

## ONE-LINER “FACTOIDS” ON EACH PAGE

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p. xvi How to name a book: In 1958, W. Cleon Skousen took his book manuscript to movie producer and friend Cecil B. DeMille for review. After reading it, DeMille said “Cleon, what you’ve done here is strip away all the lies and foolishness of Communism. ...” (cont’d)

p. 1 (cont’d) “... You should call it “The Naked Communist.” Skousen did. The book became an American best seller. He followed it up with *The Naked Capitalist*, an expose’ on the Federal Reserve and international banking. This book, *The Naked Socialist*, completes that trilogy.—Author

p. 2 “You cannot make men good by law, and without good men you cannot have a good society.”—C.S. Lewis

p. 3 “Socialism is expensive: In 2012, Canada raised its retirement age from 65 to 67 to defray the rising costs of its government-guaranteed old age pension plans.”—AFP, Michel Comte, “Canada ups retirement age in bid to balance,” March 30, 2012

p. 4 “My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee...” Hosea 4:6 KJV

p. 5 “Propaganda has absolutely nothing to do with truth.”—Joseph Goebbels, Hitler’s propaganda czar.—Attributed to Goebbels in response to criticism to his newspaper, *Der Angriff*, 1926. See Wilfred von Oven, Wilhelm von Oven, *Mit Goebbels bis zum Ende*, Vol. I, Durer-Verlag, 1950

p. 6 Socialism in Europe: France’s profligate “Ancien Regiem” at work: Marie Antoinette demanded 80 staff added to the palace of Louis XVI to care for her new princess baby.—Shailer Mathews, *The French Revolution*, New York: Longmans, Green, and Co., 1914, p. 33

p. 7 Socialism in America: The Federal Register, the daily Congressional publication where the federal government announces all its new regulations and laws, grew to a record-

setting 81,405 pages by the end of 2010.—Clyde Wayne Crews Jr., *Ten Thousand Commandments, An Annual Snapshot of the Federal Regulatory State, 2011*, Competitive Enterprise Institute

p. 8 “Let us tenderly and kindly cherish therefore, the means of knowledge. Let us dare to read, think, speak, and write.”—John Adams, *A Dissertation on the Canon and Feudal Law*, 1765.

p. 9 Free market at work: With 4% of the world’s population, the U.S. produces more than 50% of the world’s soybeans.—US EPA, *Major Crops Grown in the US*, 2000.

p. 10 Urban Russia: 3 out of every 4 people grow some of their own food just to survive. Reprinted in *The Palm Beach Post*, Nov. 5, 1978.

p. 11 “Socialism values equality more than liberty.”—Dennis Prager

p. 12 Socialism is expensive: Norway adds 14% sales tax to all food.—<http://bbs.freetalklive.com/index.php?action=printpage;topic=28798.0>

p. 13 Communist Party USA: “Socialism will meet the needs of the great majority of our people and lay the basis for solving our social, economic and environmental problems.” So, what about the minority left behind?

p. 14 Minutes of work to earn a Big Mac: Chicago=12 minutes; Moscow=21 minutes; Mexico City=135 minutes.

p. 15 Socialism kills—Soviet Union death count under Stalin from 1924-1953 from famine, terror, purges and executions: 30,000,000.

p. 16 “Were we directed from Washington when to sow, and when to reap, we should soon want bread.”—Thomas Jefferson

p. 17 “The goal of socialism is communism”—Vladimir Lenin

p. 18 “A collective tyrant spread over the length and breadth of the land, is no more acceptable than a single tyrant ensconced on his throne.”—Georges Clemenceau

p. 19 “Equality may exist only among slaves.”—Aristotle (384 BC—322 BC) “Equality absolutely carried out leads to communism.”—Francis Lieber (1798—1872)

p. 20 In 2012, a Taliban commander in northwest Pakistan threatened America, saying that children in his district would no longer receive polio vaccines until the U.S. stopped its drone (remote-controlled aircraft) attacks. The region is considered a safe haven for fleeing terrorists.—Reza Sayah, Taliban to U.S.: End drone strikes in Pakistan, or no more polio vaccines, CANN, June 18, 2012.

p. 21 “The free market pays: Scavengers in Istanbul make a living digging through people’s trash for recyclables. One man found a silver statue, earning him enough to purchase a car.” In some US states, you would be arrested to digging in people’s trash.—Today’s Zaman, Fatma Turan, Istanbul, May 22, 2011

p. 22 Socialism in America: In 2012, Miami Beach started forced residents to recycle or face fines up to \$2,500. The city said it didn’t have money to enforce the ban but hoped citizens would volunteer to support it.—*Miami Beach passes recycling ordinance*, Locall0.com, June 8, 2012; Jorge Gonzalez, “Miami Beach to negotiate new city manager contract, outgoing manager severance,” The Miami Herald, June 7, 2012

p. 23 Being “Created Equal” ends at birth ... after that you’re on your own.—Author, and others

p. 24 Thomas Jefferson accused Congress with abusing the commerce clause to allow all kinds of projects to flow forth: “Under the authority to establish post roads, they claim that of cutting down mountains for the construction of roads, of digging canals, and aided ...” (cont’d)

p. 25 (cont’d) “... by a little sophistry on the words “general welfare,” a right to do, not only the acts to effect that, which are specifically enumerated and permitted, but whatsoever they shall think, or pretend will be for the general welfare. And what is our resource for the preservation of the constitution? Reason and argument?”—Thomas Jefferson, letter to William Branch Giles, Monticello, December 26, 1825.

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p. 28 “Innovators and creative geniuses cannot be reared in schools. They are precisely the men who defy what the school has taught them.”—Ludwig von Mises

p. 29 “The function of socialism is to raise suffering to a higher level.”—Norman Mailer

- p. 30 Socialism kills—Vietnam death count since 1975 from oppression: 1,670,000.
- p. 31 “Knowledge will forever govern ignorance; and a people who mean to be their own Governors, must arm themselves with the power which knowledge gives.” James Madison
- p. 32 Advancing socialism through accommodation: “Peaceful coexistence helps to develop the forces of progress, the forces struggling for Socialism, and in capitalist countries it facilitates the activities of communist parties and other progressive organizations of the working class.”—Nikita Khrushchev, *Analysis of the Khrushchev Speech of January 6, 1961*, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C., 1961, p. 38.
- p. 33 New World (Web) Order: In 2012, a UN document was leaked revealing that European network operators want to tax U.S.-based web sites such as Apple, Google, Facebook and Netflix on their international business, especially Europe. The leaked document was distributed over the Internet, of course.—Declan McCullagh and Larry Downes, U.N. could tax U.S.-based Web sites, leaked docs show, CNET, June 7, 2012.
- p. 34 “I use emotion for the many and reserve reason for the few.”—attributed to Adolf Hitler
- p. 35 What’s in a name? The New York phone book listed 11 Hitlers prior to World War II ... and none after.
- p. 36 “Only the individual thinks. Only the individual reasons. Only the individual acts.”—Ludwig von Mises
- p. 37 During prohibition, New York City’s 16,000 saloons grew to more than 100,000 “speakeasies.”
- p. 38 Give me four years to teach the children and the seed I have sown will never be uprooted.--Vladimir Lenin
- p. 39 “Every major horror of history was committed in the name of altruistic motive.”—Ayn Rand, see Howard Roark’s courtroom speech in *The Fountainhead*, by Ayn Rand, 1943
- p. 40 Same-Sex Parenting Not the Same: In 2012, a study published in the *Social Science Research* journal reported children raised by same-sex parents have more problems in social, emotional, and relationships issues. They have lower income levels, poorer physical health, ... (cont’d)

p. 41 (cont'd) ... poorer mental health, and troubles in romantic relationships. Of the 40 measures, differences were found in 25. Researchers said it's not that same-sex couples can't be good parents, it appears the lack of biological parents creates problems and risks as children age into adulthood.—See Lois M. Collins, Studies challenge widely held assumptions about same-sex parenting, Deseret News, June 9, 2012.

p. 42 “The mass of mankind has not been born with saddles on their backs, nor a favored few booted and spurred, ready to ride them legitimately, by the grace of God.”—Thomas Jefferson to Weightman, 1826.

p. 43 “Inequality will exist as long as liberty exists. It unavoidably results from that very liberty itself.”—Alexander Hamilton

p. 44 “This and no other is the root from which a tyrant springs; when he first appears he is a protector.”—Plato

p. 45 Freedom to self-defense: “Violent-crime rates were rising consistently before the right-to-carry laws and [fell] thereafter ... For each additional year the laws were in effect, murders fell by an additional 1.5%, while rape, robbery and aggravated assaults all fell by about 3% each year.”—John R. Lott, Jr., *More Guns, Less Crime*, The University of Chicago, 2000, p. 170

p. 46 Socialism is expensive: Norway adds 8% sales tax to all bus rides.

p. 47 With only 4.5% of the world's population, the U.S. produces 44% of the world's corn.

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p. 50 “Envy shoots at others and wounds itself.”

p. 51 Socialism is the squalor of human envy; prosperity the offspring of liberty.

p. 52 Socialism is expensive: Norway adds 25% sales tax on most non-food purchases.

p. 53 “For socialists, not just the wealth, but the guilt, must be redistributed.”—Andrew Sandlin

- p. 54 “The meaning of peace is the absence of opposition to socialism.”—Karl Marx
- p. 55 Prohibition only drives drunkenness behind doors and into dark places, and does not cure or even diminish it.—Mark Twain
- p. 56 “Socialism means slavery.”—Lord Acton (1834-1902)
- p. 57 “Real socialism is inside man. It wasn’t born with Marx. It was in the communes of Italy in the Middle Ages. You can’t say it is finished.”—Dario Fo, Italian playwright (1926- )
- p. 58 “They talk about the failure of socialism but where is the success of capitalism in Africa, Asia and Latin America?”—Fidel Castro
- p. 59 Unlike socialism, good ideas spread without force, like the Bible: Of the 6,909 world languages, the Bible or portions of it have been translated into at least 2,287.
- p. 60 In socialist Sweden, the average wait to see doctor is 12 weeks.
- p. 61 Tax-funded socialism kills jobs. From 1981-2003, low-tax Ireland had 56% job growth—high-tax Sweden and Finland had 0% job growth.
- p. 62 “My object in life is to dethrone God and destroy capitalism.”—Karl Marx
- p. 63 “Men will either be governed by God, or ruled by tyrants.”—William Penn
- p. 64 Socialism is expensive—Average tax burdens for socialist Europe from 1970-2003: Sweden-61%, Denmark-58%, Finland-55%, compared to US federal, state and local combined: 25%, USA Today, *US Tax Burden at Lowest Level Since ‘58*, USA Today, May 6, 2011.
- p. 65 “Socialism in general has a record of failure so blatant that only an intellectual could ignore or evade it.” Thomas Sowell
- p. 66 In socialist Sweden, the average wait for medical treatment *after* seeing a doctor is 12 more weeks.
- p. 67 There can be no freedom in art and literature where the government determines who shall create them.—Ludwig von Mises,

p. 68 “There is nothing in socialism that a little age or a little money will not cure.”—Will Durant

p. 69 “To cure the British disease with socialism was like trying to cure leukemia with leeches.”—Margaret Thatcher

p. 70 Socialism’s promise of heaven on earth sounds delectable to a fast-food mentality addicted to instant gratification.

p. 71 “The theory of Communism may be summed up in the single sentence: Abolition of private property.”—Marx and Engels

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p. 74 Socialism is expensive: In 2012, India barred its airlines from complying with European Union carbon taxes, and refused to hand over their emissions data, saying compliance to ecosocialists’ demands would cost the airline industry thousands of jobs and trigger price wars.—AFP, Ammu Kannampilly, *India bans its airlines from paying EU carbon taxes*, March 23, 2012.

p. 75 Name Aversion: “The American People will take Socialism, but they won’t take the label.”—Upton Sinclair, letter to Norman Thomas September 25, 1951

p. 76 “The quickest way to create a problem is to take a process that has no problems and try to fix it.”—Author, and others

p. 77 In 2009, Obama struck a deal with pharmaceutical manufacturers to buy their support for his national health care legislation. The back door deal making by Obama who promised transparency and “an end to the game playing,” was kept from the public and the House of Representatives.—Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations Majority Staff, Investigation Update: Closed-Door Obamacare Negotiations, The Committee on Energy and Commerce Memorandum, May 16, 2012.

p. 78 “A government can’t control the economy without controlling people. And [America’s Founding Fathers] knew when a government sets out to do that, it must use force and coercion to achieve its purpose.”—Ronald Reagan, “A Time for Choosing,” 1964

p. 79 "The family is now one of the major obstacles to improved mental health, and hence should be weakened, if possible, so as to free individuals and especially children from the coercion of family life."—International Congress on Mental Health, London, 1948

p. 80 "Comparison" Means "Confiscated": In 2012, China announced it would compare the production of vegetables, grain, pigs, poultry, sheep and cattle in several major cities to ensure they met environmental standards set for the end of the 12th Five Year Plan.

p. 81 "If one rejects laissez faire on account of man's fallibility and moral weakness, one must for the same reason also reject every kind of government action."—Ludwig von Mises

p. 82 Do the communists look to gain power through the socialists? Yes: "The vital interests of the working-class movement demand that the Communist and Social-Democratic Parties take joint action ... Both in the struggle for the improvement of the living condition of working people, ..." (cont'd)

p. 83 (cont'd) "...the extension and preservation of their democratic rights, the achievement and defence of national independence, for peace among nations, and also in the struggle to win power and build socialism, the Communist Parties advocate cooperation with the Socialist Parties." Communist and Workers' Parties' Manifesto adopted Nov.-Dec. 1960, Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C., p. 92.

p. 84 Socialism in America: In the first three years of Obama's presidency, the federal debt rose \$4.7 trillion, and increase of 45 percent.—U.S. Treasury data accessed February 2, 2012.

p. 85 Religious socialism in Saudi Arabia: Non-Muslims may not enter Mecca. A sign over the freeway directing three left lanes into the holy city reads "Arafat Makkah, Muslims only." The sign directing two right lanes off the freeway, "Jeddah, Obligatory for non muslims."—From a photo by James Enloe, Sunnyvale, California.

p. 86 Saudi Arabian women are forbidden from driving or cycling on public roads. Saudi clerics considered bicycles "the Horse of Satan" in the 1960s. Things have changed since then, though women moving about like that is still not sanctioned.—NCRI, Iran: Women Bikers Banned From Parks, August 23, 2006, [www.ncr-iran.org/en/news](http://www.ncr-iran.org/en/news)

p. 87 War on women in America: In 2012, democratic Representatives supported sex-selective abortions, meaning, the mother could decide to abort her baby depending on whether it was a boy or girl. If she wanted a boy, the girl baby would die.—Elise Viebeck,

*Anti-abortion Groups Turn 'War On Women' Charge Against Democrats*, The Hill, May 30, 2012.

p. 88 “We learn from history that we don’t learn from history”—Georg Eilhelm Hegel

p. 89 “Your goose is cooked,” meaning you’re caught or doomed, was sardonically coined to mock the burning of Jan Hus at the stake. Why? Because “Hus” in Czech means “goose.”

p. 90 Socialist Health Care in Europe (2008): Survival for prostate cancer in Europe—57.1%; in U.S.—91.1%.

p. 91 “The socialist system will eventually replace the capitalist system; this is an objective law independent of man’s will. However much the reactionaries try to hold back the wheel of history, sooner or later revolution will take place and will inevitably triumph.”—Mao Zedong, “Speech at the Meeting of the Supreme Soviet of the U.S.S.R. in Celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the Great October Socialist Revolution” (November 6, 1957).

p. 92 Socialism in North Korea: In 2012, two reporters for *The Sun* bluffed their way into North Korea. They discovered all the six-story buildings dotting the river border with China were windowless and empty. Why? To make it appear they were prosperous and “living well.”—Alex Peake and Simon Jones, *Inside North Korea*, The Sun, May 30, 2012

p. 93 The Socialist Prophets get it wrong again: “The Soviet economy is proof that, contrary to what many skeptics had earlier believed, a socialist command economy can function and even thrive.”—Paul Samuelson, 1989, just before the Soviet Union imploded.—Paul Samuelson, *Economics*, 13th edition, 1989.

p. 94 Socialism is expensive: In Mexico, all consumers pay 16% sales tax., Miguel Angel Gutierrez and Jason Lange, Senate Passes Increase in Value-added Tax, Reuters, October 30, 2009.

p. 95 Regulating knowledge: In 2012, Florida’s Board of Education lowered the passing grade for a state-wide writing test because not enough students could pass.—Kala Rama, Passing score lowered for FCAT Writing exam, clickorlando.com, May 15, 2012.

p. 96 Corrupting American Culture: In 2012, the Obama administration’s Department of Justice ordered the University of Arkansas at Fort Smith to allow a male student who was undergoing sex-change surgeries to use women’s bathrooms on campus.—Tony Listi,

CampusReform.org, Exclusive: Obama's DOJ Forces Univesrity to Allow 38 year Old Male To Access Women's Restrooms, Mary 23, 2012.

p. 97 "A government of laws, and not of men."—John Adams, Novanglus, A History of the Dispute with America, From its Origin, in 1754, to the Present Time, No. 7, first published in the Boston Gazette, 1774-1775

p. 98 "The Idiots of socialism are slaves, but they are no one's property and therefore no one's loss." Capitalism: A Treatise on Economics (1996) George Reisman, Capitalism: A Treatise on Economics, 1996.

p. 99 For Mao Zedon, it was all about force: "The army must become one with the people so that they see it as their own army. Such an army will be invincible...."—"On Protracted War" (May 1938), Selected Works, Vol. II, p. 186.

p. 100 Socialism is amoral: Socialists believe all things evolve, therefore "right conduct" is defined according to the traditions and standards of the times. These will change over time, they say, therefore, there really is no such thing as "right" and "wrong."—Author

p. 101 Socialist health care in Canada (2004): one in 13 patients treated in Canadian hospitals will fall victim to surgical error or incorrectly prescribed drugs.

p. 102 John Lennon said his famous Beatles song, *Imagine*, was meant to be, in Lennon's words, an "anti-religious, anti-nationalistic, anti-conventional, anti-capitalistic [song]." He said the message that ran so contrary to western culture and tradition wasn't rejected ... (cont'd)

p. 103 (cont'd) "... because it's sugar-coated, it's accepted." Lennon explained his song's message was "virtually the Communist Manifesto, even though I am not particularly a communist and I do not belong to any movement."—Geoffrey Giuliano, "Lennon in America," Cooper Square Press, 2000.

p. 104 Definition of Eternity: In 2012, the Pentagon was buried in so many studies, it launched a study to discover how much time and money all those studies cost. After 2 years, the Government Accounting Office (GAO) discovered ... (cont'd)

p. 105 (cont'd) ... only 9 studies had been studied. The study of the study of studies concluded the Pentagon's study of studies was incomplete. The GAO has not released the cost of its study.—Alyssa Newcomb, ABC News, May 11, 2012.

p. 106 At the peak of its power, Sparta had 25,000 citizens and 500,000 slaves.

p. 107 Socialism in Venezuela: In 2012, Hugo Chavez ordered a ban on all commercial sale of firearms and ammunition. With one of the highest murder rates in the world, 53 a day during 2011. When Chavez first took office in 1999, there were only 4,550 murders, but the number steadily climbed since then.—BBC, Venezuela bans private gun ownership, June 1, 2012; BBC, *Veneuela sees 'record murder rate' in 2011*, December 28, 2011.

p. 108 “In Mexico where the oil industry is completely socialized, discovering oil on your property is no picnic. Failure to report it is a crime; failure to accept the government’s offer for your house and land results in automatic loss of the house and land, without compensation.”—G. Ramirez T., see Article 27 of the Mexican Constitution, Personal account from G. Ramirez T., as taught in school in Zapopan, Mexico, relayed by Mary Ramirez to the author

p. 109 Socialism kills: The body count from Cambodia’s reign of terror with executions and starvations from 1975 to 1987 (12 years) is estimated at 2,627,000.—R. J. Rummel, *Death by Government*, New Bruswick, NJ: Transaction Publishers, 1994

p. 110 Socialism promotes free love (1840-1913), A German socialist politician wrote: “Woman may love whom she pleases and as long as she pleases. If she is not satisfied with one alliance, she may loose the knot and bless some other with her love. Married or unmarried, she is to enjoy perfect equality with the sterner sex.” August Bebel, *Die Frau*, p. 192, as summarized by Fr. Cathrein, S.J, *Socialism Exposed and Refuted*. Retrieved from <http://www.archive.org/stream/socialismexposed00cathuoft>

p. 111 (cont’d) ... Bebel continues, the human animal is no different than farm animals: “In a book published in Leipsic we find the following thought expressed: ‘Sexual impulse is neither moral nor immoral; it is simply natural like hunger and thirst. Nature knows nothing of morality.’ But organized society is very far from recognizing the truth of this sentence.” (August Bebel. *Woman and Socialism*, Chapter VII: Woman as a Sex Being, #1.

p. 112 Socialism in America: In 1981, the US government ordered oranges destroyed to keep prices high: “From afar, it looks like a red haze on the horizon. But . . . it [later] becomes clear that what lies in the distance is actually mounds of oranges. ... (cont’d)

p. 113 (cont’d) ” ... Stretching in all directions are millions and millions of navel oranges . . . all abandoned to rot under the California sun. The oranges have been dumped under what

is known as a Federal marketing order.”—Ann Crittenden, *New York Times*, Ann Crittenden, "Growers' Power in Marketing Under Attack," *New York Times*, 25 March 1981.

p. 114 Socialist Vs. Socialist: In 2011, US trade unions balked at Obama's pollution rules aimed at coal-fired power plants because they could lead to "higher electric bills, billions of dollars in new costs, and the closing of plants that employ thousands of workers."—Stephen Power, *Wall Street Journal*, March 14, 2011.

p. 115 Socialism in America: in 2008, San Bernardino was caught shortening the timing of its yellow lights so its automatic red-light cameras could generate more citations. In 2011, it killed the red-light camera system, joining a growing nationwide rejection of the system.—Jonathan V. Last, *Rolling Back the Nanny State*, *The Weekly Standard*, August 1, 2011.

p. 116 Joseph-Ignace Guillotine (1738-1814) was an elected member of the French National Assembly in 1789. He suggested a more humane way of executing people. The decapitating device was built by Tobias Schmidt with advice from Dr. Antoine Louis.

p. 117 Without the guillotine, it took longer: Dominique Larrey, Napoleon's chief surgeon who saw a lot of military action, could amputate a leg in 13 seconds.—Feinsod, Moshe (2002), "The amputated leg—a tale of scientific curiosity—1792", *Harefuah* 141 (2): 210–2, 220, 2002 Feb.

p. 118 Socialism kills—Germany death count under Hitler from singling out Jews for execution: at least 6,000,000.

p. 119 Eye witness: "Living in North Korea is a life filled with difficulties, every day. The authorities are always trying to crack down on people and find ways to put them into prison because that's how they get bribes."—Jiro Ishimaru, editor of *Aisiapress International*, Julian Ryall in Tokyo, *The Telegraph*, *North Korea's undercover journalists reveal misery of life in dictatorship*, November 28, 2010.

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p. 122 Socialism in America: In 2011, the Environmental Protection Agency began issuing new regulations to control greenhouse gasses from stationary sources such as power plants, refineries and factories, unconstitutionally bypassing Congressional authority.—Bryan Walsh, *Battle Brews Over EPA's Emissions Regulations*, *Time*, January 3, 2011.

p. 123 Socialism in America: In 2011, Obama had 4,257 new regulations in the works, 219 of

these would cost \$100 million apiece, annually.—Jeffrey H. Anderson, *'The Most Far-Reaching Environmental Regulatory Scheme in American History'?* The Weekly Standard, September 1, 2011.

p. 124 Socialism in America: In 2007, San Francisco outlawed plastic bags, citing a study that plastic bags accounted for .06% of their litter. After the ban, a follow-up study showed that other plastics accounted for 0.64% of their litter—the ban made no difference except in jobs lost.—Rick Orlov, Daily News, Los Angeles, *Fight brewing to keep Los Angeles from banning single-use plastic bag*, April 27, 2012

p. 125 Socialist goal: Family disintegration—In 2012, a New Delhi day care center opened with 24-hour nursery service lasting a day, a week, a year for “children of parents too busy to put them to bed.”—F. Brinley Bruton, Too busy to put the kids to bed? India offers 24-hour daycare service, msnbc.com, May 14, 2012.

p. 126 “It is ordained in the eternal constitution of things , that men of intemperate minds cannot be free. Their passions forge their fetters.:—Edmond Burke

p. 127 “Good men are unwilling to rule, either for money’s sake or for honour.... So they must be forced to consent under threat of penalty.... The heaviest penalty for declining to rule is to be ruled by someone inferior to yourself. That is the fear, I believe, that makes decent people accept power....”—Plato Objectivesea 19:59, 19 January 2010 (UTC)

p. 128 Superstition: In 2012, archaeologists in Bulgaria dug up skeletons, dated to AD 1300-1700, with iron rods driven through their chests to keep them from becoming the un-dead. The vampire myth is a good example of information control and how sensible people can be led to believe lies—such as the utopian promises made by socialists.—Daniel Miller, Are you sure digging him up is a good idea? Archeologists find Bulgarian 'vampires' from Middle Ages with iron rods staked through their chests, June 5, 2012.

p. 129 In China before 1997, extra-marital behavior, called “group licentiousness,” was severely punished. The instigator was executed and all others imprisoned for 15 years to life. Since the 1997 Cultural Revolution, things have lightened up—offenders go to prison for only 3 years, or so.—Li Yinhe, *The last Draconian law*, posted by Julian Smisek, danwei.com, May 23, 2010.

p. 130 American Bureaucracy: In 2010, the Federal government employed on average 2,580,000 people and paid them \$16,000,000,000 every month—that adds up to about \$194

billion a year.—Federal Government Civilian Employment by Function, March 2010, [www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov).

p. 131 American Bureaucracy: In 2010, the State and local governments employed a country-wide total of more 19,000,000 people who were paid and average \$70,000,000,000 every month—that adds up to about \$840 billion in a year.—2010 Annual Survey of Public Employment and Payroll, March 2010, [www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov).

p. 132 Socialism in Venezuela: “When food shortages became critical in Venezuela last year [2007], Helen Mercado and Luis Boada visited store after store searching for milk ... (con’d)

p. 133 (cont’d) ... for their three-year-old son. But many times the young couple had to settle for liquid yogurt, which is more widely available because it is unregulated.”—National Geographic, July 2008

p. 134 In a democracy it’s your vote that counts. In feudalism it’s your count that votes.

p. 135 Corruption in America: Illegal immigrants in the U.S. collected \$4.2 billion in tax refunds in 2010, most of them claiming child tax credit to get the refunds.—Lisa Rein, Undocumented workers got billions from IRS in tax credits, audit finds, Washington Post, September 2, 2011.

p. 136 Smuggled journalists’ videos out of North Korea: “In one dramatic clip, a woman who is trying to board a truck to take her to work flies into a rage after a uniformed policeman demands a bribe. She shouts at him and waves her finger in his face until he backs away. ... (cont’d)

p. 137 (cont’d) ... Emboldened, other people come to her aid, shouting at the officer. The clip ends with the unidentified woman yelling: “This cop is an idiot!”—Excerpt from article in The Telegraph, November 28, 2010, Julian Ryall in Tokyo, North Korea’s undercover journalists reveal misery of life in dictatorship, The Telegraph, November 28, 2010.

p. 138 Socialism in Nazi Germany: Human brains from the “killing centers” were delivered to Nazi doctors in batches of 150 or 250. Dr. Hallervorden was delighted. Said he, “There was ...” (cont’d)

p. 139 (cont’d) “...wonderful material among those brains, beautiful mental defectives ... I accepted those brains, of course. Where they came from ... was really none of my business.”

p. 140 Socialism kills: In North Korea, 30 officials involved in re-unification talks with South Korea were executed by firing squads or in staged traffic accidents, according to the 2012 report by Amnesty International. Another 37 were executed for “financial crimes.”—Amnesty International Annual Report 2012

p. 141 “God is dead. Marx is dead. And I don’t feel too well myself.”—Eugene Ionesco, as quoted in *Jewish American Literature : A Norton Anthology* (2000) by Jules Chametzky, “Jewish Humor”, p. 318

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p. 144 The head of Iran’s Chastity Headquarters in Isfahan announced in 2006 that taxis were not allowed to pick up women inappropriately dressed—that includes makeup, clothes that show any part of the hair or legs, or bright colors.—NCRI, “Iran: No Taxi Service for Women With “Inappropriate” Outfits, Monday June 2, 2008, [www.ncr-iran.org/en/news](http://www.ncr-iran.org/en/news).

p. 145 “The proletarians have nothing to lose but their chains. ... Workers of the world unite.”—Karl Marx, *The Manifesto of the Communist Party* (1848), Section 4, paragraph 11, (last paragraph)

p. 146 No natural Law: “Where do correct ideas come from? Do they drop from the skies? No. Are they innate in the mind? No. They come from social practice, and from it alone; they come from three kinds of social practice, the struggle for production, the class struggle and scientific experiment. *Where Do Correct Ideas Come from?* (May 1963), 1st pocket ed.

p. 147 “Men are built, not born.... Give me the baby, and I’ll make it climb and use its hands in constructing buildings of stone or wood.... I’ll make it a thief, a gunman or a dope fiend. The possibilities of shaping in any direction are almost endless...”—John B. Watson, psychologist

p. 148 “Many people consider the things government does for *them* to be social progress but they regard the things government does for *others* as socialism.”—Earl Warren

p. 149 “Religion is an illusion and it derives its strength from the fact that it falls in with our instinctual desires.”—Sigmund Freud, *A Philosophy of Life*, Lecture 35, 1932

p. 150 Teach The Children: In 2012, Beijing issued 27 new regulations to promote the “Beijing spirit.” The new “enlightenment” readers for young children were prepared by the

Municipal Party Committee Propaganda Department.—Allison Carroll Goldman, Beijing kindergartens to receive new "Spirit of Beijing" readers, Danwei.com, May 30, 2012.

p. 151 "If anything is certain, it is that I myself am not a Marxist."—Karl Marx, Marx quoted and translated by Engels (in a letter to Eduard Bernstein) about the peculiar Marxism which arose in France 1882.

p. 152 Socialism is Atheistic: To have pure equality, socialists must reject God, who, through commandments and counsel, directs people towards refinement and self-improvement, the very antithesis of equality.—Paul B. Skousen

p. 153 In 2012, Barack Obama vandalized the official presidential biographies on the White House website by inserting his own name and performance in contrast to or in support of prior presidents.—Seth Mandel, *Obama Drops His Name Into the Other Presidential Biographies*, Commentary Magazine, May 15, 2012; [www.whitehouse.gov](http://www.whitehouse.gov).

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p. 155 King John never signed the original Magna Carta, he sealed it in 1215 AD by pressing his seal into hot wax. He didn't actually affix his signature.

p. 156 Socialism in Mexico: It's no wonder why Mexico has so many problems—the people have only three bad choices at election time: Institutional Revolution Party (liberal and environmental), National Action Party (socialist), and Democratic Revolution Party (communist).—Mary Ramirez; see official party websites for each political party.

p. 157 Socialism in America: In 2008, the average pay for federal workers, including health, pension and other benefits, was \$108,476. For the same mix of jobs and benefits in the private sector, the average compensation was \$69,928.—Dennis Cauchon, Federal Pay Ahead of Private Industry, USA TODAY, March 8, 2010.

p. 158 Spoken like a true socialist: After Mao Zedong killed and starved 75 million people, David Rockefeller said, "Whatever the price of the Chinese Revolution, it has obviously succeeded not only in producing more efficient and dedicated administration, but also ..." (cont'd)

p. 159 "... in fostering high morale and community of purpose. The social experiment in China under Chairman Mao's leadership is one of the most important and successful in human history."—David Rockefeller, 1973—The New York Times, August 10, 1973.

p. 160 Capitalism works: In 2011, Walmart operated 4,400 stores in America and employed 1.4 million associates.

p. 161 Socialism kills: In North Korea, an estimated 3,000,000 starved to death in 1998 because the country failed to develop a self-sustaining system of food production. When the Soviet Union fell, North Korea was left without the handouts its communist regime required to keep going.—Meredith Woo-Cumings, *The Political Ecology of Famine: The North Korean Catastrophe and Its Lessons*, Department of Political Science, The University of Michigan.

p. 162 Free Speech in China: In 2012, a blind lawyer, Chen Guangcheng, who was outspoken about China's fierce one-child police (he protested the government forcing women with one child to undergo an abortion), escaped to the U.S. Embassy in China. China's internal security was... (cont'd)

p. 163 (cont'd) ... embarrassed and delicate political negotiations followed, and Mr. Chen was allowed to visit the U.S. But then China scrubbed their social media of all references to Chen including his name, initials, "blind lawyer," "embassy," "U.S. embassy," "blind person," and more.—Mark McDonald, *International Herald Tribune*, China Blocking All Mention of Chen and His Daring Escape, April 29, 2012

p. 164 Socialism kills—Cuba's death count from purges, executions and terror from 1949 to 1987 is approximately 70,000.

p. 165 Socialism in Brazil: The Brazilian government is the country's largest single employer, taking in 21% of the workforce, and it pays salaries 56% higher than its private sector counterparts.—Jorge Daniel Marcio, *The Socialist Is Brazil*, September 12, 2010, translated from Portuguese from Administradores.com.

p. 166 "We should be modest and prudent, guard against arrogance and rashness, and serve the Chinese people heart and soul...."—Mao Zedong. And then 73,000,000 Chinese died. "China's Two Possible Destinies" (April 23, 1945), *Selected Works*, Vol. III p. 253.

p. 167 North Korea requires a license from the government to operate cars, motorcycles and

bicycles. In 2007, motorcycle licenses for anything but a North Korean motorcycle was made impossibly expensive to force people to purchase locally produced models.—Kwon Jeong Hyun, of China, *North Korea Authorities 'Stop Operating Chinese Motorcycles for Commercial Use'*, Daily NK—Brightening the Future of Korea, December 11, 2007

p. 168 Socialism in America: In 2010, the only company making the drug used for lethal injections to carry out capital punishments ceased making the drug. States began importing it from overseas. But then in 2012, a Washington State judge ... (cont'd)

p. 169 (cont'd) ... blocked the importation because the Food and Drug Administration had not approved the drug for “safety and effectiveness,” a requirement for all imported drugs. At least 15 states asked for the ruling to be overturned.—New York Times, *Capital Punishment's Latest Folly*, May 25, 2012.

p. 170 “We all accept the need for some form of socialism to enable our people to catch up with the advanced countries of this world and to overcome their legacy of extreme poverty. But this does not mean we are Marxists.”—Nelson Mandela, 1964.

p. 171 “The historical experience of socialist countries has sadly demonstrated that collectivism does not do away with alienation but rather increases it, adding to it a lack of basic necessities and economic inefficiency.”—Pope John Paul II

p. 172 Socialism in North Korea: In 2012, two reporters for *The Sun* bluffed their way into North Korea. Besides empty apartment buildings along the river border with China, there were watchtowers manned 24x7. Soldiers had orders to shoot anyone trying to flee to a better life.—Alex Peake and Simon Jones, *Inside North Korea*, The Sun, May 30, 2012.

p. 173 As of 2012, the “pink tide” of socialism overtly sweeping through Latin American nations has been openly embraced by: Venezuelan President Hugo Chávez, Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega, Bolivian President Evo Morales, and Ecuadorian President Rafael Correa.—Multiple sources, see current events.

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p. 176 Socialist Cuba: “In Castro’s Cuba, it is a crime to meet to discuss the economy, to write letters to the government, to report on political developments, to speak to international reporters, ... (cont'd)

p. 177 (cont'd) ... to advocate human rights, to visit friends or relatives outside your local

area of residence without government permission.”—Larry Solomon, National Post, May 2003

p. 178 Socialism must deploy rulers at every level of society. “Policy and tactics are the life of the Party; leading comrades at all levels must give them full attention and must never on any account be negligent.”—Mao Zedong, “A Circular on the Situation” (March 20, 1948), Selected Works, Vol. IV, p. 220.

p. 179 Socialism in America: In 2012, New Jersey ordered car drivers to put their pets in seat belts or face a fine of up to \$1,000. The official reason? Unbuckled Rover or Kitty is “dangerous for the driver ... other drivers ... and that pet.”===David Madden, New Fines In Place For Casts And Dogs That Don’t Buckle Up In New Jersey, CBS Philly, June 2, 2012.

p. 180 Benjamin Franklin warned “Only a virtuous people are capable of freedom.” Facilitating a shocking trend in the decline of virtue are the abuses of new technologies. In 2012, the hugely popular Facebook was noted as a facilitator for some form of crime every 40 minutes, ... (cont’d)

p. 181 (cont’d) ... according to police reports around the world. Crimes ranged from harassment or intimidation, to stalking, grooming children by pedophiles, and bilking people out of money. For the record, Facebook has also been used very effectively by investigators to catch criminals.—Jack Doyle, *A Facebook Crime Every 40 minutes: From killings to grommin as 12, 300 cases are linked to site*, June 4, 2012.

p. 182 Socialism in America: In 2012, Dawn Paulus, 75, displayed three small flags for Memorial Day on the 6th floor balcony of her New Jersey housing project apartment. The official Philipsburg Housing Authority immediately shot over a cease order threatening eviction if the flags were not removed.—Diana Rocco, New Jersey Woman Faces Eviction For Displaying American Flags on Balcony, CBS Philly, June 1, 2012.

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p. 184 Self Interest is inborn: “Men always strive for an improvement in their conditions and always will. This is man’s inescapable destiny.”—Ludwig von Mises, *Liberalism*, German edition, 1927; latest English edition Copyright 1985 The Foundation for Economic Education, Irvington, NY.

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p. 186 Thinking Like A Socialist: In 2012, American actress Amanda Bynes, 26, was arrested twice for driving under the influence. After the second arrest, she appealed ("Tweeted") to Barack Obama to save her: "Please fire the cop who arrested me."—Champ Clark and Dahvi Shira, Amanda Bynes Chared with DUI, Wants Officer Fired, People.com

p. 187 "A major source of objection to a free economy is precisely that it gives people what they want instead of what a particular group thinks they out to want. Underlying most arguments against the free market is a lack of belief in freedom itself."—Milton Friedman, *Capitalism and Freedom*, 1962

p. 188 Clouded thinking justifies force: "I maintain that the civil authorities are under obligation to compel the people to send their children to school .... If the government can compel such citizens as are fit for military service to bear spear and rifle, to mount ramparts, ..." (cont'd)

p. 189 (cont'd) "... and perform other martial duties in time of war, how much more has it a right to the people to send their children to school, because in this case we are warring with the devil, whose object it is secretly to exhaust our cities and principalities."—Martin Luther, "Letter to the German Rulers, 1524," in *Education: Compulsory and Free*, Murray N. Rothbard, Auburn, Alabama: Ludwig von Mises Institute, 1999, p. 20.

p. 190 Socialism means force: "The great questions of the day will not be settled by means of speeches and majority decisions but by iron and blood."—Otto von Bismarck, Speech to the Budget Commission of the Prussian Diet (30 September 1862), published in [\*Fürst Bismarck als Redner, Vol. 2 \(after 1881\), edited by Wilhelm Böhm, p. 12\*](#));

p. 191 The US spends an average \$32 billion a month for interest payments on its national debt.—See [www.Treasurydirect.gov](http://www.Treasurydirect.gov).

p. 192 Adolf Hitler, 1927: "We are socialists, we are enemies of today's capitalistic economic

system for the exploitation of the economically weak, with its unfair salaries, with its unseemly evaluation ..." (cont'd)

p. 193 (cont'd) "... of a human being according to wealth and property instead of responsibility and performance, and we are all determined to destroy this system under all conditions."—Adolf Hitler, May 1, 1927 speech, quoted in John Toland (1976) *Adolf Hitler: The Definitive Biography*, p. 306

p. 194 Socialists hate this: "Every step of progress is a change involving heavy risks."

p. 195 When survival is threatened, a socialist government always gives up a fundamental principle of socialism: China, Soviet Russia, North Korea, Vietnam, et al, adopted levels of limited free market trade; Stalin halted religious persecution during World War II; the EU imposed austerity (cuts), etc.

p. 196 "Destroy the family, you destroy the country."—Vladimir Lenin

p. 197 "Socialism is workable only in heaven where it isn't needed, and in hell where they've got it."—Cecil Palmer

p. 198 "The true foundation of republican government is the equal right of every citizen, in his person and property, and in their management ..."—Thomas Jefferson

p. 199 "Socialism (force) in religion costs lives: In 2011, the ongoing trend of honor killings, primarily women, reached a new high in Pakistan with 943 reported murders of women and girls killed for defaming their family's honor. In 2010, the murdered numbered 791."—Al Arabiya News, March 22, 2012.

p. 200 "Can the liberties of a nation be thought secure when we have removed their only firm basis, a conviction in the minds of the people that these liberties are of the gift of God? That they are not to be violated but with his wrath?"—Thomas Jefferson

p. 201 Christianity teaches, "What's mine is yours," while socialism teaches, "What's yours is mine."

p. 202 Socialism in America: Funding Social Security and Medicare for 75 years: \$102 trillion

p. 203 A 160-page book, "A Gift for Muslim Couple," by Hazrat Maulana Ashraf Ali

Thanvi (2010), says a husband may beat his wife “by hand or stick” or “pull by the ears” if she doesn’t obey him. Muslim wives are not to “leave his house without his permission.” The book sold out in Toronto in 2012.—Toronto Sun, March 25, 2012, “Book tells Muslim men how to beat and control their wives”, by Terry Davidson, QMI Agency.

p. 204 “Every successful revolution puts on in time the robes of the tyrant it has deposed.”—Barbara Tuchman

p. 205 “Poverty has no causes. Only prosperity has causes ... Poverty can be overcome only if the relevant economic processes are in motion.”—Economist Jane Jacobs

p. 206 In 2011, At least 943 women and girls were murdered in Pakistan in “honor killings” for defaming their family’s honor, up from 791 in 2010. Police dismiss the murders as “private family affairs.”

p. 207 Unconstitutional: In 2012, Barack Obama bypassed Congress and unilaterally declared children of illegal immigrants would no longer be deported. The election year policy would allow an estimated 800,000 youth to stay in the US, and bolster pro-Obama voting by Hispanics in several key states.—Jonathan Easley and Jordy Yager, Obama makes election-year change in deportation policy, June 15, 2012.

p. 208 Being poor in the US: In 2005, US households defined as poor had a refrigerator (99.6%), a television (97.7%), stove and oven (97.7%), air conditioning (78.3%), (cont’d)...

p. 209 (cont’d) ... cable TV (63.7%), cell phones (54.5%), a computer (38.2%), 2 or more cars (33%), 2 or more TVs (32.2%), a dishwasher (25%). Money spent to eradicate poverty since 1965: \$16 trillion.

p. 210 The Fisher Space Pen will write in zero gravity, underwater, on wet or greasy paper, at any angle, and at extreme temperatures. It was privately invented in 1965 and sold to NASA.

p. 211 Frederick Bastiat: “When plunder becomes a way of life for a group of men in a society, over the course of time they create for themselves a legal system that authorizes it and a moral code that glorifies it.”

p. 212 In 2012, there were only four socialist republic nations (one- or multi-party nations that vote for socialism), down from 22 before 1958: Republic of India, Democratic People’s

Republic of Korea, Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, United Republic of Tanzania.—see web sites for India, North Korea, Sri Lanka, and Tanzania.

p. 213 Does Socialism lead to Communism? “The two Russian revolutions of 1917 are the classic example of the impossibility of maintaining a social democratic position against determined communist pressure ... the communists could not have come to power if the social democrats had not first paved the way.”—Ivor Thomas, *The Socialist Tragedy*, p. 41 and 47, New York: MacMillan Company, 1951.

p. 214 “A liberal is a person whose interests aren’t at stake at the moment.”—Willis Player

p. 215 “Inequality will exist as long as liberty exists. It unavoidably results from that very liberty itself.”—Alexander Hamilton

p. 216 “Honoring Great Leaders: In Washington D.C., there can never be a building that is greater in height than the Washington Monument. On the east face of the monument’s aluminum cap are the words, LAUS DEO, “Praise (be) to God.”—U.S. Park Service, *A History of the Washington Monument*.

p. 217 Drowning in rules: In 2011, President Obama’s administration swamped the *Federal Register* with 23,193 new Rules and 31,258 Notices for regulating American businesses. Unfortunately, these additions generally followed a growing trend that was already decades old.—Clyde Wayne Crews Jr., *Ten Thousand Commandments, An Annual Snapshot of the Federal Regulatory State, 2011*, Competitive Enterprise Institute

p. 218 “Education should aim at destroying free will so that after pupils are thus schooled they will be incapable throughout the rest of their lives of thinking or acting otherwise than as their school masters would have wished ...”—Bertrand Russell quoting Johann Gottlieb Fichte, the head of philosophy & psychology who influenced Hegel and others, Prussian University in Berlin, 1810

p. 219 “My God! how little do my countrymen know what precious blessings they are in possession of and which no other people on earth enjoy.”—Thomas Jefferson to Monroe, 1785

p. 220 “Where there is no vision, the people perish.”—Proverbs 29:18

p. 221 Capitalism works: In 2011, Walmart made \$46,206 in *profit* every single *minute*. That same year its philanthropy group voluntarily gave away \$2 billion.

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p. 224 In 1776, the 2nd Continental Congress borrowed the Philadelphia Carpenter's Guild meeting hall to adopt the Declaration of Independence.

p. 225 Judicial activism is unconstitutional: "The Constitution which at any time exists, till changed by an explicit and authentic act of the whole people, is sacredly obligatory upon all."—George Washington, Farewell Address, September 17, 1796.

p. 226 Socialized Medicine in Mexico: A woman in Zapopan, Mexico, suffered a bone break so severe her foot was literally detached from her leg. She had to wait one week for surgery, a luxury made possible because she knew someone 'higher up.' Other bone break patients have waited months.—Personal account from R. T. of Zapopan, Mexico, 2010

p. 227 "The strongest reason for the people to retain the right to keep and bear arms is, as a last resort, to protect themselves against tyranny in government."—Thomas Jefferson

p. 228 Socialism creates a class of elitists: During the 1980s, Romanian President Nicolae Ceausescu built the lavish *Palace of the Parliament*, the world's largest and most expensive civilian building—12 stories high, 1,100 rooms with 3,700,000 square feet of floor space. ... (cont'd)

p. 229 ... The workers created gold-leaf walls, crystal chandeliers, marble columns, intricate parquets, handwoven carpets, etc. While the \$4.5 billion building was under construction, most of Romania was standing in breadlines and suffering through winters without heat. *The Hidden Inequality in Socialism*, David R. Henderson, Robert M. McNab, and Tamás Rózsás, *The Independent Review*, v. IX, n. 3, Winter 2005, ISSN 1086-1653, Copyright © 2005, pp. 389–412.

p. 230 "When one makes a Revolution, one cannot mark time; one must always go forward - or go back. He who now talks about the 'freedom of the press' goes backward, and halts our headlong course towards Socialism."—Vladimir Lenin, *Ten Days That Shook the World*, Chapter XI

p. 231 Potemkin Village ("fake village"), is a name given villages built to fool others.

During World War II, the Nazi Germans established “the Paradise Ghetto” to fool the Red Cross into believing it was a model Jewish settlement. Instead, more than 33,000 were brutally killed by starvation, sickness and torture.—Claude Schumacher, (1998). *Staging the Holocaust: The Shoah in Drama and Performance*. Cambridge University Press. p. 155.

p. 232 Socialism kills—In Khomeini’s Iran of 1988, a religious purge to “purify the culture” resulted in the execution of 30,000, some of them children, hanged six at a time from cranes.

p. 233 In 2012, Tehran police enforced a new dress code, fining or arresting women wearing “bad headscarves, bad dress, and model-type women in vulgar dress.” Those taken to jail were held until relatives could rescue them with a modest change of clothing.—AFP, *Tehran Police in new dress code crackdown*, April 28, 2012.

p. 234 Thomas Jefferson on castes: “In America ... the poorest laborer stood on equal ground with the wealthiest millionaire whenever their rights seemed to jar.”—Thomas Jefferson to Adams, 1813

p. 235 A two-year study by Cornell, Chicago and Hebrew Universities released in 2011 showed that voters glimpsing the American flag were swayed towards Republican candidates, attitudes and beliefs.

p. 236 “The press should be not only a collective propagandist and a collective agitator, but also a collective organizer of the masses.”—Vladimir Lenin

p. 237 “Those who make peaceful revolution impossible will make violent revolution inevitable.” -John F. Kennedy

p. 238 “What is the freedom of expression? Without the freedom to offend, it ceases to exist.” Salman Rushdie

p. 239 “Truth will ultimately prevail where there is pains to bring it to light.”—George Washington

p. 240 The Constitution is not an amalgamation of compromises. The Founders talked out every issue until everyone understood and voted “yes.” There were only 3 compromises.

p. 241 The Declaration of Independence references God four times: Nature's God, Creator, Supreme Judge, Diving Providence.

p. 242 "Only the individual thinks. Only the individual reasons. Only the individual acts."—Ludwig von Mises

p. 243 "Let us tenderly and kindly cherish, therefore, the means of knowledge. Let us dare to read, think, speak, and write."—John Adams

p. 244 Arab socialism differs from Soviet and Chinese socialism because it is not atheist. It acknowledges the role of Allah, even though Arab societies tolerate abuse, brutality and violation of human rights for both civic and religious infractions.—Sami A Hanna, George H. Gardner, [\*Arab socialism: a documentary survey\*](#). E. J. Brill, Leiden , Netherlands, 1969.

p. 246 "All the great things are simple, and many can be expressed in a single word: freedom, justice, honor, duty, mercy, hope."—Winston Churchill

p. 246 "Socialism: nothing more than the theory that the slave is always more virtuous than his master."—Henry Louis Mencken, *The Smart Set*, Volume 26, No. 1, 1908, H.L. Mencken, *Oyez! Oyez! All Ye Who Read Books*, p. 157

p. 247 The Constitution doesn't create law, it gives fair form to all laws created.

p. 250 How to Remember the seven Articles of the Constitution (in correct order): Remember those *Star Wars* characters—Jar Jar Binks, R2D2, Chewbacca? How about Lej Sasr? LEJ SASR—Legislature, Executive, Judiciary, States, Amendments, Supremacy clause, Ratification. (There's really no Lej Sasr in *Star Wars*, I made that up.)—Author

p. 251 Free Market: In 2010, the US produced 44% of the world's corn, almost 10 billion of the total 23 billion bushels grown worldwide.

p. 252 "Democracy is two wolves and a lamb voting on what to have for lunch. Liberty is a well-armed lamb contesting the vote."—Attributed to multiple sources: Benjamin Franklin, Marvin Simkin, James Bovard, etc. p. 251

p. 253 With only 4.5% of the world's population, the U.S. produces 18% of the world's wheat.

p. 254 “We are on the verge of a global transformation. All we need is the right major crisis and the nations will accept the New World Order.”—David Rockefeller, Statement to the United Nations Business Council, September 23, 1994.

p. 255 Socialism in Brazil: The media in Brazil is subsidized by the government. It must, therefore, report whatever the government wishes.—Jorge Daniel Marcio, *The Socialist Is Brazil*, September 12, 1210, translated from Portuguese from Administradores.com.

p. 256 Destroy the individual: “There is always a danger that increased personal independence will decrease the social capacity of an individual.... It often makes an individual so insensitive ... (cont’d)

p. 257 (cont’d) “... in his relations to others as to develop an illusion of being really able to stand and act alone—an unnamed form of insanity which is responsible for a large part of the remedial suffering of the world.”—John Dewey, [Democracy and Education](#), Chapter 4, The Macmillan Company, 1916.

p. 258 “Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other.”—John Adams, Letter to the Officers of the First Brigade of the Third Division of the Militia of Massachusetts, October 11, 1798, in *Revolutionary Services and Civil Life of General William Hull*, New York, 1848, pp 265-6.

p. 259 “In America, we do it with ballots, not bullets.”—Author

p. 260 Socialism in China: In 2012, a woman seven months pregnant was forced to undergo an abortion because she violated China’s one-child policy and failed to pay a hefty fine (\$6,300). A lethal injection was given to the unborn baby. A photo of the woman and her dead baby... (cont’d)

p. 261 (cont’d) ... raced around the Internet, prompting Chinese officials to formally investigate. Late-term abortions have been discouraged since the early 2000s. China’s one-child policy from the 1970s resulted in millions of forced abortions—the number peaking in 1983 at 14.37 million. Officials say the policy has prevented the population of 1.37 billion from growing an additional 400 million.—AFP, China confirms forced abortion case after uproar, June 14, 2002; Michael Martina, Reuters, China vows punishment over forced abortion at seven months, June 15, 2012.

p. 262 Socialism kills—One aspect of Nazi Germany's death count under Hitler was in 1939, from carbon monoxide and cyanide gas poisoning of chronically ill and mentally deficient: 275,000 killed.

p. 263 "Freedom granted only when it is known beforehand that its effects will be beneficial is not freedom."—F.A. Hayek

p. 264 "The best way to destroy the capitalist system is to debauch the currency."—Vladimir Lenin

p. 265 Are you a liberal? Hillary Clinton: "I prefer the word progressive which has a real American meaning going back to the progressive era at the beginning of the 20th century."

p. 266 Punishing success: "We want to take money [from the wealthy] and put it back in the pocket of middle-class people," Biden said in an interview on ABC's "Good Morning America." Feb 11, 2009.

p. 267 'Politicians are the same all over. They promise to build a bridge even where there is no river.'—Nikita Khrushchev, August 22, 1963, quoted in Chicago Tribune, August 22, 1963) "Khrushchev Needles Peking"

p. 268 Socialism in France: In 2012, France's socialists won 314 of the 577 seats in parliament. Emboldened by the large win, they promptly announced higher taxes on the rich, elimination of loop holes and numerous tax exemptions, and more spending on welfare—all the same things that got France into the hole they vowed to free it from.—Daniel Flynn and Jean-Baptiste Vey, French Socialists eye tax rises after big poll win, Reuters, June 18, 2012.

p. 269 Socialism kills—China's death count from purges, executions and terror from 1949 to 2010 is estimated to be at least 72,260,000, probably more.

p. 270 "In 2010, the US spent \$15.9 billion on pork earmarks, \$18.3 billion on NASA, \$130 billion on the Global War on Terrorism, and \$1.4 trillion on entitlements—Social Security, Medicaid, and Medicare."—White House Office of Management and Budget.

p. 271 Hitler tells God His business (1933): "I believe that Providence would never have allowed us to see the victory of the Movement if it had the intention after all to destroy us

at the end.” Eleven years later, amid the ashes of destruction, Hitler put a bullet in his head.—Adolf Hitler, November 8, 1933, speech to old members of the Party at Munich

p. 272 Thomas Jefferson coined a word to describe his suspicions about Alexander Hamilton’s true allegiance. Jefferson combined “monarchy” and “aristocrat” to produce “Monocrat.” (James Flexner, *Washington the Indispensable Man*, p. 245)

p. 273 “There is something to be said... for gently putting aside the mistaken old ways of our elders if that is possible. If it cannot be done gently, it may have to be done roughly or even violently.”—Alger Hiss, G. Brock Chisholm, “The Re-Establishment of Peacetime Society,” *Psychiatry*, February 1946. Later published by Alger Hiss.

p. 274 Socialism in religion leads to the unthinkable: In December 2011, a 7-year-old girl in India was murdered and her liver offered to gods in hopes for a good agricultural harvest. The jungle district of Chhattisgarh is a rebel Maoist stronghold—human sacrifice is still practiced. (cont’d)

p. 275 (cont’d) Two men were arrested and confessed to the crime. Similar tortures and murders have taken place, some at the urging of local holy men who prescribe human sacrifice to cure nightmares and other attacks by demons.—John Thomas Didymus, *Seven-year-old sacrificed to the gods for good harvest in India*, *Digital Journal*, January 1, 2012; *The Guardian*, *Indian cult kills children for goddess*, March 4, 2006.

p. 276 Public’s view of Political Terms: 60% of Americans dislike “socialism,” but only 50% think “capitalism” is good. About 62% of the same group thought “conservative” was good and 67% thought “progressive” was good.—Pew Research Center, *50% to 40%—Little Change in Public’s Response to ‘Capitalism’ ‘Socialism’*, Dec. 7-11, 2011.

p. 277 Socialism in America: A well-to-do couple in Seattle were convicted in 2012 of collecting thousands of dollars in welfare while living in a \$1.2 million waterfront home and purchasing expensive luxuries. They had to pay back 2-1/2 times what they took plus jail time.—Fox News, *Seattle couple pleads guilty to defrauding welfare programs while living in luxury*, May 17, 2012.

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p. 280 The Communist Party USA was established in 1919 with 12,000 members.

p. 281 “What worries the conservative is not so much the liberal, as his grandson.”—Peter Viereck

p. 282 “We can pay off his [Hamilton’s] debt in fifteen years, but we can never get rid of his financial system.”—Thomas Jefferson opposing monetizing the national debt. Jefferson to Dupont, 1802, NY Pub Lib, MS, II, 171.

p. 283 In 2012, two reporters for *The Sun* bluffed their way into North Korea. At their hotel, where every room was carefully monitored and bugged, the TV had only one station—“pro-regime propaganda,” they reported, “including hours of footage of new leader Kim Jong-un watching military displays.”—Alex Peake and Simon Jones, *Inside North Korea*, The Sun, May 30, 2012.

p. 284 Crazy socialist rulers: Libya’s deposed tyrant Moammar Gadhafi had 40 female bodyguards known as his “Amazons.” They wore lipstick and high heels, and were hand-picked by Gadhafi, They had to be virgins, although after his fall, it was learned they were repeatedly raped and abused.—Martin Chulov, *Gaddafi’s ‘Amazonian bodyguards’ barracks quashes myth of glamour*, guardian.co.uk, September 7, 2011.

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p. 291 Union's control over US government—Percentage of unionized public sector employees in the 1960s: 10%. Percentage in 2007: 36. <http://www.shmoo.com/history-labor-unions/statistics.html>

p. 292 Union's collapsing control over private sector—Percentage of unionized private sectors employees in the 1950s: 35%. Percentage in 2007: 7.5%. <http://www.shmoo.com/history-labor-unions/statistics.html>

p. 293 "Gun control? It's the best thing you can do for crooks and gangsters. I want you to have nothing. If I'm a bad guy, I'm always gonna have a gun. Safety locks? You will pull the trigger with a lock on, and I'll pull the trigger. We'll see who wins."—Sammy Gravano, Mafia turncoat

p. 294 Close synonyms for socialism: leveling, communalism, communism, Marxist, Stalinist, leftist, state-controlled, collective, cooperative, social justice, force—gleaned from the readings.

p. 295 "Almost all the prophecies of Marx and his followers have already proved to be false, but this does not disturb the spiritual certainty of the faithful, any more than it did in the case of chiliastic sects."—Leszek Kolakowski, as quoted by Roger Kimball, "Leszek Kolakowski & the anatomy of totalitarianism," *New Criterion* June 2005.

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p. 297 (cont'd) ... range from the hundreds to the thousands who were massacred and imprisoned that day. When interfering with Internet traffic, the Chinese government uses the word "harmonized" to explain why a blog or search term was censored. Former prisoners

and dissidents are always warned not to talk to journalists.—*Chinese censors act to silence Tiananmen anniversary talk*, The Guardian, Reuters in Beijing, June 4, 2012

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p. 299 “All of Marx’s major predictions have turned out to be wrong.”—Roger Kimball, “Leszek Kolakowski & the anatomy of totalitarianism,” *New Criterion* June 2005

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p. 311 Former socialist George Orwell wrote Animal Farm to expose fallacy of socialism.

p. 312 New World Order: In 2005, the Supreme Court cited international law to help justify its decision opposing juvenile executions for murder. (Roper v. Simmons)

p. 313 Socialism in Massachusetts: Just before Mother's Day in 2012, armed Environmental Police officers closed down a park's popular ice cream stand because its owner made improvements without permission. Said the owner, "I make improvements every day and have for 26 years."—Chris Camire, Ice-cream spot hits rocky road, [lowellsun.com](http://lowellsun.com), May 16, 2012.

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November elections.—Edward Klein, The 'bribe' to silence Wright, New York Post, May 13, 2012.

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p. 316 “Socialism is the religion people get when they lost their religion.”—Richard John Neuhaus

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p. 323 Cicero—importance of learning history: “To be ignorant of what occurred before you were born is to remain always a child.”

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p. 326 Socialism is expensive (total liabilities): U.S. Medicare—\$25 trillion; U.S. Social Security—\$22 trillion; U.S. Federal debt—\$15 trillion; U.S. Government employee benefits—\$11 trillion

p. 327 Does Socialism lead to Communism? It did in Hungary: “There was the same fatal alliance of the socialists with the communists, the same expulsion or suppression of all democratic elements, and the same acquiescence, with notable exceptions, of the former Social Democrats in a totalitarian state.”—Ivor Thomas, *The Socialist Tragedy*, The MacMillan Co., New York, p. 56, 1951.

p. 328 Socialism creates a class of elitists, the very aristocracy it claims to loathe: Leonid Brezhnev, general secretary of the Soviet Communist Party and president of the USSR (1964-1982), had a Rolls Royce, Mercedes, Cadillac, ... (cont'd)

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p. 331 “I have come to the conclusion that politics is too serious a matter to be left to the politicians.”—Charles de Gaulle

p. 332 “My reading of history convinces me that most bad government results from too much government.”—Thomas Jefferson

p. 333 Rats and fleas no longer blamed as carriers of the Black Death plague. Researchers now point to person-to-person contact as the best explanation for the plague's fast spread.

p. 334 Supreme Court said in 1973—a 14 year old is mature enough to abort a baby without parental consent. In 2005, the Court said—a 17 year old is too immature to be executed for pre-meditated murder.

p. 335 “The strongest reason for the people to retain the right to keep and bear arms is, as a last resort, to protect themselves against tyranny in government.”—Thomas Jefferson

p. 336 Socialist oxymoron—In 2012, the “Governance Commons” website posted these friendly words: Peace Through Governance. [NOTE: Hitler, Stalin and Osama bin Laden had the same idea]

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p. 339 (cont'd) ... 4) the French Revolution, 5) rise of Napoleon, 6) nationalism, 7) modern revolutionism, 8) Communism, 9) Fascism, and 10) the American Empire. Who started the small skirmish that began this massive unfolding of modern world history? It was a 22-year-old Virginia militia major, Lieutenant Colonel George Washington.—See Gary North, *The Looming Reversal of Centralization*, Mises Daily, June 4, 2012.

p. 340 The primary purpose of socialism: “The whole point is to retain power, to consolidate it, to make it invincible.”—Joseph Stalin, *Foundations of Leninism*, p. 48, International Publishers, 1939.

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and its government.”—John Adams, Letter to the Officers of the First Brigade of the Third Division of the Militia of Massachusetts, 11 October 1798, in [Revolutionary Services and Civil Life of General William Hull](#) (New York, 1848), pp 265-6.

p. 342 Potemkin Villages (“fake villages”) are alive and well in today’s Tibet. The Chinese built “modernized resettlement villages” for Tibetans to show off to foreign journalists how the Chinese occupation of the land is “helpful” to Tibetans. Most observers say all of Tibet is a Potemkin village.—John Graham, *Goodbye Tibet?*, HuffingtonPost.com, June 11, 2012.

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p. 348 Socialism in North Korea: At least 37 percent of the country suffers chronic malnutrition.

p. 349 Capitalism in America: Every day, about two trillion dollars move to and from banks, in roughly 400,000 wire transfers.

p. 350 Socialism in Sweden: Some health clinics require security guards to control angry mobs.

p. 351 Freedom engages a man’s strength. Socialism engages his weakness.

p. 352 The Constitution gives no authority to the federal government to meddle in education.

- p. 353 Socialism in China: Almost 70% of all illegal copycat products are created in China where socialism makes stealing and copying easier than inventing and innovating.
- p. 354 Socialism in Russia: In 2011, the policy of any-time abortion was limited to the first 12 weeks of pregnancy to reverse a dangerous decline in population since 1992.
- p. 355 Keeping watch: In 2006, Walmart China allowed branches of the Communist Party of China to set up offices inside the stores—see [http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/china/2006-08/25/content\\_674552.htm](http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/china/2006-08/25/content_674552.htm)
- p. 356 Long road to freedom: Between 1993-1995, about 20,000 of Russia's state enterprises were privatized. For the buyers it was a steal—the new government sold them for 10% of their true value.
- p. 357 “All the marvelous achievements of Western civilization are fruits grown on the tree of liberty.”—Ludwig von Mises
- p. 358 “Nip the shoots of arbitrary power in the bud, is the only maxim which can ever preserve the liberties of any people.”—John Adams, *[Novanglus; or, A History of the Dispute with America, From Its Origin, in 1754, to the Present Time](#)*. No. 3, first published in the *Boston Gazette, 1774-1775*
- p. 359 “A system dependent on one man to make it work right is a bad system.”—Milton Friedman
- p. 360 “The perception of poverty as morally intolerable in a rich society had to await the emergence of a rich society.”—Economist Nathan Rosenberg
- p. 361 “The assumption that spending more of the taxpayer's money will make things better has survived all kinds of evidence that it has made things worse. The black family—which survived slavery, discrimination, poverty, wars and depressions—began to come apart as the federal government moved in with its well-financed programs to ‘help.’”—Thomas Sowell
- p. 362 Is the US dependent on oil from the Middle East? In September 2011, the US consumed 18,700,000 barrels of oil per day—of that, the Middle East provided only 11% (2,008,000 barrels).
- p. 363 “Gun control? It's the best thing you can do for crooks...” Interview with former

Mafia member, Sammy Gravano in Howard Blum, "The Reluctant Don," *Vanity Fair* (September 1999), p. 165.

p. 364 Reason #1 for failure of Articles of Confederation: it lacked the means to raise money beyond simply requesting it.—Author

p. 365 "Fear is the foundation of most governments."—John Adams, *Thoughts on Government*, 1776

p. 366 What Constitution?—"I hope your committee will not permit doubts as to constitutionality, however reasonable, to block the suggested legislation." Franklin D. Roosevelt.

p. 367 "A higher standard of living also brings about a higher standard of culture and civilization."—Ludwig von Mises,

p. 368 Socialist Sweden learns hard lesson: "Carl Bildt, Sweden's new 42-year-old conservative prime minister, aims to steer Sweden back into the family of free market nations. 'Collectivism and socialism have been thrown ...'" (cont'd)

p. 369 (cont'd) "'... on the scrap heap of history,' he told us during a recent visit. 'There is no compromise worth having between state control and capitalism.'"—*Wall Street Journal*, April 1992

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p. 372 Friedrich Nietzsche, "The individual has always had to struggle to keep from being overwhelmed by the tribe. If you try it, you will be lonely often, and sometimes frightened. But no price is too high to pay for the privilege of owning yourself."

p. 373 Securing Property Rights: In 2012 voters argued it was time to eliminate property taxes. Said one supporter, "No tax should have the power to make you homeless."—Quote by Jim Cox, a state representative in Pennsylvania; article by Monica Davey, *North Dakota Considers Eliminating Property Tax*, *The New York Times*, June 11, 2012.

p. 374 Socialism kills—In Italy during World War II, Mussolini's fascist regime was responsible for the deaths of at least 225,000 for purposes of political power and purges.

p. 375 Free? "... Medical assistance shall be made available by state and municipal health

care institutions to citizens free of charge ..." Russian Constitution, Sec. 1, Cha  
p. 2, Art. 41.1

p. 376 "The right of a nation to kill a tyrant, in cases of necessity, can no more be doubted, than to hang a robber, or kill a flea. But killing one tyrant only makes way for worse, unless the people ..." (cont'd)

p. 377 (cont'd) " ... have sense, spirit and honesty enough to establish and support a constitution guarded at all points against the tyranny of the one, the few, and the many."—John Adams, *A Defence of the Consitutions of Government of the United States of America*, 3 Volumes, 1787, Vol. 1, Chapter 18, republished in 10 volumes, *The Works of John Adams (1850-1856)*, edited by Charles Francis Adams.

p. 378 Potemkin Villages ("fake villages") are alive and well in the U.S. New York, Cleveland and Chicago tried to brighten up slum areas by having cheery windows and doors painted on wood panels used to board up the windows and doors to make them look occupied and hide the blight.—Sandra Livingston, *Program uses decorative boards to try to blend vacant homes into Cleveland neighborhoods*, Cleveland.com, August 25, 2010; Mark Tran, *Travelling into Korea's demilitarized zone: Run DMZ*, The Guardian, June 6, 2008; Jerry Saltz, *Bronx Tales*, The Village Voice, August 3, 1999.

p. 379 "Politics is the gentle art of getting votes from the poor and campaign funds from the rich, by promising to protect each from the other."—Oscar Ameringer, attributed to Ameringer at Oscar Amerigner memorial gallery, [www.darkworld.com/port/art/gallerys/OscarAmeringer.html](http://www.darkworld.com/port/art/gallerys/OscarAmeringer.html)

p. 380 "If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?" (Psalm 11:3)

p. 381 Socialism in Venezuela: In 2010, Hugo Chavez ordered all television stations to broadcast a government message. When six privately-owned cable channels refused, one of which was openly anti-Chavez, he ordered all six taken off the air.—BBC, *Venezuela TV channels taken off air*, January 24, 2010.

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p. 384 The Democrats are the party that says government will make you smarter, taller, richer, and remove the crabgrass on your lawn. The Republicans are the party that says government doesn’t work and then they get elected and prove it.—P.J. O’Rourke

p. 385 “The democracy will cease to exist when you take away from those who are willing to work and give to those who would not.”—Thomas Jefferson

p. 386 “He who controls my bread controls my head.”—Eugene V. Debs

p. 387 “When we get piled Upon one another in large cities, as in Europe, We shall become as corrupt as Europe.”—Thomas Jefferson

p. 388 Christmas Tree Tax—In 2011, the Obama administration imposed a 15-cent charge on all fresh Christmas trees. After a huge public outcry, the charge was withdrawn the next day.—White House Sidelines Christmas Tree ‘Tax’ By [Judson Berger](#), November 09, 2011, FoxNews.com. Read more: <http://www.foxnews.com/politics/2011/11/09/merry-christmas-agriculture-department-imposes-christmas-tree-tax/#ixzz26963grOe>

p. 389 “Single acts of tyranny may be ascribed to the accidental opinion of a day; but a series of oppressions, begun at a distinguished period, and pursued unalterably through every change of ministers, too plainly prove a deliberate, systematical plan of reducing us to slavery.”—Thomas Jefferson

p. 390 *There ought to be a law:* “Everyone thinks of changing the world, but no one thinks of changing himself”—Leo Tolstoy

p. 391 “Liberty not only means that the individual has both the opportunity and the burden of choice; it also means that he must bear the consequences of his actions and will receive praise or blame for them.”—F. A. Hayek

p. 392 Every dollar in every wallet costs Americans about a nickel a year in interest.

p. 393 Socialism in America: In 2012, *Chief Executive's* 8th annual survey of the best states in which to do business, Texas ranked #1, California ranked #50. Texas enjoyed the highest net migration while California lost 1.5 million. Most of the top 20 were right-to-work states.—JP Donlon, Chief Executive.net, Another Triumph for Texas: Best/Worst States for Business 2012, May 2, 2012.

p. 394 “The inherent vice of capitalism is the unequal sharing of blessings; the inherent virtue of socialism is the equal sharing of miseries.”—Winston Churchill

p. 395 “Devaluing currency” is another way of saying how a country makes its products cheaper for foreign nations to buy its cars, so more start selling ... brings in fast cash.

p. 396 Bushels of wheat produced in America ...In 1820—1/3 bushel per hour. In 1900—60 bushels per hour. In 2010—228,161 bushels per hour.

p. 397 “If you tell a lie big enough and keep repeating it, people will eventually come to believe it.” Joseph Goebbels, Nazi Propaganda Minister (1933-45)

p. 398 Socialism in America: In Massachusetts, children in day-care centers are required by law to brush their teeth after eating, and the state even provides the fluoride toothpaste.—wcvb.com, Boston, MA, January 18, 2010

p. 399 “Fear is having faith in failure. Courage is having faith in success.”—Author

p. 400 The lie that representative and constitutional government exposes: “We must have faith in the masses and we must have faith in the Party. These are two cardinal principles. If we doubt these principles, we shall accomplish nothing.”—Mao Zedong, On the Question of Agricultural Co-operation (.July 31, 1955), 3rd ed., p. 7.\*

p. 401 Big Brother in the UK: In 2012, a government electronic listening agency was approved allowing listening in on phone calls, email and text messages in real time. Warrants are needed beforehand.

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p. 404 Free Speech in Thailand: In 2012, a website editor was convicted for allowing users of her website to make comments that caused “damage to the reputation of the king, queen and heir-apparent,” essentially making webmasters enforcers and censors for the

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p. 406 *Socialism in New York*: In 2012, NY Mayor Michael Bloomberg decided to combat obesity by banning sodas and sugary drinks that exceeded 16 oz. at public venues. Free refills, where allowed, were granted immunity.—Michael M. Grynbaum, *New York Plans to Ban Sale of Big Sizes of Sugary Drinks*, *New York Times*, May 30, 2012

p. 407 In 2012, two reporters for *The Sun* bluffed their way into North Korea. At a massive 65-foot bronze statue of departed leaders, the men were prevented from taking photos too close lest any body part be cut out of the frame, “a very grave offence,” their tour guides warned.—Alex Peake and Simon Jones, *Inside North Korea*, *The Sun*, May 30, 2012.

p. 408 “Dutch Disease”—After the discovery of oil in North Sea, the value of Dutch currency rose making exports too expensive, causing its industry to decline and a de-industrialization of its economy.

p. 409 In 2012, Canada upped the retirement age to 67 in an effort to balance the budget and afford its socialist programs of old age security and guaranteed income supplement benefits, effective 2013.

p. 410 *Freedom of Spit in Russia*: In 2012, Dmitry Karuyev, 20, was thrown in jail for spitting on a portrait of President Vladimir Putin. He was found guilty of “breaching public order and showing clear disrespect for society.” Karuyev’s defense? “I sneezed.”—AFP, *Moscow, Russia Jails Activist for Spitting on Putin Portrait*, May 30, 2012

p. 411 *Potemkin Villages* (“fake villages”) are alive and well in North Korea. In the 1950s, the communist government built Gijeong-dong, an expensive and *uninhabited* village to encourage South Korean defectors, and to occasionally house soldiers manning military posts on the border.—Mark Tran, *Travelling into Korea's demilitarised zone: Run DMZ*, *guardian.co.uk*, June 6, 2008.

p. 412 "Freedom is opportunity to make decisions. Character is ability to make right decisions. ... For no one learns to make right decisions without being free to make wrong ones."—Kenneth W. Sollitt

p. 413 "Socialism means justice, means the wealth of the society shared among the individuals of that society."—Moammar Qadhafi, Libyan dictator killed in 2011, who had \$200 billion stashed away.

p. 414 "A politician is a fellow who will lay down your life for his country."—Texas Guinan

p. 415 "Socialism is the society which grows directly out of capitalism ... Communism, on the other hand, is a higher form of society which can develop only when Socialism has taken firm hold."—V. I. Lenin, quoted in L. Harry Gould, *Marxist Glossary*, p. 26, Proletarian Publishers, 1946.

p. 416 Does Socialism lead to Communism? It did in Czechoslovakia: "...The history of Czechoslovakia since 1945 shows that he who sups at the cabinet table with the Communists needs a long spoon; that the Communist seizure of power was aided and abetted by ..." (cont'd)

p. 417 (cont'd) "...the leaders of the Social Democrats; and that the Communists might not have been able to seize power if they had not first shared it with the Social Democrats."—Ivor Thomas, *The Socialist Tragedy*, The MacMillan Co., New York, p. 66, 1951.

p. 418 What's in a name? Marxist-Leninist communist countries refer to themselves as socialist republics in their constitutions. They claim a one-party system, allegiance to Marxism-Leninism, and that all power resides in the working class—it doesn't, but that's beside the point.—See websites for China, Cuba, North Korea, Lao, and Vietnam.

p. 419 Supreme or Supremacy Pizza? In 2012, Papa John's Pizza, the world-wide pizza chain with 4,000 outlets in all 50 states and 33 countries, announced it would have to pass along price increases of at least 14 cents per pizza, due to increased costs from Obama's health care law.—CBSDC, *Papa John's Founder To Raise Price Of Pizza Due To 'Obamacare'*, August 8, 2012.

p. 420 "I can understand communism, but not socialism."—Lajos Kossuth

p. 421 “Politics is supposed to be the second-oldest profession. I have come to realize that it bears a very close resemblance to the first.”—Ronald Reagan

p. 422 Socialism kills—Mao’s Great Leap Forward in China, 1958-1961, imposed coercion, terror and crushing on the population, killing at least 27,000,000—some estimates go as high as 45,000,000.

p. 423 People are too dumb to know what’s good for them: “If Socialism can only be realized when the intellectual development of all the people permits it, then we shall not see Socialism for at least five hundred years.”—Vladimir Lenin

p. 424 Adolf Hitler (1939): “Adolf Hitler (1939): “If the international Jewish financiers in and outside Europe should succeed in plunging the nations once more into a world war, then the result will not be the Bolshevizing of the earth, and thus the victory of Jewry, but the annihilation of the Jewish race in Europe!”

p. 425 Socialism is survival of the biggest.—Author and others

p. 426 Socializing the money leads to instability—In a single day (May 14, 2012), Greeks withdrew \$900 million from banks out of fear the country would abandon the euro for a return to the devalued drachma. Trusting its economic strength in the euro had prevented Greece from stimulating its economy.—Alastair Jamieson, *Greeks withdraw \$894 million in a day: Is this beginning of a run on banks?* NBC News, May 16, 2012.

p. 427 U. S. Civil War (1861-1865): About 365,000 Union troops died killing 260,000 Confederate troops.

p. 428 A glimpse of the American flag sways voters, including Democrats, to vote Republican or have attitudes and beliefs more Republican, according to a 2-year study by U. of Chicago, Cornell, & Hebrew U.

p. 429 As of 2012, the “red tide” of communism claims only five nations, down from 25 before 1960: The People’s Republic of China, the Republic of Cuba, the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, Lao People’s Democratic Republic, and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.—See websites for China, Cuba, North Korea, Laos, and Vietnam.

p. 430 “In practice, socialism didn’t work. But socialism could never have worked because it

is based on false premises about human psychology and society, and gross ignorance of human economy.”—David Horowitz

p. 431 “It is incumbent on every generation to pay its own debts as it goes. A principle which, if acted on, would save one half the wars of the world.”—Thomas Jefferson

p. 432 “If the government is big enough to give you everything you want, it is big enough to take away everything you have.”—Gerald Ford “If Elected, I Promise...” : Stories and Gems of Wisdom by and About Politicians (1960) p. 193

p. 433 Socialism in Venezuela: In 2010, Hugo Chavez nationalized the Exito supermarket chain, accusing it and 200 other stores of breaking the law on price controls. Chavez suggested the store chain become part of a “Corporation of Socialist Markets” offering everything from restaurants to car dealerships.—Will Grant, *Chavez takes control of foreign supermarket*, BBC, January 18, 2010.

p. 434 Does socialism lead to communism? It did in Italy and France: “In Italy and France, communists have not been able to seize power, but the history of these two countries since the ...” (cont’d)

p. 435 (cont’d) “ ... first world war shows no less convincingly that socialism cannot be an effective barrier to communism; they show rather that socialism opens the way to communism.”—Ivor Thomas, 1951, *The Socialist Tragedy*, The MacMillan Co., New York, p. 66, 1951.

p. 436 Socialism in Zimbabwe: During President Robert Mugabe’s 88th birthday fest at Sakubva Stadium, construction worker Richmore Jazi was in a nearby bar and jokingly asked a local resident if Mugabe had the strength to blow up his own balloons. ... (cont’d)

p. 437 (cont’d) ... The resident told the police and Jazi was arrested on allegations for undermining Mugabe’s authority. He was just one of dozens arrested for violating the so-called “insult laws.”—Nehanda Radio, Man arrested for asking who helped Mugabe blow balloons, February 29, 2012.

p. 438 Comparing hammers and sickles: “Marxists like to compare a theoretically perfect version of socialism with practical, imperfect capitalism which allows them to claim that socialism is superior to capitalism.”—Mark J. Perry, *Why Socialism Failed*, Freeman, June 1995, Vol. 45, Issue 6

p. 439 In North Korea, no one is paid a wage. Workers receive an apartment to live in with free electricity, although it frequently cuts out. There's an 11 pm curfew. The lavishly-decorated subway system is too expensive for most commuters. The elite Party members ride in special cars from Germany.—Alex Peake and Simon Jones, *Inside North Korea*, The Sun, May 30, 2012.

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p. 441 Socialists proclaim entitlement. Americans proclaim enablement.—Author and others

p. 442 Socialism kills: In 1984, the Marxist-Leninist regime of Ethiopia was so busy consolidating its power and fighting a civil war that food meant to stave off starvation went to troops. Drought, crop disease, and government diversion led to the starvation deaths of 1 million.—U.S. Mission to the UN Agencies in Rome, *Hunger in Ethiopia*, Trip Report by Ambassador Tony P. Hall, 2004.

p. 443 "To achieve world government, it is necessary to remove from the minds of men their individualism, loyalty to family tradition, national patriotism, and religious dogmas."—Alger Hiss, G. Brock Chisholm, "The Re-Establishment of Peacetime Society," *Psychiatry*, February 1946. Later published by Alger Hiss.

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p. 446 Canada stopped producing the penny in 2012 to save \$11 million in annual production costs.

p. 447 Socialist Europe: In 2012, the EU's carbon tax became effective on the airlines of all member nations. India and China refused to comply, calling it an attempt to control free trade. When the EU refused to back down, China cancelled orders for the Airbus, killing thousands of jobs.—AFP, Ammu Kannampilly, Mar 23, 2012.

p. 448 "Get MORE with socialism: more debt, more taxes, more misery."—Paul B. Skousen

p. 449 Thomas Jefferson once wrote "To compel a man to furnish contributions of money for the propagation of opinions which he disbelieves is sinful and tyrannical."

p. 450 Socialism creates shortages. In the Soviet Union during the 1970s, it was an accepted norm that Soviet women daily spent two hours in line, seven days a week.—Hedrick Smith, *The Russians*, p. 83, 1976.

p. 451 “Socialism feeds a man for a day, freedom feeds him forever.”—Author

p. 452 Soviet resurrections? In 2004, eleven of the twenty presidents of former Soviet Union countries were former Communist party insiders (called nomenklatura). [Boris Kagarlitsky, *Russia Under Yeltsin and Putin*, Pluto Publishing, London 2002.]

p. 453 Marx on transition from capitalism to socialism: “You will have to go through fifteen, twenty or fifty years of civil wars and international conflicts, not only to change existing conditions, but also to change yourselves and to make yourselves capable of wielding political power.”—Karl Marx, *Selected Works*, Vol. X, pp. 156-157.

p. 454 Russia’s enormous bureaucracy: During the administration of Boris Yeltsin, 1991-1999, more than 18 million people worked for the State, from a population of 147 million. [Boris Kagarlitsky, *Russia Under Yeltsin and Putin*, Pluto, London 2002.]

p. 455 “I offer my opponents a bargain: if they will stop telling lies about us, I will stop telling the truth about them.”—Adlai Stevenson, campaign speech, 1952.

p. 456 “Men always strive for an improvement in their conditions and always will. This is man’s inescapable destiny.”—Ludwig von Mises

p. 457 “A better world is possible—a world where people come before profits. That’s socialism. That’s our vision. We are the Communist Party USA.”—Communist Party USA website, [www.cpusa.org](http://www.cpusa.org).

p. 458 A prayer in the White House: “I pray Heaven to bestow the best of blessings on this house and all that shall hereafter inhabit it. May none but honest and wise men ever rule under this roof.”—John Adams, *On the White House*, in a letter to Abigail Adams, November 2, 1800.

p. 459 Who is imperialistic today? “Imperialism is the eve of the socialist revolution.”—V. I. Lenin, quoted in Joseph Stalin, *Foundations of Leninism*, p. 34, International Publishers, 1939.

p. 460 Capitalism didn't fail, it was strangled to death by regulations.—Author

p. 461 “The more the Federal government has swelled into places the Constitution originally forbade it, the worse off our nation has become economically, morally and culturally.”—  
Author

p. 462 Declining America: In 2012, taxpayer-funded Amtrak launched a pro-homosexual ad campaign in Washington DC. “Ride With Pride” encouraged gay couples to visit gay-friendly destinations. Amtrak officials claimed there were no complaints. The company received \$1 billion in tax dollars in 2012.—CBSDC, Taxpayer-Funded Amtrak Releases Ads Targeted For Gay Couples, August 3, 2012.

p. 463 “Socialism kills—In 1994, Jean Kambanda, Prime Minister of Rwanda, distributed weapons to commit the mass murder of at least 800,000 people, almost 20% of the population, in just 100 days—all in the name of ethnic competition to gain control and keep political power. ”—[Rwanda: How the genocide happened, BBC](#), April 1, 2004, which gives an estimate of 800,000, and [OAU sets inquiry into Rwanda genocide](#), Africa Recovery, Vol. 12 1#1 (August 1998), p. 4, which estimates the number at between 500,000 and 1,000,000. Seven out of every 10 Tutsis were killed.

p. 464 The innovation unleashed by liberty means longer life. Life expectancy in 35,000 BC was estimated at about 18 years. By 1200 AD, it was only 30 years. By 1850, it was 43 years. Today, the average life expectancy around the world is roughly 78 years.

p. 465 The free market works: In 2011, Walmart had 9,600 retail stores in 28 countries, and served 200 million customers per week.

p. 466 The free market works: In 2010, New Yorkers living in Zip Code 10104 paid an average \$1,045,692 in taxes. How many jobs would that have created were it not flowing into the coffers of the US Treasury?

p. 467 World's top three oil producers (million barrels per day): FIRST, Saudi Arabia at 10.3; SECOND, Russia at 9.91; and THIRD, the US at 8.85.

p. 468 Socialism erodes virtue: First, Congress piles on taxes so heavy, many struggle to pay them and most of it doesn't strengthen society, but saps it of strength by supporting entitlement welfare. Second, the struggle to pay creates dishonesty among otherwise ...  
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p. 469 (cont'd) ...honest people to avoid payment in any way possible. And third, the IRS then resorts to rewarding whistle blowers who expose tax cheats with a percentage of the "take." People are incentivized to spy on one another, and national virtue slides towards fascism.—Author

p. 470 It took 60 years, from 1789 to 1848, for the US Government to spend its first \$1 billion. Under Barack Obama, the government spent \$1 billion every 2 hours 22 minutes.

p. 471 "America is like a healthy body and its resistance is threefold: its patriotism, its morality, and its spiritual life. If we can undermine these three areas, America will collapse from within."—Often attributed to Joseph Stalin

p. 472 Samuel Webster, 1777: "Encroachments on the people's liberties are not generally made all at once, but so gradually as hardly to be perceived by the less watchful; ... [continued]

p. 473 [from prior page] "...and all plaistered over, it may be, with such plausible pretenses, that before they are aware of the snare, they are taken and cannot disentangle themselves."

p. 474 Socialism in America: Dependence on the federal government shot up 23% in just 2 years under President Barack Obama, to 67 million requiring help from some federal program.

p. 475 Socialism in America: Spending on US "dependence programs" grew to 70.5% of the federal budget under President Barack Obama (as of 2010).

p. 476 Looks can be deceiving—Super model Elle MacPherson on why she supported Barack Obama for President (quoted in 2012): "I'm socialist ... what do you expect?" Newsbusters.org, Noel Sheppard, *Supermodel Elle Macpherson Loves Obama*, March 17, 2012.

p. 477 Socialism in America: In 2010, more than \$2.1 trillion, or 66% of the federal budget, was spent on government handouts (Medicare, Medicaid, Social Security, unemployment, food stamps, earned income).

p. 478 America's loss of the coveted "AAA" credit rating in 2012 meant America was no longer trustworthy in the eyes of the world as having, 1) Extremely strong capacity to meet

financial commitments, 2) worthy of loans at lower interest rate, and 3) was at a higher risk of not repaying loans.

p. 479 In 2012, a study exposed bias in claims that same-sex parenting produces comparable results as biological parents. Seven flaws were discovered including trying to compare wealthy, well-educated lesbian couples with problem-prone single-parent heterosexual families, as if they were the “same.”—See Lois M. Collins, Studies challenge widely held assumptions about same-sex parenting, Deseret News, June 9, 2012.

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p. 482 Decade of Greed? During the 1980s, anti-welfare people were criticized for being heartless. But was cutting government welfare really that heartless? After Reagan cut the marginal tax rate in 1981, charitable giving grew 55% higher than in the prior 25 years. ... (cont'd)

p. 483 (cont'd) ... Overall giving grew 56 percent. Giving exceeded the expected and predicted amount every year, averaging \$16 billion a year. The lesson is when people have more money in their pockets, they give more to the needy.—Richard McKenzie, Decade of Greed? National Review, August 31, 1992.

p. 484 Socialism in America: Cost of federal regulations on US businesses in 2005: \$1.2 trillion per year. ... (cont'd)

p. 485 (cont'd) ... Of that enormous regulatory burden, US businesses paid \$221 billion towards environmental regulations.

p. 486 "As a president thinketh in his heart, so is he."—Author

p. 487 Celebrating the promise of Obama's socialism: "I won't have to worry about putting gas in my car, I won't have to worry about paying my mortgage ..."—Peggy Joseph on NBC at a Barack Obama rally, 2008.

p. 488 The free market works: In 2011, Walmart's payroll supported 2.1 million employees in 28 countries.

p. 489 In 1961, Fidel Castro placed his country into solitary confinement when he declared, "Within the Revolution: Everything. Outside of it: Nothing." After 50 years, that is precisely what he got: everything turned to nothing.

p. 490 Socialists see light at the end of the tunnel as an excuse to buy more tunnel.—Author and others

p. 491 In 1933, Stalin's collective farming policy led to the seizure of privately owned and farmed goods in and around Ukraine. This resulted in the starvation of 7 million people, an estimated 3 million of which were children. Today it is known as the Black Famine.

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p. 494 "Society cannot exist, unless a controlling power upon the will and appetite is placed somewhere; and the less of it there is within, the more there must be without."—Edmond Burke

p. 495 "When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn." Proverbs 29:2 KJV

p. 496 Advancing socialism in America: Dr. Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr., historian and advisor to the Roosevelts, Kennedys, Henry Kissinger, Al Gore, the Clintons and all liberals in between, wrote, "There seems no inherent obstacle to the gradual advance of ..." (cont'd)

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p. extra Long road to freedom: Between 1993 and 1995, 20,000 out of 27,000 Russian state enterprises were privatized. The Government sold them for about 10% per cent of their true value. [Boris Kagarlitsky, *Russia Under Yeltsin and Putin*, Pluto, London 2002.]

p. extra “Socialism is the society which grows directly out of capitalism ... Communism, on the other hand, is a higher form of society which can develop only when Socialism has taken firm hold.”—V. I. Lenin, quoted in L. Harry Gould, *Marxist Glossary*, p. 26, Proletarian Publishers, 1946.

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p. extra “It is incumbent on every generation to pay its own debts as it goes. A principle which, if acted on, would save one half the wars of the world.”—Thomas Jefferson, *To Destutt de Tracy*, 1820.

p. extra Cradle to grave insecurity: As of 2010, the U.S. federal government had \$61.6 *trillion* in total financial promises that are not paid for.—USATODAY June 7, 2011

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p. extra “Between 1965 and 1990, the total number of mental-hospital inpatient deaths exceeded the number of battle deaths in the same wars by 70 percent. Inpatient deaths topped out at 1,103,000 during this 25-year period, compared with 650,563 recorded deaths in battles.”—Kelly Patricia O’Meara, 2001 “The Forgotten Dead of St. Elizabeth’s”, *Insight Magazine*, June 16, 2001

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The day the socialists took my honey and nectar:

p. extra        Bees keep their hive at 93-95 degrees F in summer by fanning their wings or placing water drops in the cells.

p. extra        Americans consume more than 400 million pounds of honey each year—more than half of that is imported from other countries.

p. extra        The average bee lives six weeks and gathers 1/10th teaspoon of honey.

p. extra        Chinese honey was banned in the US in 2001 for contamination by chloramphenicol, an antibiotic sprayed on beehives, which can cause fatal aplastic anaemia.