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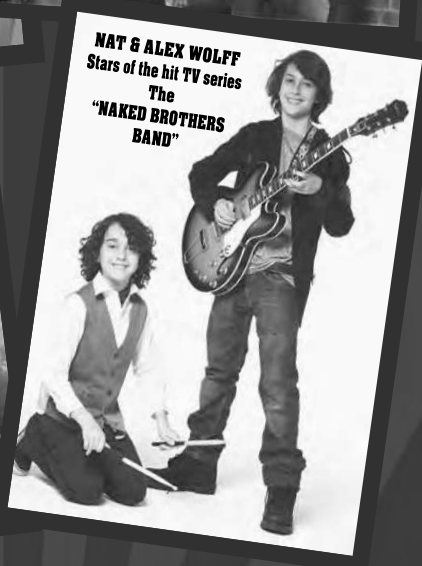
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## THIS MODERN WORLD

by TOM TOMORROW

### STRANGE DAYS

THIS IS TRUE! GLENN BECK RECENTLY IMPILORED HIS AUDIENCE NOT TO GO ON ANY KILLING SPREES.

"JUST ONE LUNATIC LIKE TIMOTHY McVEIGH COULD RUIN EVERYTHING!"



IT'S NOT A REMINDER KEITH OLBERMANN OFTEN GIVES HIS AUDIENCE...

"BIRTHERS" CONTINUE TO MAKE FOOLS OF THEMSELVES--MOST RECENTLY FALLING FOR A BLATANTLY-FORGED KENYAN BIRTH CERTIFICATE...

UM--THIS IS FILLED OUT IN CRAYON...



KENYANS ARE VERY POOR!

AND THE BABY'S NAME IS "PRESIDENT OBAMA."

THEY'RE ALSO VERY PRESCIENT!

AND LET'S NOT FORGET THE LATEST YEABAGGER CRAZE--ORGANIZED DISRUPTIONS OF CONGRESSIONAL TOWN HALL MEETINGS...

WE ARE HERE TO DEFEND AMERICA--FROM THE TERRIFYING SPECTER OF UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE!



OR AT LEAST, MODEST REFORMS IN THAT GENERAL DIRECTION!

THE LUNACY'S AT A FEVER PITCH THESE DAYS...APPARENTLY FOR THE FAR RIGHT, THE ELECTION OF OUR FIRST BLACK PRESIDENT HAS BEEN AS TRAUMATIC AS A SECOND 9-11...

OUR COUNTRY IS BEING TAKEN OVER--BY STRANGE OTHER PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT LIKE US IN THEIR STRANGE MENACING OTHERNESS!



WHO DO THEY THINK THEY ARE WINNING AN ELECTION IN OUR COUNTRY?

SOME WELL-MEANING SOULS THINK THE BEST WAY TO DEAL WITH THE CRAZIES IS TO IGNORE THEM.

IF I STICK MY FINGERS IN MY EARS AND LOOK THE OTHER WAY--IT'S AS IF THEY DON'T EVEN EXIST!



ANYWAY, RIGHT-WINGERS ARE MOMENTARILY OUT OF POWER--SO WHO CARES WHAT THEY DO EVER AGAIN?

WE'RE NOT SO SURE ABOUT THAT. LOOK OUT! YOU'RE HEADED FOR THAT CLIFF!\*

OH--AND WE'RE BANKRUPT. AND I JUST FOUND OUT I HAVE CANCER.



NOT TO WORRY! IF WE IGNORE OUR PROBLEMS--THEY'LL ALL JUST GO AWAY!

\*ANOTHER IN OUR OCCASIONAL SERIES OF CARTOON METAPHORS INVOLVING CLIFFS.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### A BAD DREAM

Where or where did democracy go in Eugene? Wasn't three times voting against a police station enough to let the city know the public does not support spending money on a new police building? I guess we only have two City Council members, Betty Taylor and George Brown, who believe that it is important to represent the voters.

We really don't mean it when we say we want the downtown revitalized. This is all a bad dream. Thank you Alan Pittman for this very informative but discouraging article (7/30), and along with the Camilla Mortensen article about Seneca and more smog for Eugene, one could almost think about moving.

Ruth Duemler  
Eugene

### MOVING DAY

A few days ago, as I prepared to move back to Portland after eight years in Eugene, I discovered yet another indicator of this town's economic distress. At two-thirty in the morning, I posted an ad on Craig's List asking for up to five people to work for three hours to load heavy boxes, furniture, and other items into a truck. Five hours later, I received my first call in response to the ad, then another call every few minutes. By the end of the day, I had received 71 calls and seven email messages, for a \$30 job! The next day, the calls continued, until I deleted the ad. I selected the first five callers and, when they showed up four days later for the job, it turned out that they ranged in age from 53 to 63. Very sad.

Matteo Luccio  
Eugene

### DOG GONE IT

In response to the article "No Dogs Allowed" in your last issue (7/30):

It took me two months to find a place in Eugene that would rent to me with my large dog. But now, a few weeks later, I am beginning to understand. The economy and its repercussions aside, I have a beef with dog owners and understand why landlords might.

I walk my dog every day and meet lots of dogs. The problem? Only one in 10 seems to have any training or manners. Nine out of 10 dogs we see bark uncontrollably, snarl and growl. If I see a dog down the block, even on a leash, I cross the street. Now, I might be biased—I have been training dogs for 14 years—but I think all dog owners should be training and socializing their dog. If you don't know how, find someone who does. You have a responsibility to your dog and your community. And just because your dog is the size of a Dixie cup doesn't mean it's cute if it has a conniption fit every time someone walks by.

Kudos to you if your dog is the one in 10—I salute you. To everyone else, find a trainer or keep your dog at home. Knowing how poorly most of these dogs behave when the owner is standing three feet away, I can only imagine what they do in their owner's absence. I can't really fault the landlords of Eugene for refusing residency. I only feel sorry for the good dogs whose reputations have been tarnished.

Taralynn Carter  
Eugene

### A NEW JOB SECTOR

As you mentioned in "Demystifying Oregon's High Jobless Ranking" (8/6) Oregon should take advantage of the federal recovery package. The potential for new jobs flowing into Oregon is huge—especially green jobs. We can create a new job sector in Oregon, one that isn't dependent on seasonal work and can create jobs in rural communities.

Right now Congress is considering a bill that can put three million Americans to work—including Oregonians. The American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009 is a game-shifting piece of legislation. Not only will it create new jobs, it is a huge investment in renewable energy and energy efficiency. This translates to a dramatic reduction in our global warming pollution. What we need is a total economic transformation and this bill will put us on the right track.

No surprise Big Oil and Dirty Coal are fighting hard to make sure that doesn't