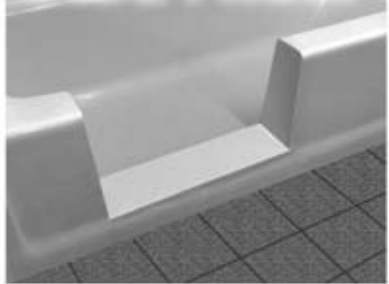


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really went nuts, pushing its nose all over the place. I still had a bunch of salt in my hand — I was wearing a rubber glove — and I stuck the salt right up the hog's ass. The poor hog didn't know whether to shit or go blind." (From a PETA investigation at a slaughterhouse, 2010.)

Lioba Multer, Ph.D.
Yachats

as I recommended before, they could make football a major and make the coaches professors. Think of the money to be saved if the professor of ballology was paid in line with their academic peers.

Vince Loving
Eugene

HISTORY OF BANKING

President Andrew Jackson was the only president in 1836 under which the U.S. was able to pay all the national debt. It did so because it cut borrowing from banks, money to be used for our commerce; instead it printed government-issued cash so that Americans would have money to do their transactions and controlled only the quantity in circulation.

The Constitution has a major flaw: It allows Congress to borrow money (at interest) but it doesn't say that Congress can print fiat money with interests to no one. This is slavery.

Paper is cheap and the technology to make bills non-counterfeitable is easy enough.

King Edward of England did good with wooden "tally sticks" and his country prospered.

Back and forth went the battle between private banks, which wanted to practice usury with the whole world's countries and loyal nationalists, which believed that their money should come interest free.

Because of Fractional Reserve Banking, banks can lend out and receive interest on more cash than they themselves possess.

Rome, too, was the greatest empire of its day by issuing (cheap) copper or brass fiat coins to its people. This prosperity lasted many centuries until Caesar decided to issue gold coins with his profile on them. This impoverished the people and caused wealth inequality with the goldsmiths and bankers winning. The Roman Empire went downhill after that.

Let's stop feeding the 3,000 private banks called the Fed and their accomplice the IRS.

David Ivan Piccioni
Eugene

THE MILITARY OPTION

In answer to letters concerning drafting the homeless: First, the homeless would be able to join the regular Army and be paid, if acceptable of course. The alternative would be to join, serving the community, like the old Works Progress Administration repairing our infrastructure for six years without pay. They would be receiving the possibility of learning a trade, food, room and good medical care, coming to approximately \$18,725 per year, at a 40-hour week, \$9 an hour. Also, after serving for either the four or six years, they would be eligible for four years of college, plus food, room and board and medical care, at a cost of approximately \$33,725 per year, at 40 hours a week, \$16 per hour. They would also, at the same time be able to work part time in society for pay.

The homeless who are restricted with physical or mental health issues or addiction would be treated by the military. Also, families would be provided for; the people who are able to work would have to in some form determined by our military. The assumption that our homeless are incapable of working or unpatriotic is also absurd.

As far as indentured servitude is concerned, our corporations in this country eliminating jobs and sending the work to Vietnam, paying \$1.19 per day, is indentured servitude. Our country needs to stop policing the world for multinational corporations and bring part of the \$900 billion back home to serve our and the military's needs here at home, infrastructure and defense.

Gene Okins
Eugene

MAJORING IN BALLOLOGY

The Northwestern University football team is unionizing and the NCAA has decreed that universities have the right to bring in scabs in the event of a strike. Or,

gay (gā) 1. there once was a time when all "gay" meant was "happy." then it meant "homosexual." now, people are saying "that's so gay" to mean dumb and stupid. which is pretty insulting to gay people (and we don't mean the "happy" people). 2. so please, knock it off. 3. go to ThinkB4YouSpeak.com



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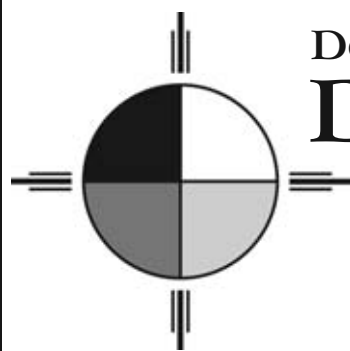


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