

THIS MODERN WORLD

by TOM TOMORROW

FURTHER GAFFES FROM THE ROMNEY VIDEO

1) CANDIDATE DISCUSSES OTHER AMERICANS FOR WHOM HE HAS LITTLE USE.

THE LOW WAGE SERVICE EMPLOYEES I ENCOUNTER ARE OFTEN SURLY AND INSUFFICIENTLY ATTENTIVE!

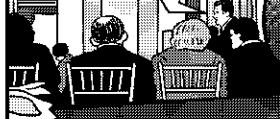
IF IT WERE UP TO ME, I'D REPLACE THEM ALL WITH ROBOTS!



2) EXPLAINS HIS SECRET DREAM OF LITERALLY DIVIDING AMERICA INTO TWO COUNTRIES.

I'D CALL THEM THE UNITED STATES OF MAKERS--AND THE UNITED STATES OF TAKERS!

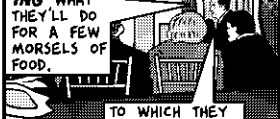
WE'D GET THE GOOD PLACES, OBVIOUSLY.



3) CONTEMPLATES PRACTICAL USES FOR THE POOR.

SAY YOU NEED TO REACH SOMETHING UP ON A HIGH SHELF? YOU TELL SOME WELFARE RECIPIENTS TO LAY DOWN IN A PILE--AND CLIMB UP ON TOP OF THEM!

IT'S AMAZING WHAT THEY'LL DO FOR A FEW MORSELS OF FOOD.



TO WHICH THEY ARE NOT ENTITLED.

4) EXTOLS THE JOYS OF DIVING INTO HIS SWIMMING POOL FULL OF MONEY. IT'S POSITIVELY INVIGORATING!

I DON'T KNOW WHY THE LESSER CLASSES RESENT SUCH HARMLESS DIVERSIONS!



5) GOES OFF ON LENGTHY DIGRESSION ABOUT THE THRILL OF HUNTING HUMAN BEINGS FOR SPORT.

YOU ROUND UP SOME HOMELESS PEOPLE AND SET THEM LOOSE ON YOUR SECLUDED PRIVATE ISLAND--AND THE GAME'S AFOOT!

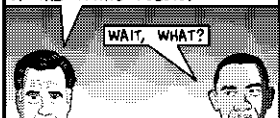


IT'S JOLLY GOOD FUN!

YOU CAN MOUNT THEIR HEADS ON TROPHY PLAQUES IF YOU LIKE!

NEXT: CAN A CLEVER ONE-LINER PUT THE CONTROVERSY TO REST?

I AM NOT GOING TO EXPLOIT, FOR POLITICAL PURPOSES, MY OPPONENT'S EVIDENT LACK OF CONTEMPT FOR THE PARASITES AND FREELoadERS WHO COMPRISE MUCH OF THE VOTING PUBLIC!



WAIT, WHAT?



might be affected by his positions and decisions, while his opponent continues to criticize and find fault.

Gawsh, I wonder which attitude might accomplish the most during debate in committees and on the House floor up in Salem.

That's why I encourage you to check John's records, ignore his opponent's advertising and join me in electing him as our next state representative.

Kenny Eilers
Springfield

HOW THINGS WORK

Here is how democracy works: Hundreds of people write letters and send emails to the relevant officials against oh, I don't know, let's say a new gravel quarry. Dozens and dozens of folks and their neighbors go to public meetings to voice opposition to that same gravel quarry. The public officials, hearing the will of their constituents, deny the gravel company a permit.

Here is how capitalism works: Hundreds of people write letters and send emails to the relevant officials against oh, I don't know, let's say a new gravel quarry. Dozens and dozens of folks and their neighbors go to public meetings to voice opposition to that same gravel quarry. The public officials, hearing the will of their donors, grant the gravel company a permit.

See any difference? If not, just go ahead and vote Republican. Remember, only corporations are people, my friend.

Jamie Selko
Eugene

R.I.P. MISTER

I'm responding to Randi Golub's letter of Sept. 13. It is ironic that someone who makes her living caring for hospice animals does not think that shelter animals have that right. Ms. Golub, in her discussion of "facts," conveniently omitted that the dog Oakly, while at Greenhill's First Avenue pound, was left to suffer with painful

ailments, medically untreated for almost two weeks. Oakly does have some senior issues. He has a right to life. Oakly is now safe, living comfortably, enjoying peace, sunshine and love.

Medically qualified eyewitnesses have testified the cat Mister did not have any eye condition. He was eating and drinking and purring, outgoing and asking for attention. This is not the behavior of a suffering cat. Greenhill's vet put Mister to death, even though he was not suffering and had a hospice home waiting for him.

I trust the eyewitness testimonies about Mister and Oakly. I do not trust Greenhill's veterinary "assessments." Putting to death any animal that is not suffering and has a home available is morally and ethically wrong. It is not in keeping with the Save Adoptable & Treatable Animals mandate, nor does it reflect Greenhill's own guidelines for euthanasia: "No animal is euthanized at Greenhill without an extensive review process, and then only if there's no viable alternative."

Oakly got his alternative only because of the persistence of the rescue community. Unfortunately, we learned about Mister too late. R.I.P. Mister.

Tamara Barnes
No Kill Lane County
Eugene

SQUANDERED SUBSIDIES

Federal subsidies and mass transportation need a table where knowledge and power meet, which is Congress. The House needs to represent the needs of "we the people" in proportion to population growth. To do that, Public Law 62-5 must be repealed. It limits the number of congressional districts to the number of representatives each state was entitled to on Aug. 8 of 1911. That's why "we the people" only have 435 representatives.

Subsidy payments feed multiple layers of redundant government with no consent from the governed. Instead of public agencies wallowing around in a quagmire of which one of them gets how much, and vociferous 501(c)(3)s preaching in the street, local/



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