute the democrat ticket for the presidency. 1 is an old white man, but that's okay because he's doing his penance.

I've said it before but it never hurts. White men (with their faults), gave us the best *law of the land* ever created (maybe ever will be). White men, constrained and protected by those documents created the greatest nation to ever exist. White men were instrumental in freeing the slaves, assuring women got the vote, and ending segregation.

Today I told a neighbor that gold was showing upward pressure because of what is happening domestically and globally. A reply came back that gold is *blood money*—something that only goes up when things are bad. Curious because gold is actually a barometer of where things are at—that doesn't just go up—it goes from \$2000/\$1050.

Those of us who rode that train down know it 1st hand. Blood money suggests conscience and motive—when what gold does is measure hopes and fears. When the economy appears to be solid, gold goes nowhere—sideways at best. But now that economic chickens are coming home to roost, blood money returns to haunt us—with a promise/threat that those of us who accumulated gold/silver are enemies of the state.

I received this email from a reader: *Question: you mentioned in one of your newsletters that certain dimes and nickels contain silver. I believe it was those prior to 1969. Could you clarify the date for me and how much silver each coin might have?*

I ask myself: how could anyone who reads what I write about not know this? But that's *my* dumb question. This woman has an open mind to what's going on in the world and she would like some clarity. That's the difference between her and my townspeople—she is addressing the problem—and they are avoiding it. I'll get back to her.

Out of frustration, some here tend to obfuscate the issue by lamenting that the internet is so vast that it's hopeless to attempt to use it for clarity. It's not, and when asked where to go to get a basic overview, I simply offer up a name or 2 for each discipline.

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