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Where's Gary Cooper When You Need Him?

This from a reader: 'First rule of journalism, don't compare anyone to Hitler. You're pissing into the wind with all these comments of Trump. Doesn't matter who's in that office all politicians are psychopaths, and you never offer any solutions to it, just bitch and moan. I was hoping to continue to receive your newsletter, but it's the same thing over and over and over boring.'

My reply: 'First rule of journalism: there are no two things that can't be compared. In today's article I'll take up why the comparison (with Trump and Hitler), is apt. Piss off.'

Yesterday, my friend Tim said: *It's indecent to mention Hitler in this society, but it's also indecent to be Hitler in this society.* When the best comparison for Donald Trump is Adolf Hitler, make the comparison. If you don't like it—what's that say about you?

Americans should be required to watch the film, *High Noon*. It opens with a great Tex Ritter vocal and Cooper giving up his job a sheriff to ride off in a buggy with his bride, Grace Kelly. But he couldn't leave, not knowing the mid-day train would bring Frank Miller and two gangsters, to take over and subjugate the town that he loved and protected.

We have no Sheriff Will Kane to risk his life for his people—or our republic. Instead we have Trump (and his gang), with a mission to take what

others have worked for, and have them thank him for taking it. If, like Canada, they object, they had best look out.

We are living under the boot of a global protection racket. Our Don is a mafia don—presiding over a nation of sheep who ignore Trump's mafioso tactics. Instead, they see him as God's emissary to take-down globalists. And we peons, lacking Trump's all knowing—just don't understand.

Another all-knowing evil one, Scott Bessent, today reminded the world that if Russia had, before invading Ukraine, swapped its foreign reserves for gold, it would have caused the gold price to rise, but Russia's assets would have been safe from confiscation.

What is Bessent thinking? If 200 nations are listening, they realize their only safety is in gold—and it's time to swap dollars. Bessent is telling them why. Making it worse, he's enlisted a gold advocate, Judy Shelton, as an economic advisor, with her plan to offer long term bonds, redeemable in either dollars or gold, to pawn-off more US debt.

What's the downside of Judy's plan? 1st, a gold-convertible bond is an admission that betting on the dollar alone is not sound practice. 2nd, if skeptics are correct, that no gold audit since the 50's means our gold is long gone, then to repay investors, the US would have to borrow money to buy gold—with dollars worth 25 cents when the price of gold has tripled.

Meanwhile, the US deficit for 2026 has hit \$2T. We had a tough time paying the interest on \$1T—so hold unto your seats. And with the Don doing nothing constructive to end either the war in Ukraine or Iran—where does that take us? If you think it means higher diesel prices, think again. It's not price that matters—it's having no diesel at all.

Because Trump has no strategy, no-one knows if the strategic petroleum reserve has been depleted to where the storage caverns are now unusable.

And, the scheme for Putin to ship diesel to the US is a ruse—a PR moment with a paltry amount of diesel—measured in days.

With a jaundiced eye toward the future of the dollar (maybe anticipating Judy Sheldon's gold bond), China trimmed its US debt holdings from \$1.3T, to \$650 billion—a drop of more than half. They sold it off incrementally—then turned the dollars into gold.

The US political/economic model is colonization, as practiced under the banner of the United Fruit Company, fronting US interests 200 years ago, subjugating and displacing indigenous people. Only now is it's being corporate driven—and it's shifted into overdrive.

2 decades ago, most of the American continent lined-up behind a model of *national socialism*—resulting in the Americas poverty rate falling from 46% to 29%. Under US Foreign Policy (with Don leading the way), forced coercion replaced socialism with corporate cronyism. Most every Americas socialist government has now moved to the right—at US behest/force.

There is a line where socialism crosses into communism, but not necessarily because a nation's leaders decide to nationalize oil for the benefit of citizens. Hugo Chavez took such an action for Venezuela—marking the beginning of the end for him.

Don't get me wrong, I'm no socialist. Just enough socialism to keep the unfortunate from falling through the cracks. The rest is good old capitalism/competition—with a built-in mechanism where the captains of industry are hamstrung from obtaining monopoly status.

Nations in the Americas have been made subject to US corporatism. To name a few: Cuba, Guatemala, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Honduras and Panama. And that's just Central America. Argentina is a bad joke. As troubled as is the left in Brazil, the Bolsanaros are much worse—Trump's

version of the murderous Nicaraguan Contras. Trump functions, out in the open, as a Pinochet for the Americas. And nobody takes him on?

I didn't mean to say nobody. Canadian PM Carney does, but instead of being credited for the heroic aspect of his face-down of Trump, we are reminded that Carney is a WEF stooge and a central banker. Carney certainly has his failings—but taking-on Trump is not among them.

Where's our Gary Cooper newsperson, Mike Wallace, when we need him? Real newsman worth their salt would have had an easy time taking down Trump/Bessent/Hegseth. But now, the questions don't get asked—Sunday Morning News is a sick circus.

As readers unsubscribe, I ask myself: am I bitching/moaning, or is it something else? Do they disagree with what I write, or are they accusing me to protect unexamined beliefs? For some, maybe it's something else: they're scared that receiving my articles might put them into an internment camp?

This is a time to question motivations. Like the reader who opens this article, what's he really about? And those of you who dropped me as a friend—to protect your unexamined assumptions—what's that about?

Readers send me Robert Barnes/Kunstler pieces I don't read as I recall them being ardent Zionisms on October 7th. And, Jerry Seinfeld's blind support of Israel (unless the YouTube clip is AI), means I'm way done with him.

This is a desperate, fearful time. A time to take nothing for granted. What looms on the horizon is horrific, and questioners find themselves more alone than any time in memory. Those close to us seem able to love us, but they don't really like us. Only the curious/inquisitive enjoy us and profess to like us. Fortunately, I enjoy my solitude and I'm content with my own company.

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