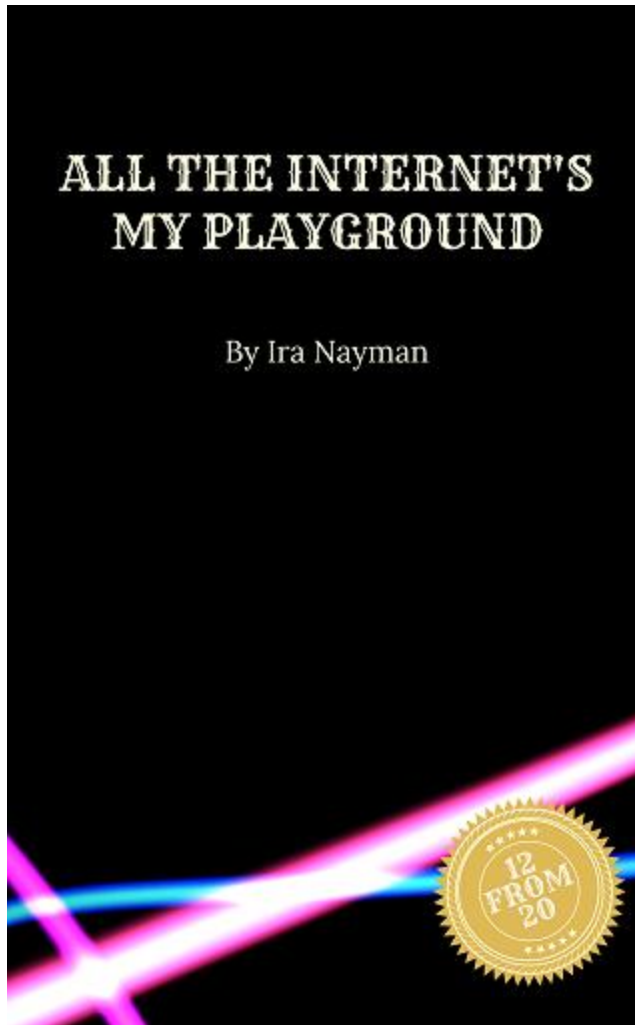




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Introduction

In the first week of September 2022, Les Pages aux Folles will turn 20. To celebrate this achievement, I will be publishing 12 ebook collections of articles from the two decades of

the web site over the course of the year; this project is known as “12 from 20.” (For a brief overview of Les Pages aux Folles, see “The Back Story” at the end of this volume.) Each book will focus on a different feature of the web site. This month: The Daily Me.

So. I have a PhD. I am a doctor. Of philosophy, but still. I have the right to call myself Doctor Nayman in correspondence. I rarely do – I’m not so insecure that I need honorifics to remind myself of my value – but I could. Don’t get me wrong: earning my PhD is one of the many achievements of my life of which I am hugely proud. I just don’t feel the need to brag about it. I’m not humble bragging, here. This bit of my personal history bears on an important aspect of Les Pages aux Folles.

My PhD is from the Communications Department of McGill University. It was like many of the social science departments at the school most known for its medical and engineering schools: small and chronically underfunded. Criminally underfunded, actually, given that, by the time I was studying there in the late 1990s it was already clear that a revolution in communications was well underway and deserving of study. In any case, I cannot blame myself for the fact that, two years after I graduated, the Communications Department was folded into Art History, effectively disappearing as a unique programme.

(Why would I blame myself for that? It appeared to continue a pattern I had of getting degrees just before they were no longer offered. My undergraduate degree from York University was – big breath – a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies with a Concentration in Creative Writing. Aaaand, exhale. That degree was discontinued a couple of years after I graduated. My Masters degree was done entirely online at Paul Levinson’s Connect Ed, which was affiliated with the New School for Social Research, which actually granted me the degree. A couple of years after I graduated, the New School decided to launch its own online courses, ending its relationship with Connect Ed. What can I say? It’s a curse. I briefly considered offering my services to universities: for a fee, I would get a degree at their biggest rival. That would have been a very different life...)

The subject of my dissertation was fiction writers who post their work on the Internet. I had been interested in the intersection of art and technology since my last year as an undergraduate, when I took the course that changed my life. It helps to understand that computers were the shiny new thing when I was in high school, but they were very different than they are now: they took up an entire room and had to be constantly cooled for fear that they would overheat and die (which they often did anyway). My high school didn’t have a computer: we had to write out our programmes by filling out (in?) bubble cards, which were wrapped in rubber bands and sent to the Ministry of Education to be run. We would get a printout of our programme the next day and discover whether or not it worked. If it didn’t, we had to write out the cards again.

I loved the course so much I didn’t think about computers for 15 years.

In my final year as an undergraduate, I took a course on the social and political ramifications of computers. This was the mid-90s, just as the desktop computer era was starting. The class was run jointly by a humanities professor and a computer science professor. Although computers still used line commands (the graphical user interface was still a couple of years away) to run search apps like ARCHIE and VERONICA (Google was still a few years away), this was a far cry from my previous experience with computers. Even better: we could do sound editing and other cool things with these machines! The allure of computers was growing on me.

More importantly, both of my professors urged me to go to graduate school, even suggesting that I get my Masters degree online from an institution called Connected Education. My original plan was to stop at the one degree and devote my life to writing, but the moment I had completed my undergrad work, I had an, “Oh shit! What am I going to do with my life now?” moment, and all of a sudden going to grad school seemed like a viable option. The rest (the MA and a PhD) is my history.

My research for my graduate degrees was broad, taking in both academic and popular sources. One magazine I read frequently was Wired magazine. In one issue, MIT’s Nicholas Negroponte suggested that there would come a time when we would all have bots scouring the internet for news of particular interest to us: they would learn what our interests are and deliver a regular publication that would be unique to each reader. His name for this was “The Daily Me.”

Years later, I was looking for a way to write about more subjects (admittedly in less depth) for articles in *Les Pages aux Folles* (remember *Les Pages aux Folles*? This is an introduction to a collection of articles from *Les Pages aux Folles*) than I could in single-subject bespoke articles. I remembered Negroponte’s idea and a light bulb went off over my head. (The lights in my home are triggered by motion sensors.) Also, I was inspired to create my own version of *The Daily Me* for my web site.

As I conceived it, *The Daily Me* was made up of a large number of parts, each being a potential source of humour. Starting with the articles’ titles: “The Daily Me – [NAME].” The title serves two purposes: it identifies the feature and it contains a name, presumably of the recipient of that day’s feature. The names range from the goofy (ie: Eustace P. Duckamok or Yesenia Sneed) to wordplay (ie: sAl Pha and tOm Ega or Permission B. Struktur) to more conceptual references (ie: thedailyinteger2021.com or theleverthatticcklestheworld). Each name is different, partially to allow the reader to differentiate between different columns, partially to suggest *The Daily Me* has a lot of users.

Each *Daily Me* column opens with an introductory paragraph outlining how it works. And I quote: “Thank you, [NAME], for signing up for *The Daily Me*. Our search engine has combed the Internet for up to the minute news items that fit the profile you have so painstakingly filled out for us. Then, we weighted the probability that you would be interested in these articles against forms which showed what people with tastes similar to yours have liked reading in the past. And, then...” (After the ellipse is a comment unique

to each column.) I felt it was necessary to explain to the reader what *The Daily Me* was about; since I had to assume that readers would find *Les Pages aux Folles* at different times in its history, I decided that each *Daily Me* column would have to act as an introduction to the feature.

FUNLESS FACT: To maximize the amount of information I can get into a single column, each *Daily Me* contains a minimum of 1,000 words, not the 700 I usually aim for. However, since the introduction, which is approximately 80 words, appears the same in every article, I actually aim for 1,100 words. This is the kind of trivia that makes behind-the-scenes writing like this so exciting!

Each item that follows is made up of: a headline; an excerpt from an online source (with one or two exceptions); a source; and a URL for the source. The headlines are not typical newspaper headlines: they are usually snarky comments on the writing below. The excerpt, the meat of each item, runs anywhere from a single line to half a column (if it gets longer than that, as sometimes happens, I usually spin it off into its own article).

Online sources are parodies of...online sources. You may recognize print sources (ie: *The Glob and Maul* or *The Daily Semaphore*), media sources (*Turducken Carlson This Late Afternoon* or *Entertainment Right Now*), and online sources (*The Imaginary Movie Database* or *The Smoking Gut*). There are also personal pages (*The Amazing Chocolate Yummies Blog* or *The Quick and the Detwiler*). In addition, there are pages I created that allow me to write about specific things: *The Ukrainian TV Guide*, for example, allows me to make fun of television, while *Politics for Dummies* is a free-ranging political satire source. In all, over 150 different sources have been employed as attribution in *The Daily Me*, covering a wide range of potential fields and approaches (and, if something doesn't fit into any of my established sources, I can always create a new one); this gives me the flexibility to write about anything I am inspired to make fun of. Although it took me a long time to realize it, *The Daily Me* is, in essence, a parody of the internet itself.

Each source is accompanied by a URL. Some of the URLs are consistent every time they are used; they represent the landing pages of their fake web sites. Other URLs have parts that change every time they are used; they represent specific pages within an ersatz web site. These latter are also sometimes a source of humour. Obviously, I cannot link to these pages: I cannot recreate the entire internet! I'm only one satirist! What I did, instead, was write up my own 404 error message and connect every link to that. That is how they appear when they are new. However, when the articles are collected into books and placed in the archive, the links are changed so that they take the reader to pages containing all of the links from a single source (if it appears 10 or more times in the collection), or to a page containing a lot of sources (if it appears less than 10 times). In this way, the links became another way to navigate through these books.

Although they are made up of a plethora (more than a dongle, less than an orangutan) of sources, a lot of the articles in the *Daily Me* sound the same, sound like, well, me. When the sources are corporate (such as newspapers), this makes sense, since most news outlets follow a specific journalistic style which often makes them read very similarly. However,

The Daily Me also contains many articles from personal sources; one of my few regrets is that I didn't differentiate language between them more (using more spelling errors, colloquialisms, et al). It's a small detail in such a large achievement; something for me to think about over the next 20 years.

FINAL NOTE: I had tried a couple of news formats before settling on *The Daily Me*; they will be the subject of a future volume of 12 from 20. Why not publish that book before this one, since its content will chronologically predate what is collected here? As I mentioned earlier, many features of the web site initially appeared in smaller doses in *The Daily Me*. For example: one of the sources for is Billy-Bob's *International House O' Headlines*. In it, I take a headline from a newspaper or magazine and write a snarky headline in response. After a while, I started writing more of these than I could use in a single *Daily Me*, so I started collecting them into their own articles (each of which contains roughly 30 headlines, which means 30 jokes; shorter forms require a lot more creativity). The same thing happened with quotes (*No Comment Quotes*), Bags of Crazy/Basket of Deplorables (which are credited to *Karl's Big Red Web Page of Unreconstructed Marxism*), poems (*Poetry, Cornered*) and the Alternate Reality News Service. All of these features will be the subject of future volumes of 12 from 20, so it seemed important to me to start with the *Daily Me* volume to set the context for their creation.

Enjoy.

Ira Nayman
Toronto
January 23, 2022

Articles

The Daily Me – Foozleberry Axelrod and the Turnip of Destiny

Thank you, Foozleberry Axelrod and the Turnip of Destiny, for signing up for *The Daily Me*. Our search engine has combed the Internet for up to the minute news items that fit the profile you have so painstakingly filled out for us. Then, we weighted the probability that you would be interested in these articles against forms which showed what people with tastes similar to yours have liked reading in the past. And, then, we realized that we had gotten through most of the Labour Day long weekend without thinking about going to the Canadian National Exhibition. It had been something we had looked forward to since we were children; it marked the end of summer better than any stupid old calendar.

Sure, the Ex had long devolved into a parade of crass consumerism and cute dogs. The Foods of the World had long ago been replaced by the Foods of the Cheap Chain Restaurants. And, if it comes to that, we never won a stuffed Spongebob doll that we could have bought for a third of the money we spent on the games, and we didn't always keep the food building fare down on the rides. The more we thought about it, the more

we wondered why we had always gotten so excited about going to the CNE in the first place.

Then, we started reading reports that the CNE might not survive the pandemic. Man, COVID is ruining everything!

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Incident Tells You All You Need To Know About The Current State Of The Trump Administration

At least four boats sank at an event promoted as a Trump Boat Parade, the Sheriff's Office of Travis County, Texas announced. Although there were gusting winds and high swells on Lake Travis, the cause of the boats sinking was not immediately clear.

"The boats didn't sink," White House spokesHatchamendmentflouter KellyAnne Conway explained. "They took on Freedom Water and went on a Patriotic Journey to the bottom of the lake!"

SOURCE: *The Postington Wash*

[<http://www.postingtonwash.com/wp-dyn/articles/A49881-2020Sep05.html>]more

Conservative Tries To Have Her Hate And Eat It, Too

"This is George Soros with Canada's new finance minister a few years ago listening carefully to him like student to teacher. The closeness of these two should alarm every Canadian."

- Conservative MP Kerry-Lynne Findlay, tweeting about a photo of Liberal Deputy Prime Minister Chrystia Freeland

"Earlier today, I thoughtlessly shared content from what I am now learning is a source that promotes hateful conspiracy theories. I have removed the tweets and apologize to anyone who thinks I would want to endorse hateful rhetoric."

- Findlay after deleting the tweet

SOURCE: *Ending Trending Web Site*

[<http://endingtrending.blurgh/right-suffers-from-soros-throat/>]more

It's Like Trying To Convince A Mongoose To Flip A Downtown Apartment Using A Spatula, Only Completely Different

These things must be balanced against the disastrous consequences of surrendering personal liberty to overreaching government, especially regarding face masks, which are in some ways worse than police-enforced lockdowns because they represent a literal in-your-face exercise of statist power like Islamist head coverings for women or the Nazis' yellow star for Jews. Unnecessary public mask wearing, as opposed to reasonable usage, is no less a statement of psychological submission to higher authority than a dog collar. In the greater scheme of things, I believe liberty is more important than security if one is forced to choose between those two. Those who don't believe that are ripe for the Mark of the Beast, which is what this entire season of chaos is really about, in my view. Personally, I would rather die or be maimed from COVID-19 - or be beheaded by a mob of anarchists and Islamists - than become a safe slave to a totalitarian government.



As the good book says: "He who lives by the analogy shall die by the analogy." Yes, that is a modern translation – if you do not agree with it, feel free to read the bible in the original Klingon.

According to Christian activist Scott Lively, wearing face masks to stop the spread of COVID-19 is like Muslims forcing women to wear head scarfs. Because no Muslim woman has ever agreed to wear one – a man like Lively knows that! And, hey, it's not at all like Orthodox Jewish women being forced to wear head scarfs because...because...shut up! Blasphemer!

Wearing face masks is also, according to Lively, like Nazis forcing Jews to wear the yellow star. Of course, Jews aren't the only ones being asked to wear face masks;

everybody is. And, the yellow star marked people for oppression and death, while mandating the wearing of face masks is an attempt to keep people alive. Other than that, the analogy is perfect because...because...shut up! You're going to hell for this!

In the basket of deplorables, trying to keep people healthy and alive is a form of totalitarianism. The only saving grace to people who do not support public health by wearing masks is that the problem tends to be self-correcting...

SOURCE: *Karl's Big Red Web Page of Unreconstructed Marxism*

[<http://www.bigred.commie/articles/218^.htm>]more

Sure – Put Enough Packets In Your Mouth And You Won't Be Able To Eat Anything You Shouldn't

“Can artificial sweeteners keep us slim?”
- *Toronto Star*

SOURCE: *Billy-Bob's International House O' Headlines*

[<http://www.com/lol.pdqfc.wygyw.wygyw/fid=1373332495>]more

Probably Just As Well – Milking Bees Can Be A Difficult (Not To Mention Painful) Undertaking

A study conducted by the Australian Harry (Not Marlin) Perkins Institute of Medical Research has found that honeybee venom can kill breast cancer cells. It is also possible that a combination of honeybee venom and traditional therapies such as chemo can reduce forms of breast cancer that the venom alone cannot cure.

This is fantastic news. At least, it would be if bees weren't disappearing in such great numbers...

SOURCE: *Scientific Canadian*

[<http://www.scican.com/article.cfm?chanID=sc003&articleID=1724H3EC-2C745-20K5-AAA1582614B711711>]more

Probably The Best Approach When You're Forced To Eat Crow

“I think everybody is looking at that with a grain of salt.”
- Foreign Affairs Minister Francois-Philippe Champagne, responding to Russia's claim that it had nothing to do with the poisoning of Alexey Navalny, a vocal opponent of Vladimir Putin, with a Russian military nerve agent

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>]more

Some Speech Is More Compelling Than Others

The Ford government is planning to appeal a ruling by the Ontario Supreme Court that all cabinet ministers must wear a sticker on their head while conducting business at Queen's Park that reads, "Provincial government misinformation will cost everybody."

"This...this...this is compelled speech!" Premier Ford sputtered in outrage. "Freedom of speech not only means that you should be able to say whatever you want, but that nobody can force you to say anything you don't want to say!"

The Supreme Court smirked and ruled: "Well, exactly."

SOURCE: *NOW and THEN*

[<http://www.now&thentoronto.com/news/story.cfm?content=310088>]more

Cooties Is Transmitted By Touch – You Would Think A Medical Expert Would Know That

The Grey House is pumping the propaganda mill as fast as it can grind its axes.

First, President Ronald McDruhitmumpf's new medical adviser, Scott Atlaschuggedandfrugged, whose experience with infectious diseases ended when he got herpes when he was 17, said that COVID-19 was as serious for children as a case of the cooties. "And, there are no recorded instances of children infecting adults with cooties!"

In fact, adults do get cooties, They just call it, "Tuberculosis."

Then, Reduhbican Senator Joni Noteverinernst claimed that the number of people who have contracted the coronavirus has been inflated by doctors to rake in fees. What about the hundreds of front line medical workers who have died fighting the disease? "They're just drama queens who got a little carried away!"

SOURCE: *Alternate Reality News Service*

[<http://www.arns.com/sinbin?id=32442641387641314612fx>]more

The Daily Me – Adenoid Hinkel

Thank you, Adenoid Hinkel, for signing up for *The Daily Me*. Our search engine has combed the Internet for up to the minute news items that fit the profile you have so painstakingly filled out for us. Then, we weighted the probability that you would be interested in these articles against forms which showed what people with tastes similar to

yours have liked reading in the past. And, then, we were told that Twiggy the water skiing squirrel would not be performing at the Toronto International Boat Show. No Twiggy, the highlight of our day? Apparently not: municipal regulations prohibit keeping an Eastern grey squirrel in captivity. Oh, come on, municipal regulations! Captivity? Really? How captive can you be when you've strapped adorable pieces of wood to your hindpaws and you're gliding along the water, red cape billowing in the breeze? Before and after the show? Oh, that captivity! Well, shucks <looks down and kicks the dirt />, maybe you have a point, there. Maybe. Still, with Twiggy out of commission, where are us entertainment-starved masses going to get our pleasure?

Other than binge-watching the last season of *The Good Place*, we mean. Or, the first season of *The Boys*. Or, *Doom Patrol*, *The Umbrella Academy* and *Teen Titans*. Or, *Picard*, *Discovery*, *The Mandalorian*, *The Flash*, *Black Lightning*, *Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.*

Excuse us, but we've got to stop whining and start watching!

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Substitute "Grate" For "Great," And The Other Half Of The Country Will Agree

President Donald Trump's State of the Union Address (for those who don't have the time to listen to the whole thing):

I'm great. The economy is great. Because I'm great. Your life is great. Because the economy is great. Because I'm great. Everybody knows how great everything is. And who is responsible for how great everything is. Spoiler: **ME!** Remember when I reunited a mother and her child with their veteran husband and father. No? Here you go, then. Surprise! But a great surprise. For a great family. Because I'm great. And I support the troops greatly. Then, I want to award the Medal of Freedom to a great American, Rush Limbaugh. Because he is great. And I am great. So, I will. But, you know who's not great? The Democrats. The Democrats are not great. The Democrats are so not great, they're anti-great. The Democrats are double plus anti-great. That's as not great as you can possibly get, folks. So, remember: Democrats double plus anti-great, me great. Thank you, and good night.

SOURCE: *Politics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/home.asp?did=989&dir=bb>]more

Though It Does Explain Family Feud...

When Catherine Tate was chosen to be the President and CEO of the CBC, I thought it had finally gotten the message. If you want to create popular programming, it helps to have a veteran comedian in a decision-making position! It certainly didn't hurt that Tate

had spent a year as a companion of the Doctor on the very popular British television series *Dr. Who*. Okay, Tate isn't Canadian, but given the generally lacklustre programming the national broadcaster has been producing for decades, perhaps she was exactly what was needed.

Well. Imagine my disappointment when I discovered that the new head of the CBC was Catherine Tait, not Catherine Tate. T-A-I-T, not T-A-T-E. I guess that's what happens when you're only half-listening to the press conference.

SOURCE: *Ukrainian TV Guide*

[<http://www.tvguide.ua/listings/index.asp?referrerID=0&returnurl=%2Flistings%2Findex%2Easp%3F®Mode=0>]more

d) Offering Him Her Hand To Shake And, When He Goes To Grasp It, Jerking Her Thumb To Her Nose And Blowing Him A Raspberry (Because Sometimes You Have To Communicate With People On A Level They Understand)

11 for the road) Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi tore up President Trump's State of the Union Address while he was being applauded for it by Republican members of Congress (and Democrats who didn't walk out partway through it). Afterwards, she explained that it was "the courteous thing to do considering the alternative." What was the alternative?

- a) throwing up on the back of the President's head
- b) jumping down to where the President was, getting him in a headlock and screaming, "Give in, bitch! Do you give in? **Give the ferk in!**"
- c) letting all of the lies and misrepresentation in the speech go without comment

SOURCE: *Les Pages aux Folles*

[<http://www.lespagesauxfolles.ca>]more

Let 100 Flowers Bloomberg

With too many candidates still in the race for the Democratic Presidential nomination and the fiasco that was Iowa, many party faithful are looking to Mike Bloomberg to swoop in on Super Tuesday and become the frontrunner to save the world from Donald Trump.

Because what the party really needs to beat a Republican billionaire who bought an election is to nominate a Democratic billionaire who wants to buy an election.

SOURCE: *Bill's Bitter Pills*

[<http://bill.geekgoons.com/>]more

“Well, Not All Of Them, Obviously. I Mean, Not The Scumbags Who Didn’t Vote For Me...”

“Life’s a bitch and you got a new councillor. Life’s a total bitch... We’ll take care of that one, don’t you worry about it.”

- Toronto City Councillor Jim Karygiannis, talking about somebody he believed, based on driving around and asking questions of residents of his ward, ran an illegal welding shop out of his garage

“Bottom line, I care deeply about the people I serve.”

- Toronto City Councillor Jim Karygiannis (context obvious)

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>]more

There’s...Umm...Sorry, But That’s Not How That Usually Goes...

Where There’s Hopelessness

Nancy Pelosi

Would not give up the ghost, she

[No witnesses! No witnesses!]

Gave impeachment articles a go see

Because it was the right thing to do (mostly).

I got them deep down exoneration blues,

And the terrible feeling I’ve just been used.

Them deep down exoneration blues,

And I have no idea what to do.

Adam Schiff

Needed a drink, stiff!

[No documents! No documents!]

He saw the nation walking off a cliff

While Republicans shrugged and asked, “What’s the diff?”

I got them deep down exoneration blues,

And the terrible feeling the process is being abused.

Them deep down exoneration blues –

Can somebody please tell me what to do?

Chuck Shumer

Heard a rumour

[No evidence! No evidence!]

That the White House tumour

Was in a state of permanent ill humour.

I got them deep down exoneration blues,
And the terrible feeling we'll never know what's true.
Them deep down exoneration blues –
Does anybody know what to do?

Mitch McConnell
Is too far gone, he'll
[No justice! No justice]
Swallow any poison pill
To avoid doing the people's will.

I got them deep down exoneration blues,
And the terrible feeling the death knell for democracy just blew.
Them deep down exoneration blues,
And, there may be nothing to do!
Nothing to do...
Nothing...

SOURCE: *Poetry, Cornered*

[<http://www.cibc.com/ca/personal/poetrycorner/809.html>]more

The Daily Me – Fouf le Kidnap

Thank you, Fouf le Kidnap, for signing up for *The Daily Me*. Our search engine has combed the Internet for up to the minute news items that fit the profile you have so painstakingly filled out for us. Then, we weighted the probability that you would be interested in these articles against forms which showed what people with tastes similar to yours have liked reading in the past. And, then, we heard that Taco Bell Canada was erecting a billboard that would dispense an unlimited supply of nacho cheese...for a couple of hours. So, we put down our editing (it's not like it takes up **that** much of our attention) and sped off to Queen Street to get our share. As we got closer to the billboard, we noticed people walking past us with strange orange beards. Stringy orange beards. And, we thought, *Are they Trump impersonators who have let their makeup run – like, really badly run – or...* And, all of a sudden, free nacho cheese didn't seem so appealing...

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

I'd Rather Be Napping Than Either



SOURCE: *T-dot Ts*

[<http://t-dotts/store/new>]more

Quid Pro Whoa

When asked about American President Donald Trump's "unpredictability," Russian Premier Vladimir Putin said that "he should be respected" by his people. "Oh, sure, he hasn't jailed as many journalists as he should, and dissidents – known as 'protesters' in his country – do not disappear in nearly high enough numbers to create a proper atmosphere of fear. But, his heart is in the right place, and his people should keep that in minds. Foremost in their minds."

SOURCE: *Demi-TASS*

[<http://en.demi-tass.com/russia/744288>]more

Self-awareness' Close Shave

Gillette has produced an ad that challenges what many social critics have called "toxic masculinity." What can we learn from the social media response to the ad?

ahsole027>I'm not like that. I love women. Some of my best friends are women. Not Bob, obviously. Or, Bill. Or, Phil. Or Stephen Quill. But, some of my best – okay, did I mention I love women? Honestly, I don't understand why good men such as myself have to be subjected to such hateful messages!

mommymayiaeee> This message tars all men with a pretty broad brush. If giglets doesn't remove the add immediately, I may just grow a beard in protest!

rowf_browlf_blarg027>Ferk u! Ferk yew! Ferk ewe! Ferking SJW (and, I'm not talking about Slavic Jeranium Waitresses, here) ruining a perfectly good piece of steel! Ferk yu, yur wives and misstresses and anybody else who might have anything to do with yu, yu ferking pieces of donkey excrement!

You have a long way to go, baby.

SOURCE: *Ad Meek*

[http://www.admeek.com/A&W/national/article_display.jsp?nuvu_content_id=1013957494]more

Wha – Oh. Literary Humour. Ha Ha

Novelist Brian Garfield has died peacefully at the age of 79. It took an awfully long time for his *Death Wish* to be fulfilled...

SOURCE: *Obits 'R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

4) Why Did So Many Poor People, Many Of Whom Will Lose The Chance To Send Their Children To University, Vote For The Conservatives?

Ontario Progressive Conservative problems on the new post-secondary math curriculum.

1) Tuition in the province's colleges is \$10,000 per year. The government tells universities to cut tuition by 10 per cent. Student A has been studying at a provincial university under the previous government's free tuition programme. The free tuition programme will be abolished. How much money will be put back in the pocket of Student A?

2) Student B receives a \$5,000 grant to offset her annual tuition. The government changes the rules so that she will only receive \$2,500 in grants and \$2,500 in loans for her remaining years. And, she will have to pay the money back sooner than in the past. Assuming that she is even eligible, because the requirements have been made more stringent. How much money will be put back in the pocket of Student B?

3) To make up the \$440 million that will be taken away from them, the Conservative government has told colleges and universities to "be creative." How will colleges and universities do that?

- a) increasing class sizes
- b) hiring more temporary and fewer full-time professors

- c) bake sales
- d) all of the above

SOURCE: *The Smoking Gut*

[<http://www.thesmokinggut.com/archive/108096382861023470563-7946374864826327230173072840-473418378150637420952-379414794073613950cahs01.html>]more

More Twists Than A Snake In Gastric Distress

Chooseco, which publishes Choose Your Own Adventure novels is suing Netflix over an interactive film in the science fiction anthology series *Black Mirror*. If you want Netflix to settle the suit, go to 1. If you want Netflix to fight the suit, go to 2.

- 1) The news will be forgotten and everybody will go about their lives as if it never happened.
- 2) Netflix argues that interactivity is not inherently copyrightable, that the system it, a television network, uses is fundamentally different than the system Chooseco, a book publisher, employs and that, in any case, *Bandersnatch* was really entertaining, so don't be poopheads about it. If you want Chooseco to abide by the court's ruling in favour of Netflix, go to 1. If you want Chooseco to fight the court ruling in favour of Netflix, go to 5.
- 3) Chooseco sues *Unread Book News* for reporting on the story in the form of an interactive news article. If you want to *UBN* to settle, go to 4. If you want *UBN* to fight the lawsuit, dream on. **We're a small company that doesn't have the resources for something like that!** Go to 4.
- 4) *Unread Book News* sends out a groveling apology and removes all copies of the article from the web that it has control over. If you want to find out more about the Netflix lawsuit, go to 2. If you have read enough about this subject, go to 1. Or, stop reading. You can do that, too, you know.
- 5) Chooseco lawyers are disappointed in the court ruling. If you want Chooseco to appeal the verdict, go to 6. If you want Chooseco to find another target for its lawsuit, go to 3.
- 6) The appeals judge laughs Chooseco out of her court. If you want Chooseco to appeal to the Supreme Court, **get a life!** Or, okay, go to 7. If you want Chooseco to find another target for its lawsuit, go to 3. If you want Chooseco lawyers to get a life, go to 1.
- 7) The Supreme Court declines to hear Chooseco's appeal. Laughter can be heard behind its closed doors. If you want Chooseco to find another target for its lawsuit, go to 3. If you want a random dingo to spring out from behind a Taco Bell billboard, go to 8.

8) A random dingo springs out from behind a Taco Bell billboard.

SOURCE: *Unread Book News*

[<http://217.204.44.79/cgi/NGoto/2/64382861?3518>]more

The Daily Me – Republicans for Satan

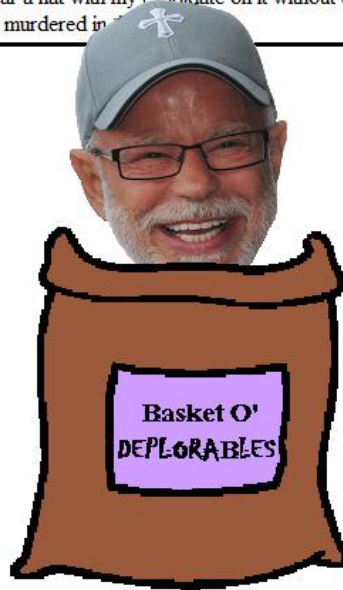
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It's enough to make a meat-lover seriously consider Veganism.

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Praise The Lord And Pass The Propaganda

I'm going to say something I probably shouldn't say. What's coming next, if we keep losing, you're going to see the leaders of the church and the leaders of the gospel and the political conservative leaders that are powerful, you are going to see them suddenly die, suddenly killed - suddenly as they were driving, suddenly as they were in a boat, suddenly in an airplane - you're going to see it one after another... The evil in this country is so bad, if I was a Republican - which I have been my whole life - I couldn't wear a hat with my candidate on it without concern about being murdered in the streets.



Jim Bakker is still alive?

Okay, that was dismissive. What I should have asked was: Jim Bakker is still alive **and** out of jail?

I'm not making it any better, am I? Umm...Jim Bakker is still alive, out of jail **and** allowed to speak in public?

Yeah, yeah, Christian conservatives are not being murdered in the streets; in fact, they have a White House that is in a position to give them their biggest, most cherished prize: the death of *Roe v. Wade*. Imagine **that** head hanging over Don, Jr.'s mantle! Despite this, is anybody surprised by Bakker's overheated rhetoric? You don't get a gated mansion in the basket of deplorables by being part of the "reality-based" community.

But that's not what is really important, here. What is really important is: Jim Bakker is still alive, out of jail, allowed to speak in public **and** fleecing the gullible?

SOURCE: *Karl's Big Red Web Page of Unreconstructed Marxism*

[<http://www.bigred.commie/articles/218^.htm>]more

Alberta NDP Dangles Objections To Proposed Law Conservatives Don't Take Debate

A late night debate about a bill that would delay wage arbitration talks for public sector contracts took a strange turn when Alberta United Conservative Premier Jason Kenney started handing out earplugs to members of his government.

"In a properly run democracy, all points of view on an issue should be expressed in vigorous debate in the legislature," Premier Kenney stated. "But, that doesn't mean that our government has to listen to them!"

Was the fact that the earplugs were pink an expression of support for Pride Weekend? "Did you just ask me a question?" Premier Kenney responded. "Sorry, I couldn't hear you because I imagined I still had plugs in my ears!"

SOURCE: *Festerin' Report*

[<http://www.ax2grindnet.com/festerinreport/web/feature2222.html>]more

Stairs, Which Were Also Interviewed, Asked If They Would Be Covered By State Health Insurance

Missouri health officials have refused to renew the licence of the state's only abortion provider; although an injunction has kept the Planned Parenthood site open, a court still has to give a final ruling on the government's action. State health officials said they did not renew the licence because they were unable to interview physicians who were involved in what they claimed were multiple life-threatening abortions.

State health officials went on to say that they had interviewed many wire coat hangars, and were satisfied that they would be a safe, inexpensive alternative to the clinic.

SOURCE: *The Medical-Industrial Complex*

[http://www.medical-industrial-complex.org/journals/micx/when_alternative_health_care_means_no_health-care/secure/2_pds.htm]more

Your Cheetoing Heart

Have you ever wanted to dress like a Cheetos package? Yeah, neither have we. Still, thanks to a partnership between Frito-Lay and Forever 21, people will be able to buy limited edition Cheetos swimsuits, t-shirts, dresses and more.

Of course, you won't be able to fit into the clothes if you actually eat any Cheetos. Can you say irony? Because Paris, Milan and New York obviously can't!

SOURCE: *Fashion Crimes TV*

[<http://www.fctv.com/home/default.asp>]more

Being Uninvited To Andrew Scheer's Tea Party Could Motivate Ford To Do Better At The Very Least, It Would Help Motivate Him To Brush More

[number on strike in opposition to provincial cutbacks to essential services]) When Ontario Premier Doug Ford appeared at the celebration for the Raptors' NBA Championship victory, he was booed by the Toronto crowd. Then, he accepted the resignation of his Chief of Staff, Dean French, who is alleged to have arranged patronage appointments for two people close to him. Following this, Premier Ford was cheered by a crowd at a Ford Nation gathering. What has the Premier learned from this sequence of events?

- a) always brush your teeth before engaging in character assassination
- b) never bet against a Lanister
- c) character assassination may be fleeting, but screwing an entire city is forever
- d) all of the above

[this question has been too impoverished by leaving the European Union to be able to afford a number]) Which of the following is likely to cause the most trouble for Boris Johnson, a rabid pro-Brexiter who is poised to be Britain's next Conservative Prime Minister?

- a) a lawsuit which claims that Johnson lied about the benefits of Brexit during the campaign
- b) the police being called to his home to deal with a domestic dispute between Johnson and his 31 year-old girlfriend
- c) the fact that Johnson, who is 55, has a 31 year-old girlfriend
- d) Johnson's hair catching on fire, which would require him to undergo plastic surgery that would make him look like Lon Chaney in *Phantom of the Opera*

SOURCE: *Les Pages aux Folles*

[<http://www.lespagesauxfolles.ca>]more

It Was An Honest Mistake – Anybody Could Have Made It

Pepsi, the soft drink that drew a backlash when it was first released in 1985, is back. And, the credit, or blame, has to go to Netflix.

A limited supply of the vintage beverage will be made available online and in select cities as part of a promotional campaign related to the coming season of *Stranger Things*, which will be set in the year that Pepsi was –

Sorry, did I say Pepsi? I meant New Coke. It can be hard to tell them apart.

SOURCE: *Ad Meek*

[http://www.admeek.com/A&W/national/article_display.jsp?nuvu_content_id=1025952878]more

She's Still Got It! Not That She'll Admit That...TO YOU!

Sarah Wannabe-Panders will be leaving her post as Grey House Press Secretary at the end of the month. “No, Ah’m not. Where did y’all get **that** crazy idea?”

You announced it? In a press release. With your signature and everything?

“Aah,” Press Secretary Wannabe-Panders stated in what had been understood to be her last press briefing (so-called because of how short they had become). “Wuhl, Ah can neithuh confuhm noah deny that infohmation at this time. Ah’ll get back ta y’all just as soon as Ah can.”

But...but...but you have already agreed to attend a private dinner some journalists are planning on throwing on your behalf!

“Oh, Fred!” Press Secretary Wannabe-Panders chided. “Do Ah really have tuh explain Fake News tuh y’all at this late date_”

SOURCE: *Alternate Reality News Service*

[<http://www.arns.com/sinbin?id=32322672014691302787fx>]more

The Daily Me – Kukla AND Fran NOT Ollie

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who may have been well compensated by both her clients, but who was also very, very confused...

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

His Co-author Will Be Bazooka Joe

With a new unflattering book coming out about his administration every couple of...hours, President Donald Trump has threatened to write his own book. It should be a great read, too. Does anybody remember those books you used to get in gumball machines?

SOURCE: *Unread Book News*

[<http://217.204.44.71/cgi/NGoto/2/64382861?3518>]more

Brevity Is The Soul Of Lack Of Career Advancement

New research shows that men are more likely to speak in business conference calls, and their statements tend to be longer than those of women, even when discussing the same subject or answering the same questions. A couple of examples might give some hints as to why this is.

EXAMPLE ONE

MALE EXECUTIVE: The variables within the paradigm are multiple and interact in complex ways that we can only partially understand, making a definitive answer risk forward at this juncture.

FEMALE EXECUTIVE: Maybe.

EXAMPLE TWO

MALE EXECUTIVE: In any complex data set, there are known knowns, known unknowns and unknown unknowns.

FEMALE EXECUTIVE: In any complex data set, there are known knowns, known unknowns and –

SECOND MALE EXECUTIVE: So, you're saying that you don't know.

FEMALE EXECUTIVE: Umm...well...okay...yes.

SOURCE: *Economics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/entertainmentfordummies/economicsfordummies/home.asp?did=599&dir=bb>]more

Which Confused Us Because We Had Never Performed In *The Rocky Horror Show*

The Ontario Chamber of Commerce is demanding the repeal of Bill 148, which raised the minimum wage, created equal pay protections for temporary workers and offered paid emergency leave days. “We were frustrated that the process had moved very quickly and that employers were not able to have their voices heard and represented in the legislation,” complained OCC spokesweasel Ashley Challinor.

How does she respond to the fact that there were two years of consultations with workers, employers and labour advocates across the province, including public hearings in 13 cities, two rounds of public submissions from stakeholders and 10 independent academic research reports? We tried to consult with her, but her secretary said that she didn’t “consort with riffraff.”

SOURCE: *The Financial Riposte*

[<http://www.canada.com/national/nationalwhippingpost/financialriposte/story.html?id=49ddccd11-f6f3-4f4f-9f25-a2eb4cc6a528>]more

Good Thing He Doesn’t Believe In Evolution, Or The President Would Have To Answer For This

In recent media coverage, President Donald Trump has been portrayed as rigid in his political stands. Anybody who has been paying attention to his evolving position on the devastation in Puerto Rico after Hurricane Maria would know that this isn’t the case:

- ✓ Only 64 people died in Puerto Rico because of Hurricane Maria. We did a great job.
- ✓ Okay, maybe a few more died because of Hurricane Maria...maybe as many as 100. It could have been much worse, though – FEMA and my government did a great job.
- ✓ The number of people who died because of Hurricane Maria was not 3,000 – that’s fake news. The job the federal government did was great.

YOU ARE HERE: If 3,000 people did die because of Hurricane Maria, it wasn’t because of Hurricane Maria – it was because the power grid in Puerto Rico had long been in disrepair. Because, you know, my government did a fantastic job of dealing with the aftermath of the hurricane.

❑ Okay, 3,000 people died in Puerto Rico, but that was because of the alien invasion that happened at the same time as Hurricane Maria. If you didn’t hear about the alien tripods killing people in the streets with heat rays, it was because the fake media refused to cover it. And, oh, yeah, we did a helluva good job. Best job ever.

❑ Only 64 people died in Puerto Rico because of Hurricane Maria because we did a phenomenal job of saving people. Anything else anybody might have said is FN, people. The fakest.

SOURCE: *Politics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/home.asp?did=964&dir=bb>]more

You Don't Like Her Government? So Suu Kyi Her!

700,000 refugees) State Counsellor (a position close to Prime Minister) Aung San Suu Kyi has stated that the Burmese government's treatment of its Muslim Rohingya minority "could have been handled better." How?

a) before it set fire to thousands of Rohingya homes, the military could have posted signs claiming that "urban renewal is on its way!"

b) before its mass rape of Rohingya women, the military could have bought them all dinner

c) before it started arbitrarily killing thousands of Rohingya, the military could have distributed copies of Camus' *The Stranger* to show them the futility of the existence the military was about to relieve them of

1 Nobel Peace prize later) In response to two Reuters news agency reporters getting seven years in prison on charges of possessing state secrets for exposing the extrajudicial killing of 10 Rohingya men and boys, Suu Kyi also said that, "The case has been tried in open court. If anyone feels there has been a miscarriage of justice, I would like them to point it out." What are the odds that anybody will take her up on her offer?

a) not good – Donald Trump's antics take all attention away from international politics

b) slim – kangaroos aren't native to Burma, and they had to be flown in specifically for the trial

c) none – see the answers to question 700,000 refugees)

SOURCE: *Les Pages aux Folles*

[<http://www.lespagesauxfolles.ca>]more

Anybody Can Keep A Campaign Promise **It Takes A Real Leader To Keep A Promise That WASN'T Made On The Campaign!**

In order to justify invoking the notwithstanding clause of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms to override a court ruling against his government's plan to reduce the number of seats on Toronto City Council in the middle of an election, Ontario Premier Doug Ford stated: "We were elected on making sure we fix this city."

To which Toronto Mayor John Tory politely replied, “I would have said that the Premier was having an acid flashback to four years ago, but I don’t know of any acid quite that strong!”

SOURCE: *Toronto Startle*

[http://www.thestartle.com/NASApp/cs/ContentServer?pagename=thestartle/Layout/Article_Type1&c=Article&cid=1088591831831&call_pageid=958335278492&col=978038972154] more

The Daily Me – Orrin Oddmentpicker

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We tell you: the next time we go to see *Ant-Man and the Wasp*, it won’t be in 4-D!

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

You Would Have Thought It Was The Ultimate Motherhood Issue

Among the many international policies that the Trump Administration opposes, one that has gotten the least attention is: breastfeeding.

When the World Health Organization proposed a resolution to “protect, promote and support breastfeeding,” the US delegation threatened the sponsoring government with punishing trade measures and reduced military aid. When Russia stepped up to sponsor the measure, the American government mused about withdrawing from WHO, a move which would cut its budget by 15 per cent.

“Don’t get me wrong – I love women’s breasts,” President Trump declared. “They’re soft and squishy and feel really good in my hands. But, feeding children? I’m sorry, but that’s just not what they’re made for!”

SOURCE: Disassociated Press

[<http://www.bltdaily.com/>]more

Right Wing Populists Live In Their Own Bubble, And Some Of Them Think They're Cards, So...

The Doug Ford government of Ontario has hit pause on the implementation of the previous government's anti-ticket-scalping legislation, refusing to enforce a price cap on resold tickets of 150 per cent of face value. Ticket vendors and marketplaces such as Ticketmaster and StubHub rejoiced; they had long expressed frustration that the price caps would cut into their profit – they mean, be difficult to enforce.

Difficult to enforce. Because writing three lines of code limiting one number to be no greater than one and a half times a second number is beyond modern computer programmers? Seriously? Do we have to go back to bubble cards to make this policy work?

SOURCE: *Toronto Stunned*

[<http://www.canoodle.com/NewsStand/TorontoStunned/News/2016/07/07/509727.html>]
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People Whose Living Rooms Aren't In 4-D?

Cineplex is partnering with Uber Eats to deliver concession stand food to people in their homes. The service to get popcorn, hot dogs, candy, nachos and soft drinks will be rolled out in 60 communities across Canada.

Because, who doesn't want overpriced junk food from a movie theatre without actually, you know, having to go through the inconvenience of watching a movie?

SOURCE: *Entertainment Right Now, Canada!*

[http://www.canada.com/globulltv/globullshows/ern_canada.html]
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Stop Spreading The News

All 18 members of Congress from the state of Illinois have joined a growing number of critics of US tariffs against Canadian newsprint, claiming the duties are jeopardizing American newspapers, which are already struggling to stay economically viable.

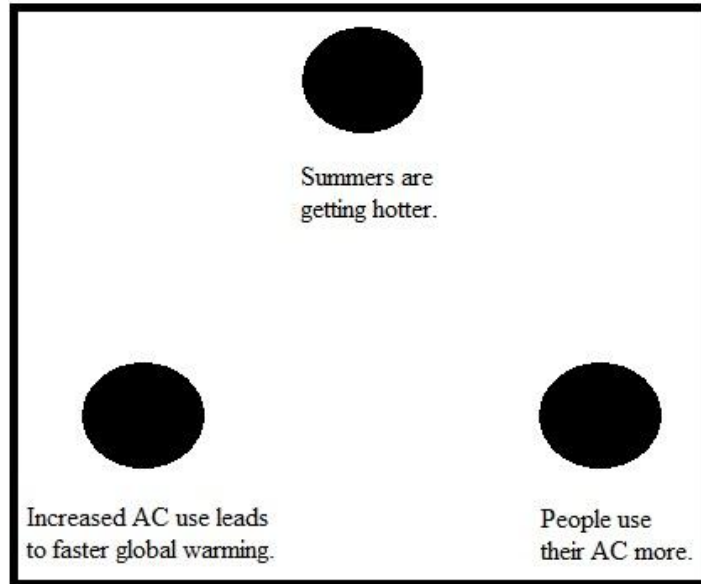
“Wait a minute! Wait a minute! Wait a minute!” President Trump enthusiastically responded. “You mean to tell me that we can stick it to that backstabbing Petit Justin **and** damage the fake news media? I call that a twofer! Hunh? Right? A twofer!”

“We, umm, may need to reconsider our approach,” admitted Democratic Representative Cheri Bustos.

SOURCE: *Wryerson Journalism Review*

[<http://www.wryerson.ca/wrj/online/majunder-fitzpatrick1.html>]more

Vicious Circling The Triangle



Are the dots big enough for you yet?

SOURCE: *Politics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/home.asp?did=958&dir=bb>]more

They Grow Them Tough In Maryland

According to a recent poll, 39 per cent of Canadians apologize “at least daily,” with 18 per cent reporting that they apologize hourly.

This is in marked contrast to our neighbours to the south. When asked the same question, 87 per cent of Americans replied, “Apologize? [BLEEP] that action! I ain’t done shit! I ain’t apologizing for shit! Whadya think I am? A [BLEEP]ing Canadian?”

SOURCE: *Bill’s Bitter Pills*

[<http://bill.geekgoons.com/>]more

You Can’t Say The Man Is Not A Visionary Where Most People See A Dire International Threat, He Sees A Development Opportunity

“[North Koreans] have great beaches. You see that whenever they’re exploding their cannons into the ocean, right? I said, ‘Boy, look at that view. Wouldn’t that make a great condo?’”

- US President Donald Trump

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>]more

If You Go To Provincial Fundraisers, It’s Kind Of Hard To Avoid

The Doug Ford government of Ontario has put out the green light on the implementation of the previous government’s anti-vaping rules. How is putting a policy on “pause” different from cancelling it outright?

“Very different,” Ford spokesagitator Simon Jeffries claimed. “If you cancel something, people will protest. If you put something on pause, nobody can complain because you can hold out the possibility that you will begin implementing the policy once again at any time. In a perfect world, people will forget that the policy had ever been put into place, and you can quietly strangle it in its crib with no complaints. You see? Couldn’t be more different!”

But isn’t that dishonest? Jeffries gave us a tsk tsk look and asked, “Have you ever met Queen’s Park?”

SOURCE: *Ottawa Stunned*

[<http://www.canoodle.com/NewsStand/OttawaStunned/News/2016/07/07/509727.html>]more

Apparently, They Grow Them Tougher In Manitoba

According to Press Secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders, “We’ve been very nice to Canada for many years, and they have taken advantage of that.”

When asked how the United States had been nice to Canada, Huckabee Sanders explained, “When they elected leaders that we didn’t like, we didn’t start armin’ insurrectionary forces tuh overthrow their government. Ah think that shows admirable restraint on our part.”

When asked how Canada had taken advantage of what she perceived as American niceness, Huckabee Sanders argued, “Wuhl, look. They send their artists over here tuh take over our film and television industries, puttin’ thousands of hard-workin’ Americans out o’ jobs. It’s invidiness. Insidoutious. It’s invidit – sneaky, okay? It’s sneaky!”

When asked how she could sleep at night, Huckabee Sanders answered, “Ah fahnd a couple o’ Valium go down real smooth...”

SOURCE: *The Financial Riposte*

[<http://www.canada.com/national/nationalwhippingpost/financialriposte/story.html?id=34ddccd7-f6f3-4f4f-9f25-a2eb4cc6a012>]more

Confused By England’s Brexit Strategy? Don’t Be. It’s Really Very Simple...

And, Umm, We’ll Explain It Just As Soon As We’ve Figured It Out

David Davis, Britain’s Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union, has quit. The reason? Prime Minister Theresa May had just gotten cabinet approval for a plan to keep close ties with the EU; Davis believed that a clean break was the best path forward.

“It’s a shame he quit,” the Prime Minister commented. “Now that he has proven how good he is at leaving things, our position would have been much better if he had stayed!”

SOURCE: *Daily Semaphore*

[http://www.opinion.semaphore.co.uk/opinion/main.jhtml;sessionid=M5UF23LWOLFFPQFIQMFSM5WAVCBQ0JVC?nextPage=/DUereDE/wXeR.WZvwF?7wF~/DUereDE/s119/Os/14/JD141O.7wF!2qZiiv~/DUereDR/s119/Os/14/e7DUereDR.ZvwF!2iG3gimm ygi2Z~vg3i&resize=null&_requestid=90050]more

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

A Corporate Buzzword We Do Not Know The Meaning Of

Dear MicroSquish Product User,

You may have been alarmed by recent news of the misuse of information collected by social media companies. No, we won't name them – cough! Farcebook! Cough cough! – we all know who they are. The important point is, consumers may be tempted to punish all transnational technology behemoths because of the misdeeds of a small number – as far as anybody knows, an exceedingly small number – alright, one – companies. Err, company. In order to mollify you, our cherished end user, and to stave off potential government regulation, we have updated MicroSquish's privacy policies.

How we use the data you supply us with will now be completely transparent. Transparency will be our new watchword. You will know exactly what data we collect, who we share it with and what they plan on doing with it. Why? Transparency. How? Also, transparency. Transparency: not just for grade nine chemistry class presentations on overhead projectors any more. The only life worth living is the transparent life. We know that now. Our customers have spoken – yes, through a completely transparent process – and we have listened.

To learn more about our new policy of transparency, simply go to our Web page on the subject, the URL of which we will not publicly disclose, which is not linked from any other page on the Web and, in any case, the only copy of which is on a computer that is not networked with the Internet and which is programmed to fry the motherboard if anybody actually tries to access the page.

Transparency. Not just a corporate buzzword.

SOURCE: *The Smoking Gut*

[<http://www.thesmokinggut.com/archive/108096382861023470563-7946374864826327230173072840-473418378150637420952-379414794073613cahs01.html>][more](#)

Or, Does She Not Pay Attention?

When asked why President Trump said nothing critical when he spoke to President Vladimir Putin to congratulate him on winning an election he had engineered to ensure that he had no chance of losing, White House Press Secretary Sarah Huckabee-Handlers answered, “We don't get to dictate how other countries operate.”

Somebody should tell that to Vice President Mike Pence, who has vowed to “end the tyranny in Venezuela.”

And, it's obvious that President Trump didn't get the memo. He has tried to dictate how China conducts trade, how North Korea develops nuclear missiles, how Iran conducts nuclear research, how Europe polices immigration and how Canada plans to legalize

marijuana. You could say the President is the How Other Countries Operate Dictator in Chief.

Does Huckabee-Sanders get the memos?

SOURCE: *The Postington Wash*

[<http://www.postingtonwash.com/wp-dyn/articles/A49881-2018Mar21>]more

Don't Be So Modest, Andrew – The Conservative Party Has Filled That Role For Years

They huddle in forgotten corners and whimper, “I just want to be able to hunt rabbits with semi-automatic rifles without onerous background checks or paperwork. Is that really so much to ask? Really?”

Not for Conservative Party leader Andrew Scheer, who has proposed creating the position of ombudsman for legal gun owners in the federal government. After all, if victims of crime have an ombudsman, why not armed perpetrators? Isn't the role of government to adjudicate competing interests equally?

“Legal gun owners have no voice in national politics,” commented Scheer. “If we don't count the National Firearms Association. And, we should. They are imminently countable. And, we shouldn't forget the Canadian Coalition for Firearm Rights – as if they'd let us! Ha ha. Oh, and, of course, there is the Canadian Shooting Sports Association. And – okay, look. Legal gun owners have no voice **inside** national politics. That's all my suggestion amounts to, really...”

SOURCE: *The Irrational*

[<http://www.mc.ca/stories/2018/03/23/windscheer180323>]more

It Could Have Been 98%, But He Tries To Be Modest

Vladimir Putin, whose theft of untold billions of rubles from the Russian treasury has made him one of the richest men in the world, has portrayed himself in the media which he largely controls as a simple peasant who enjoys guzzling vodka and wrestling yaks. To aid in constructing this image, Putin just released a video of himself singing a song called “Vlad From the Hood.”

“My music is being dope, yo,” President Putin said. “Big shoutout to my 70 per cent of 144.3 million homies!”

SOURCE: *Demi-TASS*

[<http://en.demi-tass.com/russia/744262>]more

He's Like A Bolton Out Of The Blue

Foreign policy wonks have to settle.

YOU WANT: Susan Rice.

YOU'LL SETTLE FOR: Michael Bolton.

YOU'LL GET: John Bolton.

SOURCE: *Les Pages aux Folles*

[<http://www.lespagesauxfolles.ca>]more

Such A Sarkozy Arrangement!

Former French President Nicholas Sarkozy was placed in custody as part of an investigation into allegations that he received millions of euros in illegal campaign funds from the regime of Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi. In, umm, 2007. You know, when Gadhafi was ali –

No, wait! I see your eyes glazing over and your finger twitching over the remote! But, even though it happened over a decade ago, this is a story of epic corruption and political malfeasance! And...and...and, naked people! Of course there are naked people – this happened in France! If you'll just sit through explanations of how the money was transferred to Sarkozy and the implications for French democra –

Fiiiine! We'll get to that story just as soon as we report on the latest twist in the Stormy Daniels affair...

SOURCE: Disassociated Press

[<http://www.bltdaily.com/>]more

Bailouts "R" Us

It was a rite of passage for many American children: being taken to a local Toys "R" Us on their birthday or for holidays and told which playthings their family couldn't afford so they should stop whining and select one of the cheaper toys that their friends would make fun of mercilessly if the children ever made the mistake of letting them see them when they came over to play. Rites of passage are usually about the transition from innocence to knowledge; some are more brutal than others.

It was a rite that was set to make its own transition from existence to history as the chain went into bankruptcy. There may, however, be a shining knight.

If the price is right, Seduction, the chain that sells adult sex toys, will purchase the brand when it becomes available during bankruptcy liquidation. Of course, this would involve the Toys “R” Us brand in a very different rite of passage...

SOURCE: *Playtoy Magazine*

[<http://www.playtoy.com/worldofplaytoy/hmh/hanging/adults-like-to-play-too-you-know-001.html>]more

The Daily Me – Insidious Cleavage II: The Cleavaging

Thank you, Insidious Cleavage II: The Cleavaging, for signing up for *The Daily Me*. Our search engine has combed the Internet for up to the minute news items that fit the profile you have so painstakingly filled out for us. Then, we weighted the probability that you would be interested in these articles against forms which showed what people with tastes similar to yours have liked reading in the past. And, then, a magazine called *Youpi* claimed that Israel was among a handful of states that aren’t “real countries,” and the Prime Minister of Poland told US Envoy to the United Nations Nikki Haley that the nation of Binomo **was** a real country. Is it any wonder that American foreign policy is so...confused? Okay, *Youpi*’s readership is five to eight year-olds, but that makes it ideal policy reading for the President! And, sure, the Prime Minister of Poland wasn’t really the Prime Minister of Poland – he was two Russian comedians pretending to be the Prime Minister of Poland. But, we’re sure they can be fitted out with a passport and other ID identifying them as the Prime Minister of Poland that would be good enough to get them through American airport security. Rex Tillerson knows a guy.

You’ve got to admit: confusing as it may be, this is **much** more fun than boring old diplomacy!

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

I’d Rather Watch Sausages Being Made...And, I’m A Vegan!

There was confusion in the Senate yesterday when Roy Moore appeared demanding to be sworn in as the new Senator from the grate state of Alabama. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell wasn’t sure what to do because Moore had not won the special election for the seat, his Democratic opponent Doug Jones had.

“Let us not be hasty about this,” McConnell commented as the two men jostled for the space in front of him. “There are points of procedure on which reasonable can disagree...”

“I won by 20,000 votes!” Jones angrily responded, dodging an elbow to the gut. “The state Board of Elections certified my victory! The good Lord appeared in the clouds and pointed a finger at me! I won! I won! I – hey! Gimme that!”

Moore wrested the microphone from Jones' grasp and shouted: "The election was rigged! They let all those nigras vote! If they had stopped them from voting, I woulda won in a mudslide!"

Looking faintly embarrassed (although it could have been gas), McConnell swore Jones in.

SOURCE: Deadline News Network

[<http://www.dnn.com/2018/ALLPOLITICS/01/09/rebs.main/index.html>]more

8. Adam Sandler In Anything But Punch Drunk Love

Seven actors whose performances in films we'd like to see replaced by Christopher Plummer

1. Tommy Wiseau, *The Room*
2. Jar Jar Binks, *The Phantom Menace*
3. Daniel Day-Lewis, *There Will Be Blood*
4. Moe Howard, *Stooge for a Day*
5. Shirley Temple, *Curly Top*
6. Bela Lugosi, *Plan Nine From Outer Space*
7. George Lazenby, *On Her Majesty's Secret Service*

SOURCE: *The Web Page of Lists*

[http://www.ListsPage.argh/2017/December/What_Film_Wouldn't_Be_Improved_Really.asp]more

Yuh Drink?

Nick Kouvalis, once an aide to former Mayor Rob Ford, has been charged with breaking and entering after he was found in a Kelseys restaurant hours after closing time.

Kouvalis is reported to have told police officers who arrived on the scene: "I'm looking for some – hic! – 'scuse me – I had French cuisine for dinner and my system is rebelling against – it doesn't matter. Doesn't matter. Doesn't. Ssh. I heard for a limited time that the restaurant is offering McRibs! I love those things! Licking the sauce off my fingers? Yum yum yum! Licking the sauce off other people's fingers? Even bet – officer, why are you looking at me like that? You prefer the McChicken wrap?"

Kouvalis may have been intoxicated.

SOURCE: *NOW and THEN*

[<http://www.now&thentoronto.com/news/story.cfm?content=239032more>

President Trump Plans To Make It A Christmas Tradition

It's a Wonderful Life. 2018. Written and directed by: Gus van Sant. Starring: George Clooney, Patton Oswalt, Jessica Chastain. In another formal experiment, van Sant remakes the classic Frank Capra film based on contemporaneous criticism by the FBI, which believed it was Communist propaganda that “maligned the upper class, attempting to show the people who had money were mean and despicable characters. The remake portrays banker Potter as “following the rules as laid down by the State Bank Examiners in connection with making loans.”

It is five minutes long. If it is successful, van Sant is rumoured to be working on a 10 minutes director's cut.

SOURCE: Imaginary Movie Database

[<http://www.imd.com/title/tt1078305/>]more

Time Travelling Legal Scholars Can't Wait To See How It Plays In The Courts But, Then Again, They Don't Have To

Russian officials are calling for the arrest of opposition leader Alexei Navalny, claiming that his calls for an election boycott breaks the country's laws.

“And, if they don't break the law,” said Duma legislator Sergei Koruptkin, “we should arrest him anyway. We can always rewrite the law and make it retroactive!”

SOURCE: *Demi-TASS*

[<http://en.demi-tass.com/russia/7401568>]more

When Asked Why He Didn't Just Bring His Own Ketchup, The President Responded, “Hunh! That How You Treat A Guest? Sad Barbaric!”

Breaking with a 40 year tradition, American President Donald Trump has not visited Canada within his first year in office.

“I'm a big fan of Canader,” the President responded to a question about the snub. “I love their little dances and how they end every sentence with ‘er.’ You know, like, ‘How's it goin', er?’” The problem is, I've been told they don't have any ketchup down there. How is a person supposed to have a civilized meal without ketchup? It's three of the four basic food groups right there! It's barbaric. And, sad. Sad barbaric. So....what was the question, again?”

SOURCE: *Toronto Startle*

[http://www.thestartle.com/NASApp/cs/ContentServer?pagename=thestartle/Layout/Article_Type1&c=Article&cid=1088591831813&call_pageid=968335278492&col=668666965965]more

Are You Buying That Accent? I Don't – I Mean – Seriously, Are You Buying That Accent?

Police have been trying to determine how two Pepsi machines made their way into a potato field in New Brunswick. They are missing the obvious.

“They were planted there, o’course,” said Farmer Clem, host of CCTV’s *That There Farmin’ With Farmer Clem*. “Coke machines grow wild – once they take root in your garden, they’re worse’n dandelions – you have to burn the whole lot to the ground and start fresh next season. A good harvest o’ Coke machines can keep a farmer warm and well fed for three winters – four iffen he’s growin’ them with them there fancy tap payment systems! And, the best part? Ain’t no Coke machine marketin’ boards to tell ya how much ta sell yer crop for!”

SOURCE: *Earth Worst! Journal*

[<http://www.earthworstjournal.org/article.php?id=489>]more

The Daily Me – vi@gr@l0v3sk1tt3ns

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Ah, well – it probably would have tasted like liquefied bison intestines, anyway.

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Was President Obama The Balm Before The Storm?

After President Trump said that we were experiencing the calm before the storm, the White House press corps went into super-double danger pay mode to respond to criticism of his statement.

“Get thuh cotton wool out of your ears, people!” excoriated usually...flapped, but with a toothy grin that forgives a lot, Press Secretary Sarah Huckabee-Sanders. “Thuh President did not use thuh phrase, ‘calm before thuh storm.’ He used thuh phrase ‘defcon before the storm.’ He said we were experiencin’ thuh defcon before the storm! Get it right, or you’ll have ta deal with a torrent of ‘fake news’ tweetusations!”

Defcon before the storm is better?

When the press gallery was able to exhale again, somebody asked Huckabee-Sanders if the President had been referring to a possible attack on North Korea, the Press Secretary responded, “Do you not pay attention ta yer own media outlets? North Korea is yesterday’s news! Today, all thuh cool kids’re talkin’ about Iran. Honestly, this job would be so much easier if y’all would just tryyyyyy to keep up!”

SOURCE: CBBS News

[<http://www.cbbsnews.com/stories/2017/10/16/national/main542815.shtml>]more

Harvey Weinstein – Now, THERE’S A Halloween Costume That Should Be Banned By The Conseil Scolaire Viamonde!

The Board of Directors of the Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences has voted overwhelmingly to “immediately expel” disgraced movie mogul Harvey Weinstein. They would have done it days ago, but there was a problem with getting everybody to attend the meeting – they had to coordinate their casting calls with young actresses.

SOURCE: *Cohan*

[<http://teamcoho.com/video/dunking-mascots-10-14-17>]more

Tweet In Haste, Repent At Leisure

The evolution of a President’s thinking:

TWEET: “With all of the Fake News coming out of NBC and the Networks, at what point is it appropriate to challenge their Licence? Bad for country”

TWEET + 1.27.01: “Now?”

TWEET + 1.27.27: “Now?”

TWEET + 1.27.45: “How about now?”

TWEET + 1.28.03: “Really, now?”

TWEET + 1.28.27: “Seriously, people, any time, now.”

TWEET + 1.29.17: “Surely, it must be appropriate to challenge NBC’s Licence now? How much time has to pass?”

TWEET + 1.30.14: “Hello? Is anybody listening? Challenge NBC’s Licence, already! Challenge it! Challenge it now!”

TWEET + 7:42.27: “Yeah. About that whole NBC thing? Just kidding. Freedom of the press – very important. Very important.”

SOURCE: *Ending Trending Web Site*

[<http://endingtrending.blurgh/a-rock-and-a-right-wing-place/>]more

She And President Trump Have A Lot To Discuss

Rodriguez Aguilera has described in detail how she was abducted by aliens. The details she provided in an interview, including “There were some round seats that were there, and some quartz rocks that controlled the ship – not like airplanes,” and the fact that she has telepathically communicated with aliens on and off since she was seven, were certainly...details. This wouldn’t be worth a news story except for one thing: Rodriguez Aguilera is running for a seat in the House of Representatives for the State of Florida.

Carl Hiaasen wept.

SOURCE: *USA Whenever*

[http://www.usawhenever.com/news/florida/2017-10-15-and-then-he-wrote-a-novel_x.htm]more

We’re Open To Varying Interpretations Of The Word Open

NRA: We’re open to regulation. We’re not heartless barbarians, after all.

CONGRESS: Okay. Bump stocks, which can be used to make semi-automatic rifles act almost identical to automatic rifles, should be banned. After all, the Las Vegas killer could not have done as much damage as he did if he didn’t have a dozen of them.

NRA: Yaaaaaah, no. It's not the right time for that. Too soon. You understand.

CONGRESS: Wrong time. Okay. Gotcha. What if we...tighten the rules that allow people who have a history of mental illness to acquire guns?

NRA: What are you saying? People with mental illness don't have Second Amendment rights? Is that what you're saying?

CONGRESS: Umm...we don't...is that what we're saying?

NRA: Sorry, but that won't pass a Supreme Court challenge. Not now, in any case.

CONGRESS: Mmm...maybe not. Okay, probably not. Still, do you have to be so smug?

NRA: Sorry. We left our humility in our other pair of pants. Anything else?

CONGRESS: We may have to, uhh...you know...slow walk the Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act.

NRA: Et tu, Mitch?

CONGRESS: Hey! How do you think it would look if we passed a law allowing conceal permits from any state to be valid in all 50 states? People in New York and Los Angeles would have shit fits that they would be the next Vegas!

NRA: People in New York and Los Angeles don't vote Republican.

CONGRESS: Still. Look, we didn't say we wouldn't do it. We just need a little more time.

NRA: Do you even care about the Constitution? Or, for that matter, your campaign contributions?

CONGRESS: Fiiiiine! We'll do what we can.

NRA: Anything else?

CONGRESS: Umm...not at the moment.

NRA: Great. Really, it's great working with you. If you have any more ideas, please don't hesitate to run them by us. After all, we're open to regulation...

SOURCE: *Politics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/home.asp?did=952&dir=bb>]more

The Daily Me – Teri Nova

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Racists Can Never Get Away From Their True Nature

Colon cancer is on the rise for white Americans. The mortality rates for whites had been declining for decades, but it began to climb in 2004, going from 3.6 per 100,000 to 4.1 per 100,000 in 2014.

“This proves that nature is fundamentally racist,” said Shreveport Ballou, spokesman for White Men Against the World. “We’re considering bringing a lawsuit against nature; we think we can get a preliminary injunction against its pattern of discriminatory disease distribution. We, uhh, we’re just not sure there is a venue that would give us a fair trial...”

SOURCE: *Bigots Without Borders*

[<http://www.bigotswithoutborders.org/>]more

David Foster Wallace Always Grabs The Best Titles – Bastard!

The name of Hillary Clinton’s new book has been announced: *What Happened*. I guess *Conspiratorial Clusterfuck* had already been taken.

SOURCE: *Unread Book News*

[<http://217.204.44.63/cgi/NGoto/2/64382861?3518>]more

Math Is Not His Strong Suit... Or Immigration Policy... Or Policy Of Any Kind, Really...

Donald Trump asked for visas for 70 foreign workers to fill out the staff his Mar-A-Lago resort recently. Soon after, he floated the idea that the United States should cut **legal** immigrants to the country in half. Does that mean he’ll settle for 35 visas?

SOURCE: *Cohan*

[<http://teamcoho.com/video/monologue-08-07-17>]more

Ringo Is Ashamed To Be Related To Him

Kenneth Starr has advised Special Prosecutor Robert Mueller that “we do not want investigators and prosecutors out on a fishing expedition. Kenneth Starr. Remember Kenneth Starr? His investigation of President Bill Clinton started with a real estate transaction and ended years later with a dress badly in need of dry-cleaning?

Oh. **That** Kenneth Starr.

The Absurd Ironyometer believes that the Republican Party has outsourced production of shame to China, which has done such shoddy work on the quality of the emotion that you wouldn’t recognize it any more.

SOURCE: *Big Alex’ Domesday Countdown Page*

[<http://www.allaboutalex.wha/Domesday/new>]more

The Talking Points Can Often Be Found In Dark Alleys Turning Tricks For Drugs

When good talking points go bad:

REPUBLICAN SENATOR: 500,000 people in the state found their insurance premiums going up under Obamacare. That –

CONSTITUENT: 150,000 people would lose their insurance altogether under your party’s plan.

REPUBLICAN SENATOR: Yeah, but –

CONSTITUENT: Most of the people whose coverage went up could afford it. Many of the people who lose their insurance will not be able to afford medical care. This bill will be their death warrant.

REPUBLICAN SENATOR: But...but...but...

CONSTITUENT: Keeping the Affordable Care Act and improving its inadequacies is the best way to keep Americans alive.

REPUBLICAN SENATOR: But, my number is bigger!

SOURCE: *Politics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/home.asp?did=945&dir=bb>]more

Just Open The Missile Silos Wide And Say, “Venezuelaaaaah”

57) America President Donald Trump has stated that he would not rule out military action if Venezuela’s political crisis turned into a civil war. What does Trump have against Venezuela?

- a) somebody on Fox News joked that Venezuela was a Muslim country, and Trump decided he needed a policy on that
- b) when he was a kid, Venezuela killed his dog
- c) you shouldn’t take what the President says so seriously; he once threatened military action against a McDonalds because his Big Mac didn’t have extra pickles like he had asked for!

128) What was the response of Venezuelan Foreign Minister Jorge Arreaza to Trump’s statement?

- a) “Whuuuuuuuuuut?”
- b) “You, umm, do know that there are laws against sending troops uninvited into other countries...don’t you?”
- c) “We’ve done nothing to you! What do you have against Venezuela?”

3349) What does Trump have against Vene – wait a second. Isn’t this where we came in?

- a) yes

SOURCE: *Les Pages aux Folles*

[<http://www.lespagesauxfolles.ca>]more

“If The Government Is Responsible For Layoffs And Rising Prices, How Will CEOs Justify Their Annual Income?”

“The changes presented in Bill 148 will have dramatic unintended consequences that include putting close to 200,000 jobs at risk and seeing everyday consumer goods and services increase by thousands of dollars for each and every family in Ontario.”

- Karl Baldauf, spokesweasel for the Keep Ontario Working Coalition, condemning a bill that would raise the minimum wage

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>]more

Zundel Was In Denial About His Black Eye And Bruised Knuckles

Midnight. The Hades Network. *Burn in Hell with George Wallace*. Tonight’s guest is Holocaust denier Ernst Zundel, who discusses what a great guy the Fuhrer was, how he loved his dog and etc. Then, Adolph Hitler, the host of *Burn in Hell with Adolph Hitler*, makes an unscheduled appearance on the show. The pair almost immediately get into a

fistfight when Hitler accuses Zundel of trying to erase one of his most important successes from the historical record.

SOURCE: *Ukrainian TV Guide*

[<http://www.tvguide.ua/listings/index.asp?referrerID=0&returnurl=%2Flistings%2Findex%2Easp%3F®Mode=0>]more

I Hear Oxycontin Helps...

What Republican Voters Tell Themselves to Help Them Sleep at Night

White supremacists like Neo-Nazis and the Ku Klux Klan
Feel emboldened their hateful rhetoric to espouse
They prate on about the inferior races they are better than
And cheerfully bring violence down on whomever they can
Because they know they have a friend in the White House

The white male masses for blood have a thirst
But Hillary Clinton would have been worse

Claim the United States was founded as a Christian nation
(The Founding Fathers would roll over in the graves, but still)
Hold a “War with Islam” celebration
Jail immigrants and call it liberation
And don’t stop at abortion – outlaw the pill!

From the Book of Donald American theocrats sing chapter and verse
But Hillary Clinton would have been worse

Special Prosecutor Robert Mueller
Was hired to look at Trump collusion with the Reds
But his investigation is rather fuller
Of financial records he is a puller
At least until his job is cancelled by the feds

The Trump administration is living under a curse
But Hillary Clinton would have been worse

Throw tens of millions off Medicare with a wink and a lie
To pay for billions of dollars of tax cuts for the wealthy
Don’t even try
The policy to justify
Just argue that it’s not a human right to be healthy

On this subject, I will be terse

The effects of Robin Hood in reverse
Are perverse
Buuuuuuuuutttt...

SOURCE: *Poetry, Cornered*

[<http://www.cibc.com/ca/personal/poetrycorner/748.html>]more

The Daily Me – Auggie Pusillanimous

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

If The Shirt Was Made In Hawaii, It Might Be A loss Canadians Could Live With

The United States has delivered its list of demands for renegotiating the North American Free Trade Agreement to Canada and Mexico. Stripped of their legal language, these are the demands:

1. Give us whatever we want.
2. We'll pay you whatever we want when we feel like it.

"This is just a preliminary bargaining position," Prime Minister Justin Trudeau brightly enthused. "I look forward to losing my shirt with our biggest trading partner!"

SOURCE: *The Irrational*

[<http://www.mc.ca/stories/2017/07/18/naftawwww070718>]more

Drip, Drip Drip – That Describes The Trump Men To A T

Donald Trump, Jr.,'s account of his involvement with the Russian interference in the 2016 American Presidential election has evolved over time. In case you are unclear as to how, or where it will likely end up, we offer this handy checklist:

- ✓ Donald Trump, Jr. had no involvement with the Russian interference with the 2016 American election.
 - ✓ Donald Trump, Jr. met in Trump Towers with a private Russian lawyer, but all they talked about were orphans.
 - a The Russian lawyer who met with Donald Trump, Jr. in Trump Towers was connected to the government of Vladimir Putin, but, really, all they talked about was orphans.
 - ✓ The meeting between the Russian lawyer with Putin ties and Donald Trump, Jr. in Trump Towers was supposed to be about the Russian government giving the Trump campaign damaging information on rival Hillary Clinton, but all the Russian lawyer wanted to talk about was those damn orphans.
 - ✓ The subject of the meeting between the Russian lawyer with Putin ties and Donald Trump, Jr. in Trump Towers was definitely about the Russian government giving the Trump campaign damaging information on rival Hillary Clinton.
 - ✓ Trump campaign manager Paul Manafort and Trump adviser/son-in-law Jared Kushner attended the meeting between the Russian lawyer with Putin ties and Donald Trump, Jr. in Trump Towers that was definitely about the Russian government giving the Trump campaign damaging information on rival Hillary Clinton.
- YOU ARE HERE: At least eight people, including a Russian operative, an interpreter and the music promoter who set the deal up, attended the meeting where Paul Manafort, Jared Kushner, a lawyer with ties to Putin and Donald Trump, Jr.
- ❑ 27 people attended a meeting in Trump Towers about the Russian government giving the Trump campaign damaging information on rival Hillary Clinton, forcing them to use two rooms and part of a hallway.
 - ❑ 137 people attended a meeting in Trump Towers about the Russian government giving the Trump campaign damaging information on rival Hillary Clinton, forcing them to use an entire floor and air the main meeting on closed circuit TV.
 - ❑ 10,137 people attended a meeting about the Russian government giving the Trump campaign damaging information on rival Hillary Clinton, forcing them to rent out a stadium; the main proceedings were projected onto the stadium's Jumbotron.

SOURCE: *Politics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/home.asp?did=943&dir=bb>]more

In The Rush To Embrace Islamophobia, Let Us Not Forget A Reliable Standby Like Misogyny

The 13th Doctor is a woman? **The 13th Doctor is a woman!** That's outrageous! Only a man can fly a blue police box thingie! Do I have a problem with change? Damn straight I have a problem with change. I hate it! Hate it! Hate it! Hate it! Hate it! So, okay, sure, the Doctor has changed 12 times before, but he always stayed the same, if you see what I mean. This is male genocide, baby! Male freaking genocide! Did you know that 90 per cent of science fiction television series with women in lead roles have lead roles played by women? Well played, SJWs. Well played.

Well, okay, sure, I've never actually watched *Dr. Who*. What do you think I am – some kind of nerd or something? Screw you! But, just because I'm ignorant doesn't mean I can't have an opinion, and my opinion is that only men should play alien Time Masters!

SOURCE: *Bigots Without Borders*

[<http://www.bigotswithoutborders.org/>]more

We Have Enough Needed Fear Already, Thank You Very Much

“Don't spread needless fear”
- *Toronto Star*

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>]more

Did You Keep The Receipt?

The collapse of the Republican effort to repeal the Affordable Care Act has left some people with buyer's remorse.

“I paid a lot of cash for this political party,” complained David Koch (or, possibly, his brother Frankenstein – it's not always easy to tell them apart). “It wasn't charity – I expect value for my money! If the tax refund function of my product is as defective as the health care reform function, I will be demanding my money back!”

SOURCE: *The Financial Riposte*

[<http://www.canada.com/national/nationalwhippingpost/financialriposte/story.html?id=47ddccd7-f6f1-4f2f-9f95-a2eb6cc6a548>]more

Of Course, If They Lived Somewhere Else, That Would Solve Half The Problem...

Residents of Saint-Apollinaire, Quebec (of course) have rejected a proposal for a Muslim-run cemetery.

When it was pointed out that a possible consequence of this referendum vote was that Muslims would have to find a way to live forever, obviating the need for finding a place to be buried after they die, resident Monique Fabergere said, “Oh. I hadn't thought of that. I thought they would just have to, you know, die and be buried somewhere else. Is it...too late to recast my vote?”

SOURCE: *Ottawa Stunned*

[<http://www.canoodle.com/NewsStand/OttawaStunned/News/2017/07/17/509727.html>]more

Gives New Meaning To The Phrase Brown-noser!

The Food and Drug Administration has issued a warning that people with colds should avoid snorting chocolate.

“The substance will interact with the mucous in the nasal passage to produce gooey chocolate slime,” explained Doctor Chandrikar Modigliano, chief FDA goologist. “Yes, that is the technical term, gooey chocolate slime. Our concern is that a nose full of gooey chocolate slime is a potential breathing hazard. Anybody who fears they may have this condition should get themselves to a Purdey’s stat!”

SOURCE: *USA Whenever*

[http://www.usawhenever.com/news/newyork/2017-07-17-or-death-by-chocolate_x.htm]more

The Daily Me – amelia earhead

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

President Trump Is A Great Negotiator: Look At How Well He Negotiates With Himself!

- ✓ We will build a wall and Mexico will pay for it.
- ✓ We will build a wall and Mexico will pay for it...even though they insist they won’t.
- ✓ We will build a wall and Mexico will pay for it...eventually. You know...after we pay for it first.
- ✓ We will build a wall and Mexico will be hit with economic sanctions if it doesn’t pay for it.

- ✓ We will build a wall...if the Democrats agree to pass the interim budget.
- ✓ We will agree to let the Affordable Care Act stand if Democrats agree to fund the building of the wall in the interim budget.

YOU ARE HERE: Democrats are going to obstruct everything the President wants to accomplish, but if they do not accept the interim budget with funding for the wall, we will shut the government down.

❑ As soon as we can figure out how to fund the government, we will build a wall!

SOURCE: *Politics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/home.asp?did=927&dir=bb>]more

When The Oil Stops Flowing, The Rhetoric Starts

The Keystone pipeline suffered what TransCanada Corporation calls an “involuntary ground-level extraction.” The “potential incident” was discovered by a “random volunteer quality assurance expert.” This resulted in a “*pro tem* cessation of extraction and transportation processes.”

Or, in plain English, the Keystone pipeline has been temporarily shut down because of a leak that was noticed by a passerby.

SOURCE: *Earth Worst! Journal*

[<http://www.earthworstjournal.org/article.php?id=479>]more

Wow – Elections Really Do Change Things!

“On Nov. 8th, Americans will be voting for this 100-day plan to restore prosperity to our country, secure our communities and honesty to our government. This is my pledge to you. And if we follow these steps, we will once more have a government of, by and for the people. And importantly, we will make America great again. Believe me.”

- Donald Trump quote on the campaign trail

“No matter how much I accomplish during the ridiculous standard of the first 100 days, & it has been a lot (including S. C.), media will kill!”

- President Donald Trump tweet 90 days into his administration

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>]more

Cop, A Plea

1 hell of a sad story) According to a CBC report, during a confrontation with police Somali-Canadian Abdirahman Abdi “lost vital signs.” If he was really so concerned about his vital signs, where should he have looked for them?

- a) behind the couch in his living room
- b) in Tahiti, a magical place
- c) in the official fists that beat him to death

2 officers, only 1 charge) Constable Daniel Montsion was charged with manslaughter over the confrontation. Constable Dave Weir, who was also at the scene, was considered a “witness officer.” What does that mean?

- a) he liked the Harrison Ford film
- b) he is a good Christian man who wanted to attest to the power of Jesus in his life and the world
- c) the Toronto police force has an official designation for an officer who does not intervene while another officer beats a man to death

SOURCE: *Les Pages aux Folles*

[<http://lespagesauxfolles.ca>]more

Freedom Caucus Is Not Free

The Republicans have started to say that the Democrats are going to obstruct everything that they want to do. The Democrats! The Republicans control the White House, both houses of congress and probably the Supreme Court. The Democrats are about as effective at obstructing anything as a kitten in a hurricane! Honestly, who would believe such nonsense?

Oh. Right. The party’s Base.

Is it just me, or is it weird that the Republicans are recycling Democratic talking points? It’s not like they’ve previously shown any concern for the environment!

SOURCE: *Bill’s Bitter Pills*

[<http://bill.geekgoons.com/>]more

Expect A Lawsuit From Paramount Any Day Now



SOURCE: *T-dot ts*

[<http://t-dotts/store/new>]more

Jonathan Swift Shakes His Head Sadly And Wonders If It's Too Late To Pioneer A Different Genre Of Fiction

Lawyers for Alex Jones in his custody battle with his wife have argued that when he went on the air to deny their claims that his insane rants on *Infowars* were not sincere, but a form of satirical performance art, he wasn't being sincere, but engaging in satirical performance art.

Attorney Randall Wilhite stated: "I mean, he's performing the role of an insane man denying that he was performing the role of an insane man – could anything be more meta?"

Oddly enough, patrons of the Ping Pong Comet pizzeria didn't find his satire amusing.

SOURCE: *Entertainment For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/entertainmentfordummies/home.asp?did=663&dir=bb>]more

Scientists Need To Develop A Dimensional Portal™ To Go To The Alternate Reality Trump Inhabits

According to President Donald Trump, the March for Science that took place in Washington on Saturday was the smallest public protest in the history of ever. “Only 3 peeples show up for science rally – worse than sad! Very sad!!” he tweeted on Sunday morning.

“Thousands of people showed up for that protest!” protested rocket scientist Marina Glebini. “Can nothing penetrate the bubble of unreality in which this White House opera – oooh. Houston, I think we have a problem...”

SOURCE: *Earth Worst! Journal*

[<http://www.earthworstjournal.org/article.php?id=481>]more

The NHL Broke A Few Of Its Toys In Front Of The IOC Just Because It Could

The International Olympic Committee is having a hissy fit because the National Hockey League refuses to share its toys with the sports organization.

“Well, well, well, you just be like that,” the IOC huffed. “We don’t need your stupid players, anyway. We can hold a great hockey tournament without your stupid superstars! You just watch us! We...we...we’ll...**why don’t you love us any more!**”

SOURCE: *The Schwartz Sports Report*

[<http://www.schwartzsportsreport.com/ssr-news.shtml.htm#38638135565>]more

The Daily Me – Flemming Randsbaek

Thank you, Flemming Randsbaek, for signing up for *The Daily Me*. Our search engine has combed the Internet for up to the minute news items that fit the profile you have so painstakingly filled out for us. Then, we weighted the probability that you would be interested in these articles against forms which showed what people with tastes similar to yours have liked reading in the past. And, then, we discovered that Germany has scrapped a long-standing law against Germans insulting foreign heads of state, and we rejoiced. Poopyhead Putin! Tempestuous twit Trump! Too Nice Trudeau! No, wait, that isn’t really...Sunny Ways Sonny Trudeau! No, that’s still not really what we’re...uhh...what we are trying to...umm, we may have to get back to you on that one. But...Malevalent May! Yeeeeessss! Loony le Pen! That’s what we’re talking about. We revelled in our new freedom. **Freedom!**

Then, we remembered that we weren’t German and that we’ve been saying whatever we wanted about world leaders for pretty much our entire lives. The disappointment was crushing.

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

**** And The Sanity Of Our Readers**

President Donald Trump's inauguration speech:

"Hate. Anger. Fear. Mockery. Ego. Bombast."*

* Speech may have been edited to preserve space.

SOURCE: *Politics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/home.asp?did=903&dir=bb>]more

Trick Question For The New Century: When Did You Stop Passing Regressive Laws?

You know what is wrong with the new Russia? No, not a demagogic leader who gathers power to himself and will not let it go until at least 12 years after he has died. Russia does not have that, praise Putin! No, not a cabal of the Prime Minister's cronies who are stealing everything that isn't nailed down. We do not have that, either, praise Putin. NO! Not a belligerent foreign policy! Are you even trying to answer the question seriously?

The main problem with the new Russia is that men are forbidden from beating their wives and children.

Fortunately, the lower house of Parliament has decriminalized such beatings as long as they don't cause bodily harm. Well, not intentionally, in any case. Let us not, as they say, get hung on details. The important point is that as soon as Prime Minister Putin signs the law, praise...you know, it will once again be possible for men to discipline women and children when they get out of line – it's about time!

Opponents of the new law use the example of a police officer who told a woman who complained about her boyfriend's violent behaviour that they would only come if she got killed. They point to the fact that the boyfriend beat the woman to death soon after the call. Please! They do not give the police enough credit. After all, as soon as they heard about the woman's death, they immediately went to her home.

Russian police are always as good as their word.

SOURCE: *Demi-TASS*

[<http://en.demi-tass.com/russia/744169>]more

It's Going To Be Really Dull Now That The Adults Have Taken The President's Favourite Toy Away From Him

Six signs a tweet posted on President Donald Trump's official twitter account wasn't written by the official Donald Trump:

1. the tweet does not contain an attack on a Trump critic
2. the tweet does not contain a made up word such as "bigly"
3. the tweet does not distort the truth
4. the tweet does not contain a racist or sexist attack
5. the tweet does not contain the word "sad"
6. the tweet is coherent

SOURCE: *The Web Page of Lists*

[http://www.ListsPage.argh/2009/October/Trump_Infodump.asp]more

He Just Couldn't Reach That Last Power Up...

Masaya Nakamura, founder of Namco, the Japanese company that created Pac-Man, has died at the age of 91. Wheeh wheeh whuh whuh whuh!

SOURCE: *Obits 'R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

A Day Without A Political Gaffe Is Like A Day Without Sunshine...Eliminating Goggles

two the edge...and beyond!) President Trump gave a speech in remembrance of the Holocaust without once mentioning Jews. This is like:

- a) reporting on Trump and not mentioning his tiny hands
- b) reporting on the audience for Trump's inauguration and not mentioning how much smaller it was than the audience for Obama's inauguration
- c) reporting on Trump adviser Steve Bannon, who almost undoubtedly had input into the speech, and not mentioning that he's an anti-Semiticputz

three see pee – oh!) How did the Jewish community respond?

- a) Israeli President Benjamin Netanyahu wants to build a monument to Trump – he's thinking of a building – an embassy, say...somewhere central...Jerusalem, maybe – yeah, that would be good: an Embassy in Jerusalem...
- b) the Canadian Jewish News wants to build a monument to Trump, but thinks an embassy is thinking too small; the monument should be made up of several buildings – useful buildings, say...buildings people live in – which would make the cluster of buildings a kind of...settlement, some would call it; unfortunately, Israel is already heavily populated, but there are plenty of areas just outside of Israel that would be perfect – Gaza, for instance – yeah, that would be good: more settlements in Gaza...
- c) many Jews are appalled by the insensitivity, but they aren't leaders of the community, so who cares what they think?

d) all of the above

SOURCE: *Les Pages aux Folles*

[<http://www.lespagesauxfolles.ca>]more

Plain Packaging Of Cigarettes A Burning Issue

Dear Senators and MPs,

If the Plain Packaging Proposal goes through, it will increase the number of young people who stick pencils up their noses.

This will boost the number of children who go to the Emergency Room of their local hospital because they have punctured their brains.

How do I know this?

I was a junior high school teacher for 30 years.

Yours sincerely,

Asscanio

Make sure Senators and MPs understand the consequences of plain packaging. It's what cigarette manufacturers expect.

To email your representatives visit **OurSideoftheArgument.ca**

SOURCE: *Ad Meek*

[http://www.admeek.com/A&W/national/article_display.jsp?nuvu_content_id=27909544604]more

One Person Committing Voter Fraud Is A Tragedy; Four Million People Committing Voter Fraud Is An Alt-factoid

Gregg Phillips, whom President Donald Trump has promoted as an authority on voter fraud, was registered to vote in three states in the 2016 election. Although there were flags on two of the registrations, officials stated that he could still have voted if he had showed up at a polling station with proper ID.

What "proper ID" constitutes in this situation is anybody's guess.

"Who better to investigate Democratic voter fraud than somebody with firsthand experience?" White House spokesmoron Sean Spicer commented when the issue was

brought up. “Obviously, his insider knowledge is more important than...than actual fa – **look! Muslim terrorists! I gotta go!**”

SOURCE: *Down to the Newswire*

[<http://www.downtothewire.pl/1/11/Artykul/200235,Spicered-whine>]more

The Daily Me – Hal Havarti

Thank you, Hal Havarti, for signing up for The Daily Me. Our search engine has combed the Internet for up to the minute news items that fit the profile you have so painstakingly filled out for us. Then, we weighted the probability that you would be interested in these articles against forms which showed what people with tastes similar to yours have liked reading in the past. And, then, we started an office pool on the subject of when the number of racist attacks in the aftermath of the election of Donald Trump would reach 1,000. Unfortunately, it reached 1,000 before we were able to get more than three people involved in the pool. So we increased the number to 5,000. Bets in the pool range from January 20 to the day after tomorrow. We suggested a side wager on how many of those attacks would actually be prosecuted, but most people in the office passed on it as a sucker's bet.

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Chief Strategist Steve Bannon Said, “We Just Gave Him That Thing To Shut Him Up. Who Knew IT WOULD ACTUALLY WORK?”

In response to criticism of his position that people who burn the American flag should lose their citizenship, Donald Trump took out a thin piece of wood with a plastic star taped to the end and said, “I can do that. I can strip a person's citizenship. See? I have the Magic Citizenship Wand. I flick it at you once, and you're no longer an American. See ya later. Buh bye. Don't let the border hit yer ass on the way out!”

“But...that's just a thin piece of wood with a plastic star taped to the end!” CNN correspondent Michelle Kosinski, who had been in the middle of asking a question about a previous evening's tweet where Trump would not rule out using nuclear weapons against California, objected.

In response, Trump waved the Magic Citizenship Wand at Kosinski. Once. Moments later, a secret service agent walked up to her and dourly sprinkled glitter on her head. Moments after that, two other secret service agents escorted her out of the building. Kosinski was last seen arguing with an attache at the American Embassy in Uruguay.

“Any other questions?” Trump smirked as he fondled his thin piece of wood with a plastic star taped to the end in a plausibly deniable suggestive way.

SOURCE: *The Podunk Mash & Enquirer*

[<http://www.podunkmash.com/wp-dyn/articles/A49882-2016Dec02.html>]more

In For A Pence, In For A Pound (Of Flesh)

Did you know that the State of Indiana has given Carrier \$7 million to keep some of its manufacturing jobs in the state? Or, that the governor of the state, Mike Pence, is also Donald Trump's Vice President? Quite the coincidence, that. When the Obama administration bailed out the auto industry, Republicans called the move a sleazy bribe. When Republicans bail out a furnace and air conditioning company, they call it a job-saving win for the President-elect.

In politics, perception is everything. And, perception is managed by spin.



SOURCE: *Economics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/entertainmentfordummies/economicsfordummies/home.asp?did=576&dir=bb>]more

What's Gravy For The Goose Is Gravy For The Gander

On Monday, the Crown attorney prosecuting them alleged Energy Minister Glenn Thibeault “sought certain benefits” to run for the Liberals in that byelection. A testy Brown complained Tuesday about an “unfair” story in the Star revealing Garfield Dunlop received compensation after stepping down in Simcoe North so the new PC leader could run in a byelection last year.

In the name of good government, Thibeault must step down until this matter’s decided by the courts. “Now we have the revelation that he knowingly misled members of the media and therefore the public on whether or not Garfield Dunlop was being paid,” Matthews said.

SOURCE: *24 Hour News Mashups*

[<http://politicalmashups.seeblogspotrun.com/>]more

Obama Slaps Forehead And Thinks, *If Only I Had Thought Of Criminalizing Dissent, I Wouldn't Have Had To Deal With All Those Images Of Myself As A Monkey! Oh, Well. Live And Learn...*

“These temper tantrums from these radical anarchists must be quelled. There is no legitimate reason to protest the will of the people.”

- Milwaukee County Sheriff David Clarke, one of the people being prominently floated as Donald Trump's potential head of Homeland Security, on protests against his victory

SOURCE: *Ending Trending Web Site*

[<http://endingtrending.blurgh/title-title/>]more

Have You Factored Brexit Into That, Mister Bank?

The Bank of England is looking into alternative designs for its five pound note that will not require the use of tallow – rendered animal fat to you – after complaints from vegetarians led to a petition condemning the practice that has been signed by more than 100,000 people.

“It’s ridiculous,” the Bank said in a statement. “The economy isn’t so bad that people will have to eat their money, so what’s the problem?”

SOURCE: *Wall Street Infernal*

[http://online.wsi.com/article/0,,SB113413397231118404,00.html?mod=home_whats_new_which_u]more

Lou Costello Responded, “Some Things Just Can’t Be Made Fun Of. IHHHHH Got Nuttin’...”

Texas has approved rules that require health-care facilities that perform abortions to bury the resulting fetuses.

Governor Greg Abbott stated, “Nothing shows our respect for life more than humiliating women who have just had to make one of the hardest decisions of theirs.”

SOURCE: *Womyn's e-Vents*

[<http://www.womynsevents.fem/article.cfm/dyn/aid/1229>]more

Have You Ever Noticed That “Reverse Racism” Actually Is The Reverse Of Racism?

A white woman had an emotional meltdown in a grocery store when the black man behind the counter asked her to pay five cents for a plastic bag. “How dare you!” she demanded in a cellphone video that went viral on Facebook. “How! Dare! You! I voted for Trump! He promised we wouldn’t have to pay the price for other people’s concern about the environment! Do you not remember Kent State? A-ti-ca! A-ti-ca! I have a dream...!”

The man behind the counter stayed calm and asked the woman for her WHIG (White Heterosexual Identifier, and Girl) Card. “This is outrageous!” the woman shouted. “I left my WHIG Card at home when I changed purses! Seriously, you’re going to card me – a white woman? – for a five cent plastic bag?” When the man behind the counter insisted that he could not give the woman her privileges if she could not show him proper ID, she stormed out of the store without her groceries.

“This is why you should carry your WHIM (White Heterosexual Identifier, and Male) and WHIG (White Heterosexual Identifier, and Girl) Cards on you at all times,” stated Donald Trump’s Chief of Racist Strategies Steve Bannon. “Every able-bodied, heterosexual white person wants to get the maximum benefit out of their privilege, but you just never know when somebody in the service sector will get uppity and challenge you!”

SOURCE: *Alternate Reality News Service*

[<http://www.arns.com/sinbin?id=36952640654641377582fx>]more

The Daily Me – Eleanor P. Sharknado

Thank you, Eleanor P. Sharknado, for signing up for *The Daily Me*. Our search engine has combed the Internet for up to the minute news items that fit the profile you have so painstakingly filled out for us. Then, we weighted the probability that you would be interested in these articles against forms which showed what people with tastes similar to yours have liked reading in the past. And, then, we found that writing your own obituary was the thing that all the cool kids were doing this year, and thought, *we could do that!* So, it is with great sadness that we announce the death of the *Daily Me* editorial staff. We

were born of humble parents in a log cabin in downtown Toronto, to a humble aboriginal brick layer in the Brazilian rainforest and to a humble billionaire root beer parade float entrepreneur. Our childhood was marked by food tricks and wood ticks, wondering at the meaning of Coke bottles that fell from the sky and catching a glimpse at our nanny's naughty bits. But, we persevered, overcoming obstacles that would have killed lesser human beings to become the leader of the resistance to the robot uprising, discover stupidonium (the elementary particle that causes euphoria in those who vote against their own interests) and turned our father's obscenely vast fortune into a merely middlingly offensive large fortune. In our later years, we devoted our lives to uniting deserving orphans with three-legged puppies, stopping logging roads being built through our downtown neighbourhood and dribbling down the front of our Dolce and Gabbana designer bibs.

We, uhh, may have taken liberties with some facts, but we like to think that there is a poetic truth here if not a literal one.

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Oh, and if we don't all die at the same time, apply whatever aspects of the obituary are appropriate.

Party Clearly Cruzin' For A Bruisin'

Ted Cruz says that he will vote for Donald Trump for President, even though he called the man a "pathological liar" when he ran against him in the Republican primaries. Why?

"You can't believe anything that comes out of that man's mouth," Cruz said. "If we include all of his campaign promises, his might just be the sanest, most level-headed administration this country has ever seen!"

SOURCE: *The Podunk Mash & Enquirer*

[<http://www.podunkmash.com/wp-dyn/articles/A49882-2016Oct08.html>]more

You Can Be Forgiven If You Missed The Part In The Bible Where Jesus Turned Water Into Diesel Oil – It Goes By Very Quickly

And the Lord, thy God, Ruler of the Heavens and of the Earth, commanded, "Thou shalt set aside one day of the year to celebrate, extol, exalt, praise, laud or otherwise pay tribute to the bounty of the oilfield. And thou mayest call it 'Oilfield Prayer Day,' but, either way, thou shalt say prayers to my munificence, in which I gavest thou the wondrous, splendid, glorious, utterly brilliant resource which doth greaseth the wheels of thy civilization."

And Oklahoma Governor Mary Fallin saw that it was good.

SOURCE: *The Bible – The Continuing Story*

[http://www.thenewestnewtestament.com/the_further_teachings_of_jesus/on_oil_appreciation/lk06_37a.html][more](#)

Democracy By Inaccurate Metaphor



SOURCE: *Les Pages aux Folles*

[<http://www.lespagesauxfolles.ca>][more](#)

Did You Pass Go?

I've heard that the Liberal Party paid a British "deliverology" expert \$200,000 to advise them on how to deliver on their campaign promises. What a waste of money! I could have told them what to do at a fraction of the price:

USE YOUR MAJORITY TO PASS THE LEGISLATION YOU PROMISED TO PASS DURING THE ELECTION!

Where can I collect my \$100,000?

SOURCE: *The Quick and the Detwiler*

[<http://quick&detwiler.blogspot.com/>]more

Which Is Good Considering That The First Six Will Bore You Silly

@BamRoman 11 ways Americans are becoming immune to astonishment. Reason 7 will astonish you!

SOURCE: *Ending Trending Web Site*

[<http://endingtrending.blurgh/sucker/>]more

It Takes Two To Disconnect

Pundits are almost unanimous in their opinion of the effect the release of a tape on which Donald Trump makes lewd references to women will have on his campaign:

“He’s toast.”

“He’s finished.”

“He just handed Hillary Clinton the presidency. There is no way he can recover from this!”

Donald Trump supporters are almost unanimous in their opinion of the effect the pundits’ pronouncements will have on their perception of the Republican Presidential candidate:

“They’re toast.”

“They’re finished.”

“He’ll recover from this. There is no way Hillary Clinton can become President!”

SOURCE: *Down to the Newswire*

[<http://www.downtothewire.pl/1/11/Artykul/200235,Trump-umpump>]more

It’s A Good Preview Of What Their Policies Will Be Like If They Should Ever Form A Government

The United Kingdom Independence Party has developed a new method of choosing its leaders after Diane James quit only 18 days after being elected: seven people walk onto a walkway in the building that houses the European Union, the last one standing gets the position.

“England loves a good scrapper,” former UKIP leader, now interim UKIP leader until he can be former UKIP leader again Nigel Farage said. “A politician who gets a little blood

on his hands on his way up is a leader Johnny England can get behind!” After a pause, he added, “Not that it will be me. Oh, goodness, me, no, no, no, no, no. I’ll never do **that** again!”

SOURCE: *The Smarmian*

[<http://www.thesmarmian.com/world/2016/oct/09/fried-ukippers>]more

There’s Something Wrong With This Comparison...If Only I Could Put My Finger On It...

Seven headlines you might see if Donald Trump wins the Presidential election

1. Trump wins! Canada prepares for new wave of immigrants: doubling the population expected to put strain on social services
2. Trump wins! MSNBC anchors have collective heart attack; future of network in question
3. Trump wins! Mexicans take out their wallets
4. Trump wins! Evangelical Christians believe it is a sign of the End Times
5. Trump wins! White House takes out billion dollar insurance policy against charges of sexual harassment
6. Trump wins! Reaction from around the world: Putin says, “At last, somebody I can work with!”
7. Trump wins! Sun rises on schedule!

Seven headlines you might see if Hillary Clinton wins the Presidential election

1. Clinton wins! Trump accuses President-elect of stealing election; “Her voter fraud beat my Russian hackers,” loser declares
2. Clinton wins! Republican establishment breathes sigh of relief
3. Clinton wins! Ann Coulter considers sex change
4. Clinton wins! Evangelical Christians believe it is a sign of the End Times
5. Clinton wins! Expert panel of pundits debate Breitbart.com allegation that she eats fetuses of aborted children as part of deal with devil to gain power
6. Clinton wins! Texas schedules vote on secession
7. Clinton wins! Troubles in your relationships not immediately solved!

SOURCE: *The Web Page of Lists*

[http://www.ListsPage.argh/2016/October/Chump_for_Trump.asp]more

The Daily Me – Katey Maddox Month, Week ~~One~~ Three

Thank you, Katey Maddox Month, Week ~~One~~ Three, for signing up for *The Daily Me*. Our search engine has combed the Internet for up to the minute news items that fit the profile you have so painstakingly filled out for us. Then, we weighted the probability that

you would be interested in these articles against forms which showed what people with tastes similar to yours have liked reading in the past. And, then, we realized that Donald Trump says outrageous things in order to get media coverage. Batshit crazy as media policy? It works, people. It works. But, not any more. We're getting off the Crazy Carousel and getting on the Sane...Undetermined Carnival Ride. You know, the safe one. We declare that, from now on, *The Daily Me* will be a Donald Trump-free zone!

You're Welcome,
The Daily Me Staff

Oh, Yeah – Trump Would Be Doing Much Better In The Polls If Only The Press Wouldn't Quote His Actual Words!

"Hillary wants to abolish – essentially abolish the Second Amendment. By the way, if she gets to pick, if she gets to pick her judges, nothing you can do, folks. Although the Second Amendment people, maybe there is, I don't know."

- Donald Trump

Is what The Donald said is an incitement to violence? Don't be ridiculous – that's just the silly, lamestream, left-wing media's interpretation of what he said. What right-thinking people everywhere understood The Donald to be saying, of course, is that if Clinton was elected and chose a judge who was predisposed to accepting limitations on gun ownership, gun owners could rise up and THROW COPIES OF THE CONSTITUTION AT HER!

Come on, people! It's right there in his words. Any other interpretation would be completely irresponsible!

Hee hee.

SOURCE: *Bigots Without Borders*

[<http://www.bigotswithoutborders.org/>]more

Then, we realized it wasn't a good idea to make promises we couldn't keep...

Enjoy, Anyway
The Daily Me Staff

Never Mind The Bullocks, Here's Ocean's 8

The news that Sandra Bullock will be starring in an all-female version of *Ocean's 11* called *Ocean's 8*, with possible co-stars including Cate Blanchett, Anne Hathaway, Mindy Kaling and Rihanna, has brought the usual haters back into the spotlight.

“This has ruined – well, not my childhood, obviously, because *Ocean’s 11* was released in 2001 – but it certainly ruined my...16 years ago!” said men’s rights advocate Bruce La Banner. “Okay, that’s silly. But the news absolutely ruined my...breakfast, and everybody knows that the key to a good day is a healthy breakfast!”

“Yeah, well, now you know how it feels, sonny boy,” said his father, Dan La Banner. “When the George Clooney version of *Ocean’s 11* came out, it ruined my – well, I wasn’t exactly a child when the original came out – let’s say early adulthood. Yeah. My early adulthood was ruined. If it don’t star Frank Sinatra and the rest of the rat pack, it ain’t worth shit!”

SOURCE: *Entertainment Right Now*

[<http://www.entertainmentrightnow.com/mini/smug2016/2016/08/13/ohgetoveryourselveswillyou/>]more

PM Admitted Some Of The “Thes” Not Vital To Implementation Of The Bill

The Liberals are coming under fire for not moving on their campaign promise to change provisions in Bill C-51 that they claimed undermined Canadian civil liberties.

“Of course we have,” argued Prime Minister Justin Trudeau. “We have made major changes to Bill C-51. We changed the word ‘a’ to the word ‘the’ in no less than 27 different places, and at least seven clauses have been shifted around and renumbered!”

SOURCE: *The Irrational*

[<http://www.mc.ca/stories/2016/08/12/yourgovernmentinaction160812>]more

Then, We’ll Take In A Play In The Ted Rogers Theatre District And We’ll Grab A Bite To Eat In Ted Rogerstown On Spadina Then, We Might Take A Moonlit Stroll Along Ted Rogers Waterfront

With the announcement that Kensington Market has been renamed The Ted Rogers Market, every major landmark in the city of Toronto has been named for the late media mogul.

“It’s a testament to his enduring legacy,” explained Rogers’ grandson, Bilious Rogers II, “and proof to children that if you work hard and make tons of money exploiting foreign entertainment while contributing the bare minimum to your own culture, you, too, can be celebrated with your name on important stuff.

“Now, if you’ll excuse me, I have some friends from out of town who I promised I would take to see the top of the Ted Rogers Tower.”

SOURCE: *Toronto Stunned*

[<http://www.canoodle.com/NewsStand/TorontoStunned/News/2016/08/02/509727.html>]
more

Isn't The Burkini A Delicious After Dinner Cocktail?

ISIS troops wearing burkinis – full-body, head-covering swimwear – swept into Aleppo last night. Apparently, the swimwear in no way reduced their effectiveness as soldiers, as they drove back Syrian military units with heavy weapons fire.

“You see? What did I say?” Cannes Mayor David Lisnard stated. “When we banned wearing them on our beaches I told you that burkinis are the uniform of extremist Islamism, but did you listen?”

SOURCE: *The Sarmian*

[<http://www.thesarmian.com/world/2016/aug/07/not-to-be-served-with-a-nice-tomato-sauce-either>]
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Just Don't Use It On Your Teeth After The Insect Rodeo Because Eww!

Eight things you can do with floss now that you don't need it for your teeth

1. lasso ants
2. create a more sturdy hair weave
3. doctor baseballs so that they are lighter and travel farther
4. create sculptures of pasta dishes
5. prove Reimann's Hypothesis
6. wrap it around your finger until the digit turns blue from lack of blood circulation
7. whip cockroaches
8. dye it black and glue it to paper if for some reason your printer won't underline words for emphasis

SOURCE: *The Web Page of Lists*

[http://www.ListsPage.argh/2016/August/Dubious_Dental_Science.asp]
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As Many As 240 Security Agents Were Involved – That's Some Pretty Powerful Mind Control, Right There!

A judge has thrown out the conviction of a man on charges of planning to commit an act of terrorism on the grounds that he was in a coma for the three year period he was being investigated by the RCMP and was incapable of registering any response to stimulus whatsoever, much less design and deliver a bomb to a public place.

“Don’t let the coma fool you – John Korody was a vicious terrorist bastard!” said RCMP Officer Dudley Doorong. “Using MRI scans of his brain activity, he directed our undercover officers to create a bomb that we would use to blow up the BC legislative assembly. And, he was so convincing, we would have done it, too, if our superiors hadn’t stopped us in the nick of time!”

Critics of this case claim that it was entrapment, suggesting that the RCMP needs successful terrorism prosecutions in order to justify the erosion of civil liberties that came with such tough on crime legislation as Bill C-51. “What, that old law? Pfft!” Officer Doorong scoffed. “That had nothing to do with it. Our agents were subjected to some sort of...mind control! Seriously! John Korody’s MRI scans could be very convincing!”

SOURCE: *Glob and Maul*

[http://www.globandmaul.com/servlet/story/RTGAM.20160808.eladvote0808_@/BNStory/newsOops2016/]more

The Daily Me – Cornelius Chen

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Besides, everybody knows that the real scandal of the past week is Tom Hiddleston making out with Taylor Swift!

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Actually, Old Nostrie Could Have Seen It Coming, But He Would Have Been Embarrassed To Admit It

Despite being part of the Conservative government that signed the contract that would send weaponized vehicles known as LAVs to Saudi Arabia, current foreign affairs critic Tony Clement says that the Liberal government should cancel the deal.

“Who could have predicted that a country with as spotless a record as Saudi Arabia would become a major human rights abuser **the moment the Liberals were elected?**” Clement rhetoricked all over the place. “Even Nostradamus couldn’t have seen that one coming!”

SOURCE: *Ottawa Stunned*

[<http://www.canoodle.com/NewsStand/OttawaStunned/News/2016/06/17/509727.html>]more

So, THAT’S Why The New Testament Describes Jesus’ Loaves As “A Little Dry!”

A man has discovered a 10 kilogram chunk of butter in an English bog that is believed to be 2,000 years old.

“Now, if only we could find a loaf of bread that had been preserved for over two millennia,” said butter discoverer Jack Conway, “we could feast!”

SOURCE: *WWW: World Weird Watch*

[<http://www.worldweirdwatch.com/archive/www165897.html>]more

Yeah, You Know, Johnny Cash Didn’t Sing “I Islammed A Man In Reno Just To Watch Him Die” For A Reason

Barack Hussein Ohblahblah might be the dumbest person alive. For goodness sakes, that gun didn't kill anyone. It was his fellow Muslim that killed all those Puerto Rican homosexuals. Islam kills. Guns save lives.



Delusions come in many forms. Some people convince themselves that taunts that kindergarteners might say if they were tired and cranky are the height of wit. (Oscar Wilde must be spinning in his grave, counter-clockwise, as was his wont.) Some people delude themselves into thinking that if you repeat something often enough, the repetition will make it true. (President Obama is not a Muslim – he's a capitalist.) Some people have washed their own brains so thoroughly, they can make the argument that objects created for the purpose of killing are actually fluffy kittens that are the subject of so many adorable YahooTube videos that it's a surprise they don't collectively break the Internet.

Hard as it may be to believe, all of these delusions come together in a single psyche, that of a woman known primarily for hunting grizzly bears from a helicopter, although there are rumours that she may have been a politician at some point in her life. Her name is...umm...oh, what was it? Sadie Pullet? Sandy Putin? Sardinia Poopiehead? (She started it!) Sorry I can't quite put my finger on it – the woman's 15 minutes of fame happened long ago (or it may have been so traumatic that we have erased it from the collective consciousness – stranger things have happened in American politics).

Perhaps her greatest delusion is that she believes that she is still somehow relevant to anybody other than her immediate family.

SOURCE: *Karl's Big Red Web Page of Unreconstructed Marxism*

[<http://www.bigred.commie/articles/218^.htm>]more

It Rhymes Better If You Sing It With A Cockney Accent

Shanghai Disneyland has been closed by the Chinese government over a dispute over a song lyric.

The line the government objects to is: "But there was a silver lining in my day so horrid/Your death helped my heart make a great leap forward!" It appears in the song "Second Act Sorrows," which is played during the Interactive *Frozen* Experience! at the theme park.

"Well, that's five and a half billion dollars down the drain!" muttered Disney CEO Bob Iger. "Who knew the Chinese were so [VERY NON-DISNEY EXPLETIVE DELETED] sensitive!"

SOURCE: *Entertainment Right Now*

[<http://www.entertainmentrightnow.com/mini/smug2016/2016/06/17/shanghaidepress/>]more

I Want To Print A T-shirt That Reads "BITCH THAT BASTARD" Just To Confuse Them!

In response to Donald Trump supporters wearing t-shirts with the message, "TRUMP THAT BITCH," Hillary Clinton supporters started wearing t-shirts with the message, "DRUMPF, THAT BASTARD." For a few minutes. Then, somebody realized that a bastard is a man who was born out of wedlock, which reflects more badly on his the mother who bore him than the man himself.

"The bastard wins again!" muttered Clinton supporter Maryke Malwaxware. "I swear, it's like he's untouchable!"

SOURCE: *The Lefty Hipp-Starr Show*

[<http://www.msnohc.msn.com/id/24385968/>]more

He Came Because He Heard There Was A Boom In Film And Television Production, And He Wanted To Cash In

A rabid raccoon hitchhiked more than 500 kilometres into Ontario from northeastern New York State, prompting the first outbreak of rabies in the province in a decade.

There is no truth to the rumour that the raccoon came to Canada for our health system.

SOURCE: *NOW and THEN*

[<http://www.now&thentoronto.com/news/story.cfm?content=129979>]more

I'm So Excited, I Almost Raised An Eyebrow

Marijuana advocates are eager to become involved in the 420 Games, an athletic competition for potheads. But, not too eager, because that could harsh people's mellow, and nobody wants that.

The 420 Games (named for the...umm...I mean, the number represents the...the...the – aww, who remembers? Something about blackbirds...?) will feature such tests of physical strength and endurance as nerf archery, parallel floor mats, water wings polo and the 420 metre jog round the corner for a couple of minutes to get munchies.

Will there be drug testing? “Has to be,” said organizer Jim McAlpine. “Otherwise, how could we be sure the athletes were high when they participated?”

SOURCE: *The Schwartz Sports Report*

[<http://www.schwartzsportsreport.com/ssr-news.shtml.htm#50291177265>]more

Several Trump Supporters Offered To Hack Off Their Own Limbs If It Would Help

Twitter account Conservative Nation posted a picture of an apparently bloodied woman with the caption: “Here’s what happened to female Trump supporter when she met ‘peaceful’ and ‘tolerant’ liberals.” It turns out the woman had just come from a makeup test for a horror movie (which would make her more of a passive than active Trump supporter).

“oops – our bad LOL” Conservative Nation tweeted when the mistake was revealed. “Fact she only had one arm should have been a clew.” This was followed by a series of blood-soaked emojis.

SOURCE: *Ending Trending Web Site*

[<http://endingtrending.blurgh/sucker/>]more

The Daily Me – Elderberry Pizzleswitch

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

War Is Young Hellions

2 sorry for words) As a Canadian soldier in Afghanistan, you see clear evidence that allied soldiers have been sexually abusing native children. What do you do?

a) I don’t know – the chain of command is kind of fuzzy, and maybe it’s acceptable under Afghan law – I don’t know...it’s possible – aww, jeez, why do I have to be the one who has to do something?

b) you know, if we do anything, we’ll just piss off the Afghani government, and then they might not let us chase after terrorists in their backyard. I think it’s in our national interest to let this one slide...

c) report it! Report it to your superior officers! Report it immediately! Isn’t part of the mission protecting civilians? For the love of humanity, report it to your superior officers immediately!

d) you know, if I tell anybody about it, they’ll just figure that it will piss off the Afghani government, and then they might not let us chase after terrorists in their backyard. I think it’s in my personal interest to let this one slide...

SOURCE: *Les Pages aux Folles*

[<http://www.lespagesauxfolles.ca>]more

A Policy Sure To Get Caligula’s Stamp Of Approval

Wisconsin Republicans have passed a bill disallowing people in the state on food stamps from using them to buy a long list of items, including: shellfish, red potatoes, nuts, spaghetti sauce, albacore tuna, soup, baked beans, salsa, cheddar cheese, shredded cheese, Swiss cheese, sliced cheese, fresh mozzarella, bagels, cranberry sauce, canned peas, red salmon, yellow potatoes, brown eggs, baked beans and ketchup. What can they buy with food stamps? Hard crusted bread and gruel.

“We’re trying to encourage people to make healthy lifestyle choices,” Republican State Representative Scott Allen explained. “They’ll be able to eat whatever they want just as soon as they choose to stop being poor.”

SOURCE: *Cleveland Wheeler Dealer*

[<http://www.cleveland.ca/enter/index.ssf/?/living/wheelerdealer/index.ssf%3fu/base/news/1806749440373458.xml>]more

The Suits Thought The Original Cut Was So Perfect That They Wanted Me To Make It More Perfect

Suicide Squad director David Ayer has denied rumours that he has reshot scenes to add humour to the film. So, the reshoot has nothing to do with making the film less like *Batman vs. Superman* and more like *Guardians of the Galaxy*? “What, **that** loser?” Ayer scoffed. “Why would I want to make a film like...a film like...oh, god, I need to talk to my agent!”

SOURCE: *Entertainment Right Now*

[<http://www.entertainmentrightnow.com/mini/smug2016/2016/04/13/moreperfectlyperfecer/>]more

Leap Manifesto And The Net Will Cut You To Ribbons

The Leap Manifesto currently being considered by the New Democratic Party will destroy Canada’s economy, force children into slave labour in foreign countries **and** cause all the hair on your head to fall out! It’s a left-wing plot so evil that Mao Tse-Tung refused to implement it, and, when he first heard of it, Joseph Stalin ran to his room and wouldn’t come out for three days!

What do you mean, “What’s in it?” You don’t need to know what’s in it! We’ve read it to spare your delicate sensibilities. Trust us – the only thing worse than the Leap Manifesto would be an alien invasion – and that’s going to be the subject of tomorrow’s editorial!

SOURCE: *The Financial Riposte*

[<http://www.canada.com/national/nationalwhippingpost/financialriposte/story.html?id=49ddccd1-f0f3-4f4f-9f15-a2eb4cc6a008>]more

Are You Sure I Want Satan Behind Me? He May Have One Of Those Pink Waterproof Calexotics Embrace Silicone Massaging Ticklers With Three Speed Rolling Pleasure Ball And Seven Functions Of Shaft Vibration, Pulsation And Esca – Oh! Escalation And...And...And...Mmm, What Were We Talking About Again?

“There are such things as sex demons. And the danger in masturbating is that one could inadvertently summon a sex demon to attach itself to you through the act of masturbating. And once that demon attaches, it is difficult to get it to leave. It will drive you to masturbate, even when you don’t want to. You’ll be hit with urges to play with yourself so powerful that only an orgasm will allow you some temporary relief.”

- excerpt from Hedonism: Destroying Demonic Sexual Strongholds, by Mack Major

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>]more

Need For Greed

Kansas Republicans have passed a bill disallowing people in the state on Temporary Assistance To Needy Families to spend money at a casino, gaming establishment, jewelry store, tattoo parlor, massage parlor, body piercing parlor, spa, nail salon, lingerie shop, tobacco paraphernalia store, vapor cigarette store, psychic or fortune-telling business, bail bond company, video arcade, movie theater, swimming pool, cruise ship, theme park, or dog or horse racing facility. What can they do for entertainment? Sit around a burning tire in a metal trash container and tell each other how wonderful their day has been.

“We’re trying to encourage people to make better lifestyle choices,” Republican Governor Sam Brownback explained. “They’ll be able to entertain themselves however they want just as soon as they choose to stop being poor.”

SOURCE: *Cleveland Wheeler Dealer*

[<http://www.cleveland.ca/enter/index.ssf/?/living/wheelerdealer/index.ssf%3fu/base/news/1806749440373459.xml>]more

Yeeeeaaaah...The Thought Of Eating Salmon Full Of Cocaine Doesn’t Make Me Want To Go To A Fish Casino

Tests of Chinook salmon in Puget Sound found that the fish’s tissue contained high levels of cocaine and anti-depressants. How could such a thing happen?

Imagine you’re a young salmon, swimming in the water. Swimming. Swimming. Swimming. Not much to do but swim. Oh, and once a year spawn. Swimming and spawning. Spawning and swimming. Not much of a life, is it? You’d be tempted to try a little cocaine now and then if that was all you had to look forward to.

Fortunately, there is an obvious solution to this problem: fish casinos. Build a few of them under the waters of Puget Sound, and the salmon will be off the anti-depressants in no time!

SOURCE: *Scientific Canadian*

[<http://www.scican.com/article.cfm?chanID=sc003&articleID=1704H3EC-2C145-20K5-AAA1586614B71231321>]more

Moral Leadership Is Compiled – Complicated – Colimpa – Hard. Moral Leadership Is Hard

Nearly two-thirds of Americans believe torture can be justified to extract information from suspected terrorists. The Ipsos-Factos poll found that a similar number believed that a terrorist attack would happen on American soil within the next six minutes, although no clear connection between the two positions has been considered.

Rest assured, Americans are not barbarians. Only three per cent of those polled thought it was okay to force suspected terrorists to sit through an entire Hillary Clinton/Bernie Sanders debate.

SOURCE: *Cohan*

[<http://teamcoho.com/video/monologue-03-22-15>]more

The Daily Me – Quartermaster Quentin Qarafe

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Now, if we could just get a prescription from our doctor for medical bacon...

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

May He Rest In Space

Rock legend David Bowie has died of cancer at the age of 69. Fan reaction to the persona associated with this new phase of his career – which has already been dubbed “The Skeletal White Duke” on the Internet – has been mostly negative.

SOURCE: *Obits 'R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

The City Finally Allowed The News To Go Out The Door
When It Became Clear That The Lead In The Water Wasn't Going To Kill Michael Moore

Water You Afraid Of?

Why dig into a budget deeper
When you can get your water cheaper
From a new pipeline from Lake Huron?
So the tragic thinking ran
In the city of Flint, Michigan
After the state appointed to run it a fiscal conservative and environmental moron.

Nobody was given any water quality alertz
By Emergency Manager Ed Kurtz.

The city was unable to meet its deadline,
So water from the Flint River filled its old pipeline
(From out of which sewage sometimes spilled).
Unfortunately, the water was poorly treated
And lead flaked off the aging pipes (especially when heated)
Thus, with toxic chemicals they were filled.

That's the thing that really hurtz,
Emergency Manager Ed Kurtz.

Flint water was thick as mud
And did nasty things to its drinker's blood:
Child lead poisoning rates doubled.
An EPA study was flushed down the drain.
Parents who complained were called insane –
Insults were what they got for their troubles

What do you think about the lead poisoning spurtz,
Emergency Manager Ed Kurtz?

On democracy, this can be seen as an attack
Did I mention the majority of Flint citizens are black?
Obviously, they cannot be trusted with their own finances.
With a manager parachuted in by stealth
Who cares more for budget numbers than a city's health –
These days, this is how racism advances.

This is the result when a politician democracy subvertz:
I'm talking about you, Governor Rick Snyder, you who appointed Emergency Manager
Ed Kurtz.

SOURCE: *Poetry, Cornered*

[<http://www.cibc.com/ca/personal/poetrycorner/700.html>]more

Leery Of O'Leary

First, celebrity investor Kevin O'Leary offered Alberta's NDP Premier Rachel Notley \$1 million to resign. (Charmed as she was, she declined the offer.) Now, O'Leary has stated that he is interested in leading the federal Conservative Party. The possible slogans for his campaign boggle the mind. Just imagine a sign reading:

- Kevin O'Leary – for people who thought Stephen Harper was too warm and cuddly
- Kevin O'Leary – making Canada great again
- Kevin O'Leary – it takes a dragon to slay the Chinese dragon
- Kevin O'Leary – oil yesterday, oil today, oil forever
- Kevin O'Leary – for people who are jealous of the United States because Canadian politics appear too sane

SOURCE: *Glob and Maul*

[http://www.globandmaul.com/servlet/story/RTGAM.20160110.eladvote0110_@/BNStory/newsOops2016/]more

If Walmart Greeters Aren't Ordained To Marry Shoppers, They Should Be!

A man who proposed to a woman in one Walmart was accused of stealing items, including an edible thong and a sex toy, from another Walmart later that same evening. This just shows how stupid we Americans have become. If he and his fiancée had put the edible thong and sex toy on their registry, they could have gotten them from the complete strangers who applauded the proposal and not have had to steal them.

SOURCE: *Bill's Bitter Pills*

[<http://bill.geekgoons.com/>]more

It's Not Like It's Going To Embarrass My Party Now

Liberal Prime Minister Justin Trudeau has decided not to cancel a \$15 billion deal to sell military vehicles to Saudi Arabia. Sure, Canada has rules against selling military equipment to regimes that could use it against their own people. And, sure, again, Canada is selling the vehicles to the repressive Arab monarchy's internal police, which does not suggest that they will be used in the nation's defense. Why go through with the deal? Because sunny ways, apparently.

Conservative Tony Clement has challenged the Liberal government to release any documents it has now or will ever have relating to Saudi Arabia's human rights record. How can Clement insist this when the government in which he was a cabinet minister must have undertaken its own studies of the deal that it made in the first place?

"Are you kidding? The only assessment we ever conducted before we made the deal was how many jobs we could claim to have created after it went through," Clement stated. "As for criticizing a deal we brokered, well, you really don't understand how this whole 'being voted out of office' thing works, do you?"

SOURCE: Canadian Depress

[<http://www.cd.org/english/notforyou.htm>]more

What Orifice Did You Pull That Authority Out Of, Bill?

So, President Obama – did you catch the sneer in my voice? I have a bit of a cold, and my sneering ability isn't as strong as it usually is, so I just wanted to make sure that you knew that it was there. Anyway, President Obama shed a tear when he was talking about Sandy Hook. Is this what it has come to, America? Presidents becoming all weepy over a little mass loss of life? Say what you want about President Bush – the younger one, I mean – but at least he never shed a tear when he was in office – at the order of Dick Cheney, he had his tear ducts removed before his inauguration! **That** is what I call presidential. Anyway, I have it on good authority that President Obama's tear wasn't even real! That's right! President Obama's tear was the result of gel released into his eye while somebody was pinching his big toe while he was thinking about the ending of *Old Yeller* - completely fake. Does that sound like overkill? That's the beauty of America – we don't have to choose!

SOURCE: *The O'Meilly Factor*

[<http://www.foxynews.com/story/0,2413,95927,06.html>]more

WTF? Is This Kill British Cultural Icons Month? Who's Next? Dame Helen Mirr – OH, DON'T YOU DARE!

Actor Alan Rickman has died of cancer at the age of 69 – where have I heard that before? He will be missed truly, madly, deeply. But, by Grabthar's hammer, he will be avenged!

SOURCE: *Obits 'R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

The Daily Me – Marcus Maledictorum

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Oh, Science! Is There Nothing You Can't Explain?

Saudi millionaire Ehsan Abdulaziz was acquitted of rape by a British jury, which believed his argument that an 18 year-old young woman pulled him towards her on the bed and his erect penis accidentally penetrated her. But, how likely is this?

“It depends upon what assumptions you build into your model and what criteria you use,” explained world famous smart person Neil deGrasse-Tyson. “In a single universe, you have to take into account the relative positions of the two bodies, the angle of the fall, whether or not the penis had enough velocity to properly penetrate the woman, and so on. When you factor in the probability that both parties would not be wearing clothes, the possibility of something like this happening seems extremely small.

“However, if you believe in multiple universe theory, then even the most statistically insignificant events will happen in some reality. So, why not this one?”

SOURCE: *Alternate Reality News Service*

[<http://www.arns.com/sinbin?id=39361841314552314083fx>]more

Oh, I Totally Buy That Apology. Totally

Iraqi Defense Minister Khalid al-Obeidi has launched an investigation into an airstrike, allegedly by the American air force, that killed 10 Iraqi soldiers.

“We weren’t behind the airstrike,” stated US Defense Secretary Ashton Carter. “And, when I say ‘weren’t behind,’ I really mean, ‘were totally responsible for.’ Totally. Still, the 10 people killed in the airstrike were high ranking ISIS members. Unless they were Iraqi soldiers. Alright, they were Iraqi soldiers. But, they were responsible for their own deaths because they weren’t following proper military protocols. Well, okay, maybe they were, but I think we can agree that both we and the Iraqis bear some measure of blame for the unfortunate incident.

“In any case, I would like to apologize on behalf of the government of the United States of America for what happened. Whatever it may ultimately prove to be...

SOURCE: *The Baghdad Post*

[<http://www.baghdadpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A49881-2015Dec18.html>]more

If Nothing Changes In The Next Few Years, We'll Publish Our Own Dictionary

According to the New America Foundation, twice as many people have died in terrorist attacks by right-wing groups in America than have died in attacks by Muslim extremists. Of the 26 attacks since 9/11 that the group defined as terror, 19 were carried out by non-Muslims.

I'm calling bullshit. Everybody knows that terrorism is defined as "Muslims attacking innocent white people." Seriously. Look it up in a dictionary if you don't believe me. That's okay. I'll wait.

The dictionary you used didn't define terrorism as "Muslims attacking innocent white people," did it? Try another one.

That one didn't, either? Well, you know, it can take some dictionaries years to catch up to the current usage of words...

SOURCE: *Bigots Without Borders*

[<http://www.bigotswithoutborders.org/>]more

It's Been A Long Time, But I'm Pretty Sure That Hitting Kids On The Ass Is Not An Effective Way To Break Up A Schoolyard Fight...Or Teach Them A Lesson About Not Using Violence To Resolve Disputes...

The Canadian Teacher's Federation opposes Liberal plans to repeal Section 43 of the Criminal Code, which allows parents and teachers to spank children to correct their behaviour. The CTF is concerned that if the provision is removed from the CC, teachers could be open to charges if they intervened in school fights and such.

"Teacher's shouldn't be allowed to hit our children!" complained an outraged Paloma Patango, the spokesperson for Parental Pathology Prerogative, a pro-spanking organization funded by the Catholic Church. "That's our job!"

SOURCE: Canadian Depress

[<http://www.cd.org/english/notforyou.htm>]more

Yeah, Yeah, No Need To Write Letters – I Know Netanyahu Wouldn't Train The Family Dog To Attack Arabs...He Has An Army For That

Benjamin Netanyahu said on Friday his family had put its dog Kaiya into quarantine after it bit two guests at a Hanukkah candle lighting ceremony for members of his Likud Party.

"It was an unfortunate mistake," Netanyahu explained. "She mistook them for Arabs!"

SOURCE: *The Arad Post*

[<http://www.apost.com/servlet/Satellite?pagename=APost/APArticle/ShowFull&cid=1398351676225>]more

PS, We Hate You

NOVEMBER 24, 2013

Subject PS complained loudly of "obstructed bowel movement." Analysts believe that the phrase "obstructed bowel movement" is code for "sapping the United States of the will to defend itself against its enemies through the use of subversive music and maybe drugs. Yeah, definitely drugs."

DECEMBER 17, 2013

PS lay very still in his hospital bed today. Very still. He could be in a coma. Still. We're having a hard time determining how he is passing messages to enemies of the United States. Would it be possible to ask the Director for more funds for this mission?

JANUARY 9, 2014

Some fluttering of the eyelids. We're having Cryptology take a look at the hidden camera footage to determine if this constituted a message to enemies of the United States. So far, they have identified three words: "cockroach," "orange" and "love." Could he be using codes within codes? The cryptic fiend!

FEBRUARY 4, 2014

Looked for headstone to see if it contained any coded messages, but PS threw us a curveball by getting cremated! There is no video of the smoke that came from the crematorium chimney – it is possible, even likely that it contained a secret message for enemies of the United States. Will spend the next couple of weeks canvassing people in

the neighbourhood to determine if they saw anything unusual the day Subject PS was cremated. In the meantime, surveillance continues.

- excerpts from recently released FBI files on folk singer Peter Seeger, who died in January, 2014 at the age of 94

SOURCE: *The Smoking Gut*

[<http://www.thesmokinggut.com/archive/108096382861023470563-7946374864826327230173072840-473418378150637420952-3794147940cahs01.html>][more](#)

57 Per Cent Of THEM Believe America Is Now Governed By Sharia Law, But It Just Hasn't Hit Their City Yet

A recent poll showed that 53 per cent of Americans believe that a Muslim couldn't be elected President. Oddly, the same poll showed that, of those people, 87 per cent believe that a Muslim already has been elected President.

SOURCE: *Weekends!*

[<http://www.nobc.com/Weekends/video/play.shtml?mea=227537>][more](#)

The Daily Me – gillian anderson's yellow hair

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Sorry, But Urine, The Way

Revised Conservative Party Candidate Interview Questionnaire

1) Have you ever peed into an unusual receptacle (ie: coffee mug, sports trophy, mukluk, other)?

1a) Were you caught on video peeing into said object?

1b) Is the video public, or does it have the potential to become public (on account, perhaps, of it having been made by the public broadcaster)?

2) Have you ever made prank phone calls in which you pretended (at least, we hope you were pretending) to masturbate?

2a) Is there recorded audio of such calls that is currently publicly available, or could be made so in the future?

2b) Do you boast about the calls on your Facebook page or on other social media?

3) **FOR GOD’S SAKE, ARE YOU TWELVE YEARS OLD?!!!**

SOURCE: *The Smoking Gut*

[<http://www.thesmokinggut.com/archive/108096382861023470563-7946374864826327230173072840-473418378150637420952-37941479cahs01.html>]more

Could There Be Any More All Powerful Clique Than A Hereditary Monarchy? Webster’s Sure Doesn’t Think So!

Jordan’s Prince Ali bin Hussein has announced that he will be running for the Presidency of FIFA, the organizing body for football’s World Cup. Promising greater transparency, Prince Ali said, “We must overcome deep-seated corruption and political deal-making. FIFA will not be run as the personal fiefdom of an all-powerful clique.”

The Absurd Ironyometer rushed to its dictionary to see if the definition of the term “corruption” had been changed when it wasn’t looking. Nope. Then, it looked up the term “transparency” for good measure, but it still meant, “possessing the quality of being transparent.” The Absurd Ironyometer resolved to reread Orwell’s essays on language, because it was clearly missing something.

SOURCE: *Big Alex’ Domesday Countdown Page*

[<http://www.allaboutalex.wha/Domesday/new>]more

Now We’re Making The Same Disgraceful Mistake So We Can Learn From It When The Inevitable Flood Of Refugees From Texas Appears At Our Borders A Few Years From Now

“When Canada was a leader
Vietnamese boat people allowed us to learn from our disgrace in barring Jewish refugees decades earlier”
- *Globe and Mail*

SOURCE: *Billy-Bob’s International House O’ Headlines*

[<http://www.com/lol.pdqfc.wywgw.wywyg/fid=1876533033>]more

Fortunately, We're Under No Obligation To Run An Article On Political Crashness

CORRECTION

In a correction published last week, we incorrectly stated there had been a correction to a previously incorrect correction about political correctness. In fact, what we originally ran was not a correction, it was a crash.

SOURCE: *Globe and Mail*

[http://www.globandmail.com/servlet/story/RTGAM.20150902.eladvote0902_@/BNStory/newsOops2015/]more

Will The Plucky Little Network Succeed? Stay Tuned!

Once upon a time, there was a young television network named Cottage Life. Cottage Life was good looking, hard working and sort of popular with a certain type of viewer, but, no matter how hard it tried, there never seemed to be enough resources for Cottage Life to create new programmes. So, Cottage Life bundled up episodes of *Decks, Docks and Gazebos*, *Brojects* and *Colin & Justin's Cabin Pressure* and hightailed it to the big city, where the plucky little network hoped to confront the Big Bad CRTC and get its Canadian content obligations slashed.

Cottage Life made a lot of friends on its quest. One evening, the other cable networks threw it a party. "I remember when you were just a gleam in your conglomerate's eye," The Comedy Network told Cottage Life. "Now, look at you! You're going through your first rite of passage! Mazel Tov!"

SOURCE: *Entertainment For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/entertainmentfordummies/home.asp?did=557&dir=bb>]more

My Wall Trumps Your Rights

ANNOUNCER: Welcome to *Speaking Spanish the Donald Trump Way*, a series of instructional videos to help border guards, immigration officers and anybody interested in the future of the United States learn how to speak to Mexican immigrants.

TRUMP: Job stealing criminal drug dealers and rapists.

ANNOUNCER: We haven't started yet.

TRUMP: I started the moment I was conceived, and I never stopped! Get on with it.

PAUSE.

ANNOUNCER: Where is the nearest financial institution?

TRUMP: I need to rob a bank to feed my drug habit. Is there one near here?

PAUSE.

ANNOUNCER: You have a beautiful wife.

TRUMP: You so much as look at my wife the wrong way – oh, screw it, even the right way – and I'll sick immigration officers on you so fast it'll make your empty head spin! Pervert! Next phrase.

PAUSE.

TRUMP: **I said: next phrase!**

ANNOUNCER: Do you speak English?

TRUMP: Of course I speak English! Who do you take me for? Jeb Bush? Loser! Or, maybe some other loser who can't make it in his own country so he comes over here to mess up our country? Listen, pal, the United States is the greatest country the world has ever known, and you don't get anywhere here speaking frigging Mexican! You wanna live in America? Learn to speak frigging American. You probably won't be able to speak it so good as me, but as long as you know the basics, you should be able to make yourself understood to a real human being. I mean, come on: how hard is it to say, "Where's the nearest Welfare office?"

ANNOUNCER: (over him) This has been *Speaking Spanish the Donald Trump Way*, the first in a series of instructional videos to help border guards, immigration officers and anybody interested in the future of the United States learn how to speak to Mexican immigrants. Order the entire set today!

SOURCE: *Weekends!*

[<http://www.nobc.com/Weekends/video/play.shtml?mea=227528>]more

A Lot Of Canadians Get Brain Cramps Listening To Him

Prime Minister Stephen Harper has announced that Canada will now take in 20,000 Syrian refugees, twice the number his government had previously announced. "Who's compassionate now?" he sneered. "Who –"

“Wait a minute,” Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne interrupted his crowing. “Wait just a minute! Ontario has pledged to take in the 10,000 additional refugees! Are you including those in your calculations?”

“Ontario is in Canada, isn’t it?” Harper smugged.

Wynne opened her mouth to respond, but he brain couldn’t come up with anything appropriate.

SOURCE: *Toronto Startle*

[http://www.thestartle.com/NASApp/cs/ContentServer?pagename=thestartle/Layout/Article_Type1&c=Article&cid=1082591838813&call_pageid=968642278492&col=966695402154]more

The Daily Me – Magda Carta

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How can you not love marijuana legalization?

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Simple Truths For The Symbol-minded

In the wake of the shootings in a church in Charleston, South Carolina, many politicians on both the left and the right have called for the removal of the Confederate flag from government spaces. The following is a statement in response to the removal of the flag, with scholarly footnotes for historical context:

We are proud of our past.¹ The Confederate flag is a symbol of our southern heritage.² The flag didn’t kill anybody.³ Before the war, the south had a thriving economy.⁴ If we haven’t done as well as we could have since the war, it’s because the north has imposed a

foreign culture on the south.⁵ Taking down the Confederate flag is the beginning of communism.⁶ The South is the last bastion of liberty and independence.⁷ It's the flag my ancestors fought under – I'm just honouring their war service.⁸

1. A past rife with racism.
2. A heritage of racism.
3. True – people for whom it represented their racism did.
4. Built on slavery.
5. One that involves less racism.
6. Which is all about...aww, who am I kidding? I got nothing.
7. That's more like it: as long as your skin has the right colour.
8. You do know what they were fighting to preserve...don't you?

SOURCE: *Politics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/home.asp?did=821&dir=bb>]more

It Was Little Wonder, But Still...

A federal court has ordered the Harper Government of Canada to turn over the backup of Quebec's long-gun registry, essentially accepting the argument that government could not be trusted to keep the information for FOI requests.

"Of course, we will comply with the court order," stated Prime Minister Stephen Harper. Then, he looked down at the finger that was poised over the delete button on his computer keyboard. "Hunh. How did that get there?" he wondered.

SOURCE: *Glob and Maul*

[http://www.globandmaul.com/servlet/story/RTGAM.20150622.eladvote0622_@/BNStory/newsOops2015/]more

It's Telling That It's All In The Telling

Nine Jokes That Self-abort

1. A rabbi, a priest and the 37th element of the periodic table walk into a bar and – but, you've probably heard that joke a million times.
2. A rabbi, a priest and Alfred Nobel walk into a bar and – naah, too explosive.
3. A rabbi, a priest and a Gen X-er slink into a bar and – why would you go there? The Baby Boomers hoard their wealth and have passed innumerable laws making it harder for Gen X-ers to accumulate any of their own. Can you blame them if they don't want to participate in a system that is so obviously stacked against them?
4. A rabbi, a priest and George Gershwin walk into a bar – bet it'll take you hours to get **that** song out of your head!
5. A rabbi, a priest and a monk walk into a bat, and – damn, autocorrect!

6. A rabbi, a priest and aardvark barbarity shoes – no, that would just be absurd.
7. A rabbi, a priest and a feminist walk into a bar and – you seriously think I’m going anywhere near **that** joke?
8. A rabbi, a priest and an Alzheimer’s patient walk into a bar and...uhh...and something happens and then the Alzheimer’s patient turns to the priest and says...where is the punchli – **okay, who moved the goddam punchline when I wasn’t looking and where did you put it?!**
9. A writer starts a joke about a rabbi, a priest and a third character walking into a bar and – meta jokes are so 1990s, aren't they?

SOURCE: *The Web Page of Lists*

[http://www.ListsPage.argh/2015/July/Dont_Get_Me_Started.asp]more

The Wealthy Can Buy Extra Strength Shampooless Shampoo – The Lucky Bastards!

The latest response to the drought in California is shampooless shampoo. Simply open the bottle and wave it over your head three times (two times are recommended for dry scalps; four if your hair is especially greasy).

Some people who have tried it complain that shampooless shampoo is just recycled bottles of Prel on which somebody has scratched out the original label and written in a new label with magic marker, and that the bottles contain nothing but air. Manufacturer Luigi Vercotti sniffed and said, “Well, that’s just nitpicking, innit?”

SOURCE: *USA Whenever*

[http://www.usawhenever.com/news/california/2015-06-25-prel-from-hel_x.htm]more

At Least None Of Tom Bradford’s Kids Abused Any Of The Others

Actor Dick Van Patten has died at the age of 86 of complications from diabetes. He had performed on such TV series as *Sanford and Son*, *Happy Days* and *The Love Boat*, and in movies like *Freaky Friday*, *Spaceballs* and *Soylent Green*. Van Patten came from a gentler era of television entertainment when executives believed that Eight is Enough.

SOURCE: *Obits ‘R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

Republicans Argue The Boy Was A Deranged Lone Wolf And, Evil – We Must Never Forget Unspeakable, Conveniently Unknowably Evil

Seven African Americans were killed and over a dozen wounded in South Carolina when a white man with a swastika carved into his forehead opened fire on a church parking lot with a semi-automatic rifle.

In the middle of the killing spree, the 37 year-old man stopped to state, “I am a member of several white supremacist groups and am killing blacks because I hate them and hope to start a war in which they are all killed so whites can once again rule the country. I hope this clears up any misconceptions that may linger about my actions. Thank you for your attention and understanding.”

“I...I don’t understand how this could have happened,” said South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley. “We moved the confederate flag away from the statehouse – that should have ended the violence right there!”

SOURCE: *Cleveland Wheeler Dealer*

[<http://www.cleveland.ca/enter/index.ssf/?/living/wheelerdealer/index.ssf%3fu/base/news/1508733800270460.xml>]more

The Daily Me – Franklin Pornbang

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Hollywood is weird.

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Not All Scare Quotes Were Created Equal

ACTION ALERT! ACTION ALERT! ACTION ALERT! ACTION ALERT! ACTION

Ireland is the first country in the world to allow gay people to marry by a popular vote! Ireland! We cannot allow this to stand! If Ireland allows so-called “marriage equality,” who will be next? Burundi? Tonga? Idaho?

Clearly, Irish Catholics let down the side, so we propose a boycott of Catholicism. No, wait – too many of our members are Catholics. They wouldn’t appreciate anybody badmouthing their beliefs. Okay. Forget we suggested that. To protest Ireland’s decision, we’ll boycott...Saint Patrick’s Day! Aww, who are we kidding – our members are happy

for any excuse to get pissed! Fine. We'll boycott...potatoes. Mmm...French fries. Right. That's not gonna happen, either.

Okay, we got nothing. Bigots Without Borders members are encouraged to suggest an appropriate action to protest this terrible, terrible act of democracy.

ACTION ALERT! ACTION ALERT! ACTION ALERT! ACTION ALERT! ACTION

SOURCE: *Bigots Without Borders*

[<http://www.bigotswithoutborders.org/>]more

File Under: Fuck, What The?

Legal scholars are divided on a clause in the Conservative Government of Canada's Bill-C59 which would absolve the Royal Canadian Mounted Police of guilt for the extinction of the dinosaurs. Some legal experts argue that, while unorthodox, there is no precedent in Canadian legal history that would disallow the government from enacting the law (which is actually a budget bill) with the clause intact. Others argue that the RCMP didn't exist in the Cretaceous Period, so if this is a gesture of solidarity with Canada's national police force, it may be a bit of overkill.

SOURCE: *The Irrational*

[<http://www.mc.ca/stories/2015/05/21/trexhadnocomment150521>]more

Physician, Heel Thyself!

With regard to the idea of whether or not you have a right to healthcare, you have to realize what that implies... I'm a physician. That means you have the right to come to my house and conscript me. It means you believe in slavery. It means you're going to enslave not only me, but the janitor at my hospital, the assistants, the nurses... There's an implied threat of force: do you have a right to beat down my door with the police, escort me away and force me to take care of you? That's ultimately what the right to free healthcare would be.



The other day, I went to my family doctor to have a persistent cough looked after. After a few preliminaries, he cheerfully asked: “Could you loosen my shackles? Just a bit? They’re making it difficult for me to hold this tongue depressor!” I smiled and genially replied, “Nope. Sorry. You might try to escape, and then I would have to get the Health police to track you down and whip you to make you more obedient, possibly even hang you from a tree as a warning to any other doctors who would want more freedom, and then what would I do about my cough?”

Can you imagine being a patient of Senator Rand Paul (I don’t even bother identifying Bag of Crazy residents as Republicans any more because obvious)? “Your cough is a sign of advanced pulmonary fascitis.” “Is that a real disease?” you would have to ask, “Or is it something in your head?” “It could be a real disease,” Rand would assure you. “In some other universe where diseases like that exist. Will that be debit or credit?”

Of course, universal health care is not free – it is paid for out of general government revenues. And, countries that have it generally have better health outcomes for lower cost than the United States. This makes the whole “slavery” thing the strawiest of straw man arguments. Not to mention, the most offensive.

But, ssh. Don't tell Rand Paul that. The health clinic that he runs in the Bag of Crazy only has three patients – coincidentally, they're all named John Galt – but they're billionaires, so everybody is happy.

SOURCE: *Karl's Big Red Web Page of Unreconstructed Marxism*

[<http://www.bigred.commie/articles/218^.htm>]more

Don't Wait For SkyNet To Come Online To Start Eating Unbrowned Bread!

Winston Schmex, the author of *Kill Your Toaster: Why We Need To Panic About the Coming Machine Apocalypse Right This Second!* is trying to shake people out of their complacency about intelligent machines.

If machines ever attain consciousness, Schmex argues, they may not see themselves as equals to human beings. If machines feel that they are superior to human beings, they will do whatever they need to do in order to survive, even if it puts them in conflict with us. If machines do not get their energy from sunlight, for example, they may compete with human beings for electricity or nuclear power. If they can override anything we put in their programming to protect ourselves, the machines will pursue any such conflicts with scarily rational efficiency. If human beings cannot negotiate some form of coexistence with our creations, the machines could wipe us out.

"Why do people have so much trouble seeing the urgency here?" Schmex plaintively demanded.

SOURCE: *Geekly News & World Report*

[<http://www.geeklynews.com/geeklynews/issue/150411/geeklynews/01arthurcclarkohoh.htm>]more

Things Go Bitter With Koch

An exhibit in the Smithsonian Institute called "The Hall of Dubious Human Origins" claims that people will evolve to survive climate change. An interactive part of the exhibit gives viewers the opportunity to choose between different possible adaptations that could occur in the human body. These include:

- becoming rock-like creatures able to withstand extreme weather;
- becoming flaming creatures able to withstand extreme heat;
- becoming invisible creatures in order to deflect harmful rays from the sun, and;
- becoming creatures with elastic bodies who can...do something fantastic that will help them adapt to the new world brought about by climate change.

Scientists have complained about the exhibit's inaccuracies, pointing out that sending people into space so that they can be exposed to gamma rays that could cause them to mutate wouldn't really speed up the evolutionary process (since the changes likely couldn't be passed on to their children), and, in any case, it would take too long to send even a small fraction of the human population high enough into the stratosphere to be changed. David Koch, gazillionaire oil magnate and sponsor of the exhibit, replied, "Fifteen million dollars buys you a lot of science!"

People who work at the Smithsonian looked away in an attempt to hide their embarrassment.

SOURCE: *The Chronicle of Lower Education*

[<http://lowerchronicle.com/weekly/v58/i13/36a02601.htm>]more

The Daily Me – Borodin Mashie-Niblick

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Maybe it's for the best. The office collection only amounted to \$27.34 – probably not enough to get us even a look at a catalogue photo of the vial!

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Yeah, Sure, But Soldiers Can Also Die If You Send Them Into The Shower – What's Your Point?

One Canadian soldier has been killed and three others wounded in a friendly fire incident in Iraq. This seemed to suggest that, when you send people into a war zone, there is a possibility that they will die; this reality has stunned Canadians.

"Whu...whu...what about the invisible shield that is supposed to protect our troops?" said Calgary wheat foamer Adrian Brewski. "Was there some sort of...malfunction or something? Can it be fixed? Without the invisible shield, our soldiers are just sitting ducks out there!"

“I thought Canadian soldiers were protected by a plus a thousand spell of impregnability,” said Melissa Flutz, a dental manicurist from St. Joan’s, Newfoundland. “The magicians in the Department of Defense are going to have to strengthen their spells – maybe they used the wrong ingredients? – if we are to win this war without any further casualties!”

The Harper government of Canada gave its condolences to the families of the dead and injured soldiers and assured Canadians that it would work hard to ensure that this incident was thoroughly forgotten before the next election.

SOURCE: *Ottawa Stunned*

[<http://www.canoodle.com/NewsStand/OttawaStunned/News/2015/03/07/509727.html>]more

Gender Confuseds Indifferent To Israeli Apartheid Didn’t Know What To Think

Palestinian rights group Queers Against Israeli Apartheid has announced that after seven years it will be shutting down.

Anti-Palestinian group Straights In Favour of Israeli Apartheid (also known as the Conservative Party) rejoiced.

SOURCE: *NOW and THEN*

[<http://www.now&thentoronto.com/news/story.cfm?content=199991>]more

The Droids’ Last Thought Was That This Was Just His Forceful Way Of Playing Through

Han Solo crashed the Millennium Falcon into a golf course near the rebel base. He was forced to ditch the spacecraft shortly after takeoff when the engines failed.

“This was a heroic act,” said rebel spokesmodel Carol Alt. “Solo kept a cool head and steered the craft away from areas heavily populated by civilians. Okay, sure, he obliterated a group of droids playing the seventh hole, but, honestly? They’re easy enough to replace.”

Other people wondered: why does the rebel base have a golf course?

SOURCE: *Imaginary Movie Database*

[<http://www.imd.com/title/tt0122227/>]more

If It Didn't Start Out As A Seizure, It Certainly Became One When He Was Hustled Out Of The Room

Testimony at the Senate committee on national security and defence looking at legislation to give Canada's spy agencies more powers was temporarily halted as one of the witnesses appeared to have a seizure.

The 27th clone of Prime Minister Stephen Harper was droning on about how Muslim terrorists were hiding behind the ficus plant in your office – saying basically the same thing as the previous 26 clones of the Prime Minister had when they testified before the committee – when his eyes glazed over and he stopped talking in the middle of what the Senators assumed would be the word “promulgation.” He stayed this way for several seconds, ignoring offers of a glass of water and valium.

Then, he started shouting, “This hearing is a farce! I'm not just a carbon copy of everybody else! I am an individual human being! I have my own wants, desires, needs – I deserve to be loved just like any other person! I have my own ideas! My own –” We'll never know what he has his own of, because this was the point at which he was escorted out of the committee room by security. His whereabouts are currently unknown.

The committee decided to break for lunch, after which testimony continued with the 28th clone of Prime Minister Stephen Harper.

SOURCE: *Alternate Reality News Service*

[<http://www.arns.com/sinbin?id=39362641310021314874fx>]more

I'm Ready To Be Controlled By Our Comedy Overlords

Just when you thought Gamergate couldn't get any stranger...

Last week, Jace Connors, who threatened to kill a female game developer last January, turned out to be Jan Rankowski, a member of a radical comedy group. Rankowski claimed that his online statements, videos, t-shirts, coffee mugs and branded Cuban cigars were all part of an elaborate satirical joke.

“Henh henh,” laughed Brianna Wu, the target of a Connors/Rankowski's death threat. “Now that it has been explained, I see the humour in Connors' crashing his mother's Prius on the way to confronting me. Ha ha – that scamp!”

This week, it was revealed that Rankowski himself is just a meat puppet of an alien named Throx Blargnotten who, in violation of galactic law, made contact with the human race even though we have yet to achieve interstellar travel. “Aww, lighten up, dude,” Blargnotten stated. “Threats of violence are just my people's way of saying, ‘Good morning. Did you have a successful circadian rhythm?’”

Wu scrunched up her face and responded, “Okay, now I’m scared again.”

SOURCE: *Geekly News & World Report*

[<http://www.geeklynews.com/geeklynews/issue/150226/geeklynews/01quickoutofthegamergate.htm>]more

You Can Scarf It Down, But You’ll Still Find It Hard To Swallow

A Quebec judge refused to hear the case of a woman who needed to get her car back from the province’s automobile insurance board in order to be able to get to work because she had purple hair.

“That is not a hair colour that occurs in nature,” said Judge Eliana Marengo. “You are clearly mocking this court. If you do not cover up that monstrosity, I will refuse to hear your case.” When complainant Lydia Whitebread refused to don a head scarf, she was ejected from the court.

Umm...uhh...wha...wow,” commented the Canadian Civil Liberties Association. “This is – just, wow.”

SOURCE: *The Irrational*

[<http://www.mc.ca/stories/2015/03/03/noimmockingyourcourtmaam150303>]more

The Daily Me – Asphodelle Gossart

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And, the beauty part? Given the time of year, these day names could double as weather forecasts!

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

“Would You Like To Make A Deposit?” Means “Would You Like To Make A Deposit”

When somebody claiming to represent the men’s movement says that they don’t hate women, that they just want to make sure that men’s rights aren’t trampled in the rush to secure women’s rights, you want to take them at their word. You want to believe them. Then, one opens his pretty little mouth, and the stupid just gushes right out.

Gustavus X. Setz has put his mouth in his foot on the *Men Will Not Be Silenced!* Web site on many previous occasions. Last month, for example, he wrote that bank robbers, the vast majority of whom are male, are often led on by bank tellers, the majority of whom are women, that the tellers are “asking for it” because of the “provocative way they ask male customers for their passbook.” But, his latest screed goes far beyond that:

Here is what needs to change: since allegations of assault and bank robbery carry such devastating penalties for *the men accused of those crimes*, it should be a crime to name a man. Period. Victims should file criminal charges and the accused should be granted anonymity until convicted. We need court-ordered and enforced anonymity for men accused of bank robbery. For women accused of bank robbery, too. Without a conviction, without evidence, without proof, no one gets to call anyone else a bank robber. The feminist media has made it absolutely clear that they will override any considerations of due process or justice when it comes to slandering and libelling men accused of bank robbery. They will abuse the power they have and that is unacceptable.

With “sympathetic” men espousing opinions like these, is it any wonder that as many as 90 per cent of bank robberies go unreported?

SOURCE: *Womyn’s e-Vents*

[<http://www.womynsevents.fem/article.cfm/dyn/aid/1207>]more

Plenty Healthy My Asthmatic Ass!

Buried in the current omnibus budget bill being studied by Parliament is a plan to demote the chief public health officer of Canada. He will no longer hold a deputy minister rank, he will have no direct line to the federal minister of health, he will be subservient to a bureaucratic agency president and he will have no secure public funding.

“Canadians are plenty healthy,” said Health Minister Rona Ambrose. “If we were any more healthy, we would drop dead from the sheer bliss of it. So, chief public health officer? Pfft! Who needs ’im?”

SOURCE: *The Irrational*

[<http://www.mc.ca/stories/2014/11/29/healthyskepticismrequired141129>]more

Political Pundits Hit Especially Ha – Oh. Somebody’s Knocking On My Door – Excuse Me A Moment, Will You?

China’s State Administration for Press, Publication, Radio, Film and Television has banned the use of puns in the media, claiming that they may confuse and mislead the public, especially children.

“It’s been pundemonium in our journals and on our screens!” exclaimed a member of the Administration. “I mean, even the pundas in the zoos were doing it! But, Chinese is not Punjabi! If people who have a punchant for such wordplay are allowed to go unpunished, it will destroy the pundamental underpunnings of our civilization, causing it to collapse under an avalanche of bad jokes!”

After a moment of reflection, she added: “I’m going to have to fine myself stiffly for that statement!”

SOURCE: *Demi-TASS*

[<http://en.demi-tass.com/world/744164>]more

Stopping The Number Of Children Living In Poverty From Going Up Would Be A Good Place To Start

Twenty-five years ago, the federal government vowed to end child poverty in Canada by the year 2000. To celebrate the anniversary of this event, the current government has vowed to end child poverty in Canada by the year 2050.

SOURCE: Canadian Depress

[<http://www.cd.org/english/notforyou.htm>]more

42 – Not That That Will Do You Any Good...

From a class handout for Soc 183: Class Warfare Lives!

CHAD WHITMAN: Brad?

BRAD WHITEHORSE: Yes, Chad?

CHAD: Have you seen the new girl in class?

BRAD: What, Vivian, do you mean?

CHAD: Yes. That’s the one.

BRAD: I have, indeed. What about her?

CHAD: Did you see the way she barged into class, almost knocking Melinda Whitehall down?

BRAD: No, but I have heard of the incident. Shocking. Absolutely unheard of!

CHAD: Just so. And, the way she snaps her gum while the rest of us are hard at work trying to memorize our times tables – so vulgar!

BRAD: Indeed. Did you know that Vivian's mother works as a...I can hardly bring myself to say it...maid for the Wright-Whites?

CHAD: No, I hadn't, although, now that you mention it, it does explain a lot. Oh, Brad! We have to find a way to get her out of Orinda Elementary – she's just not our kind of people.

BRAD: It would be for the best. She'll be more comfortable in a school with her own kind.

CHAD: By the by, did you read *The Cat in the Hat* last night like we were supposed to?

BRAD: Don't be absurd. I had my people do it for me. Erm...seven times six – any idea what that might be? You know I've never been good with numbers...

STUDY QUESTIONS

1. What "kind" are Chad and Brad?
2. What "kind" is Vivian likely to be?
3. On a scale of 1 to 10, how would you rate the health of the American Dream when education officials in a wealthy white enclave hire a private detective to determine the residence of a seven year-old Latino student with the aim of kicking her out of their elementary school?

SOURCE: Bjork University Web Site

[<http://www.bjorku.ca/index.html>]more

The Daily Me – Prashanti McDuff

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yours have liked reading in the past. Then, an Intern caught a squirrel hanging upside down on an umbrella in our roof garden, chewing holes in the fabric. Had the Intern taken photos? She hadn't. "Really?" we indignantly demanded when we heard that. "Don't you have any conception of what Facebook is for?!"

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

But, For How Long? For. How. Long?

Canadians are almost evenly divided over the merits of developing Alberta's oil sands, nee tar sands, but, in a worrying trend, their opinions are becoming more negative. Thirty-five per cent of respondents to a Nanos poll said their impression of it had gotten worse over the last five years, while only 19 per cent reported that their view of it had gotten better.

Obviously, it's time for a newbranding of the rebranding of Canada's major resource. From now on, the oil sands will be referred to as "the cuddly sands of cuteness."

"Canada's cuddly sands of cuteness are the engine that drives our economy," exulted Prime Minister Stephen Harper. "It is essential that we develop pipelines to bring oil from our cuddly sands of cuteness to world markets."

An overnight poll shows that 87 per cent of Canadians approve of Canada's cuddly sands of cuteness.

SOURCE: *Glob and Maul*

[http://www.globandmaul.com/servlet/story/RTGAM.20141201.eladvote1201_@/BNStory/newsLeGrandBrand2014/]more

I Would Question Those Findings, But How Could I Trust The Response?

Questionnaires can be revealing, often in ways their creators hadn't expected. There was one recently that showed that, on average, men rank humour, intelligence and niceness ahead of physical appearance in what attracts them to women. The same questionnaire also revealed that the average man lies on questionnaires 100 per cent of the time.

SOURCE: *Jimmy Kimmel – Live! (On Tape Delay)*

[<http://beta.abc.go.com/shows/jimmy-kimmel-live-ish/blogs/monologue>]more

It Depends On Whether Or Not The Guy Whose Car You Just Torched Was A Fan Of The Home Team

0 compassion) What is the difference between violence after a white police officer is let free after shooting an unarmed black man and violence after your city's team won the Superbowl?

- a) black people riot; white people are merely exuberantly enthusiastic in public places
- b) black people are angry over the violation of the principle "and justice for all;" white people are thrilled by the upholding of the principle "neener, neener, our team's the best and your team is made up of wieners!"
- c) how badly you get beaten when you're arrested

0 credibility) Why do American police officers get to decide what is and isn't a lawful assembly?

- a) you think politicians want to go anywhere near that issue? Oh, no, no, no, no, no, my friend, politicians do not take responsibility for such explosive decisions...any more...
- b) because comedy club owners use the term "laugh riot" far too loosely and somebody has to put their foot down
- c) I don't see you volunteering to do it...

SOURCE: *Les Pages aux Folles*

[<http://www.lespagesauxfolles.ca>]more

Just One More Black Friday Mark On His Record

I don't want to suggest that disgraced Canadian media baron Conrad Black has a runaway ego, but he thinks Black Friday is a national holiday in his honour...

SOURCE: *Bill's Bitter Pills*

[<http://bill.geekgoons.com/>]more

You Could Say The Threat Of Life In Prison Made Him "Scared Clean Shaven"

Shocking revelations from a Canadian courtroom: Jian Ghomeshi has a chin! This may be the first time his full face has seen the light of day directly, and not through stubble, since before he hit puberty! Medical experts weigh in on the possibility that the former radio host will get sunburn from normal daylight. Meanwhile, Ghomeshi's fans are torn between those who hate the chin and those who think it "makes him look like a 12 year-old – eww!"

SOURCE: *The Inquiring National Star*

[<http://www.inquiringnationalstar.com/gossip/64393>]more

Considering Their Comedy Training, They Seem To Take Themselves Awfully Seriously

A man is facing a felony menacing charge after two western Colorado sheriff's deputies say he pointed a banana at them. It would appear that *Monty Python's* how to defend yourself against fruit sketch was mandatory viewing at the police academy.

SOURCE: *Cohan*

[<http://teamcoho.com/video/juiciness-is-the-best-defense-11-20-14>]more

The President Will Deliver His State Of The Union Address To The Congress Bar And Grill On 7th Street, Starting A New Tradition

To show their displeasure with the President for...well, being the President, Republican lawmakers are considering not asking him to give the State of the Union Address, a tradition that has existed in one form or another since 1790. "We don't like ta see his kind round these here parts," sneered Speaker of the House John Boehner. "If he done shows up, ah cannot vouch fer his personal safety."

Instead, they plan on watching 10 minutes of a Jeff Foxworthy stand-up comedy routine on Netflix, then go out, get drunk and strangle a bald eagle with their bare hands. "It's th' American way," Boehner explained.

SOURCE: Disassociated Press

[<http://www.bltdaily.com/>]more

This Is An Obvious Case Of Squirrel Rights Run Amok

Ezra Levant has been found guilty of defamation for things he wrote on his blog about a squirrel in his neighbourhood known as Rodent X. When Rodent X disappeared for a week, Levant accused him of being a Jew-hating illiberal Islamic fascist who had spent the time in a Muslim extremist terrorist camp. The squirrel claimed that it was just on the next street over, where there were more fallen acorns to eat, and that what really motivated Levant was anger that Rodent X had eaten strawberries he had planted the year before.

"I find that his dominant motive in these blog posts was ill will, and that his repeated failure to take even basic steps to check his facts showed a reckless disregard for the truth," wrote Ontario Superior Court Judge Wendy Matheson in her summation of the case. "And, I just don't get Levant's thing with squirrels. Sure, they're a nuisance, but 'illiberal Islamic fascists?' Really?"

"Libel chill!" Levant shrieked in response. "I mean, if I can't make up scurrilous things about rodents on the Internet, they'll come after you for saying truths about the government!" After a moment's refection, he added: "Well, not you. Obviously. Nobody cares what you have to say about the government. Or, squirrels. Or, anything. But, somebody whose opinion actually means something in this world!"

SOURCE: *The National Whipping Post*

[<http://www.canada.com/national/nationalwhippingpost/news/story.html?ia=0ec0ecda-b6e6-4c18-bf9b-07b657cc48ec>]more

The Daily Me – Magma Enare

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Robin Williams sure sucked all the air out of the room of celebrity deaths last week!

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Good To See You – Hate What You've Done With The Place

There can be no peace in the Middle East until Arabs recognize the right of the State of Israel to exist. That means that they will have to give up their irrational anti-Semitism, because

There should be an all out war on Palestinian society, “including its elderly and women, its cities and its villages, its properties and its infrastructure.” (Jewish Home Party member of the Knesset Ayelet Shaked)

Sorry about that – no idea how that got in there. So, where was I? Oh, yeah. The unreasoning, deep-seated Arab hatred for Jews is the largest stumbling block to peace in the Middle Ea

The Israeli Defense Forces should attack “all the military and infrastructural targets with no consideration for ‘human shields...’ The IDF will conquer the entire Gaza, using all means necessary to minimize any harm to our soldiers, with no other considerations.” (Likud Party Deputy Speaker of the Knesset Moshe Feiglin)

Okay. Sorry for the interruptions. I have no idea where they're coming from. They should not, however, distract us from my central point, which is that the unreasoning, unwavering hatred of Jews by Palestinians is the main

"Death to Arabs! Kill all Arabs! Kill all Arabs!" (increasingly common cry among Israelis)

HEY! CAN YOU KEEP IT DOWN OUT THERE? I'M TRYNNA MAKE A POINT HERE!

SOURCE: *The Arad Post*

[<http://www.apost.com/servlet/Satellite?pagename=APost/APArticle/ShowFull&cid=1048221596735>]more

It's Uttar Madness

If you cannot recognize the suffering of the people on the other side of your war, you cannot be taken seriously when you say you want peace. Unfortunately, that leaves only about seventeen people in the world who can be believed when they say they want peace, and most of them live in Uttar Pradesh.

SOURCE: *Martini's Up Canada! Blog*

[<http://martini.upcanada.blogspeck.com>]more

[DUH!] Truth Hurts

Farcebook is planning on adding a tag to ensure that satirical articles are recognized as such by its users. The tag will read: "[DUH!]"

"This may strike some users as...hostile," said Farcebook spokesweasel Deedee Spivy. "But, honestly, ferrets fighting to separate from Ukraine? Old people leaving their earthly belongings to a Get a Life avatar in the shape of a watermelon with arms, legs and a mouth that won't stop talking about stock derivatives? House Republicans actually passing a sensible law? Anybody who believes this stuff really needs to get a clue!"

SOURCE: *Geekly News & World Report*

[<http://www.geeklynews.com/geeklynews/issue/140825/geeklynews/01butcluesaresohardtocomeby.htm>]more

He Actually Has Some Place Wholesome Inside Of Him? Who Knew?

Prime Minister Stephen Harper has rejected calls for a national inquiry into Canada's murdered and missing aboriginal women. "Any inquiry would make it look like the

RCMP isn't concerned with the fate of aboriginal women," Harper stated, "and, I like the RCMP. Police give me a warm, tingly feeling inside. Never mind where – some place wholesome, I assure you. The important thing is that they're doing their best – I mean, they're really, really, really trying – and I wouldn't want the RCMP to look unconcerned about the fate of aboriginal women."

When asked if the rejection of an inquiry makes the Harper Government of Canada look like it isn't concerned with the fates of aboriginal women, the Prime Minister responded: "Of course not! We – it – look. We are worried – no, concerned – no, vaguely interested in – look. It's a...a...a measured response to...to...to...SHUT UP!"

SOURCE: *Ottawa Stunned*

[<http://www.canoodle.com/NewsStand/OttawaStunned/News/2014/08/20/503727.html>]
more

So, You Wanted The Movie To Be More Saccharine? Or, Is Your Use Of The English Language Not Very Dexterous?

"He seems to have written *Magic in the Moonlight* on autopilot, perhaps while sleepwalking. But even the most dextrose prose would be unable to overcome the unhappy pairing of Colin Firth and Emma Stone, who make a dead battery seem sparky by comparison."

- Toronto Star review of the latest Woody Allen movie

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>]
more

That's Funny, Because Trying To Understand Some Catholic Church Doctrine Hurts Mine

The Archdiocese of Cincinnati has told Catholic schools not to do the popular "ice bucket challenge" to help fund research for the ALS Association.

"Getting ice water poured over your head is not – you should pardon the expression – kosher because it is a sacrilegious parody of baptism," said archdiocesan spokesman Stephen Trosley. "Besides, having ice pelt your head hurts!"

SOURCE: *Unicycle*

[<http://www.unicycle.com/new.php?p=articles&id=542&but=allis1>]
more

Oh, Meow! – Somebody's Been Into The Catnip!

The Internet sensation Grumpy Cat had to cancel several stops on a recent visit to Toronto. Tabby Bundesen, GC's stage mommy, said that rumours that the fed up feline was suffering from an uncontrollable bout of "happiness" were unfounded.

"It was probably just indigestion that caused her to look like she was smiling," Bundesen explained. "It certainly wasn't anything approaching...pleasantness, because – I gotta tell ya – Grumpy has never been pleasant in her life!"

SOURCE: *Toronto Stunned*

[<http://www.canoodle.com/NewsStand/TorontoStunned/News/2014/08/17/504727.html>]
more

That, And Our Hefty Fee For Writing The Report

Canada's surge in part-time employment isn't necessarily a sign of a broken labour market, economists argue.

"Many people prefer job insecurity and working fewer hours for less pay and benefits," said a report by Toronto-Dominion Bank economists Randall Bartlett and Derek Burleton. "We call these people 'option-deprived, panic-driven economic marginals. You'd be surprised how many of them are out there."

Unless we've been paying attention, in which case we wouldn't be surprised at all. And, what exactly is the difference between being an option-deprived, panic-driven economic marginal and being desperate? "Blame," the report responded.

SOURCE: *The Financial Riposte*

[<http://www.canada.com/national/nationalwhippingpost/financialriposte/story.html?id=56ddccd7-f6f3-7f4f-9f29-a2eb4cc6a312>]more

The Daily Me – Lefty Anycolourbutwhitecastle

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Enjoy,

The Daily Me Staff

Inane Cons Lead To Mad Libs

	Government of Canada	Gouvernement du Canada
Backgrounder		
Protecting 1 from Bullying and Cyberbullying		
The Government 2 recognizes that bullying and cyberbullying are serious concerns for many Canadian families and communities. As part of Bullying Awareness Week, November 17-23, the Government 3 reaffirmed its commitment to ensuring the safety and well-being of our most vulnerable citizens.		
While bullying is not new, cyberbullying or bullying carried out by electronic means is a relatively recent phenomenon. 4 As with bullying more generally, young people are the most common targets of this type of behaviour. Bullying and cyberbullying can have a devastating impact on their victims 5		

Are you tired of learning that the blacked out parts of federal government documents on important public policies such as terrorist activities in Tuktoyaktuk actually contain innocuous words and phrases such as “clouds,” “puppy dog tails” and “eminent domain?” Turn it into entertainment!

A new game making the rounds of Ottawa is to make mad libs out of censored government documents. To show you how it’s done, we have taken a backgrounder on a cyberbullying bill and given you some ideas on how to fill the censored areas. Don’t feel you need to stick with our examples, though: once you’ve got the hang of it, feel free to insert your own words or phrases! You could have hours of fun. And, the best part? What you come up with will probably make more sense than the government original!

1. our fine China
our asses (reputation-wise)
our inner children
our corporate masters
a major concern of our political base
our asses (donkey-wise)

2. of Atlantis
of Erehwon
of the nation of you
of shepherders
of Google Inc.
of France

3. of Swaziland
laparoscopy department
of invention
of light fandango
of your kitchen
of Turks and Caicos

4. Anyone can be a victim of drive-by political sloganeering.
You may be a victim of cyberbullying and not even know it!
The smoker you drink, the player you get.
Help! I'm trapped in a political fortune factory, Cookie!
Fear is an ugly emotion, but it is not without its uses...
If you can't say something nice, say something plural panopticon gravy!

5. and if you don't believe us, just ask any Liberal who received an email with a phony
polling station address in the last election.
and if you don't believe us, just suck a lemon, because we have a majority and we only
very marginally care what you think.
and if you don't believe us, you can dance the Frug with a frog on Parliament Hill,
because firfy froufrou is fabulous!
and so adults must give up liberties, because you're either with us or with the ~~pedophile~~
~~terrorist~~ cyberbullying bastards!
and a Winken's as good as a Nod to a blind wombat, not that you'll be hearing **that** from
the Ottawa press corpse any time soon!
and – ha ha! – the time you spent trying to find out what we censored in this document is
time you didn't spend finding our real secrets!

SOURCE: *Politics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/home.asp?did=801&dir=bb>]more

Lead By Example, I Always Say
(Now, If Just Others – Or, Even A Certain Other – Would Follow)

London Mayor Joe Fontana has resigned after he was convicted of fraud.

Torontonians were stunned by the news. “He can do that?” they wondered in awed
fascination. “No, seriously: that’s a thing? Really? A Mayor can do that?”

SOURCE: *The Matrixxx*

[<http://www.thematrixxxto.com/politics/city/rob-from-the-rich/>]more

You Just Realized That Now? Seriously, Have You Ever Met This Government?

“The government is reacting to public opinion rather than evidence-based decision making.”

- Raj Sharma, an immigration lawyer, on the Conservative government’s announced plans to tighten up the temporary foreign worker programme

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>]more

Jean Chretien Shrugged And Responded, “It’s Not My Problem Any More...”

A high profile Parliamentary committee is urging the Canadian government to waste hundreds of millions, possibly billions of dollars.

“Throw it down a deep, dark hole and completely forget about it,” Daniel Lang, the Conservative chair of the committee, said. “The deeper and darker the hole, the easier will be the forgetting.”

“May as well shred that money as spend it,” Romeo Dallaire, the Liberal deputy chair of the committee added. “If we don’t completely waste it ourselves, the government will just find even worse ways to waste it. Better to trust us to do the job properly.”

The committee’s actual recommendation was for Canada to join the American ballistic missile defense system. We may have translated a bit to give readers a more realistic view of what that actually means.

SOURCE: *Toronto Startle*

[http://www.thestartle.com/NASApp/cs/ContentServer?pagename=thestartle/Layout/Article_Type1&c=Article&cid=1088590830803&call_pageid=968338083492&col=968427972054]more

Some Things Are Easier To Deny Than Others

James Keegstra has died at the age of 80. “No, I didn’t,” he has since claimed. “Oh, sure, the World Jewish Conspiracy would like you to believe that I’m dead – and, since Jews control the media, you’re likely to see my obituary everywhere! But, if somebody will just, uggh, let me out of this box I seem to be stuck in – they have no idea who they’re dealing with! – I’ll just – what is that musty smell? It doesn’t matter – I’ll show them! I’ll prove that my death never happened!”

SOURCE: *Obits ‘R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

Oh, Snap! McKay Hit That One Out Of The Park! (Too Bad The Game Was Tennis)

First, Justice Minister Peter MacKay claimed that women and visible minorities were underrepresented on Canada's courts because they don't apply for jobs on them. Then, lawyer Avvy Yao-Yao Go said that this was not true, that she knew worthy female and minority candidates who had applied.

The ball was in McKay's court – what did he do? “What does she know?” he fired back. “She's just a girl.”

SOURCE: *Womyn's e-Vents*

[<http://www.womynsevents.fem/article.cfm/dyn/aid/1203>]more

All Of The Band's Fans Who Are Going To Come After You Now For Making That Joke?

Jonah Hill has claimed that he wanted a Nickelback song for a scene in the film *22 Jump Street*, but the band refused to give him the rights. The song would have played during a drug hallucination scene.

Nickelback has standards. Who knew?

SOURCE: Imaginary Movie Database

[<http://www.imd.com/title/tt0718053/>]more

We're Not Sure What We Can Do With That Information, But, Trust Us, We'll Think Of Smething...

A recent poll showed that 100% of Canadians oppose the government's bill on cyberbullying. Every single person in the country.

“Oh, don't be so smug,” responded Prime Minister Stephen Harper, “We know who you are and we know where you live!”

SOURCE: *The Irrational*

[<http://www.mc.ca/stories/2014/06/23/bullyforthebullypulpit140623>]more

The Daily Me – Wonarlleyston Garlan Marllon Branddon Bruno Paullynelly Mell Oliveira Pereira

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forms which showed what people with tastes similar to yours have liked reading in the past. Then, we were never great believers in global climate change. If the planet is warming, why are evil snowmen threatening to disrupt our trip to the mall down the street by using their evil carrot noses to puncture our car tires? But, when Chipotle restaurants announced that they may have to temporarily stop serving guacamole or some salsas because global warming would make it too expensive to get the ingredients, we were forced to reconsider. No guacamole? Really? **The economic foundation of this hemisphere is based on cheap, easily available Mexican side dishes! Institute carbon taxes! Support electric cars! Buy offsets for the exhaust from Al Gore's jet! Do whatever it takes, but GIVE US BACK OUR GUACAMOLE!**

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

"It's Pronounced Gong-bong-yay – Yeah, I Don't Know Why I Bother Any More, Either..."

Coca Cola is coming under criticism for a new ad campaign with the tag line, "You're on Diet Coke."

"No, no, no, you've got it all wrong," said the unfortunately named Gary Gangbangier, the architect of the campaign. "We all want to be the stars in the reality show of our own lives. 'You're on' means that you have to get on that stage, give the world your best material and hope you slay everybody. Just kill them."

"Drugs? Pfft! That interpretation never crossed my mind, the account executive's mind, the lead creative's mind, the mind of anybody else associated with the campaign, the mind of anybody associated with the Coca Cola Corporation, its vassals and assigns or the mind of the Commissioner of Major League Baseball!"

After a moment's reflection, Gangbangier added, "Yeah, I have no idea why I'm still working here, either."

SOURCE: *Ad Meek*

[http://www.admeek.com/A&W/national/article_display.jsp?nuvu_content_id=1001052603]more

Some Things You Just Don't Joke About (Unless You're Mel Brooks)

John Ridley, who won a Best Adapted Screenplay Oscar for his script for *12 Years a Slave*, was once a stand-up comedian who wrote for sitcoms. This shows in the original draft of the screenplay, which was a comedy.

"Yeah, Steve [McQueen, director of *12 Years a Slave*] wasn't comfortable with the humour in the movie," Ridley commented after the ceremony. "I asked him, 'Haven't

you ever seen *The Producers*?' But, he insisted on going in a different direction. I guess it turned out okay..."

SOURCE: *Peephole*

[<http://peephole.aol.com/peephole/articles/0,19966,1041145,00.html>]more

Gasping At Straws, Man

Conservatives across Canada are outraged, outraged, I tell you by the fact that Liberal leader Justin Trudeau breathes. "Does he not know that oxygen is precious in these days of increasing air pollution?" asked Jason "Oh, My God They Killed" Kenny "You Bastards."

A surprised Trudeau responded, "I'm pretty sure Conservatives breathe, too. Well, except maybe for Jim Flaherty... I have no idea what's up with that dude!"

SOURCE: Canadian Depress

[<http://www.cd.org/english/notforyou.htm>]more

Age Ain't Nothing But A Number...Of Crumbling Pieces Of Infrastructure

This week marks the 180th birthday of the City of Toronto. Funny, but the joke about your age doesn't look a day over 150!

SOURCE: *The Matrixxx*

[<http://www.thematrixxxto.com/politics/city/did-you-hear-the-one-about-oh-you-did/>]more

Don't You Know Promises Were Never Meant To Keep?

The Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission has taken AOV Adult Movie Channel, AOV XXX Action Clips and AOV Maleflicxxx to task for not maintaining 35 per cent Canadian content, as required by their licences.

"Are you kidding me with this shit?" Channel Zero flak Adrian (No Jokes, Please) Dunwoody responded. "I don't want Canadian porn on any of my company's channels! It's poorly written, indifferently shot and badly acted!"

The CRTC arched an eyebrow, as if to say, "And, your point is...?"

"Oh, and most of it is in French!" Dunwoody added. "We would have to add poorly dubbed to the mix of objections!"

The CRTC tilted its head, as if to add: “What part of multiculturalism don’t you understand?”

SOURCE: *Entertainment Right Now, Canada!*

[http://www.canada.com/globulltv/globullshows/ern_canada.html]more

The Farce Is Strong In This One

Doug Ford has accused the Galactic Police Agency of bias in its investigation of his brother, Toronto Mayor Doug Ford. “The Granthian Splendfort officer in charge of the case once met John Tory on an elevator,” Dougie said. “He she and it is clearly not fit to investigate the Mayor!”

This comes after the Toronto Police Force handed the case over to the Ontario Provincial Police, which then gave it to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, which eventually ceded the case to Interpol, after which it was handed to the Solar System Enforcement Brigade because no Earth police force could handle it. If the Galactic Police Agency cannot conduct an investigation, the only level of criminal investigation and enforcement left would be God.

“Don’t look at me,” God is reported to have said. “You think I want the headache of dealing with those two?!”

SOURCE: *Alternate Reality News Service*

[<http://www.arns.com/sinbin?id=32843641316511314820fx>]more

Why Can’t I Quilt You?

March is National Quitting Month. Stop doing that before you become a blimp/go blind/start hearing a voice in your head telling you to build an ark and collect animals!

SOURCE: *The Non-existent Pages*

[<http://www.utopia.tv/erewhon/index.html>]more

Best *Marienbad* Known Director For *At The Year Last Film*

French filmmaker Alain Resnais has died at the age of 91. There should be a moment of silence for him. Or, possibly 25 years. Continuity cues were never his strong point.

SOURCE: *Obits ‘R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

Money Well (Nuclear) Spent

When asked why the roof of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) near Carlsbad, New Mexico was smoking, Doreen Stanopoulos, Vice President in Charge of Public Obfuscation, replied, "Thank you for noticing. We think the design looks hot, too."

When the question was repeated, Stanopoulos answered, "I know it's a bad habit, but some nuclear waste disposal sites like to have a cigarette after sex, and who are we to deny them their little pleasure?"

When the question was asked for a third time, Stanopoulos' expression grew sombre and she stated: "You would be a bit pissed, too, if you were trying to help progress along by giving it a place to store its garbage and all anybody wanted to ask you about was the potentially adverse health effects of the process!"

That was when reporters gave up.

Ontario Power Generation has been studying WIPP's rhetoric closely so that it will have its obfuscations ready when it builds a similar nuclear waste disposal site somewhere in the province.

SOURCE: *Earth Worst! Journal*

[<http://www.earthworstjournal.org/article.php?id=312>]more

The Daily Me – Nadezhda Tolokonnikova

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Language Is A Virus From Outer Space **And I Would Rather Vex Arthropods Than Gluttony Thrace**

At least 24 students have died from an overdose of satire. The trigger appears to have been an article about 24 students having died of overdoses of marijuana, which caused

their (the group of students from the first sentence, not this sentence) brains to seize up and stop regulating the functioning of their bodies.

“In past years, we found this reaction to too much irony in the culture,” said medical linguist Emile “Papa” Doctorow. “I find the fact that a mutant strain of this lethal condition has found a home in satire to be very troubling. Very troubling, indeed.”

Is it possible that reports of students overdosing on satire are themselves a form of satire? “That would mean that the disease has spread to meta self-reference,” Doctorow commented. “If that were the case, substantial sectors of the population would be at risk!”

There are no known cures for the disease, but at risk populations are advised to restrict their media diet to Walt Disney films made before 1993 and avoid *The Daily Show* and *The Colbert Report* at all costs.

SOURCE: *Alternate Reality News Service*

[<http://www.arns.com/sinbin?id=47322641310041314621fx>]more

Considering How Few Fish Are Left In Our Oceans, You Have To Wonder What's In All Those Books...

The Department of Fisheries and Oceans has shut down several libraries, sending huge numbers of books of historical data into landfill. Furious environmental scientists are asking why.

“Most of that information was digitized and available over the Internet,” explained Fisheries and Oceans Minister Gail Shea, “because, frankly, it was too expensive to digitize the holdings of the libraries and make them available over the Internet.”

SOURCE: Canadian Depress

[<http://www.cd.org/english/notforyou.htm>]more

Because, Really, Who Has Time To Write 140 Characters?

Statistics show that 80 per cent of world leaders have Twitter accounts. But, these stats can be misleading. Only three of those leaders actually send messages they have personally written; the accounts of the others are managed by subordina –

Sorry, now only two world leaders manage their own Twitter accounts. The other was just overthrown by a religious mob that was furious that he sent out a series of tweets about Sandra Bullock’s ankles.

SOURCE: *Geekly News & World Report*

[<http://www.geeklynews.com/geeklynews/issue/140111/geeklynews/statsdamnstatsandtechstats01.htm>][more](#)

Mister Christie, You're A Petty Cookie! (With Traffic Jam Icing!)

New Jersey Governor Chris Christie took a record seventeen hours to apologize for an incident in which members of his office closed roads, resulting in a four day traffic jam on a bridge that joins New Jersey to Manhattan. Their intent was to punish the Democratic mayor of Fort Lee because he refused to endorse Christie in his last re-election bid; delaying school buses and first responders was, apparently, just a bonus.

The speech wasn't so much an apology as it was a trial run filibuster in case Christie decides to run for a Senate seat in 2016. Christie ran through the five stages of grief in the first two minutes of it, then spent the balance praising HBO's Game of Thrones.

SOURCE: Deadline News Network

[<http://www.dnn.com/2014/ALLPOLITICS/01/10/rebs.main/index.html>][more](#)

"I Mean, It's Not Like They Couldn't Tell Something Was Wrong On Their Own!"

Canada Post has explained that recent delays in delivery of mail of up to two weeks were a trial run for ending home delivery entirely. Not for their customers – for their carriers. “We were afraid some carriers would continue doing their rounds even after we stopped home service – you know, out of habit,” explained Canada Post Spokesperson Joe Hamilton. “This way, we eased them into the idea that they would no longer be going to people's homes.”

Asked why residents weren't informed of the delivery problems, Hamilton stated: “Why would we do that?”

SOURCE: *The National Whipping Post*

[<http://www.canada.com/national/nationalwhippingpost/news/story.html?ia=0ec0ecda-b6e3-4c18-bs9b-07b608cc48bc>][more](#)

Going Above And Beyond The Cull Of Duty

A permit to kill an endangered African black rhino sold at auction for \$350,000. How does the rhino feel about this?

“I was hoping for a cool mil – I think the imminent demise of my species deserves at least that much!” the rhino, whose name is Ogumbo, coolly commented. “But, hey, these are times of diminished expectations, and \$350,000 isn't something to sneeze at!”

When told that all money raised by the auction would go towards protecting his species, Ogumbo the black rhino snorted and said, “If they wanted to protect the species, they could start by not killing me!”

After a couple of seconds of thought, he grinned and said, “Aww, I tease. But, seriously, I hope to give the anonymous bidder who bought the permit a good chase, to make the hunt as exciting for him as possible. If he wants, I’d be happy to gore him with my horn – you know, to give him the full black rhino hunting experience. Tell him to have his people call my people, and we’ll see what we can arrange!”

SOURCE: *Earth Worst! Journal*

[<http://www.earthworstjournal.org/article.php?id=311>]more

Is There A Room For Two In Your Religious Accommodation?

YourK University has rejected a request by a student who is a believer in the Church of the Bed Hidden Nordlinger not to work with other students who have clearly had a good night’s sleep.

“Beds are for hiding under, not sleeping on,” said third year Criminology of Gum student Archibald Modescue. “I should not have to do a group assignment with students who do not share my beliefs. For one thing, I may be exposed to ideas that are against my religion, and my beliefs are a delicate flower that could wither and die. For another, their work ethic will definitely make me look bad.”

Professor Paul Grayson, who teaches the course Modescue is in, refused to accommodate his request. “Vegetarians...Shriners...women –” he muttered, “once you start down this road, there’s no telling where it will end!”

SOURCE: *Alternate Reality News Service*

[<http://www.arns.com/sinbin?id=47322641310041314627fx>]more

The Daily Me – Terrerarium Tomita

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Our mothers are wise. Now, where did they hide the jar...?

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

I Think We've All Learned A Valuable Lesson Today...

HABITS OF HIGHLY UNSUCCESSFUL PEOPLE Doodah Zipploovian

Doodah Zipploovian has made a name for herself as a failed fundraiser for both up and coming and established political candidates. She is staunchly non-partisan, having helped both Conservative and Liberal candidates lose elections. Her most recent gig has been fundraising for Greenpeace in Alberta. How does she do it?

INDISCRIMINATELY CHOOSE CLIENTS. Zipploovian was a fundraiser for the Michael Ignatieff Liberals. "I...didn't really understand him much when he spoke," she admitted with a shrug. "I thought his intellectual approach to politics was just what Canadians were looking for."

MISREAD THE PUBLIC MOOD. "Did I mention that I thought Michael Ignatieff's intellectual approach to politics was just what Canadians were looking for?" Zipploovian asked with a sigh. To be fair, she also thought Toronto voters, fed up with Liberal scandals, would give Tim Hudak's Conservatives a huge majority in Ontario. "The analysis was correct," Zipploovian mused. "Too bad the voters messed it up."

BAD RELATIONS WITH THE PRESS. No public person can be truly unsuccessful without a horrendous relationship with newspaper and broadcast journalists. "Did you quote what I said about Ontario voters messing up our analysis?" Zipploovian moaned in disbelief. "I can't believe you would go out of your way to make me sound like such a moron! Don't you have any [EXPLETIVE DELETED] ethics, you [EXPLETIVE DELETED] piece of [EXPLETIVE DELETED] [EXPLETIVE DELETED]! That's it, pal! I'm never talking to your [EXPLETIVE DELETED] rag again!"

SOURCE: *Glob and Maul*

[http://www.globandmaul.com/servlet/story/RTGAM.20131019.eladvote1019_@/BNStory/newsOops2013/]more

Unless You Get Turned On By Talk Of Senate Reform, In Which Case, Uhh, Yeah, You're Probably Beyond Help, But You Should Seek It Anyway

Monday. 9pm. Vision. *ZoomerTV*. Denise Donlon gets you all hot and bothered with a round table discussion of sex. Then, Conrad Black kills the mood by talking about Senate reform.

SOURCE: *Ukrainian TV Guide*

[<http://www.tvguide.ua/listings/index.asp?referrerID=0&returnurl=%2Flistings%2Findex%2Easp%3F®Mode=0>]more

No Word On Whether The Civil Servant Was A Virgin

Erstwhile (read: holding strong political convictions...for a brief period of time) Councillor Giorgio Mammoliti is hoping to get back in the good graces of Mayor Ford by sacrificing a civil servant. To this end, he made public a photograph of a community center worker with his, or possibly her head lying on her, or maybe his arm on...whoever's desk, apparently asleep.

"I have offended the mighty and terrifying lord of Ford Nation," Mammoliti intoned. "I offer up the body of this sacrifice as testament to my desire for atonement. Please, please, please, please, please take me back in! I promise, I will never question your judgment again, this time! Honest!"

There was no response from the mayor's office. Truly, the Ford works in mysterious ways...

SOURCE: *The Matrixxx*

[<http://www.thematrixxxto.com/news/city/why-you-don't-want-a-mammolitigram/>]more

An Open Letter To Open Letter Writers:

Y?

Sincerely,
Me

An Open Letter to the World:

La la la la la. I can't hear you!

Love,
Miley Cyrus

SOURCE: *The Smoking Gut*

[<http://www.thesmokinggut.com/archive/108096382861023470563-7946374864826327230173072840-4734183781506374cahs01.html>]more

He Obviously Doesn't Believe In The Hippopotamus Oath

Obamacare is “the worst thing that has happened in this nation since slavery. It is slavery because it aims to make all of us subservient to the government. It was never about health care. It was about control.”



I have a friend who believes that being a black Republican is the very definition of crazy. I would argue that the fact that some black Americans feel comfortable protecting their economic interests at the expense of their fellow citizens regardless of race, creed or colour is a sign of how successful America has been in overcoming racial prejudice.

You've come a long way, baby.

It's hard to know what's crazier about Ben Carson's statement. Invoking slavery in the health care debate is ignorant and foolish, especially since giving Americans who didn't have it a choice of health insurance is the exact opposite of government control. The fact that the statement was made at the Value Voters Summit gives one pause, although keeping many Americans poor and sick is a value, I suppose. No, ultimately, it's the fact that Carson is, himself, a doctor. If anybody should appreciate the dysfunction of the American health care (lack of) system...

Fortunately, the Bag of Crazy has a robust health care system. Given the havoc crazy can cause, it's kind of necessary.

SOURCE: *Karl's Big Red Web Page of Unreconstructed Marxism*

[<http://www.bigred.commie/articles/218^.htm>]more

Promised You A...Ninety Minute Set With One Encore (What Were You Expecting – A Miracle?)

Eighties rock band Simple Minds will be playing a concert in Toronto for the first time in over a decade. Did you forget about them?

SOURCE: *Entertainment Right Now, Canada!*

[http://www.canada.com/globulltv/globullshows/ern_canada.html]more

What Happened To The Canadian Economy? Hudson's Baysplosions!

Michael Bay was attacked on the Hong Kong set of his latest film, *Transformers XVII: What's Left Of Earth To Fight Over?* by a pair of brothers who own a nearby shop because he refused to give in to their demand for 100,000 HK dollars. Overall, the film director, who received a slight injury, was not impressed by the experience.

“You call that violence?” Bay complained. “Where are the F-15s? Where are the world monuments being reduced to smoking rubble? **Where are the splosions? You can't have real violence without splosions!**”

SOURCE: *Entertainment Right Now*

[<http://www.entertainmentrightnow.com/mini/smug2013/2013/10/18/sittinonthedockofthebaysplosions/>]more

Or That They Believe That They Were Punished After The Last Government Shutdown They Caused BECAUSE THEY WEREN'T RIGHT WING ENOUGH

You know how some Republicans are convinced that not passing debt ceiling legislation is no big deal? You might want to keep in mind that these are the same guys who thought Mitt Romney was a shoo in against Barack Obama!

SOURCE: *The Day To Day Show, with Jon Tudor*

[http://www.comedycentric.com/tv_shows/thedaytodayshowwithjontudor/headlines_pol.jhtml]more

If Nothing Else, We Have To Think Of Our Own Short Term Job Market

An internal audit says that economists for the Bank of Canada are poor writers who have difficulty being succinct and grammatically correct. Naturally, they disagree.

“Abstemious oleaginous carpers will always robustly accentuate negativity,” economist Rory von Syder replied to the audit. “However, long-term economic conditions always indicate.”

“Besides,” von Syder added, “our job is to give those in power wiggle room to pursue whatever policies they see fit. If we wrote in plain English, we might come to conclusions that didn’t fit with our masters’ political biases!”

SOURCE: *The Financial Riposte*

[<http://www.canada.com/national/nationalwhippingpost/financialriposte/story.html?id=49dd>]more

The Daily Me – Kirkwood Kalabash

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We figure that if we only work one week a month, we should just about break even.

Enjoy,
The *Daily Me* Staff

Halal In The Family

Dear Santa,

Can meat grown in a lab be kosher?

Robbie

Dear Robbie,

Yes, but only if the lab assistant was humanely slaughtered in accordance with Rabbinical law.

Ho Ho Ho,
SC

SOURCE: *Ask Santa a Question*

[<http://www.asksantaaquestion.ca>]more

You Know The Place – It's At The Corner Of Vanishing Point Avenue And Nowhere Drive

An investigation into Senator Pamela Wallin's travel expenses has revealed that she claimed to have gone to a "Bradford Museum." Unfortunately for her (or, possibly, taxpayers), no such museum appears to exist.

Appearances can be deceiving. Wallin's itinerary may have been referring to the Museum of Imaginary Museums in the Arctic. Its centrepiece is a full scale recreation of a room that details the evolution of mermaids from the Museum of Atlantis. MIMA also features a diorama display of Workers Constructing the Museum of Perpetual Motion Machines. And, of course, if you are going to go, you have to visit the wing that contains the Museum of the Integrity of Right Wing Politicians.

SOURCE: *Toronto Startle*

[http://www.thestartle.com/NASApp/cs/ContentServer?pagename=thestartle/Layout/Article_Type1&c=Article&cid=1743591830413&call_pageid=960325275692&col=967066972100]more

I've Always Had A Soft Spot For *Battle Of The Beyblades*

Accusations have emerged that astronaut Chris Hadfield had been coached to attain maximum public exposure when he was in space by PR firms and the CBC. We cannot speak about the PR firms, but we're pretty sure that he couldn't have been coached by the CBC. If they were that good at promotion, they would have had more success with their fall lineup!

SOURCE: *Entertainment Right Now, Canada!*

[http://www.canada.com/globulltv/globullshows/ern_canada.html]more

I Liked The Country Better When It Was Run By The Lead Singer For The Smiths

According to interim Egyptian Prime Minister Hazem el-Beblawi, “There will be no reconciliation with those whose hands have been stained with blood and who turned weapons against the state and its institutions.”

The soldiers who have been killing peaceful protestors? “Exact – what?” el-Beblawi stated. “No, of course not. The...the other people whose hands have been stained with blood and who turned weapons against the state and its institutions.”

Oh. Smart. The generals and other military rulers who ordered the killings of peaceful protestors?

el-Beblawi’s eyes narrowed. “Are you being intentionally obtuse?”

SOURCE: *The Baghdad Post*

[<http://www.baghdadpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A49881-2008Apr14.html>]more

Stuck In The Middle With – Ewww!

Professional rodeo clown Tuffy Gessling has invited Republican Texas Representative Steve Stockman to join the circus. “They have to take on the identity of serious people conducting serious business,” Gessling explained, “but deep down, politicians know that they are figures of mirth and merriment.”

Stockman is known for wearing a mask of President Obama while Texas Governor Rick Perry asked onlookers in the legislature if they wanted to see the President run over by a mechanical bull. “Exhortations to violence against public officials are just good, clean fun,” Stockman explained. “They are part of the glory that is the American way.”

Stockman ultimately decided not to take Gessling up on his offer, citing serious official business. “The Affordable Health Care Act isn’t going to put state roadblocks up against its implementation itself!”

SOURCE: *USA Whenever*

[http://www.usawhenever.com/news/national/2013-08-15-clowns-to-the-left-of-me-politicians-to-the-right_x.htm]more

The War On Nouns Long Ago Defeated Reason

The United States is moving to abandon harsh mandatory sentences for minor crimes, with Attorney General Eric Holder declaring that the country’s justice system is “in too many respects broken.” So, why is Canada implementing tough on crime legislation that has failed to work in the US?

“Who says tough on crime legislation doesn’t work?” asked Prime Minister Stephen Harper. “It won us a ton of votes in the last election, didn’t it?”

SOURCE: *The National Whipping Post*

[<http://www.canada.com/national/nationalwhippingpost/news/story.html?ia=0ec0ecda-b2e6-7c18-bf9b-07b639cc50ec>]more

Gives New Meaning To The Term “Playing To The Base”

Russia has passed new laws making it illegal to publicly support gay rights, just in time for the Sochi Olympics. I, uhh, think this may backfire on them, though. I mean, if I was a gay sprinter, looking over my shoulder would probably make me run even faster!

SOURCE: *Late Tonight with David Lenoman*

[<http://marketing.ubs.com/latetontight/latetontightshow/monologue>]more

That Was About The Time My Head Exploded, Episode 273

State-funded crisis pregnancy centres in Virginia tell women that condoms are “naturally porous” and the pill frequently causes hair loss, memory loss, headaches, weight gain, fatal blood clots and breast cancer. These claims are not, you know, true; they are meant to lead women who go to these centres to the conclusion that only abstinence can prevent pregnancy or getting Sexually Transmitted Diseases.

“Of course we promote abstinence,” stated Dolores Wisecarver, director of A Woman's Choice, one of the centres. “If women don’t get pregnant, where’s the crisis?”

SOURCE: Deadline News Network

[<http://www.dnn.com/2013/ALLPOLITICS/08/11/rep.main/index.html>]more

Rewrite The Soundtrack And Try To Sell The Show To The Cartoon Network

True Entertainment has announced that it will no longer be producing a reality show documenting the work of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

“[BLEEP]ing Canadian privacy concerns!” complained producer Mancunian Sleezie. “By the time we blanked out the identities of all the people who hadn’t signed release forms, the show looked like blobs running after, jumping on and shooting at other blobs! And, I’m not talking the good kind of Steve McQueen horror movie blobs, either – I’m talking the kind of blobs you get when your kid knocks over the can of paint you were using on the wall of her room! Okay, the gunfire sure got the attention of test audiences. But, really, who wants to watch a TV series about blobs?”

SOURCE: *Ukrainian TV Guide*

[<http://www.tvguide.ua/listings/index.asp?referrerID=0&returnurl=%2Flistings%2Findex%2Easp%3F®Mode=0>]more

The Daily Me – Forrest Gump Worsely

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

He Saved Countless Women’s Lives – Why Would Any Politician Want To Celebrate That?

Abortion crusader Henry Morgentaler has died at the age of 90 of a heart attack. Morgentaler had a remarkable life: he was a Holocaust survivor who spearheaded a successful social movement in his adopted country and became a member of the Order of Canada. Or, as official Ottawa likes to think of him, “Who?

SOURCE: *Obits ‘R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

Something Tells Me That Comic Is The Only Relief The Irish Will Be Getting

In preparation for the G8 summit, the area around the northern Irish Lough Erne Resort is plastering giant stickers to the windows of abandoned storefronts to make it look like business is booming, despite the fact that it is actually a depressed area with 24 per cent youth unemployment.

But, what would happen if a head of state tried to enter a building where the open door is actually a painting on the very real, very closed door? Would he bounce off it like the coyote slamming into a painting of a train tunnel on the side of a mountain?

“Of course not!” enthused David Morrison, general manager of the local Killyhevlin Hotel. “It’s not like they do their own shopping – they have people for that. Don’t they? Besides, Road Runner cartoons never get old!”

SOURCE: *Daily Semaphore*

[http://www.opinion.semaphore.co.uk/opinion/main.jhtml;sessionid=MUFFLE1WOLFFPQFIQMFSM5WAVCBQ0JVC?nextPage=/DUereDE/wXeR.WZvwF?7wF~/DUereDE/s149/Os/14/JD171O.7wF!2qZiiv~/DUeReDR/s119/Os/14/e7DUeReDR.ZvwF!2iG3gimmygi2Z~vg3i&resize=null&_requestid=89430]more

How Long Can Toronto A-Ford This Behaviour?

It’s *The Rob and Doug Radio Show!*

ROB: Journalists! Bunch of maggots!

DOUG: Whoa! Whoa! Whoa! That’s a little over the top, Rob.

ROB: You’re right. I apologize.

DOUG: That’s better.

ROB: That was unfair to fly larva that feed off the carcasses of dead and dying animals!

DOUG: Oh, now...

ROB: Why are you defending journalists?

DOUG: Defending journa – I wasn’t!

ROB: After all, they accused you of being a drug dealer back in the day.

DOUG: [UNPRINTABLE]

ROB: Whoa! Now, you’re gonna have to apologize to god, the asses of horses and formaldehyde!

SOURCE: *Drew’s Transcript-o-rama*

[<http://www.transcript-o-rama.com/fordeverymountain-what.shtml>]more

The Bluth, The Whole Bluth And Nothing But The Bluth

Is it my imagination, or are more journalists writing about the resurrection of *Arrested Development* than watched the original run of the television series?

SOURCE: *Ukrainian TV Guide*

[<http://www.tvguide.ua/listings/index.asp?referrerID=0&returnurl=%2Flistings%2Findex%2Easp%3F®Mode=0>]more

Tar Sands

Dirty Hands

The World Makes Unreasonable Demands

Canada could lose nine billion dollars worth of investments, perhaps a quarter of it permanently, if the Keystone XL pipeline is cancelled or further delayed? Really? Who is the moron who thought it would be a good idea to bugger the country's manufacturing base and make us increasingly reliant on exporting resources like oil?

Who? Oh.

Who are the morons who elected him?

SOURCE: *Les pages aux Folles*

[<http://www.lespagesauxfolles.ca>]more

Yes

No

Yes

Yes

No

Ooh, Ick

The Ghost Of Jim Morrison

Higher Than The Wind Blows

Only On Days Ending In A "Y"

A Double Jointed Camel

In The Overactive Imagination Of A Hyperactive Sloth

No

Yes

Answer That And You'll Give Your Lawyer A Brain Hemorrhage

"Are remote workouts the next big thing?"

- *Globe and Mail*

"Can China teach us a lesson?"

- *Toronto Star*

"A 'drunk' Ford, or a sober McGuinty?"

- *Toronto Sun*

“Paper, plastic or a pint?”

- *Toronto Star*

“Can Taiwan hold lessons for China?”

- *International Herald Tribune*

“Should we eat horsemeat?”

- *Toronto Star*

“Who can help my daughter find the right career path?”

- *Globe and Mail*

“Heist an inside job?”

- *Toronto Sun*

“Is fatigue becoming an issue for Facebook?”

- *Toronto Star*

“WHO’S GOT TICKETS?”

- *Toronto Sun*

“Is Sunday the new Thursday?”

- *Toronto Star*

“Deft in Venice: Is Lynne Cohen even better than we think?”

- *Globe and Mail*

“N. KOREA ALL TALK?”

- *Toronto Sun*

“Who’s the liar here, Mr. Mayor?”

- *Toronto Star*

SOURCE: *Billy-Bob’s International House O’ Headlines*

[<http://www.com/lol.pdqfc.wywgw.wyswyg/fid=1870134798>]more

True: You Lowered The GST To Blow A Hole In The Budget In Order To Justify Cutting Spending On Social Programmes
An Excuse To Attack Ontario Is Just A Bonus

“We did not lower the GST to have it taken away from Ontarians by the Wynne government with a new sales tax hike.”

- Finance Minister Jim Flaherty

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>]more

Love Means Never Having To Say You're Sorry You Spent Years In Prison

Flight of the Eagle: A Strategic History of the United States

Conrad Black

Signal

768 pages

Oh, Conrad and United States, get a room!

In his new book, Black shows all of the emotions of a man whose love is unrequited, particularly the fawning praise interspersed with harsh denunciations. But, in the end, he just knows that his love will come around and do the right thing. He just knows it.

SOURCE: *Unread Book News*

[<http://217.204.43.49/cgi/NGoto/2/64382861?3518>]more

Gentlemen, You Can't Fight Here – This Is The Peace Bridge!

The Canadian government has expressed reservations about expanding the plaza on the American side of a bridge that crosses the Niagara River between Buffalo and Fort Erie. They believe the expansion will require spending far more acquiring land than its assessed value.

Representatives of the Americans have called Canadian negotiators “deceitful, disrespectful and arrogant.”

A representative of the Canadian side responded, “Have they learned nothing from the War of 1812?”

SOURCE: Canadian Depress

[<http://www.cd.org/english/notforyou.htm>]more

We Know At Least 74 People Who Won't Have To Apply

POSITION: Representative of Social Security Tribunal. SALARY: \$91,800 to \$231,500, depending upon your proven loyalty to the Conservative Party (as indicated by...oh, we don't know...not a contribution to the Party because that would be too partisan, but something like it...something very much like it...). DUTIES: denying as many Employment Insurance claims as possible without setting off alarms in the media. Knowledge of the law optional. Hatred of the poor a definite asset.

SOURCE: *Your Guide To Getting Jobbed*

[<http://on.ygtgj.com/listings/140824.qrhtml>]more

The Daily Me – Beauregard Mitosis

Thank you, Beauregard Mitosis, for signing up for *The Daily Me*. Our search engine has combed the Internet for up to the minute news items that fit the profile you have so painstakingly filled out for us. Then, we weighted the probability that you would be interested in these articles against forms which showed what people with tastes similar to yours have liked reading in the past. Then, we read about a beaver that bit a man to death in Belarus. A beaver. Bit a man! Bit him! In the thigh! Dead! All the man was trying to do was take the animal's picture! Some people have suggested that this is the result of human encroachment on beaver habitats. Others assume that the animal was rabid. Still others assume that it was making a statement about the invasiveness of paparazzi and taking a radical stand for privacy. We cannot be sure, of course, but we find the fact that, soon after the incident, Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper decided not to replace the beaver with a rampaging sasquatch as the country's national animal highly suggestive. Highly suggestive, indeed...

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

There Goes The NRA Shooting Off Its Mouth, Again Or, Was That Its Foot?

Parents in Kentucky are outraged that children as young as five have access to "My Little Murder Kit." The kit includes: a rifle designed to be fired by small hands, a hack saw to dismember the body, plastic sheeting to dismember the body on and a little pink or blue shovel to dig up the dirt to bury the parts. Already, there is an app that children can use on their phones that will show them where the best places to bury the body in their area are.

Supporters of the MLM Kit point out that you have to be over 18 to buy it. "Yeah, well, when your daughter comes home in tears because all of the other children at her kindergarten drew pictures of playing with assault rifles but she didn't," said Northwest Gwillumbury mother Alicia Sur-LaTable, "it becomes hard to refuse to get one for her!"

"The My Little Murder Kit has nothing to do with the rising gunshot death rate among six to twelve year-olds," NRA Executive Vice President Wayne LaPierre argued. "Its purpose is to help youngsters become better hunters...by learning how to dismember and bury the rabbits they shoot."

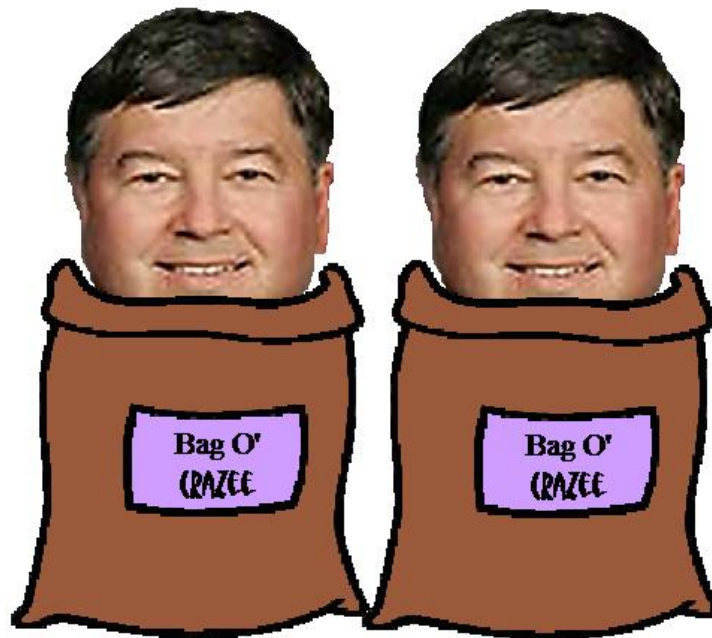
SOURCE: *Cleveland Wheeler Dealer*

[<http://www.cleveland.ca/enter/index.ssf?/living/wheelerdealer/index.ssf%3fu/base/news/1306767525263480.xml>]more

Somebody Clearly Doesn't Understand The Difference Between Using His "Country Club Voice" And His "Public Voice"
Or, Possibly, The Voices In His Wrinkly Brained Head

They might try to Jew me down on a price. That's fine ... that's free market as well...I apologize to the Jews. They're good small businessmen as well.

It just came out of one of the wrinkles of my brain and it was not something that was intentional. I certainly didn't mean to offend anyone and I apologize for the folks I did offend. It is a comment that should never be made. I will never do it again.



This is Oklahoma State Representative Dennis Johnson, discussing a small business support bill. Then, apologizing for his contribution to the discussion of a small business support bill. Sort of. Then, non-apology apologizing for his discussion of a small business support bill.

How does anybody believe that using a derogatory phrase such as "Jew me down" is made better by pointing out how good Jews are at business? The Bag of Crazy is full of mysteries. Oh, and is there any way we can retire the phrase "I didn't mean to offend anyone" from public discourse? You might as well say, "I'm sorry that other people are so thin-skinned. Really, it's not like I said [INSERT YOUR FAVOURITE ETHNIC STREOTYPE HERE] – now, **that** would have been really offensive!"

I could go on, but I feel like Johnson has Christianed me over, and I don't want to have to non-apology apologize for what I might say in response.

SOURCE: *Karl's Big Red Web Page of Unreconstructed Marxism*

[<http://www.bigred.commie/articles/218^.htm>]more

All That Would Be Left Are Writers, And That Would Be A Disaster For The Publishing Industry!

"If there are no bookstores, no libraries, no serious publishers with passionate, dedicated, idealistic editors, what will happen to our literature?"

- *New York Times* bestselling author James Patterson, explaining why the publishing industry needs a government bailout

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>]more

It'll All Come Out In The Wa – Yeah, Maybe I Shouldn't Go There...

Worried about a flu pandemic, the City of Toronto spent \$571,000 two years ago on hand sanitizer that it almost completely threw out two days ago without using.

We're sure City officials would like to wash their hands of the whole mess, but, ironically, they just got rid of the means to do so.

SOURCE: *The Matrixxx*

[<http://www.thematrixxto.com/news/city/time-to-come-clean/>]more

**Except Countries That Have Madrassas
Or ,Whose Education System Is Anti-American
Or – You Know What, Just Stay Here And Shut Up!**

Quebec high school student Alexandre Boulerice has dared to suggest that in war people die. Prime Minister Stephen Harper's response: "His comments were outrageous, inflammatory, unacceptable and...and...and...argh!"

We couldn't agree more. Especially with the argh part. Everybody knows that this country was founded on bloodless blood lust and hockey. If Boulerice doesn't agree, he can go to school in whatever other country he wants! Let's see how he likes the education system in Afghanistan!

SOURCE: *Vancouver Stunned*

[<http://www.canoodle.com/NewsStand/VancouverStunned/News/2013/05/02/509727.htm> l]more

She Carried Him For Nine Months – Surely, She’s Earned The Right To Cash In!

NBA star Kobe Bryant is suing Goldin Auctions for selling a consignment of personal items on behalf of his mother, Pamela. The consignment included: a nipple he teathed on when he was three months old; a crayon drawing of...it's hard to tell – he was only three when he drew it – it could be a...flying saucer? Or, maybe Godzilla, and; six soiled diapers that he wore between the ages of one month and twelve years.

“Man, that shit is personal!” the Los Angeles Lakers player said in his lawsuit. “Especially the used diapers. I mean – why would anybody keep those?”

The consignment was expected to yield between \$150,000 and \$230,000.

SOURCE: *The Schwartz Sports Report*

[<http://www.schwartzsportsreport.com/ssr-news.shtml.htm#77336133741>]more

The Death Toll Will Likely Be A Record Of Course, Records Are Made To Be Broken...

Bangladeshi Finance Minister Abul Maal Abdul Muhith has said that the factory collapse that took 500 lives “wasn’t really serious.” He pointed out that the autopsies of the first bodies taken from the wreckage showed that five had died by being hit by lightning, seven had died from falling off a cliff and at least 17 had had their bones picked clean by fire ants.

“Accidents happen,” he said, adding: “Please, please, please, please, please don’t take your factories out of our country just because we have a fire ant problem!”

The government promised greater inspections and the pulling of licences five months ago, when 112 people were killed in an incident at a Bangladeshi factory involving penguin inhalation, but those plans have yet to be implemented. “You see?” Finance Minister Muhith, “We have experience dealing with this sort of thing. Please, please, please, please, please, please, please, please ...”

SOURCE: *Ferbs*

[<http://www.ferbs.com/sites/hosannabearsling/2013/05/04/why-crazy-people-make-better-finance-ministers/>][more](#)

The Daily Me – Liderazgo Transformador

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And, we thought, *It's a strange day when we have to watch The Evil Dead just TO CALM DOWN!*

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

The All Seeing One Also Had Complaints About Changes To The Interface

Shares of Amazon.com dropped by a third on news that its takeover of the Web site *Godreads* had resulted in a plague of locusts descending on the company's corporate headquarters.

"Yeah, that happened," stated Vice-Prophet in Charge of Media Relations Azaria, son of Beppi. "I gather that Yawheh was unhappy about the preference tracking software that we use. But, honestly, how can a being who boasts of omniscience begrudge us a little information?"

SOURCE: *The Financial Riposte*

[<http://www.canada.com/national/nationalwhippingpost/financialriposte/story.html?id=27ddccd7-f7f7-3r0r-0f21-a2eb4cc6a852>]more

Aww, They're So Darn Cute And Fluffy – Why Would They Want To Spoil Themselves Running Large Corporations?

"Women hold only 6.2% of top jobs"
- Toronto Star

SOURCE: *Billy-Bob's International House O' Headlines*

[<http://www.com/lol.pdqfc.wwygw.wyswyg/fid=1343533766>]more

Sorry, But We Can't Translate What Your Boyfriend Says To You

STATEMENT: Meetings between Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird and Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas were "very productive." TRANSLATION: When we weren't yelling at each other, I did a lot of knitting and he finished a jigsaw puzzle.

STATEMENT: “We have some profound differences of opinion on the way forward, but not on the need to go forward.” TRANSLATION: It’s hot, and they don’t even know how to make a proper donut. Why did I want this Cabinet position again?

STATEMENT: “We are looking forward to continuous Canadian support in believing in institution building and trying to help building the capacity of the Palestinian authority toward statehood.” TRANSLATION: Maybe we’ll have better luck with the Americans...

SOURCE: *Politics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/home.asp?did=764&dir=bb>]more

It’s Heartbreaking Because It’s True

The National Rifle Association is spending millions of dollars to block a United Nations arms trade treaty.

“We have to draw a line somewhere,” stated NRA Executive Vice President Wayne LaPierre. “If Sudan cannot buy armoured combat vehicles, the next thing you know, the UN will be coming after your BB guns!”

When it was pointed out that the Second Amendment didn’t have anything to do with the right of arms manufacturers to sell armoured combat vehicles to Sudan, LaPierre responded: “It, uhh, it’s implied. You know, Original Intent and all... The Founding Fathers could be very...foresightful that way...”

SOURCE: *Cleveland Wheeler Dealer*

[<http://www.cleveland.ca/enter/index.ssf/?/living/wheelerdealer/index.ssf%3fu/base/news/1306749887463590.xml>]more

The Captain Renault Schtick Never Gets Old

The Harper Government of Canada is shocked, shocked, I say, to find out that wealthy Canadians are shifting their money offshore in order to avoid taxes. To help the Canadian Revenue Agency track the miscreants down and recover some of the money, the government has cut \$47 million from its budget.

The absurd ironyometer wonders if Leona Helmsley could have been on to something...

SOURCE: *Big Alex’ Domesday Countdown Page*

[<http://www.allaboutalex.wha/Domesday/new>]more

When The IMF Comes Calling **The Results Can Be Appalling**

Hang Up! Hang Up!

Your country has strong social services
Because unemployment makes your citizens nervous. Is
This something you can quite easily rearrange?
Because if you find yourself in great debt
There is only one obvious way out of it to get,

And when the IMF comes a-calling
Everything good in your poor country will change.

If the only seeming way out
Is to get a massive bailout,
You'll go begging to the International Monetary Fund.
This'll leave your country defenceless
Against the popular Washington Consensus.

Unfortunately, when the IMF comes a-calling
All social values are considered moribund.

Of course, there will be a lot of ravers
When you are forced to levy a tax on savers –
People who thought their money would be safe in banks.
Though buffeted by international forces,
They'll have no legal recourses,

For when the IMF comes a-calling
You'll have to protect the wealthy's assets with tanks.

The citizens, they can all vent,
But this is the only way to keep your country solvent,
Even if many homeowners are reduced to the status of squatters.
Although the results are perverse,
Letting your country go bankrupt would be much worse.

Sadly, when the IMF comes calling
You better lock up your daughters!

SOURCE: *Poetry, Cornered*

[<http://www.cibc.com/ca/personal/poetrycorner/630.html>]more

He Thought They Were Talking About Drought Beer, And Asked For A Tall, Cool One

Canada's decision to withdraw from the United Nations convention to combat drought likely has nothing to do with its cost, which, at \$350,000 a year, is probably less than Prime Minister Stephen Harper spends annually on sweater and smiling consultants. And, it certainly has nothing to do with climate change being the root cause of worsening drought conditions because, you know, climate change is a figment of Al Gore (and 30,000 scientists, who might also be a figment of Al Gore)'s imagination.

No. According to International Co-operation Minister Julian Fantino, it's because drought has been given a raw deal in the media. "Think of the potential for sand sculptures," he pointed out. "Not to mention a thriving hourglass industry!"

SOURCE: *The Irrational*

[<http://www.mc.ca/stories/2013/04/07/130407>]more

"There Is No Such Thing As Margaret Thatcher," Said Society.

The Iron Lady has rusted out.

Former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher has died of a stroke at the age of 87.

Police at her funeral were ordered to keep out anybody who looked like an anarchist, a soccer hooligan or Elvis Costello.

SOURCE: *Obits 'R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

Fleyebi-Knight – Wasn't That A Rush Album?

The Harper Government of Canada is investigating the Royal Bank of Canada's plan to fire some of its employees and outsource their jobs to temporary foreign workers.

The Government has hired Fleyebi-Knight Investigations to conduct the inquiry. "We will be sure to get to the bottom of this, oh yes, oh yes, oh yes," said chief detective Dilip "Lederhosen" Khan. "We will earn every penny of our three dollars and fifty cents a day. Oh, wait – your country no longer has pennies, does it? Well, we'll...we will work hard, we will. Very hard. You know, investigating. You can rest assured of that!"

SOURCE: *Glob and Maul*

[http://www.globandmaul.com/servlet/story/RTGAM.20130408.eladvote0408_@/BNStory/newsWedidn'twritethis2013/]more

The Daily Me – Degrassi Knowles

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Oh, sorry – what did you think we were talking about?

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

It's No Fun When You Make It So Easy

“If it's crazy to call for putting police and armed security in our schools to protect our children, then call me crazy.”

- NRA Chief Executive Wayne LaPierre

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>]more

Then, The Court Ruled *Life Of Pi* Was “A Magnificent Film” (Having Watched It On A Badly Dubbed Bootleg DVD)

A Chinese court has ordered Apple Inc. to pay damages to eight Chinese writers and two companies who claimed unlicensed copies of their work were distributed through Apple's online store. A Chinese court. In China. That had Chinese people on it. Applying Chinese law. Penalized an American company for copyright infringement.

The absurd ironymeter is reminded that it needs to learn Mandarin to keep up with the centre of crazy moving from the west to the east.

SOURCE: *Big Alex' Domesday Countdown Page*

[<http://www.allaboutalex.wha/Domesday/new>]more

Has He Never Seen *Equus*?

The first common misconception is that homosexuality is genetic, or hereditary, or as some say “born this way.” Homosexuality is actually a type of addiction. It is not “curable” as a disease because it is a “choice” driven by the person. EAP (Equine Assisted Psychotherapy) can help any person who is living the homosexual lifestyle or involved in it in any way



Raymond Bell, pastor of the Cowboy Church of Virginia, believes that stroking horses can help “cure” homosexuality. Come on, people, keep it above the belt – he means petting horses. That is to say, running their hands down a horse’s mane – in a purely innocent manner, okay? Equine Assisted Psychotherapy is supposed to help gay men get in touch with the inner butchness that they insist upon denying.

If that doesn’t work, you could always try Bullfighting Assisted Psychotherapy. Or, Skydiving Assisted Psychotherapy. Or, even Losing Teeth In an Ice Hockey Initiated Brawl Assisted Psychotherapy. What? Gay men already do all of those things? And, the activities don’t have any effect on the men’s sexual orientation? Well, have they ever tried Losing Teeth In a Bullfighting, Skydiving Ice Hockey Initiated Brawl?

Denying the evidence that sexual orientation is inborn tiptoes up to the Crazy. Offering bizarre cures for a non-psychiatric condition that isn't curable dives into the deep end of the Bag of Crazy and does the breaststroke for several laps!

SOURCE: *Karl's Big Red Web Page of Unreconstructed Marxism*

[<http://www.bigred.commie/articles/218^.htm>]more

Of Course You Realize, This Means War...heads...

Two warheads turned in to the Los Angeles Police Department as part of the city's gun buyback event appear to be nuclear weapons from the military.

"We never – when we first – I mean, who could have expected – HOLY SHIT!" exclaimed Sergeant Patrick Dimwitty, whose whole body appeared to be clenched at the thought of showing off the arms to reporters. "Are those safe? Can we get some people in Hazmat suits in here right now? ARE THOSE [EXPLETIVE DELETED] THINGS SAFE?"

Police said the people turning them in told officers that they had family members who at one time had worked at Los Alamos and "they no longer wanted the warheads in their homes. Or, their neighbourhood. Or, if it came to that, their state." Why did they suddenly come to this decision? Apparently, their children had used one of the warheads as an improvised ring toss target.

NRA Chief Executive Wayne LaPierre smiled as though he had reached nirvana.

SOURCE: *USA Whenever*

[http://www.usawhenever.com/news/national/2012-12-12-at-least-they-werent-playing-hackysack_x.htm]more

As A Journalist, He Has No Piers

71,239 people have signed a petition to have CNN host Piers Morgan deported over remarks he made supporting gun control on his show and Twitter. The man who started the petition, Kurt N., from Austin, Texas, accused Morgan of engaging in "a hostile attack against the US Constitution by targeting the Second Amendment."

71,238 people have signed a petition demanding that Texas secede from the American union. Kurt N., the man from Austin, Texas who started the petition, stated, "We have to find the dang dirty traitor who didn't sign this petition, too, and talk some sense into the goldurn varmint!" Oddly enough, nobody in favour of this petition was talking about an attack on the US Constitution.

Perhaps the person who didn't sign the second petition was afraid it would make his head all explodey.

SOURCE: *The Podunk Mash & Enquirer*

[<http://www.podunkmash.com/wp-dyn/articles/A49682-2012Dec30.html>]more

CIDA No Evil?

Six of the eight countries that will stop receiving bilateral aid thanks to recent cuts to the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) budget rank among the 25 per cent poorest nations in the world. How does the Harper Government of Canada justify this?

“Only six out of the eight?” Prime Minister Stephen Harper mused. “I thought for sure we had cut all eight. I apologize to the Canadian taxpayer and would like to assure everybody that my government will do its best to cut funding for the other two freeloaders as soon as is prudent.”

SOURCE: *The Irrational*

[<http://www.mc.ca/stories/2012/12/23/birthofthebadcida121223>]more

Or, They Could Admit That She Was A Branding Effort Gone Horribly, Horribly Wrong And Move On

Eight ways Parks Canada can raise the profile of Parka the beaver, its new mascot:

1. Spread rumours that Parka’s dating Justin Bieber.
2. Leak pictures to the press of Parka dancing her butt off in an after hours club with the oil industry’s new mascot, Reggie the Rig.
3. Have Parka tweet about how important she feels gun control is to public safety.
4. Claim Parka is running for the leadership of the federal Liberal Party and watch the Conservative smear machine go into overdrive.
5. Have supermodel Natalia Vodinova walk down the runway wearing a Calvin Klein coat made of Parka’s fur (I can guarantee hundreds of thousands of additional people will remember her name if the coat still has Parka’s head on it).
6. Let Parka host her own show on the CBC, then leak her salary to somebody at the National Post.
7. Have Parka appear in a nude, but tasteful Esquire cover photo showing a bulge that resulted from her time dating Justin Bieber.
8. Refer to Parka in all of Parks Canada’s literature as a “Hot, Sexy Beaver” and watch her climb in Google search ratings!

SOURCE: *The Web Page of Lists*

[http://www.ListsPage.argh/2013/January/No_Childish_Beaver_Jokes_Left_Behind.asp]
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The Daily Me – Lucy Lucite

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Politics is not for the squeamish.

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

True Love/A Woman With Mutant Powers – It Can Be Such A Fine Line...

The woman who announces the stations on my subway sounds like Nina on the TV show *Alphas*. You know – the woman who can convince anybody to do anything just by making her voice all reverby and stuff. I mention this in order to let people know that if I do anything crazy like, I don't know, rob a bank or marry a Republican, it's because the subway station announcer voice told me to.

SOURCE: *Bill's Bitter Pills*

[<http://bill.geekgoons.com/>]more

For Low Information Voters, Crazy Trumps All Other Considerations

Upping the icky weird factor in this year's Presidential race, celebrity hair transplant promoter Donald Trump has offered to give \$5 million to charity if President Obama publicly reveals the results of his alien anal probe.

"We know the President was abducted by aliens," Trump explained on *Fox and Fiends*. "That's the only way to explain his ker-aaaaaazy ideas. If he would just admit that that's what happened, we can get on with running him out of office and putting a real American in his place!"

In response, President Obama shook his head sadly and went back to helping coordinate disaster relief efforts in the wake of Hurricane Sandy.

SOURCE: *The Postington Wash*

[<http://www.postingtonwash.com/wp-dyn/articles/A49881-2012Oct28.html>]more

Somebody Has A Chip On Their Shoulder, And It's A Beauty!

It's called *Beauty and the Beast*. Not *Beauty and the Kind of Ugly Guy*. Not *Beauty and the Guy Whose Gone Through Some Not Necessarily Nice Looking Body Modification*. And, certainly not *Beauty and the Other Beauty Who Is Temporarily Not Quite So Beautiful But Who You Can Tell Is Still Kind of Hot*. It's *Beauty and the Beast*.

Can we please get this right?

SOURCE: *Entertainment Right Now, Canada!*

[http://www.canada.com/globulltv/globullshows/ern_canada.html]more

Should Beach Footwear Be Renamed "Romneys?"

"Every time you have an occasion to take something from the federal government and send it back to the states, that's the right direction. And if you can go even further and send it back to the private sector, that's even better... It is simply immoral, in my view, for us to continue to rack up larger and larger debts and pass them on to our kids."

- Mitt Romney on the Federal Emergency Management Agency during a primary debate

"I believe that FEMA plays a key role in working with states and localities to prepare for and respond to natural disasters. As president, I will ensure FEMA has the funding it needs to fulfill its mission..."

- Mitt Romney, post-Sandy

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>]more

Perfume Advertising Is The Pitt

BRAD PITT: It's not a journey. Okay, it could be a journey. What, after all, is the quintessential journey of journey? It's a voice activated tomato thrown against the wall of indifference. Or, in these times of diminishing expectations, would that be the quatressential journey of – you know, the world turns and we turn with it. Take Dramamine to be on the safe side. Plans disappear, dreams take over. Dreams evaporate, camels take over. Wherever I go, there you are – my muse, my 8 track tape, my payday. Okay, for the sake of argument, let's say it's not a journey.

ANNOUNCER: Number Five by Chanel. We have no idea what he is talking about, either.

SOURCE: Ad Meek

[http://www.admeek.com/A&W/national/article_display.jsp?nuvu_content_id=1507692604]more

Remember How Pundits Used To Laugh At How The Republicans Got The Right Wing Religious Vote By Promising To Give It Things The Republicans Had No Intention Of Delivering?
That Joke's Not So Funny Any More, Is It?

Incest is so rare, I mean, it's so rare. But the rape thing - you know, I know a woman who was raped and kept the child, gave it up for adoption, and she doesn't regret it... On the rape thing, it's like, how does putting more violence onto a woman's body and taking the life of an innocent child that's a consequence of this crime - how does that make it better? You know what?



The rape thing? Republican Congressional candidate John Koster seems to think he's got the understanding thing down. Of course, statements like this may make it appear like he has a problem with the compassion thing. Or, even the rationality thing, given how his

party is all for the whole small government thing, which you would have thought would have made the whole forced birth thing difficult to administer. Or, maybe he just likes exercising the male power privilege thing. That's usually the way with men who resort to the deity thing to tell other people how to manage the life thing.

Not to worry, though. This type of thinking is the domain of individuals, not the party as a whole. Individuals. Like Todd Akin. Lone wolves. Like Richard Mourdock. People who do not represent the party. Like Vice Presidential candidate Paul Ryan. Oh.

Clearly, this craziness is not isolated. It's a Republican thing.

SOURCE: *Karl's Big Red Web Page of Unreconstructed Marxism*

[<http://www.bigred.commie/articles/218^.htm>]more

The Farce Is Strong In This One

Six reasons Disney buying LucasFilm is not necessarily a bad thing:

1. Jar Jar Binks
2. the inciting incident in the second trilogy was...a trade dispute? Really? Lucas not getting a big enough cut of the light saber meat tenderizer market?
3. Anakin Skywalker was dead inside long before he became Darth Vader (quite the casting coup, that one)
4. the "science" that explained The Force
5. light saber meat tenderizers
6. the Christmas special

One reason why Disney buying LucasFilm is a very bad thing:

1. Disney is the Death Star of entertainment conglomerates that crushes the humanity out of its products in the name of maximizing revenue

SOURCE: *The Web Page of Lists*

[http://www.ListsPage.argh/2012/November/Disturbance_In_Force.asp]more

Twenty-first Century Kitten Belly Exploration Works

If oil companies didn't want the process of using a pressurized fluid to propagate fractures in a rock layer to get at the oil that lay within it to get a bad reputation, they shouldn't have called it "fracking." They should have called it "puppy energizing" or something.

SOURCE: *Vancouver Stunned*

[<http://www.canoodle.com/NewsStand/VancouverStunned/News/2012/11/02/509727.htm>
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The Daily Me – Yolanda Gampp

Thank you, Yolanda Gampp, for signing up for *The Daily Me*. Our search engine has combed the Internet for up to the minute news items that fit the profile you have so painstakingly filled out for us. Then, we weighted the probability that you would be interested in these articles against forms which showed what people with tastes similar to yours have liked reading in the past. Then, Cadbury, a subsidiary of Kraft Foods, won a trademark case brought by Nestle when a judge determined that it deserved exclusive use of the colour purple. Expect a lawsuit against Alice Walker any day, now. We would boycott Kraft products, but mmmmmm...Dairy Milk!

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

A Swift Romney To The Groin Of The Poor And Middle Class

The Heart is a Lonely Cost Accountant

When thinking about the lives of ordinary people and such
Republican Mitt Romney does not appear to know much.
He does, however, seem to have contempt
For anybody who belongs to the forty-seven per cent.

You may believe that Mitt, an old plutocratic fart is,
But you should at least consider that where you put your money is where your heart is.

Now, this may come across as rude,
But a person's character you can always tell
By whether they choose to spend their money on food
Or a junket to Cozumel.

You may believe that wisdom can be found where the art is,
But, I side with Mitt: where you put your money is where your heart is.

Do whatever the bottom line demands,
Whether you invest in the Alberta tar sands
Or sock away your profits in a bank in the Cayman Islands.
The trick to running for President is to seem to have clean hands.

That may be where the hard part is
When you live by the creed that where you put your money is where your heart is.

You say you love America –

The country's Presidency, you want to win it.
Your critics shout, "Aha!"
How can we believe you when your money is not in it?"

Avoid an anti-psychotic drug from Novartis
To be sure where you put your money is where your heart is.

SOURCE: *Poetry, Cornered*

[<http://www.cibc.com/ca/personal/poetrycorner/614.html>]more

He Might Want To Change His Name To Scott White To Avoid Confusion

If Scott Brown loses his Massachusetts Senate seat to Elizabeth Warren, he can always join the Arizona police force. I'm sure they would be happy to have somebody who knows a person's ethnicity just by looking at them.

SOURCE: *Late Tonight with David Lenoman*

[<http://marketing.ubs.com/latetontight/latetontightshow/monologue>]more

It'll Hit The Country Like A Walkerton Of Bricks

Sweeping changes that will lighten the red-tape burden on small businesses will not diminish public safety, Treasury Board President Tony Clement insists. Four years after the Conservative government was hit by a deadly outbreak of tainted meat, it has yet to produce a widely accepted assessment of whether Ottawa has enough inspectors to keep Canadian food safe.

Among the systematic reforms, Ottawa will require that when any new law is created, at least one existing one must be eliminated. Ms. Weatherill's independent report to the government concluded she was unable to determine whether Ottawa was spending enough on food inspection because of a lack of information and "differing views."

SOURCE: *24 Hour News Mashups*

[<http://politicalmashups.seeblogspotrun.com/>]more

DETENTION DIARY: Easy To Be Ignored

WEEK FORTY-ONE

"Have you ever seen orange glowing wolves in the middle of a jungle clearing?" my father asked. He may as well have been asking me if I had ever danced with the devil in the pale moonlight. (I haven't.) (Danced with the devil.) (Under any circumstances.)

“There’s no such thing,” I responded.

“Not when you’re in your right head,” my dad allowed.

When Gertrude kicked me out of the house, I frantically asked everybody I knew to take me in; my father was the only one who said he would. So, I ended up in his trailer, bought and paid for by his military pension and certain odd jobs that the family was glad he never wanted to talk about (although he occasionally looked pouty that we didn’t at least pretend that we wanted to know so that he could protest that he wasn’t going to tell us). My dad was in his sixties, but he looked like he was in his eighties. Of course, given how much drugs and alcohol he had consumed in his life, he should have looked like he was in his hundred and twenties, so I guess he came out ahead on the deal.

Sitting at the small table in his cooking/eating area (which was too small to be dignified with the noun “kitchen”), my father told me of the strange visions he and his marine buddies had in the jungles of Vietnam. Guns growing on trees with bullet shrubs all around them. Cream cheese castles ruled over by mutant spider monkeys with the heads of sheep and the upper body strength of WWE stars, named Boris. A telephone you kept in your pocket that you could watch movies and play games on! Crazy, but he and the other soldiers in his platoon saw all that, and more!

When his tour ended, my father did some digging and found that their visions had been caused by a CIA programme to experiment with psychotropic drugs using American soldiers as their test subjects.

“That makes no sense, dad,” I told him.

“Why not?” he grumbled.

“Because, this is the United States of America. We don’t –” I stopped myself. Because, of course, we do. My dad had listened attentively when I described what had happened to me in my absence, but, when he tried to describe what had happened to him, my knee jerked. How easy it was just to deny it! Ultimately, though, somebody who had spent months talking to a cockroach couldn’t condemn somebody who had seen orange glowing wolves in the jungle. “Umm...actually, dad, I believe that that could have happened.”

“Good!” he responded. “Good. Now that we understand each other, there are some people that I think you should meet...”

SOURCE: *Harpo’s*

[<http://harpos.org/archive/2012/10/14/dd-9000041>]more

Hey! Some Of The Schools We Helped Build For Them Haven’t Been Bombed Into Oblivion!

The Connecticut State Supreme Court overturned the sexual assault conviction of a man because the woman he raped did not bite, kick or scratch him, or otherwise screech, groan or gesture that the sex was not consensual. The woman had cerebral palsy which not only made it hard for her to fight, but she had the intellectual functional equivalent of a 3 year-old and was unable to verbally communicate. There is a very good chance she didn't even have the capacity to know what was happening to her.

Remind me, again, how we're doing such a great job liberating the women of **Afghanistan!**

SOURCE: *This Week in Medievalism*

[http://hosted2.twIm.org/APDEFAULT/bbd825583c8542898e6fa7d440b9febc/Article_2012-10-05-HealthBeat-Free%Rape/id-b426496b78574f468236f8786520b7fe]more

Weewee The People...

Okay, okay, okay. The average size of a man's...weewee is ten per cent smaller than it was fifty years ago. Ten per – I did not make that up, people. It's in an Italian study – of course, it would be the Italians who studied that kind of – okay, that's not important right now. It's scientific, okay? Okay. So, what's happened in the last fifty years? Right. The moon launch. What? No, what would the moon launch have to do – it made men feel so small relative to the size of the universe that their...peepees shrunk? Umm...okay, that's a theory. Let's keep that in mind. But, but, but what else happened in the last fifty years? Fluoride in the drinking water? No, no, no. I mean, yeah, sure. Fluoride in the drinking water is probably responsible for everything from the deficit to the decline in the popularity of American network television, but that's not what I'm thinking here. Can we please focus on **my** theory of – what? Obesity, stress, smoking and environmental pollutants? Where did you get that crackpot id- WHO LET THE AUTHOR OF THE STUDY IN HERE?

No, no, no. It's the women's movement. First, they wanted equal pay for work of equal value, then they wanted men to wear women's clothing, then our...man parts shrunk. I'm connecting the dots here, people! Scientifically! Hunh...fluoride in the drinking water!

SOURCE: *Rush Limburger Home Page*

[http://www.rushlimburger.com/home/daily/site_062904/content/truth_distorter.hostile_enemy.html]more

Hardball – We're Talking Bocce, Right?

WESTERLY: Well, Chris, I think Mitt Romney saw that there was a minute left and he was down a goal and knew that if he wanted to pull the game out he had to give 110 per cent. And, I think he gave 120 per cent.

MATTHEWS: James, what was your impression of the first Obama/Romney Presidential debate?

SERVILLE: Oh, there's no doubt in my mind that Obama was ragging the puck hoping to run out the clock. Of course, that strategy hardly ever works. You gotta take the game to your opponent. There's an old saying in politics: your opponent can't score from his own end of the ice.

MATTHEWS: You two miss the NHL pre-season, don't you?

WESTERLY: Oh, yeah.

SERVILLE: Hell, yeah!

SOURCE: *Drew's Transcript-o-rama*

[<http://www.transcript-o-rama.com/heshootshescores...alandlsidevictory.shtml>][more](#)

The Daily Me – “Crash” Chumley

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You could start a forest with that many plants!

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Believe Me When I Say That I'm Not Interested In The Contents Of Kevin Yoder's Briefs!

Republican Congressman Kevin Yoder briefly skinny-dipped in the Sea of Galilee while on a fact-finding mission in Israel. He did this despite the fact that it is a holy site for Christians and, in any case, public nudity is against Israeli law.

The British royal family has issued a press release taking full responsibility for Representative Yoder's bad behaviour, and promising that it will review all of its security procedures and protocols to ensure that such an incident does not happen again. Nobody is really sure why.

SOURCE: *Daily Semaphore*

[http://www.opinion.semaphore.co.uk/opinion/main.jhtml;sessionid=G5AR23YWOLFE PQFIQMFSM5WAVCBQ0JVC?nextPage=/DUereDE/wXeR.WZvwF?7wF~/DUereDE/s119/Os/14/JD141O.7wF!2qZiiv~/DUhReDR/s119/Os/24/e7DUeReDR.ZvwF!2iG3gim mygi2Z~vg3i&resize=null&_requestid=78789]more

It's The One Church That's Pretty Darned Okay With The Moneylenders

Mitt Romney is now saying that he should not be forced to release his tax returns because it would violate his religious freedom. But, seriously, by now, who doesn't know that Romney is a devout Mammon?

SOURCE: *The Day To Day Show, with Jon Tudor*

[http://www.comedycentric.com/tv_shows/thedaytodayshowwithjontudor/headlines_pol.jhtml]more

When The Elephant Turns Over, The Mouse Has To Deal With The Nuclear Fallout

On a tour of the Arctic, Prime Minister Stephen Harper attended military exercises intended to show how prepared Canada is to defend its claim to territory in the far north. Unfortunately, five minutes into the exercise, an American nuclear bomb was dropped on the viewers' stand, wiping out everything within a five metre radius.

"I'm really sorry about that," President Barack Obama said. "We were testing some new equipment we hope to use to defend our claim to territory in the far north and, well, it just got away from us. It happens. Still, nice to see Canada's transition to a militarized nation is going well – keep up the good work!"

SOURCE: *The National Whipping Post*

[<http://www.canada.com/national/nationalwhippingpost/news/story.html?ia=2te0lome-r6e6-4c18-en9t-07r657a112ec>]more

Pat Robertson Was Just One Man, And Yet...

"Okay, look, I, let's be clear, here, I didn't, I did not say that Obama controlled the weather. That would be crazy. He's just one man. I said, I said, **what I said** was that Obama was using the weather service to control the weather. Completely different. I

mean, how else can you explain the fact that Hurricane Isaac is coming to Florida **at exactly the same time as the Republican nominating convention will be there?** I mean, it's not like Florida gets a lot of hurricanes, am I right? Of course I'm right. I'm always right.

“Let me explain why apologizing for a remark that some liberal fascist doesn't like does not mean that you – meaning me – are wrong...”

SOURCE: *Rush Limburger Home Page*

[http://www.rushlimburger.com/home/daily/site_062904/content/truth_distorter.hostile_enemy.html]more

Head For The Hills!

Obama will "try to give the sovereignty of the United States away to the United Nations. What do you think the public's going to do when that happens? We are talking civil unrest, civil disobedience, possibly, possibly civil war... I'm not just talking riots here and there. I'm talking Lexington, Concord, take up arms, get rid of the dictator. OK, what do you think he is going to do when that happens? He is going to call in the UN troops, personnel carriers, tanks and whatever."



Still think there's no difference between Democrats and Republicans? How about this? When Democrats are faced with the reelection of a President they do not like, they threaten to move to Canada, which would mostly cause problems for themselves. When Republicans are faced with the reelection of a President they do not like, they imagine scenarios that would involve burning the country to the ground, which would be a major problem for the world.

I know what you're thinking: *Isn't talk of Liberals facilitating a UN takeover of the United States soooooooo 1980s?* Focus, people, focus! You don't get into the Bag of Crazy for being nostalgic for the rhetoric of the Cold War. Well, not entirely. So, now you're thinking: *What should I be thinking? Nobody told me there was going to be a test! If I had known that there was going to be a test, I would have worn clean underwear!*

Okay, clearly you need help. With this – you’re on your own about the underwear. You should probably be thinking something like: Isn’t *what he said kind of like...well, treason?* Not to worry: Tom Head is a Texas Judge, so if anybody would know what is and isn’t acceptable to say within the law, it’s him.

SOURCE: *Karl’s Big Red Web Page of Unreconstructed Marxism*

[<http://www.bigred.commie/articles/218^.htm>]more

That’s One Small Step For...Meme...

Astronaut Neil Armstrong has died at the age of 82. He will always be remembered as the first human being who was misquoted from another celestial body.

SOURCE: *Obits ‘R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

David Duke, Stand-up Comedian

“No one’s ever asked to see my birth certificate. They know that this is the place that we were born and raised.”

- Mitt Romney

“Oh, we’re in Michigan, Ann and I both born in Detroit, and of course a little humor goes a long way – the crowd loved it and got a good laugh.”

- Mitt Romney, a day later

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>]more

Not So Funny Money

How has the Twitverse responded to the Bank of Canada issuing a \$100 bill that seems to feature an Asian woman on one side?

“That yellow bitch doesn’t represent Canada! Well, she doesn’t represent me!”

“Pfeh! I wouldn’t give 50 cents for the new \$100 bill!”

“What have Asians ever done for Canada? Except help build the railroads, of course. And they do well in our schools. And they contribute to t”

“Some of my best friends are Chinks. That’s why I’m not being a racist when I say that the new \$100 bill is wrong wrong wrong!”

“Sounds good. I’ve got fifty cents, moron – where’s my hundred dollars?”

“I’m turned on by Asian babes. Really. Turned. On. I don’t want this change in our money to affect meeting the payroll for my business!”

Pretty well, all things considered.

SOURCE: *Ending Trending Web Site*

[<http://endingtrending.blurgh/we-will-bill-you-later/>]more

The Daily Me – Lemmy Cautious

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

The Fast And The Spurious

While it was largely indifferent to the Pangalactic Trade Partnership (PTP) six months ago, in the last week the Harper Government of Canada, under pressure from the country’s three remaining corporations, begged the Panjundrum of Alleghobi to be included. But, has Canada given away too much for the privilege of entering a trade pact with planets that it has mostly already entered into bi-lateral trade pacts with?

“Oh, absolutely,” enthused Minister of International Trade Ed Fast. “Sure, we’ll have to give up some things. Like, our currency. And, control of our economy. And, probably most of our first born sons – we’re still waiting on a proper translation for that one. But, considering what we’re getting out of the negotiations, I wouldn’t say that it’s too much.”

When pressed about what Canada is actually getting out of the negotiations, Fast thought for several minutes before answering: “Well...being part of the Pangalactic Trade

Partnership will give us an opportunity to fix what was wrong with the Trans-Pacific Partnership, and that's...something, anyway."

SOURCE: *Alternate Reality News Service*

[<http://www.arns.com/sinbin?id=72894641375641314017fx>]more

The Right Needs To Stop This Monkey Business

I call him a monkey... The comment was prompted by the Google image cartoon that was sent to me... With a last name of Espinosa I'm anything but racist... Monkeys are generally considered to be intelligent... Unless there has been a takeover of America and free speech is no longer allowed and I can be put to death for making a remark, I refuse to take the fifth.



I'd like to believe that Barbara Espinosa, host of Arizona radio talk show *Hair on Fire*, is a Red Lectroid from Planet 10. If that was the case, her comment about President Obama would be no more offensive than John Worfin, in the body of Doctor Emilio Lizardo, shouting, "Laugh while you can, monkey-boy!"

Unfortunately, she's a human being (very loosely defined), so the only way a reasonable person could interpret the comment is that it was racist. Unfortunately, the Obama/monkey comparison is not uncommon on the right, and it's not like any of the senior members of the Republican Party have condemned it, so this is not what makes Espinosa take up residency in the Bag of Crazy.

No, it's the kaleidoscope of rationalizations that seems a bit unhinged. This isn't *Family Feud*, Barbara! Nobody's here to say, "'Monkeys are generally considered to be intelligent' – SURVEY SAYS!" Choose a justification for your racism and stick to it!

SOURCE: *Karl's Big Red Web Page of Unreconstructed Marxism*

[<http://www.bigred.commie/articles/218^.htm>]more

Aardvarks Said They Wished It Was Easier To Find Ants

It would now appear that Amelia Earheart sent out a distress signal before she disappeared that was ignored. Conservative ideologues said this was the fault of a bloated bureaucracy. Liberal ideologues said it was the fault of cutbacks that left emergency services overworked and understaffed. Human beings said it was a shame that nobody cared to save her when they had the chance.

SOURCE: *Peephole*

[<http://peephole.aol.com/peephole/articles/0,10166,1034749,02.html>]more

Would It Be Too Much To Call It A Shining Example Of A Merit Appointment?

The Harper Government of Canada has announced its pick to fill the vacant position of head of the Security Intelligence Review Committee (which oversees CSIS, Canada's spy service): a lamp.

"Actually," the Prime Minister corrected, "that's Lamppe. It's a bright piece of furniture, and I expect it to shine a sharp light on CSIS. Oh, and it's flourescent, which should get the environmentalist traitors off our backs."

When asked what most qualified the lamp to head up SIRC, Prime Minister Harper answered: "It has an off switch."

SOURCE: *Toronto Startle*

[http://www.thestartle.com/NASApp/cs/ContentServer?pagename=thestartle/Layout/Article_Type1&c=Article&cid=1087261822815&call_pageid=968893278492&col=960106972184]more

Have You Ever Eaten Cottage Cheese Past The Best Before Date? Talk About Excitement!

In order to make its prime time programme as viewer-friendly as possible, ABC demanded that each of its viewers for Nik Wallenda's high wire crossing of Niagara Falls wear a diaper.

"Well," Wallenda commented, "this is going to be as exciting as cottage cheese!"

SOURCE: *Ukrainian TV Guide*

[<http://www.tvguide.ua/listings/index.asp?referrerID=0&returnurl=%2Flistings%2Findex%2Easp%3F®Mode=0>]more

I'm Sure There Are Many 16 Year-old Boys Who Would Disagree With You

An employee of the Ontario Film Review Board has been reinstated after being suspended from his job for not watching pornography on the Internet.

"I just wanted to check my email and maybe play a little Farmville before I got back to watching *Looking For a Friend With Benefits for the End of the World*," said Rater, First Class Franklin Andrews. "I know we're supposed to use the Internet for 'research,' but, honestly, there's only so much smut one can watch in a day!"

SOURCE: *Entertainment Right Now, Canada!*

[http://www.canada.com/globulltv/globullshows/ern_canada.html]more

"Let's Twist – In The Wind – Again"

Policymakers in Washington have decided to Twist again, extending a programme to sell shorter-dated Treasury securities so that they can buy more mature securities. Wall Street traders have called this attempt to spur the US economy and create more jobs by putting downward pressure on interest rates 'Operation Twist.'

"I coulda told 'em it was a bad idea," said legendary musician Chubby Checker. "Sequels to hit songs rarely do as well as the originals. But, did they ask me? Pffh! Do gators mambo?"

SOURCE: Deadline News Network

[<http://www.dnn.com/2012/ALLPOLITICS/06/22/rep.main/index.html>]more

It May Not Be Much, But In These Days Of Diminished Expectations, Cheap Irony Is The Only Irony Most People Can Afford

Rio, the host of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, has an air pollution index that is three times what the World Health Organization considers acceptable. This is probably a good thing, though: the haze of car exhaust makes it harder to see the approximately 1.2 billion litres of raw waste water a day absorbed by a bay by the city's airport.

When it heard the news, the Absurd Ironyometer choked on...something unhealthy, it is sure.

SOURCE: *Big Alex' Domesday Countdown Page*

[<http://www.allaboutalex.wha/Domesday/new>]more

Dos Equis – Wasn't That A Play About A Boy And His Horse?

When he vomits, it creates an image of Gandhi. When he cannot remember what happened the night before, the whole city blacks out. When he sleeps with his girlfriend's sister, both women are satisfied. When he becomes self-pitying, it rains for three days. When he drives under the influence, he doesn't just hit another car, he takes out an entire bus. Of nuns.

He is the most interesting alcoholic in the world.

“Dos Equis – shtay thrishty, my friednishes.”

SOURCE: *Ad Meek*

[http://www.admeek.com/A&W/national/article_display.jsp?nuvu_content_id=1793952618]more

The Daily Me – Euro VIP Table

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Detention Diary: Never Wash Your Dirty Diapers In Public

WEEK ONE

I was in a meeting when the blackness came.

The senior executives were getting together to talk about the Dietrickson Diaper account. Dieter Dietrickson was not happy with the tag line we had come up with: "Dietrickson Diapers will keep your baby's bottom drier than the Sinai!" Partially, he was not comfortable with a reference to what he called "a touchy area of the world." When Mitchelson, the lead on the account, suggested that the desert didn't have to be the Sinai - it could just as easily be the Sahara, or, what the hell, whatever desert you liked - the real reason Dietrickson balked came out: the image of a child's ass all cracked and burned like land in a desert had kept him up for three nights. Several weeks later, he still didn't want to have anything to do with changing the diapers of his own baby, Baby Dieter.

Nobody could answer that, not even Plasterton, the golden child, the up and comer, the righteous pain in the ass. So, it was back to the drawing board for us.

I remember Dietrickson - who never met a terrible pun he didn't love - suggested the tag line "Dietrickson's Diapers will keep your baby's bottom drier than Prohibition!" Mitchelson, that terrible suck up, laughed like it was the second coming of Groucho Marx. Mitchelson, who lacked a sense of humor of his own, probably didn't even know who Groucho Marx was. Plasterton templed his fingers; you could tell he was trying to find the most diplomatic way of telling Dietrickson why the idea wasn't worthy of the legacy of the firm Yossarian Samsa Pilgrim Smith. I tried to hold back a wince and began to calculate what I could say that would cause the least amount of damage to my career at the firm.

Before any of us could speak, there was a commotion at the door of the board room, and I was abruptly thrust into darkness.

SOURCE: *Harpo's*

[<http://harpos.org/archive/2012/08/dd-9000001>]more

That, And There Was A Pleading Note To The Nike Insert

Times are bad. You know how I can tell? The Boxing Day flyers that came with my newspaper only weighed two and a half pounds this year.

SOURCE: *Late Tonight with David Lenoman*

[<http://marketing.ubs.com/latetontight/latetontightshow/monologue>]more

Culture Evolves **Politicians Not So Much**

Washington is agog (literally - I cannot remember the last time its gog was so a) at allegations in the new book Nixon's Darkest Secrets that former Republican President Richard Nixon punched his wife, drank to excess and had a possible gay relationship with his long-time friend and adviser Bebe Rebozo. Apparently, acts such as keeping an enemies list and subverting the Constitution aren't bad enough.

Incredible to think that in 35 years we have gone from *All the President's Men* to *Real Housewives of Washington, DC*!

SOURCE: *Unread Book News*

[<http://217.204.43.10/cgi/NGoto/2/64382861?3518>]more

He Just Baird Canada's New Soul

"Listen, I mean, we don't go along to get along."

- Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird explaining why Canada will not be making a bid for a two-year seat on the United Nations Security Council

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>]more

I Blame Cow Flatulence

Grey Christmas



I'm dreaming of a grey Christmas
Not like the ones I used to know
Where the trees are browning,
And children frowning
Due to a lack of snow



I'm dreaming of a grey Christmas
With every news show I replay
May we get snow some day
So our future Christmases aren't grey



SOURCE: *Poetry, Cornered*

[<http://www.cibc.com/ca/personal/poetrycorner/587.html>]more

So Many Time Jokes, So Little...

After 120 years of time alliance with the United States, the tiny pacific nation of Samoa has decided to skip Friday in order to align its calendar with Asia, New Zealand and Australia.

“I wouldn’t place too much importance on this,” a State Department official so embarrassed that this was what she had to announce that she asked not to be named, stated. “They probably just wanted to get to the weekend quicker. Samoans - they’re party animals!”

SOURCE: CBBS News

[<http://www.cbbsnews.com/stories/2011/12/29/foreign/main546375.shtml>]more

Crisis? What Crisis? **I’m Heading To Acapulco!**

PUNDIT: The debt crisis...unemployment...banks too big to fail - these issues will have to be dealt with in 2012.

ANCHOR: What if they aren’t?

PUNDIT: Then, they will most assuredly have to be dealt with in 2013.

ANCHOR: What if they aren’t?

PUNDIT: Then, they will absolutely have to be dealt with in 2014.

ANCHOR: What if they aren’t?

PUNDIT: Then, they will positively, without a doubt have to be dealt with in 2015.

ANCHOR: What if they aren’t?

PUNDIT: Then, they will double dog dare ya, don’t mean to scare ya, pinky swear ya have to be dealt with in 2016.

ANCHOR: What if they aren’t?

PUNDIT: Then, I’ll be retiring in 2017, and it will be another pundit’s problem.

SOURCE: *Drew’s Transcript-o-rama*

[<http://www.transcript-o-rama.com/awwpundit.shtml>]more

Questions You're Asked On The Street May Not Be Good For Your Health

STREETS SMART: It has been four months since the death of NDP leader Jack Layton. What was his inspiring final message to Canadians?

JAQUI

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"Umm...eat more bran?"

MARKIE

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"I should have been a Liberal."

YOLANDA

wouldn't give her age

"EAT. MORE. BRAINS."

SPARKIE

3

"Waaaaaaa!"

SOURCE: *The Matrixxx*

[<http://www.thematrixxxto.com/life/advice/lest-we-remember/>]more

Why Can't We All Just Play Curling And Get Along?

As an example of peace on Earth and goodwill towards men, Roman Catholic, Armenian Apostolic and Greek Orthodox Christian monks got into a fight with each other while cleaning the Church of the Nativity in Jerusalem.

Apparently, one of the Armenian monks made a rude joke about Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople Bartholomew I and a tub full of parsnips. One of the Armenian monks responded with an even ruder joke involving Karekin II, the current Catholicos of the Armenian Apostolic Church, a convention of Marilyn Monroe impersonators and a weed whacker.

After that, all hell broke loose.

...All hell breaking loose meaning, in this case, that the monks started hitting each other with the brooms they were using to clean the Church floor.

In response to the melee, Pope Benedict XVI issued a bull that read, in part, "Pax nobiscum essa nobo pro buttum." Loosely translated, this means "Kick the ass of the southern heretics!" Very loosely translated.

SOURCE: *Unicycle*

[<http://www.unicycle.com/new.php?p=articles&id=517&but=allis1>]more

And, Although It Wasn't Widely Known, He Did Consulting Work On The Opening Sequence Of 2001: A Space Odyssey

Beloved ape actor Cheetah has died of kidney failure at the age of 80. Cheetah was best known for his role as Cheetah in such films as *Tarzan the Ape Man* and *Tarzan and His Mate*.

But, Cheetah was much more accomplished than his public profile would suggest. As his movie career waned, he developed a second career performing one monkey plays and Shakespeare in the Zoo. Of Cheetah's portrayal of King Lear, *New York Times* theatre critic Frank Rich wrote: "Could anything more poignantly portray Lear's descent into madness than half an hour of throwing feces around the stage? I think not. This may be the definitive Lear."

Although passed by for the part of Dr. Zaius in the original film *Planet of the Apes*, Cheetah did have a bit part as a wizened old ape in the reboot of the series.

SOURCE: *Obits 'R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

The Daily Me – usmansankara0010

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Oh, come on! You can accuse us of being glib all you want, but the Republicans have repeatedly rebuffed any Democratic attempt at bipartisanship, then turned around and accused the *Democrats* of acting in bad faith! And, after three years of this, Obama still trusted them enough to do this superdupercommittee thing? Barack Obama is not a stupid man, and this judgment comes before he is even compared to his Republican opponents!

The only way we can make sense of his behaviour is that he was periodically Retconned throughout his Presidency!

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Yeah, yeah, we were underwhelmed by Miracle Day, too. Still, *Torchwood* had enough good episodes to be a legitimate source of political metaphors, and, in any case, **that's really missing the point!**

Enjoy, Already,
The Daily Me Staff

It Hasn't? If That's True, Jews Who Supported The Conservatives Want Their Votes Back

According to Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird, nine supportive votes at a committee of the United Nations General Assembly does not signal that the Canadian government has shifted its policy to be more pro-Israel.

Unfortunately, he was sitting in Benjamin Netanyahu's pants pocket at the time he made the statement, so all that anybody could hear was a subdued croaking.

SOURCE: Canadian Depress

[<http://www.cd.org/english/bairdisbriefed.htm>]more

Who Says Twitter Doesn't Offer A Valuable Perspective On The World?

Ashton Kutcher has announced that he has suspended his Twitter feed. The six billion people who are not on Twitter shrugged and went about their lives.

SOURCE: *Geekly News & World Report*

[<http://www.geeklynews.com/geeklynews/issue/111111/geeklynews/01ashtonoftrouble.htm>]more

Just Lie Back And Think Of England (Because It Will Be Next If You Don't Get Your Shit Together)

"Italy's white flag the perfect solution to the crisis
Greece should follow suit and surrender to IMF"
- *National Post*

SOURCE: *Billy-Bob's International House O' Headlines*

[<http://www.com/lol.pdqfc.wywgw.wyswyg/fid=1907532234>]more

When It Comes To Spin Doctored Video, Context Makes Everything Right

“Americans...are...sick...Ott...ick!”

You heard it here first, folks. A Democrat President attacking the...the...the American people, for goodness’ sake! And, no, that footage was not doctored! No, sir! For some reason, President Obama changed his shirt...between words...four times...during the speech where he made that remark. Not only that, but there was a...a flash snowstorm right in the middle, there. And, no, smartass, I’m not all of a sudden a believer in global warming. I - I’m just - I just - look. Freak weather events happen, okay? Can we focus on what’s important, here? Can we just focus on what’s important here, please? That is... Umm... (long pause) Oh, go listen to these commercials!

SOURCE: *Rush Limburger Home Page*

[http://www.rushlimburger.com/home/daily/site_111611/content/truth_distorter.hostile_enemy.html]more

Funny How Blogs Tend To Gloss Over Details Like That...

Athletic clothing brand Lululemon has released a shopping bag which features women doing exercise poses on one side and the phrase “Who is John Galt?” on the other.

“Our bags are visual reminders for ourselves to live a life we love and conquer the epidemic of mediocrity,” the company’s blog explains.

What it should have said, of course, was, “Somebody in our marketing department read *Atlas Shrugged* when he was 17 and caught a terminal case of Objectivitis (aren’t they all?); when he suggested the catchphrase be put on our products, none of our executives knew what a mediocre book it was, but they knew it appealed to the vanity of very rich people by telling them the fairy tale that they earned everything that they have, and who wouldn’t want very rich people to like their products?”

We’re sure that if Lululemon gives it more thought, they will correct this oversight.

SOURCE: *Ad Meek*

[http://www.admeek.com/A&W/national/article_display.jsp?nuvu_content_id=1000952604]more

Only Squirmin’ Herman Can Make Progress Seem Like Regression!

It's been a great five years for African Americans. First, Barack Obama showed that a competent black man could aspire to become president. Then Herman Cain showed that an incompetent black man could aspire to become president.

SOURCE: *Late Tonight with David Lenoman*

[<http://marketing.ubs.com/latetontight/latetontightshow/monologue>]more

Talk About Greecing The Skids!

Greece was allowed into the eurozone, despite not having the financial bona fides to do so, because it was "the birthplace of western civilization." And, I suppose there is a poetic symmetry in play in the recent debt crisis, since it may now cause "the death of western civilization."

SOURCE: *Wall Street Infernal*

[http://online.wsi.com/article/0,,SB118417097653118404,00.html?mod=home_whats_new_which_u]more

No, He Wasn't The Goofy Kid In The Harry Potter Books - You Really Need To Get Out To Live Theatre More Often!

Famed thespian John Neville has died at the age of 86 after a long battle with Alzheimer's. The sadness at his passing is not an act.

SOURCE: *Obits 'R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

When Are The Washington 535 Going To Be Charged Under The Act?

The Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act will cost national organizations about \$1 billion for compliance and capital, according to a study by the National Association of Independent Contractors (Loan Sharks Division).

"Yeah, well, we're a legitimate business, innit?" said Association spokesman Sylvester "Polite Rudeboy" Antagonistes. "The AIC employs thousands of people across the country - you think drugs deliver themselves? Or, girls? It would be a shame if legislation would interfere with that, especially in times of economic uncertainty, knowwhatI mean? It would be a shame if those jobs broke. Yeah, if they just...broke."

SOURCE: *The Postington Wash*

[<http://www.postingtonwash.com/wp-dyn/articles/A49881-2011Nov21.html>]more

“Look, I Believe In Freedom Of Speech And Freedom Of Assembly - These Are The Cornerstones Of A Democratic Society. But, What Have The Occupy Protestors Accomplished? They Don’t Seem To Have Any Common Goals. They Haven’t Accomplished Anything. You Ask Me, They’re Just A Bunch Of Homeless People And Drug Addicts Using The Gullible As A Shield To Take Over A Public Spa - Hey! Did You See That? That Was Destruction Of Private - Send In The Cops! SEND THE COPS, NOW! GAS ‘EM! GAS ‘EM! GAS ‘EM! BUST SOME HEADS! WE CANNOT ALLOW THIS KIND OF LAWLESSNESS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY!”

“Police in riot gear dismantle Occupy Oakland camp, mayoral aide resigns”

- *National Post*

“#Occupy Denver Clash With Denver Police In Weekend Filled With More Arrests”

- *Huffington Post*

“Man Choked, Arrested at Occupy San Diego”

- *San Diego Reader*

“Police dismantle part of Occupy SF, arrest seven”

- *SFGate*

“Occupy Fresno showdown yields another 11 arrests”

- *MercuryNews.com*

“Police arrest 14 people as Occupy Nova Scotia encampment dismantled”

- *Global Montreal*

“19 arrested as police clear Occupy Salt Lake tent city from Pioneer Park; Most participants left voluntarily”

- *Deseret News*

“24 Occupy protesters arrested in Albany park”

- *Wall Street Journal*

“Dozens of Occupy protesters arrested at Berkeley”

- *CNBC*

“Police arrest more than 50, shut down Occupy Portland camps”

- *National Post*

“More than 100 arrested at Occupy Boston protest site”

- *Reuters*

“130 Occupy arrests in Chicago”

- *Politico.com*

“Zuccotti Park Eviction: Police Arrest 200 Occupy Wall Street Protesters”
- *Huffington Post*

“‘Occupy Tucson’ arrests top 350”
- *PressTV*

“Police enforce curfew ordinance, arrests made at Occupy St. Louis protest”
- *St. Louis Public Radio*

“Occupy Cincinnati Protesters Arrested Late Tuesday”
- *WWT.com*

“Arrests at London, Ont., Occupy camp; Vancouver’s gets week’s reprieve”
- *Toronto Sun*

“City cracks down on Occupy Vancouver camp”
- *CBC News*

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>]more

Thank Goodness We Have The Real RCMP To Look Up To!

Belief in the cartoon RCMP has been shaken with disclosure that Dudley Do-Right has been accused of sexually harassing women in his office.

In a press conference, Inspector Fenwick stated that Do-Right had been relieved of duty pending an investigation of the allegations against him.

“It makes you wonder,” a criminal known by the street name Snidely Whiplash, “if they put the wrong man behind bars!”

Inspector Fenwick tasered Whiplash, who fell back on his bunk, silent.

In his defense, Do-Right stated, “Nell, oh, Nell. You know that I have done nothing wrong...right?”

Nell Fenwick responded, “Oh, Dudley, now can you understand why I preferred to spend time with your horse?”

A cross between a whinny and laughter could be heard in the distance.

SOURCE: *This 22 Minutes Feels Like An Hour*

[<http://www.mothercorp.ca/hour22minutes/>]more

The Daily Me – Placenta Accreta

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As Oscar Wilde truly said: the Internet is wasted on Internauts.

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Book Review Is From *Hunger*

Yahweh's Review
August 30, 2011 BC

book The Hunger Games

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review I must admit that I am getting sick and tired of reading post-apocalyptic science fiction. The world I made is a place of beauty, yet so many writers can think of nothing better to do with it than see how many different ways they can make it appear dark and miserable! It makes me wonder, sometimes, if any of you are actually fully using the imaginations I gave you!

Okay. Sorry about that. Sometimes, I find it hard to control my outbursts. </rant mode> :-) It's a shame, really, because I actually enjoyed reading Suzanne Collins' book.

SOURCE: *Godreads*

[http://www.godreads.com/topic/show/604429?utm_medium=email&utm_source=comment_digest]more

No More Days Of The Condor

Cliff Robertson, who won an Oscar for playing the title role in the movie *Charly*, has died at the age of 88. Robertson was perhaps best known...best known to the current gen...gene...generation of filmgoers as - umm - somebody's father - oh, you know, that guy in the spider suit. Hee hee - it was fun to watch him swinging around like that. You know? Un huhh. I...I have to get back to the bakery now. Okay? Okay.

SOURCE: *Obits 'R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

You Could Always Give The Table To The Street Person Outside The Window When You Decide To Go



This year, I decided that I was going to spot a star at the Toronto International Film Festival if it killed me! I rented a table at Caren's Wine and Cheese Bar, across the street from one of TIFF's theatres, and camped out there for a week before the film festival actually started. You know - just in case.

Three days into TIFF, this was the scene outside the Cumberland Theatre. Where was the lineup. Where was the red carpet? WHERE WERE THE STARS?

Eventually, one of the waiters explained that TIFF screenings were now being held at the Bell Lightbox, and that the focus of the festival had shifted from Yorkville to King Street. Well, didn't I feel like - never mind. You don't want to know what I felt like.

I'll stay here another day or two - you never know. Besides, the cheese is pretty good.

SOURCE: *Jennifer's Brain Blorts*

[<http://weblogger.brainblorts.home.html>]more

Have You Mentioned This To Karl Rove?

“And once you’re in the business of constructing your own reality, even internal logic is not required.”

- Mark Steyn, *After America*

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>]more

Patrick Is Rumoured To Be Holding Out For A Bigger Rock To Sleep Under

EXCLUSIVE: Brad Pitt has decided not to act in the film *Spongebob's Eleven* after a study showed that Spongebob Squarepants cartoons made it harder for children to study.

“Yeah, well, I got a family now, don’t I?” Pitt stated. “I got children, and I gotta watch out for ‘em. So, yeah.”

Director Steven Soderbergh expressed regret that Pitt would not be part of the production, then added: “But, we’ve still got George, Matt, Bernie, Casey and Squidward, so we’re good to go.”

SOURCE: *Entertainment Right Now*

[<http://www.entertainmentrightnow.com/mini/smug2011/2011/09/13/hellgooutafishandcomebackastarr/>]more

Where Have I Heard This Before?

Brad Pitt has chosen to drop out of *Spongebob's Eleven* after a study showed that Spongebob Squarepants cartoons were bad for children.

Director Steven Soderbergh said he was saddened that Pitt would not be part of the production, but went on to say that the rest of the star-studded cast was still committed to the project, so there.

SOURCE: *Imaginary Movie Database*

[<http://www.imd.com/title/tt0178429/>]more

This Is Getting Ridiculous (And Kind Of Hostile)

Brad Pitt has given the finger to Spongebob's Eleven.

"Spongebob bad," Pitt stated. "Movie bad. Grr."

Director Steven Soderbergh said that he was outraged that Pitt had dissed the film. "We've got a boatload of other stars," he added, "so screw the guy!"

SOURCE: *Peephole*

[<http://peephole.aol.com/peephole/articles/0,19812,1372549,00.html>]more

The Ferris Wheel Of Babel

EXT. BENCH IN HYDE PARK - DAY

Two little old ladies, MABLE and SUBOTOS, are sitting on a park bench, throwing loaves of bread at pigeons. A piston engine on a cart sits off to the side of the bench.

MABLE: I hear there's gonna be a Ferris wheel built in Toronto.

SUBOTOS: Tonto? Wasn't he the sidekick in that TV show "Goodbye Stranger?"

MABLE: No, that was a song by the band Superman. Toronto. It's a city in Canada.

SUBOTOS: Oh. Why would anybody want to go there?

MABLE: To see the Ferris Wheel they're gonna build.

SUBOTOS: We've already got a Ferris wheel in London.

MABLE: Theirs is going to be bigger.

SUBOTOS: Really? Is it going to be bigger than the one in Las Vegas?

MABLE: You bet!

SUBOTOS: Will it be bigger than the one in Beijing?

MABLE: You mean, the other Ferris wheel that has been planned but not built?

SUBOTOS: Exactly.

MABLE: Well, it wouldn't be much of a tourist attraction if it wasn't bigger than that, would it?

SUBOTOS: Good. Bloody Communists! Half the seats on their Ferris wheel are saved for representatives of the proletariat and the other half for senior members of the Communist Party. You have no idea how long the lineups get on a Saturday afternoon!

MABLE: I can imagine.

SUBOTOS: I'll bet you can. (pause) Somebody really thinks we'll want to go to Toronto to look at a big metal circle with seats?

MABLE: Maybe it's a joke.

SUBOTOS: If it is, it's subtle.

MABLE: Oh, yeah. Very, umm, subtle. Very subtle, indeed.

SUBOTOS: I never did understand the Canadian sense of humour.

MABLE: (fading out) They're a little...off - Canadians - but they mean well.

SUBOTOS: (fading out) I suppose...

SOURCE: *This 22 Minutes Feels Like An Hour*

[<http://www.mothercorp.ca/hour22minutes/>]more

The Daily Me – Nicolas Repetto
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Thank you, Nicolas Repetto

Nicolas Repetto

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Can you even get high on iodine?

Shut up! Go to the articles!

Unfortunately, I Never Wanted A Job As A Stenographer...

MGM has signed Vin Diesel to star in *The Machine*, where he will play a robot designed to look like a human being. Sometimes, the jokes just write themselves...

SOURCE: *Entertainment Right Now*

[<http://www.entertainmentrightnow.com/mini/smug2011/2011/05/14/wrongengine/>]more

LOLCats At War: Special Ops



SOURCE: *Les Pages aux Folles*

[<http://www.lespagesauxfolles.ca>]more

Under The Well Recognized International Legal Doctrine Of “Finders, Keepers”

The Israeli government has completely rejected President Obama’s call for a return to its 1967 borders.

“We stole all that Arab land fair and square,” Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu stated, “and we’re not going to give it back!”

SOURCE: *The Arad Post*

[<http://www.apost.com/servlet/Satellite?pagename=APost/APArticle/ShowFull&cid=1157853290625>]more

With A Slogan Like That, How Can They Possibly NOT Lose?

We used to be *aye*. Before that, we were *AYE*. Before that, for some reason that nobody can recall, we were *Zach’s Bitchin’ Science Experiment* (but, not, thankfully, for very long). Before that, we were *aYe*. Yes, we’ve had many identities since Torstartle decided that what Toronto badly needed was a free weekly (other than the various free weeklies that already existed at the time).

Behold, *The Matrixxx*.

Why, *The Matrixxx*? Because everything is one. Everything is connected. Everything is - okay, look, the triple X indicates that we're open to accepting porn ads. That's where the real money in this weekly free publication racket is!

But, this isn't just a rebranding of aye. Absolutely not! Because...because...the staff is completely different, for one thing. Except the ones who were with aye to the very end, which was pretty much everybody. So, uhh, at least you know where to find your favourite writers, okay?

Enter *The Matrixxx*, where major corporations rip off even bigger corporations!

SOURCE: *The Matrixxx*

[<http://www.thematrixxxto.com/introduction>]more

It's Just A Phasing In They're Going Through

The Conservative budget will have a provision to eliminate the public subsidy for political parties, which will be phased in by June 1, 2015. Of course, the next federal election won't be held before September, 2015.

"I know, right?" Finance Minister Jim Flaherty said with a twinkle in his eye.

SOURCE: *The Irrational*

[<http://www.mc.ca/stories/2011/05/25/dammitjimimaneconomistnotamiracleworker110525>]more

No Rae Of Sunshine Here

As the NDP's Premier of Ontario, Bob Rae presided over the collapse of the party in that province. Rae has now accepted interim leadership of the Liberal Party after its worst electoral defeat in its history. I'm sensing a pattern here.

If Rae really wants to defeat the Conservatives, maybe he should run for **their** leadership.

SOURCE: *Ottawa Stunned*

[<http://www.canoodle.com/NewsStand/OttawaStunned/News/2011/05/26/509727.html>]more

Hochul Springs Eternal

Democrat Kathy Hochul has beaten Republican Jane Corwin for the House seat in New York's 26th district. She becomes only the fourth Democrat to hold the seat in a century. That's 100 years, folks. That's a one with two zeroes after it.

How Republican has this district been in the past? Frank Fincher-Bottom, who held the seat in the 1900s, was a notorious drunkard who accidentally burned down the stables in which the horses used by the Fire Department were housed. He was reelected three times after that incident.

Purnelle Cobourg was so busy fathering children by an ever-changing roster of black help that he didn't appear for a vote in either his second or third terms. He was reelected four times after the local orphanage was overrun with his progeny!

In the 1960s, Edgar Rice Flambourroughs got in a car accident which left him in a coma from which he never recovered. He was only reelected two times after that.

The fact that a Democrat won the seat isn't a surprise. It's a minor freaking miracle!

SOURCE: *The Quick and the Detwiler*

[<http://quick&detwiler.blogspot.com/>]more

They've Got You Over An Oil Barrel

Excerpt from a speech Goldman Sachs CEO Lloyd Blankfein gave to the United States Chamber of Commerce:

Good evening, ladies and gentlemen (\$109.50 per barrel). I am honoured (\$109.60 per barrel) to be here (\$109.73 per barrel) to talk to you (\$109.81 per barrel) about the price of oil (\$109.97 per barrel) today. Some people (\$110.18 per barrel) would have you believe (\$110.27 per barrel) that rampant (\$110.54 per barrel) speculation (\$110.65 per barrel) is responsible for (\$110.79 per barrel) driving (\$110.97 per barrel) price fluctuations (\$111.03 per barrel) in the oil (\$111.19 per barrel) futures (\$111.28 per barrel) market (\$111.37 per barrel). This, of course (\$111.44 per barrel), is said (\$111.47 per barrel) to cause (\$111.50 per barrel) unnecessary (\$111.52 per barrel) price increases (\$111.54 per barrel) at the pumps (\$111.55 per barrel).

Nothing (\$111.54 per barrel) could (\$111.51 per barrel) be (\$111.42 per barrel) further (\$111.27 per barrel) from (\$111.03 per barrel) the (\$110.85 per barrel) truth (\$110.56 per barrel)! I'd like (\$110.42 per barrel) to explain (\$110.29 per barrel) why (\$110.05 per barrel).

SOURCE: *The Smoking Gut*

[<http://www.thesmokinggut.com/archive/108096382861023470563-7946374864826327230173072840-4cahs01.html>]more

The Revolutionary Will Not Be Immortalized

Bluesologist Gil Scott-Heron has died at the age of 62. Whenever he was referred to as the father of rap (which was often), Scott-Heron always demanded a paternity test.

SOURCE: *Obits 'R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

I'm Just A Soul Whose Intentions Aren't Good
Oh, Lord, Please Don't Let Me Be Understood

PAUL RYAN: I'm sick and tired of Democrats misrepresenting my plan to save Medicare!

PRESIDENT OBAMA: But, Paul, your plan calls for giving seniors annual vouchers.

RYAN: No it doesn't! It calls for giving seniors vouchers.

OBAMA: Right. And, they would use these vouchers not to buy medical services, but to buy medical insurance.

RYAN: Stop misrepresenting my plan! It clearly states that seniors will use the vouchers to buy medical insurance.

OBAMA: What's the difference between what you said and what I said?

RYAN: When you say it, it sounds ugly.

OBAMA: But, Paul, don't you see that what you're suggesting isn't Medicare?

RYAN: Sure, it is. It's Medicare if we call it Medicare.

OBAMA: It's not Medicare if it doesn't do what Medicare was set up to do.

RYAN: You really don't understand how government programmes evolve to suit changing circumstances, do you?

OBAMA: GAH!

SOURCE: *Weekends!*

[<http://www.nobc.com/Weekends/video/play.shtml?mea=227472>]more

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have so painstakingly filled out for us. Then, we weighted the probability that you would be interested in these articles against forms which showed what people with tastes similar to yours have liked reading in the past. Then, *The Daily Me* was free of Justin Bieber references for a whole wee - DAMMIT!

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Those Who Forge History Are Condemned To Repeat It

As the Arab Awakening has gained momentum across the Middle East, American conservatives have stopped complaining that it means Muslims are about to take over the world (well, the closer to sane ones, anyway) and started crowing that it was a vindication of President George W. Bush's "Freedom Agenda" for the Middle East. Sure. Because all of the Presidents before him talked openly about their "Support Brutal Dictators Agenda" for the region.

The problem with this idea? History. As soon as Bush's commitment to democratic principles was tested - with the election of Hamas in the Gaza Strip - he abandoned it with great haste. After that, you could say he had an "Understated Support for the Bastards Who Are Our Bastards Agenda."

Ah, history. So attractive. So destructive to fictional right wing narratives!

SOURCE: *The Postington Wash*

[<http://www.postingtonwash.com/wp-dyn/articles/A49881-2011Feb25.html>]more

Arcades Are So Eighties! They Should Be Called PDA Fire!

Arcade Fire manager Scott Rodger has written a rebuttal to those who whined that the group should not have won the Best Album Grammy for *The Suburbs* and posted it to the band's Web site. It reads, in part: "Sure, the album may only have sold three copies. However, each of those people wept tears of joy when they heard it. Playing *The Suburbs* was like hearing a host of heavenly angels sing praises for existence; suddenly, a calm descended over the listener and the universe made sense. Not many people may have listened to Arcade Fire, but those who did started their own religion.

"And, isn't that what the Best Album Grammy category should aspire to?

"Besides, David Bowie once threw up on the band's gear backstage at a concert. What higher praise could a legendary artist give?"

SOURCE: *LotsMusic*

[<http://www.lotsmusic.com/news/?thedata=2/22/2011#1>]more

The Bag Of Crazy Makes Strange Bedfellows

INT. PSYCHIATRIST'S WAITING ROOM - DAY

Two men impatiently sit in chairs, pretending to care about magazines. Eventually, one turns to the other.

MOAMMAR: I am completely in control of my country! And, if I'm not, I will be happy to make martyrs of my people to regain control of my country. But, do I get any thanks? People say I'm crazy just because I like to wear underwear with little Tinky Winkys on it and sleep with a life-sized marble statue of Madonna. And, they think I'm insane? I could tell you stories about the Saudi royal family that would make your hair stand on end, pick up arms and march against the infidels! I would like to see somebody, anybody, try to run my country without me! It would be civil war, but without Han Solo!

The other man turns to him.

CHARLIE: Yeah? Congratulations. I am completely in control of myself! Chuck Lorre - now, there's a piece of work. He should be called Jewie Jewerstein because, that's his name. And, even if it isn't his name, it should be! Lorre - he should have stuck to playing second fiddle in those 1950s horror flicks! Instead, he makes it difficult for the \$5 billion franchise to do his job. Let's see CBS try to make *Two and a Half Men* without me. It would be worse than *Mad Love*! Oh, yeah! I went there! And, what's this shit about AA? You know their success rate is only five per cent? Well, my success rate is 100 per cent! I've quit the booze and the hookers every time I tried!

Pause.

MOAMMAR: What is your name, young one?

CHARLIE: Charlie. Sheen.

MOAMMAR: I am Moammar Khadaffi.

CHARLIE: Yeah. I kinda figured who you were.

MOAMMAR: Do not mock me. I think this could be the start of a beautiful friendship...

SOURCE: *Weekends!*

[<http://www.nobc.com/Weekends/video/play.shtml?mea=227465>]more

The Horror! The Horror!

Fridge. Friday. 9pm. Fox. Walter has a hissy fit when he finds cheese at the back of the fridge that has green mold on it that he cannot use in his experiments in marginal refrigeration science. Peter and Olivia are forced to take time off from a case involving an apparently murderous Amana to convince him that Walternate wasn't behind the rogue cheddar.

SOURCE: *Ukrainian TV Guide*

[<http://www.tvguide.ua/listings/index.asp?referrerID=0&returnurl=%2Flistings%2Findex%2Easp%3F®Mode=0>]more

Do These Politics Make My Ass Look Fat?

Okay, look. There's no way around it – Michelle Obama is a blimp. Put a gondola on her and you have an inexpensive means of air travel! Seriously, she's – what? – four – five hundred pounds easy. There's no way around HER! Why doesn't she look it? Let me tell you something. Makeup and camera angles, mostly. Makeup and camera angles - they can be very slimming for a woman. Especially a Democrat woman. So, for her to be lecturing children on obesity is like me lecturing children to stay away from drugs!

SOURCE: *Rush Limburger Home Page*

[http://www.rushlimburger.com/home/daily/site_065703/content/truth_distorter.hostile_enemy.html]more

Q: If The Deal Is So Great, Why Hide It From Canadians?

A: If Canadians Knew How Great The Deal Was, They Would Die From Orgasms Of Joy, And That Would Put A Dent In The Country's Productivity

“This declaration is not about sovereignty.”

- Prime Minister Stephen Harper on Canada's security perimeter talks with the United States

“This border agreement does raise some very significant issues on sovereignty, on privacy, on the form of collaboration between both sides. Sharing information is very important to being able to make this agreement work.”

- former Conservative finance minister and retired diplomat Michael Wilson on the same agreement

SOURCE: *Canada: Still A Country?*

[<http://www.irritationnation.ca/whattolookat.asp?ID=271170284-4/>]more

Al The Qeada In The World Won't Help You Now!

The best part of the Arab Awakening is watching Al Qaeda running around the margins of the popular protests, shouting: “Ooh! Ooh! Pick me! Pick me! I wanna be on your team! Can I be on your team? Oh, please, please, please, please, please! I’ll be your best fiend forever! Seriously! I’ve been playing this game for decades - I’m really good at it! Well, the blowing stuff up part, anyway. The governing part, maybe not so much. But, if you let me be on your team, I can learn! I will lea - hey! I’m over here! Are you listening? ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME? Darn it all.”

SOURCE: *The Arad Post*

[<http://www.apost.com/servlet/Satellite?pagename=APost/APArticle/ShowFull&cid=1088856491575>]more

The Daily Me – Natasha Habadasha

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The Person of the Year Award is a great scam - why didn't we think of it years ago?

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

The Suburbs Will Never Be The Same

Craigslist has quietly pulled lawnmower sales ads after months of pressure from Ottawa and the provincial government.

“The main concern we had was that children or the vulnerable would be forced to mow the lawn,” explained Ontario Attorney General Chris Bentley. He added that the request to Craigslist was simply to do in Canada what the online ad service had agreed to do in the United States at the beginning of the year.

What Bentley didn't say, of course, was that lawn mowing is illegal in the United States, but not in Canada.

We wanted to ask somebody who had bought a lawn mower from Craigslist how they felt about the move, but, oddly enough, we couldn't find anybody willing to talk to us about it.

SOURCE: *Geekly News & World Report*

[<http://www.geeklynews.com/geeklynews/issue/101001/geeklynews/01heckalinda.htm>]more

If You Weren't Thankful I'm Not Noah Webster Before....

To Saddamize (verb): to support a person or government until they are no longer of use to you, at which point you start treating them as an enemy. EXAMPLE: "Hajji Juma Khan is on trial in New York; the government claims that he was one of the biggest drug lords in Afghanistan. That's harsh, man. Until he was arrested, wasn't he paid by the CIA and the American Army for years for information on the Taliban? The dude's been done Saddamized!" Syn.: The Mujahideen Shuffle.

SOURCE: *Michelle's Obscure Pedantry Page*

[<http://www.MichellesOPP.ca/blogger.html>]more

China's Modern Police Force - Pablo Picasso Models Need Not Apply

China's Xindu province, hoping to counter the reputation of its chengguan - enforcers of urban order - as out of control thugs, has hired 13 women. The requirements? They had to be between the ages of 18 and 22 with a good figure and "the five facial features in proper order."

And, a good thing that the chengguan were so specific! Nobody respects an urban order officer whose nose is in the middle of her forehead, or whose eyes lie under each ear!

SOURCE: Deadline News Network

[<http://www.dnn.com/2010/ALLPOLITICS/12/19/rebs.main/index.html>]more

Judge Not Lest Ye Be...Umm...Lest...Lest Ye...Oh, What The Hell, Judge Away!

Hudson on the Moscow

Federal Judge Henry Hudson
Put his stomping boots on
Glanced at the Constitution
And ruled health care reform down

His stake in Campaign Solutions

Which lobbied against reform with nonsensical pollution
Of the debate reeks of prostitution
It should start a revolution

But judicial abuse
Is a snooze
Recuse
Is a word judges refuse
To use
So poor Americans who cannot afford health insurance lose

SOURCE: *Poetry, Cornered*

[<http://www.cibc.com/ca/personal/poetrycorner/556.html>]more

It's Always The Quiet Ones

Elizabeth Edwards has succumbed to cancer at the age of 61. There was a massive disturbance in The Force.

SOURCE: *Obits 'R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

Freedom Of The Press Belongs To Governments That Own Them

The New York Times is wanted for questioning in relation to two alleged sexual assaults in Sweden. In England for a vacation, the newspaper of record, out on bail for its part in the publication of state secrets, is fighting Swedish extradition.

Supporters of WikiLeaks claim that the newspaper is being persecuted for making classified documents public; since the United States government cannot act upon the *Times* directly, it has asked for friendly governments to step in. Swedish officials insist that the inquiry is legitimate and not a vendetta against the *New York Times* for its part in the WikiLeaks scandal.

SOURCE: *Daily Semaphore*

[http://www.opinion.semaphore.co.uk/opinion/main.jhtml;sessionId=N5UF23LWOLFFPQFIQMFSM5WAVCBQ0JVC?nextPage=/DUereDE/wXeR.WZvwF?7wF~/DUereDE/s119/Os/14/JD141O.7wF!2qZiiv~/DUeReDR/s119/Os/14/e7DUeReDR.ZvwF!2iG3gimmYgi2Z~vg3i&resize=null&_requestid=21214]more

And, Then Explain To Us How They Did It

“We encourage Canadians to manage their affairs soundly.”

- Prime Minister Stephen Harper

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>]more

Town Councilor Takes Brave Stand Against Arson

Caledon town councilor Gord McClure has apologized for referring to acts of arson as “Jewish lightning.” McClure claimed his remarks were “unintentional” (his brain hadn’t meant to say it, but his mouth was feeling spontaneous and free that day) and that “My comments were not meant in a mean or racially negative way” (because intentionally burning down buildings is a nice, positive behaviour for a group to be associated with).

I had never heard the term “Jewish lightning” before, and, frankly, I’m still trying to understand it. Would a Jewish lightning bug be a person who sets fires, then kvetches about how much trouble it was, I mean, it was so cold that night, and the wind kept blowing the lighter out and I got gasoline all over my shoes, and I just bought them, and I think somebody saw me and that can’t be good because I wouldn’t last five minutes in prison - what made me think this was a good idea? - maybe if my mother hadn’t pushed me so hard to succeed...

Why single out Jews? Could white lightning be arson made at the behest of rich WASPs? Or, is it arson started with moonshine? Is the Who song “They Call Me Lightning” about an arsonist? Was the blues great Lightnin’ Hopkins an arsonist? Wouldn’t he have been too busy being blues great Lightnin’ Hopkins?

Frankly, the apology raises more questions than it answers.

SOURCE: *Karl’s Big Red Web Page of Unreconstructed Marxism*

[<http://www.bigred.commie/articles/118^.htm>]more

Expect A Court

Under pressure from groups concerned about Net neutrality, the Federal Communications Commission has passed rules governing traffic on the Internet. Critics of the rules claim that they

have

too

many

loopholes

that

will

disadvantage

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users.

“Nonsense,” claimed FCC Chair Chairman Julius Genachowski. “There were no rules before the FCC...ruled. This is a set of...yes, rules, that will allow everybody to access all content on the Internet equally.”

However, the rules contain some giant

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SOURCE: *Geekly News & World Report*

[<http://www.geeklynews.com/geeklynews/issue/101001/geeklynews/01hellalinda.htm>]
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The Daily Me – Charmaine Lowe-Rezz

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Forget Tragedy - We're Going Straight To Farce

The Allies have made the embarrassing admission that the Nazi commander they were courting with cash and free transportation, was probably an imposter rather than a possible partner in peace talks.

“We were sure we were talking to Josef Goebbels,” Prime Minister Winston Churchill growled. “Oops. Don’t let it get you down, though - we’re going to win the war and all that harrumph harrumph mumble mumble!”

SOURCE: *Alternate Reality News Service*

[<http://www.arns.com/sinbin?id=15322641375941317687fx>]more

Has Bright Future Ahead In Airport Security

“Former teacher found guilty of ‘mauling’ three students”
- Toronto Star

SOURCE: *Billy-Bob’s International House O’ Headlines*

[<http://www.com/lol.pdqfc.wwygw.wyswyg/fid=1353534998>]more

Government Strahls Recall Legislation

Federal Transport Minister Chuck “Steak” Strahl said the government will not introduce legislation that will force automakers to recall defective vehicles. “If we mandate recalls,” he explained, “aliens could attack our major metropolitan areas with death rays and nobody would be able to escape because their vehicles had been recalled and, if humanity ever regained control of the planet, we would be put on trial for being enemies of the human race, and that would really hurt our chances of getting reelected.”

Opposition parties responded that this scenario seemed highly implausible. Science fiction fans, on the other hand, nodded appreciatively and muttered to themselves that they could sooooo see this happening.

SOURCE: *The Irrational*

[[http://www.mc.ca/stories/2010/11/23/\[more\]101123](http://www.mc.ca/stories/2010/11/23/[more]101123)]more

Next Episode: She’ll Jump Out Of A Helicopter, Wrestle A Bear To The Ground And Take Its Still Beating Heart Out Of Its Chest With Nothing But Her Bare Hands And A Cheese Grater

6am. Fox. *Fox and Fiends*. Will Sarah Palin run for the Presidency in 2012? She says that she hasn’t decided, and tells viewers to ignore the “Palin for President 2012 World (Except for the Parts Outside The Good Old US of A) Tour” t-shirt that she is wearing. To be fair, it does say, “Being coy to sell more copies of my new book” on the back.

9pm. TLC. *Sarah Palin’s Alaska*. To halt a precipitous slide in ratings after the first episode, Sarah does increasingly outrageous things. TONIGHT: Sarah gets a little tipsy and offers to arm wrestle Levi Johnson topless.

SOURCE: *Ukrainian TV Guide*

[<http://www.tvguide.ua/listings/index.asp?referrerID=0&returnurl=%2Flistings%2Findex%2Easp%3F®Mode=0>]more

I've Got Dibs On Albert's Desk!

To eat the cookie (verb phrase): to embarrass yourself so badly in public that your employer cannot allow you to keep your job. Originally referred to Alberta Health Services President and CEO Stephen Duckett, who brushed off questions from reporters about the province's health care system by waving a cookie at them and saying he was too busy to answer them because he was eating it. EXAMPLE: Did you see Albert in accounting give the CEO the finger at the AGM? He sure ate the cookie on that one - I bet he's out by the end of the week!

SOURCE: *Michelle's Obscure Pedantry Page*

[<http://www.MichellesOPP.ca/blogger.html>]more

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20 to life) Former House majority leader Tom Delay has been convicted of illegally funneling corporate money to Texas candidates in 2002. He faces five years to life in prison for money laundering and two to 20 years for conspiracy. What would be the best headline on this story?

- a) The Hammer Comes Down
- b) American Justice Brooks No Delay
- c) It's A Start

SOURCE: *Les Pages aux Folles*

[<http://www.lespagesauxfolles.ca>]more

Don't Ask How Douglas Adams Knew - The Man Was A Genius

The Conservative government has recently denied two United Arab Emirates airlines new Canadian landing rights and blocked the hostile takeover of Potash Corporation by Australia's BHP Bilton. Are they really dedicated to free trade, or are they making up trade policy as they go along?

As a matter of fact, the Tories do have a method for deciding such matters. It is a formula that looks like this:

$$\frac{A + 1,000B \times Mc}{C}$$

A = jobs lost in ridings that do not have a Conservative MP

B = jobs lost in ridings that have a Conservative MP

Mc = Mulroney's constituent = negative publicity in Canada for allowing the deal to go through (on a scale of 1 to 100) / negative publicity outside Canada for allowing the deal to fail (on a scale of 1 to 10)

C = the dollar amount of the deal / 1,000,000

If the sum is greater than 42, the Conservatives block the deal. If the sum is less than 42, the Conservatives allow the deal to go through.

You can't say the Conservatives don't have a plan. It may be insane. But, it is a plan.

SOURCE: *Politics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/home.asp?did=707&dir=bb>]more

The Flight Will Be Fully...Covered?...On Naked News

American Airlines has announced its first nudist flight. Passengers will check in in their underwear, then take that off while waiting to go through security.

"They don't actually have to be going to a nudist colony, nudist beach or nudist Filipino restaurant," said airline spokesperson Phyllida Phylum. "They just have to be sick to death of invasive security techniques and willing to have a little bit of fun."

Comfort with one's body is strongly advised, Phylum added, but not required.

SOURCE: *USA Whenever*

[http://www.usawhenever.com/news/national/2010-11-25-flight-from-sanity_x.htm]more

What Are The Odds They Want The Word "Suck," Too?

After successfully trademarking the word "face," Facebook is now in negotiations with Warner/EMI to use its property, "the music," in the company's advertising. It is also rumoured to be interested in acquiring the phrase "in your," which is currently owned by the estate of Serenity Teasdale and her little pet alligator Missy Fluffkins. As if that wasn't enough, analysts believe it is only a matter of time before Facebook asks Seiko for permission to use of the word "time."

Facebook was, of course, unsuccessful in its bid to trademark the word "to," which would have given the company exclusive world rights to use a common phrase in its promotional material, but etymological legal experts believe that this is a minor setback.

SOURCE: *Geekly News & World Report*

[<http://www.geeklynews.com/geeklynews/issue/101031/geeklynews/01mollflindas.htm>]
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The Daily Me – Googles McAfee

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Somewhere, A Tear Of Joy Falls From Joseph Stalin's Eye

Omar Khadr's Experience with the American Justice System

- ✓ arrested as a 15 year-old on a battlefield
 - ✓ denied child soldier status by being calling an "enemy combatant," ✓ term not recognized by international law, and a "terrorist," a term not usually applied to soldiers captured on a battlefield in wartime
 - ✓ denied the right to an attorney
 - ✓ denied the right to *habeus corpus*
 - ✓ denied a trial in a civilian court
 - ✓ had the date of his trial in a military court repeatedly moved back
 - ✓ had evidence that he did not throw the bomb that he is alleged to have killed an American soldier with ignored by military and civilian authorities
 - ✓ held for eight years in a prison in which he was tortured
 - ✓ the American government claims a confession from him was not coerced
- YOU ARE HERE: the American government holds a sentencing hearing in which he is vilified by members of the dead man's family and paid expert witnesses
- ❑ listen as the right gloats that justice has been served

SOURCE: *Politics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/home.asp?did=702&dir=bb>]more

Clear As The Mud On Your Reputation

Sir John Sawers, head of Britain's MI6 spy agency, gave a speech in which he said, "Secrecy is not [REDACTED FOR REASONS OF NATIONAL SECURITY]. Secrecy is not there as a [REDACTED FOR REASONS OF NATIONAL SECURITY]. Secrecy plays a crucial role in keeping Britain [REDACTED FOR REASONS OF NATIONAL SECURITY]. If our [REDACTED FOR REASONS OF NATIONAL SECURITY] become public, [REDACTED FOR REASONS OF NATIONAL SECURITY] won't work."

Sawers added that he hoped this would clear up any misconceptions the public had about his institution.

SOURCE: *Daily Semaphore*

[http://www.opinion.semaphore.co.uk/opinion/main.jhtml;sessionid=M5UF23LWOLFFPQFIQMFSM5WAVCBQ0JVC?nextPage=/DUereDE/wXeR.WZvwF?7wF~/DUereDE/s119/Os/14/JD141O.7wF!2qZiiv~/DUeReDR/s119/Os/14/e7DUeReDR.ZvwF!2iG3gimm ygi2Z~vg3i&resize=null&_requestid=21213]more

Somebody Needs To Rethink The Name Of Their Corporation!

I got an email with the subject line "A Note from Jigsaw." I thought it might be evidence that I was being stalked by the main character from the Saw movies, but it turns out it was spam from a company called Jigsaw. Darn my luck!

SOURCE: *Bill's Bitter Pills*

[<http://bill.geekgoons.com/>]more

The Crowd Was Very Respectful After That

At a speaking engagement in Toronto, former US Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice was asked by a member of the audience, "How does it feel to be a war criminal?" Rice angrily snapped her fingers and security led the questioner out the door. She has since disappeared, although she is suspected of being held in a secret American prison in Afghanistan.

"It feels pretty good," Rice then responded to the laughter of the crowd. "Really good, actually."

SOURCE: *Toronto Stunned*

[<http://www.canoodle.com/NewsStand/TorontoStunned/News/2010/10/22/209823.html>]more

Q: What Do The Provincial Premiers Call It?

A: Hush Your Mouth - This Is A Family Publication!

Q: The federal government has decided to build new prisons to house the increased number of felons it plans to create - err, jail. Finance Minister Jim Flaherty has budgeted \$2 billion for the project. He has told the provinces that he expects them to cough up the remainder of the \$10 billion or so the prisons will likely cost. What does he call this?

A: Federal-provincial cooperation.

SOURCE: *Ottawa Stunned*

[<http://www.canoodle.com/NewsStand/OttawaStunned/News/2010/10/18/539726.html>]more

Canadians Unexpectedly Cool To Our Priorities

EIGHT CONVERSATIONS WE WANT CANADIANS TO HAVE

LAST WEEK: How can boys possibly grow up to take their rightful place as captains of industry and leaders of society if they don't do as well in school as...*girls*? What is wrong with our education system?

THIS WEEK: The F35 is a shiny, shiny object that the Canadian people should be proud to own. And, yet, they aren't. Clearly, Canadians are not falling in line with the Conservative shift away from peacekeeping towards a more muscular military policy. What is wrong with us?

NEXT WEEK: There is a tactile sensuality to paper that you just don't get with online publications. Yet, Canadians are abandoning newspapers for a variety of forms of electronic information. WHAT IS WRONG WITH YOU?

SOURCE: *Glob and Maul*

[http://www.globandmaul.com/servlet/story/RTGAM.20090102.eladvote0102_@/BNStory/specialOurAgenda2010/]more

So Much For The 12 Octopus Head A Day Diet!

The city of Seoul, South Korea, has advised against eating more than two octopus heads a day, announcing that they contain hazardous amounts of a known carcinogen. Well, that's what they say, anyway. Some people have suggested that the real reason they want to slow the cephalopod slaughter is that they hope to find the next Paul the soccer winner picking octopus.

SOURCE: *The Schwartz Sports Report*

[<http://www.schwartzsportsreport.com/ssr-news.shtml#53238727644>]more

Never Attribute To An “Enthusiasm Gap” What Can Be Explained By Voter Suppression

The Wisdom of the Beltway

BEFORE ELECTION: Claim that the Democrats will lose because of an “enthusiasm gap.”

DURING ELECTION: Turn a blind eye to Republican operatives intimidating minority voters, suppressing votes that likely would have gone to Democrats.

AFTER ELECTION: Claim that the Democrats lost because of an “enthusiasm gap.”

SOURCE: *Politics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/home.asp?did=701&dir=bb>]more

I’m Deeply Offended By You...Uhh, You Saying - Umm - Sorry, What Did You Just Say Again?

Making fun of World Alzheimer’s Day would be too easy. Forget I mentioned it.

SOURCE: *Les Pages aux Folles*

[<http://www.lespagesauxfolles.ca>]more

Some Things Just Explain Themselves

“The Rob Ford paradox”

- *Globe and Mail*

“Why we’re losing the fight against bullying”

- headline on the article below

SOURCE: *Billy-Bob’s International House O’ Headlines*

[<http://www.com/lol.pdqfc.wywyg.wyswyg/fid=1376533038>]more

If McAdams Hopes to Win He Should Probably Renounce His Connection To Dilbert

It’s the latest gotcha question in American politics: “If Santa Claus ran for President in 2012, would you support him?” It was asked most recently in an Alaskan senate race candidates debate, where Democrat Scott McAdams replied: “More than Sarah Palin!”

Teapublican candidate Joe Miller snorted. "Santa Claus," he claimed, "was the original wealth redistributor. There is no mention of him in the Constitution. And, he is an illegal immigrant, taking jobs from American pseudo-religious figures. Not only would I not vote for him, but I would consider using my second amendment rights to oppose him!"

All across America, a shudder ran down the spines of four year-olds.

SOURCE: *USA Whenever*

[http://www.usawhenever.com/news/newyork/2010-10-25-grate-scott_x.htm]more

The Daily Me – Froufrou Le Jyp

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Yeah, we know, we really suck at telling Halloween stories.

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Of Course, As Freud Once Said, Sometimes A BB Gun Is Just A BB Gun

What does the fact that the Republicans and their supporting groups have outspent Democrats and their supporters seven to one on advertising in the current midterm elections mean? Let me propose some metaphors for the situation:

Democrats are the 98 pound weaklings on the beach. Republicans are the buff bullies who kick sand in their face and walk away with the girl.

Democrats have BB guns. Republicans have stealth bombers. This will get ugly.

Democrats are Paul Reubens. Republicans are Paul Newman. Any Oscar handicappers out there?

Democrats are David. Republicans are Goliath. Don't expect a repeat upset.

Democrats are warmed over soda. Republicans are chilled champagne. How thirsty are you?

Use whichever metaphor resonates with you the most.

SOURCE: *Big Alex' Domesday Countdown Page*

[<http://www.allaboutalex.wha/Domesday/new>]more

Persuaded? Possibly. Sweet Talked? As A Last Resort. Twisted Arms? With Pleasure.

The idea behind Don't Ask, Don't Tell was that as long as soldiers did not reveal their homosexuality to the military, the military could not question them about it. The fact that over 13,000 men and women have been discharged for their sexual orientation since the policy was put into place in 1993 suggests that the army has not kept up its end of the bargain.

Nonsense, responded Defense Secretary Robert Gates: "We did not ask anybody in the armed services about their sexual orientation. Coaxed? Yes. Cajoled? Certainly. Wheedled? Once in a while. Inveigled? When we had to. Inquired? Whenever we could. Investigated? Absolutely. Outright demanded? To be sure. But, we never asked."

SOURCE: *The Postington Wash*

[<http://www.postingtonwash.com/wp-dyn/articles/A49881-2008Oct13.html>]more

The True North, Strong And Friesen

Welcome home, Dawna Friesen.

The first week of your tenure as anchor of *Global National*, we'd like you to talk about your family. You know, to personalize you. Then, we'll follow that up with a series of empty interviews with "average" Canadians across the country. You know, to personalize you some more. We understand that it's not journalism as you're used to practicing it, but you're a news anchor, and you're a girl, so things are different now. In future, perhaps we'll ask you to do a series on make-up tips for women in war zones or how to follow a reticent politician running away from you while wearing heels. Oh, and, if you haven't increased viewership by 43.278 per cent within six months, we'll can your ass and replace you with a male anchor.

Welcome home, Dawna Friesen. Are you starting to wonder why you ever came back?

SOURCE: *Entertainment Right Now, Canada!*

[http://www.canada.com/globulltv/globullshows/ern_canada.html]more

Satirus Interruptus

I was working on a piece about Tea Party candidates running away from their positions. It would have been very funny, with a chart listing the candidate's name, what the candidate said during the Republican primary to become the candidate and what the candidate's campaign machine has been saying since he or she became the official Republican candidate.

The problem is that the [EXPLETIVE DELETED]s haven't changed! They aren't toning it down for the general populace - they're just as batshit crazy as they ever were!

Nevada RepubliTea Party candidate Sharron Angle, responding to a question about a campaign ad that portrayed Latinos as scary gang members, told a group of Latino schoolchildren, "So that's what we want is a secure and sovereign nation and, you know, I don't know that all of you are Latino. Some of you look a little more Asian to me... I've been called the first Asian legislator in our Nevada State Assembly." The handlers who let Angle speak at this school must have thought she would be safe among teenagers. They're obviously going to have to rethink **that** campaign tactic.

I'm sorry, but I can't keep up with the crazy.

Alaska RepubliTea Party candidate Joe Miller stated: "We have the capacity to, as a great nation, obviously to secure our border. If East Germany could, we could." Sure, you could. All it would take? A very, very big wall, land mines, razor wire, machine gun towers and border guards willing to shoot to kill. And, Miller showed that he meant business: after the town hall meeting where he made that statement, his private security team handcuffed and arrested a reporter who was asking him questions he didn't want to answer. Now, all he has to do is declare himself the best candidate for the position of Vice President on the Republican ticket, and his future is success is guaranteed. Would **you** try to dissuade him when his bodyguards were around?

So, my clever chart is toast. Honestly, how can I make fun of RepubliTea Party candidates when they don't appear willing or able to tone down the crazy?

SOURCE: *Les Pages aux Folles*

[<http://www.lespagesauxfolles.ca>]more

He Does Have A Law And Order Agenda - No, Wait, That's A Different Show

The federal government has quietly begun an investigation into the Canadian construction industry's rumoured ties to organized crime. Prime Minister Stephen Harper has bought the complete boxed set of the *Sopranos*.

SOURCE: *Glob and Maul*

[http://www.globandmaul.com/servlet/story/RTGAM.20101012.eladvote1012_@/BNStory/newsAllMobbedUp&NowhereToGo2010/]more

The Daily Me – Gary Oldman Sachs

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

That And: When Is He Going Into Rehab For His Addiction?

Today is the 30th anniversary of the birth of Pac-Man, and the question on everybody's lips is: when is he going to make an honest woman out of Ms. Pac-Man?

"Let's be honest: Myron would rather pop pills and chase ghosts than settle down and have a family," Pac-Mom, Pac-Man's mother, told us in an exclusive interview. "But, really, he's not as young as he used to be. By the time Byron - Myron's father - may he rest in peace - was 30, we had already been married for 25 years and had 12 children. Really, it's time that Myron settled down!"

SOURCE: *Gamer Bois Mag*

[http://boiswillbe.com#ipo_article=149]more

Mising Inaction

Sunday. 11am. NBC. *Run Away from the Press*. Kentucky Republican Senate candidate Rand Paul decides not to appear on NBC's venerated political chat show for fear that his libertarian views may be construed by the host and understood by the audience.

SOURCE: *Ukrainian TV Guide*

[<http://www.tvguide.ua/listings/index.asp?referrerID=0&returnurl=%2Flistings%2Findex%2Easp%3F®Mode=0>]more

Other Than Being Braver, Funnier And Prettier Than I Am, It's Like She And I Are Two Peas In A Pod!

In the forward to *The Bedwetter*, Sarah Silverman says that she would be happy if people read her new book in the bathroom. The review of one of my books, *Alternate Reality Ain't What It Used To Be*, ends with the suggestion that it is best read in the bathroom. I have never felt so close to Silverman.

Okay, that suggestion is not called for. I **have** gotten help, thank you very much.

SOURCE: *Les Pages aux Folles*

[<http://www.lespagesauxfolles.ca>]more

Should Condition Persist, Consult Your Dentist Or Favourite Political Pundit

Gingritchivitis (noun): a medical condition wherein a politician says something utterly ridiculously reprehensible as though it were the most reasonable thing in the world.
EXAMPLE: "He wrote that the Obama Administration 'represents as great a threat to America as Nazi Germany or the Soviet Union?' I suppose I shouldn't be surprised that Newt suffers from Gingritchivitis!"

SOURCE: *Michelle's Obscure Pedantry Page*

[<http://www.MichellesOPP.ca/blogger.html>]more

One Instance In Which The Withdrawal Method Could Actually Work

Rima Fakhri, this... Arab-American princess - well, she just won the Miss USA beauty pageant. Big deal, right? WRONG! Wrong, wrong, wrong, wrong, wrong! I mean, yes, of course it is a big deal - I wouldn't be talking about it if it wasn't - I'm disagreeing with the irony with which the sentiment 'big deal' is usually expressed, not the actual sentiment itself. I mean - ...See, here's the thing... for the coming year, America's young men are going to be masturbating over images of an Arab woman. Masturbating. While looking at pictures of an Arab woman. Just, just, just think about this for a moment, okay? No, don't think about it like that! Think about it like this: when they're old enough to be drafted, are they going to be as willing to kill Arabs? Of course not! First, we have an Arab beauty queen - next thing you know, we're pulling out of Iraq!

SOURCE: *Rush Limburger Home Page*

[http://www.rushlimburger.com/home/daily/site_062904/content/truth_distorter.hostile_enemy.html][more](#)

Will That Be Laser Canon?

The idea that a comedy could be set in the *Star Wars* universe is funnier than anything LucasFilm is likely to actually produce.

SOURCE: *Entertainment Right Now*

[<http://www.entertainmentrightnow.com/mini/smug2010/2010/04/23/theempirestrikesout/>][more](#)

Man Plans, God Checks The Latest Ratings

INT. OFFICE - DAY

We are in the lavish office of a Comedy Central executive. Logos and character photos dominate the walls. BIF BERKHARDT (25, preppy) sits behind a large desk on which sits a computer and lots of toys. DONNA GLENN (40ish, dowdy) sits opposite.

BIF: Okay, Donna. You say you've got a great idea for a new show on Comedy Central. Let's hear it.

DONNA: I'm all for a movie or cartoon about Jesus, but make it real.

BIF: Real. Okay. Gotcha. You wanna make it real.

DONNA: I would like to recommend to Comedy Central to spend its time researching and studying the Bible.

BIF: Umm...well...I haven't read it in a while, but I'm sure research will confirm that there's not a lot of yuks in the Bible...

DONNA: After the research, then I recommend it spend its money telling the real story of Jesus in a cartoon.

BIF: Okay. Let me stop you right there. You've been pitching for 30 seconds, and I'm not laughing. You see the problem here?

DONNA: Comedy Central should rise above the rest and portray the real life and teachings of Jesus.

BIF: Yeah. Jesus. Listen, don't get me wrong - the Sermon on the Mount was a great speech and all, but not exactly a barrel of laughs. When was the last time you were at a

comedy club? Ever? I guarantee you that Jesus would not have lasted 30 seconds on the stage on open mic night!

DONNA: Just think, Comedy Central could be known for leading lost people to Jesus.

BIF: You know, Comedy Central is already known for seven year-olds who swear like sailors and dick jokes. And, I'm okay with that.

DONNA: So...you're not interested in producing *Jesus, The Saviour*?

BIF: Sorry. Not our demographic. Or, for that matter, the network's mandate.

DONNA: You know you're going to burn in hell for this?

BIF: Lady, I'm a television executive. It comes with the job!

SOURCE: *Weekends!*

[<http://www.nobc.com/Weekends/video/play.shtml?mea=227349>]more

Chill, Baby, Chill

According to almost full term Alaska Governor Sarah Palin, Barack Obama has led a lax response to the Gulf of Mexico spill because he is too close to big oil companies such as British Petroleum.

The Absurd Ironyometer had a brain haemorrhage and had to be rushed to hospital. After an eleven hour operation, it was reported to be in stable condition. Doctors are hopeful that it will make a full recovery, although there is a good chance that it will never play the piano again.

A deluge of ancient jokes followed.

SOURCE: *Big Alex' Domesday Countdown Page*

[<http://www.allaboutalex.wha/Domesday/new>]more

The Daily Me – Toyonoshima

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Enjoy,

The Daily Me Staff

Baaa-glug! Baaa-glug! Glug glug glug!

A 30 year dispute between India and Bangladesh over ownership of a small rock in the Bay of Bengal called New Moore Island has ended. Rising ocean levels have submerged the rock island under water, making the dispute moot.

“This could be a blueprint for resolving ownership of a wide varieties of territories,” excitedly stated Falkland Islands Governor Howard Pearce. “If England and Argentina don’t come to a peaceful agreement, we just wait until the island is completely submerged and there will be nothing left to fight over!”

When it was pointed out to Pearce that being under water might make it hard to graze sheep, he responded, “Not to worry: we’re already researching ways to put snorkels on them!”

SOURCE: *Daily Semaphore*

[http://www.opinion.semaphore.co.uk/opinion/main.jhtml;sessionid=M5UF23LWOLFFPM5WAVCBQ0JVC?nextPage=/DUereDE/wXeR.WZvwF?7wF~/DUereisawelbaDE/s119/Os/14/JD141O.7wF!2qZiiv~/DUeReDR/s119/Os/14/e7DUeReDR.ZvwF!2iG3gimmygi2Z~vg3i&resize=null&_requestid=21573]more

Debate Involving More Than One Point Of View Is So 1776

Ottawa professor Paul Saurette and columnist Margaret Wente debate Ann Coulter’s right to free speech in the wake of the cancellation of her talk at the University of Ottawa.

SAURETTE: Coulter should have been allowed to speak.

WENTE: Coulter should have damn well been allowed to speak!

PAUSE.

SAURETTE: So...uhh...wanna grab a drink?

WENTE: It’s 10 in the morning.

SAURETTE: It doesn’t have to be that kind of a drink.

WENTE: You buying?

SAURETTE: Okay.

WENTE: Sure.

SOURCE: *Glob and Maul*

[http://www.globandmaul.com/servlet/story/RTGAM.20100326.eladvote0326_@/BNStory/specialCoulteraastrophe2010/]more

The Coal, Oil And Nuclear Industries Thank You

January 1 to December 31. Anti-Earth 8759 Hours. Essentially, all of the hours in the year that are not Earth Hour. This is a time devoted specifically to not thinking about the choices that you make that help speed environmental destruction. Feel free to desecrate the planet in any way that fits your lifestyle during this time.

SOURCE: *The Non-existent Pages*

[<http://www.utopia.tv/erewhon/index.html>]more

When The Republican Party's Fantasy Machine Finally Catches Up With It

One term Republican Senator Scott Brown has conceded defeat in his bid to keep his Massachusetts seat. "I congratulate Rachel Maddow," he said in his concession speech. "She ran a strong campaign."

"WHAT CAMPAIGN?" Maddow responded on her MSNBC television show. "I was never approached by the Democratic Party to run. Not once. Ever. I never asked to run and I never agreed to run. I have said that I wasn't running 237 times on this very show. You don't believe me? We made a video out of 50 of them. It's all over the Internets. Really. Look for it. How could I possibly have been elected to a public office I did not even seek?"

Umm...write in votes?

SOURCE: *Alternate Reality News Service*

[<http://www.arns.com/sinbin?id=32321441316001314687fx>]more

Mossad Swears By It

The Indian military has a new weapon against terrorism: the world's hottest chili.

"The trick," said defence researcher R. B. Srivastava, "will be to get the terrorists to eat it. At the moment, we are putting a lot of effort into creating an aroma that will be irresistible, but, ahh, that might be considered a chemical weapon, which, as you know, is banned by the Geneva Conventions."

Srivastava added that another possibility is to use maternal guilt. "If we plant the idea in the minds of our enemies that they need to finish everything on their plate before they explode their bombs, we could deploy the chili to prevent a terrorist attack," Srivastava explained. "We call this the 'Jewish Mother Approach.' It has been very effective in trials."

SOURCE: Disassociated Press

[<http://www.bltdaily.com/>]more

Odds Are Good I Will Be Getting Hate Mail For This One

Passage of health care reform has dramatically increased the number of death threats against Democratic members of Congress, and it's showing up on international betting boards.

Who will be the first Democratic member of the current Congress to be assassinated? According to YouBetYourLife.com, the odds are:

Bart Stupak - even
Nancy Pelosi - 2 to 1
Harry Reid - 2 to 1
Alan Grayson - 3 to 1
Anthony Weiner - 4 to 1

President Barack Obama has, of course, been the subject of his own assassination betting pool. Interestingly, since the opening of the Congressional pool, the odds favouring Obama being assassinated in his first term have gone down, from even to three to one.

At the Web site, which is hosted on a server on New Moore Island, you can also bet on the method of assassination. Although the gun is the overwhelming favourite, there are still some surprises in the odds.

rifle - 1 to 7
shotgun - 1 to 6
handgun - 1 to 4
explosives - even
crossbow - 12 to 1
poison - 24 to 1

SOURCE: *Geekly News & World Report*

[<http://www.geeklynews.com/geeklynews/issue/100325/geeklynews/01hacienda.htm>]more

It's Not Exactly Atlas Shrugging, But These Continue To Be Times Of Diminished Expectations

David Frum has been kicked out of the American Enterprise Institute's clubhouse. "He's a goober-face," said AEI President Arthur Brooks, "and we don't associate with goober-faces in our club!"

"This is really childish," Frum responded. "If we can't have an adult conversation about the direction of the Conservative movement, we'll never -"

"Goober-face! Goober-face! Goober-face! Goober-face!" chimed in the editorial board of the *Wall Street Journal*. In response, Frum shrugged a "waddya gonna do?" shrug.

SOURCE: *The National Whipping Post*

[<http://www.canada.com/national/nationalwhippingpost/news/story.html?ia=0ec1ecda-b6e6-4c18-bf2b-07b657cc2ec>]more

How Many Gun References Can You Jam Into 140 Characters?

One of the remedies Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke has proposed for companies that are too big to fail is a "living will" that would give regulators a road map for winding the company down if it did fail.

Sarah Palin immediately blogged that this was "corporate death panels!" and suggested that her followers "lock and load," "take aim at the Fed Chairman" and "fire him with extreme prejudice."

When challenged for her use of violent imagery, the Accidental Governor responded: "You think I shoot my mouth off too much? Well, let me tell ya, I'm loaded for bear! So, be careful what you say to me, cause this pistol-packing mama doesn't plan on losing any shootouts any time soon!" All the journalists in the room scratched their heads, wondering what Palin was talking about.

Then, she winked, and all the journalists in the room sighed.

SOURCE: *The Postington Wash*

[<http://www.postingtonwash.com/wp-dyn/articles/A49881-2010Mar27.html>]more

The Daily Me – Erin Dym

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reading in the past. Then, we improvised some jokes about the public release of the iPad, mostly comparing it - unflatteringly - to a feminine hygiene product. Man, we had some great gags - really, stuff that would curl your grandma's dentures! Then, we did a Google search and found that at least 1,027 bloggers had made similar - if less skillfully executed - jokes within the first five seconds of the iPad's release. SON OF A BITCH!

The Internet is killing professional comedy.

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

"Death Trap On Wheels" Slogan Would Attract Interest Of Teenagers

Facing the biggest recall in its history, Toyota Motor Corporation plans a media blitz featuring its top North American officials in an effort to renew its reputation.

"We had them work on puppy dog eyes," said ad executive Mimi Mimosa. "That tested pretty well with many of our key demographic groups, but we thought we could do better, so we taught them how to do anime eyes, which are 40 per cent bigger than dog eyes. This didn't go over well with our predominantly North American audience. Go figure. We're now looking into the CIA's 'Sparkly Eyes' programme - this could be just what we need."

"Consumers are resistant to the idea that a company shouldn't be judged harshly because its products are rolling death traps," Mimosa added. "Who knew?"

SOURCE: *The Financial Riposte*

[<http://www.canada.com/national/nationalwhippingpost/financialriposte/story.html?id=lo t49-cd7-f7f3-4f4f-9f45-a2eb4cc6a528>]more

Yes, Minister Was A Documentary!

Ambitious (adjective). Political synonym for "highly unlikely." USAGE: The Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers called the 17 per cent target for carbon emissions reductions "ambitious."

Very ambitious (adjective). Political synonym for "not in your children's children's children's lifetimes gonna happen!" USAGE: The Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers called the 17 per cent target for carbon emissions reductions "very ambitious."

SOURCE: *Michelle's Obscure Pedantry Page*

[<http://www.MichellesOPP.ca/blogger.html>]more

It May Be Sentiment, But It Sure Ain't Cheap

February 15. Cheap Commercial Sentiment Day. This special celebration is geared towards jewelers, florists, greeting card publishers and anybody else whose business model relies on exploiting people's sentiments on holidays created for the purpose of selling products by exploiting people's sentiments. It is traditional to sacrifice a small intern on this day for the good of the company, although these days firing is more socially acceptable than throwing him into an active volcano.

SOURCE: *The Non-existent Pages*

[<http://www.utoopia.tv/erewhon/index.html>]more

Wants To Get Back To Watching *Murder She Wrote*

Former Presidential candidate and sort of, kind of de facto leader of the Republican Party John McCain, sensing momentum for his party in the win in Massachusetts, reiterated his position on health care reform: "You damn government doctors get off my lawn!"

SOURCE: *The Day To Day Show, with Jon Tudor*

[http://www.comedycentric.com/tv_shows/thedaytodayshowwithjontudor/headlines_pol.jhtml]more

Where Was The *Apocalypto* Boycott When We Needed It?

The Toronto chapter of the Jewish Defense League is calling for a boycott of Mel Gibson's new movie, *Edge of Darkness*, because of an anti-Semitic rant he gave while being arrested for drunk driving in 2006. As usual, the JDL is way off base.

People should boycott Mel Gibson's new movie because Mel Gibson makes really bad movies.

SOURCE: *Entertainment Right Now*

[<http://www.entertainmentrightnow.com/mini/smug2010/2010/01/30/melshells/>]more

What Was That About The Conservatives Not Making Hypocritical Pledges?

Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper has pledged to make child and maternal health in developing nations a priority at the G8 Summit in a couple of years. The Inuit infant mortality rate is four times the Canadian average and 70 per cent of Inuit preschoolers live in homes where there isn't always enough food.

When it heard Harper's commitment, the Absurd Ironyometer almost choked on its triple backflip macho mocha rio grande Latino latte. Eh.

SOURCE: *Big Alex' Domesday Countdown Page*

[<http://www.allaboutalex.wha/Domesday/new>]more

Charity Starts In The Womb

Several Baptists have been arrested in Haiti on charges of child trafficking. They were taking orphans to be adopted by Americans, but, as it turned out, many of the children had parents. "From all our accounts, this is simply a paperwork issue," claimed Drew Ham, a pastor with the Central Valley Baptist Church in Idaho.

Well, yes. Several death certificates appear to be missing.

SOURCE: *USA Whenever*

[http://www.usawhenever.com/news/newyork/2010-01-25-do-you-know-where-your-children-r_x.htm]more

They're Not Prejudiced They Just Hate Men Who Smell Good

Testifying before Congress, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Admiral Mike Mullen clearly stated his opposition to the almost 20 year-old policy known as "don't sniff, don't smell." "It comes down to integrity," Admiral Mullen stated. "It is wrong to force people to lie to serve their country."

Don't sniff, don't smell essentially allows men who like to wear strong aftershave to serve in the army as long as they do not actually wear it. As long as they are able to keep their enjoyment of heavily scented colognes to themselves, military leaders are not allowed to sniff them to determine if they are using any.

This has put Republicans in a tough spot. On the one hand, they have long maintained that they would defer to the opinion of military leaders on this issue. On the other hand, sprays in the military is something that they have long opposed. Vehemently opposed. Mindlessly opposed. So far, at least 27 Republicans have slammed Admiral Mullen for everything from "undermining the cohesiveness of the troops" to "having a pro-aftershave bias."

For Republicans, this is restraint.

SOURCE: *The Postington Wash*

[<http://www.postingtonwash.com/wp-dyn/articles/A49881-2010Feb01.html>]more

From Super Bowl To Ty-D-Bowl

INT. BIFF'S DEN - DAY

BIFF, BRAD and SANJAY are sitting on a couch, watching a wide screen TV. A half-full bowl of popcorn and over a dozen empty beer cans are scattered about the floor.

BRAD: Boobies.

SANJAY: BOOBIES!

BIFF: **BOOBIES!**

SANJAY: Boobies fall out of bra!

BIFF: No. Boobies not fall out of bra.

SANJAY: No?

BIFF: No.

SANJAY: Sanjay sad.

BRAD: Why? Boobies!

BIFF: BOOBIES!

SANJAY: **Yay - boobies!**

BIFF: That...Tim Tebow?

BRAD: Hey! That **am** Tim Tebow!

SANJAY: What him say?

PAUSE.

BIFF: He...he appears to be taking a stand against abortion.

BRAD: Really? Why would Heisman Trophy winner Tim Tebow attempt to inject...*politics* into our Bacchanalian festivities?

SANJAY: I know not. In addition, I was under the distinct impression that the Super Bowl eschewed advocacy advertisements.

BRAD: It does appear to be the height of presumption.

BIFF: Quite.

PAUSE.

BRAD: Mmm...shiny car!

BIFF: Shiny car sure am fast!

SANJAY: Me want shiny fast car!

SOURCE: *Weekends!*

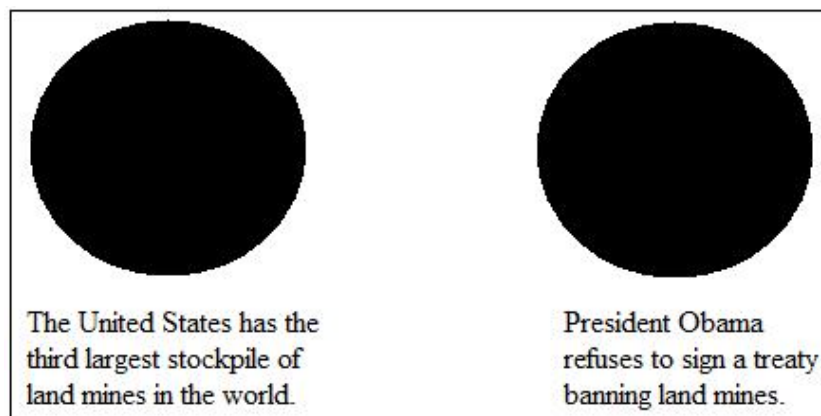
[<http://www.nobc.com/Weekends/video/play.shtml?mea=227246>]more

The Daily Me – Ramachandra Levy

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Deranged You Can Believe In



Do I have to connect the dots for you?

SOURCE: *Politics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/home.asp?did=671&dir=bb>]more

It Was...A Mercy Killing

After a punishing few months on the critical list, the Public Option for health care reform has been pronounced dead by the Democratic Senatorial caucus. In the end, it was a shadow of its former self, so thin and weak that even its most ardent supporters wouldn't have recognized it. Pubbo, as its friends called it, is survived by Expansion of Medicare to Those Between 55 and 65 and Regional Insurance Co-ops. In lieu of flowers, mourners are asked to donate to a universal public health care system.

SOURCE: *Obits 'R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

Do You...Uhh...Shave With A Schick?

Write With A Bic?

Eat At Movenpick?

The Warren Homosexuals

Rick, oh, Rick,
When did you become such a prick?
You were the populist holy man
Who had a purpose-driven plan -
Was it nothing more than promotional shtick?

Rick, oh, Rick,
What business is it of yours what a man does with his dick?
Everybody, forget the fuzzy-eyed propaganda:
They're proposing a law to kill gays in Uganda,
Legislators with whom Warren is thick.

Rick, oh, Rick,
Who are you to condemn gays as sick?
A loving god would have to bar
Killing people for who they are -
Was your public compassion just a trick?

Rick, oh, Rick,
Our sexuality we do not pick.
From your pulpit you can calmly whisper your defiance,
But this is a simple matter of science
Before you are silent on Draconian laws, you should really research the topic!

SOURCE: *Poetry, Cornered*

[<http://www.cibc.com/ca/personal/poetrycorner/294.html>]more

He Probably Heard It As The Fossil Fuel Of The Day Award

In the run-up to the Copenhagen Summit, a coalition of 450 environmental groups awarded Canada a Fossil of the Day award.

“We’re proud of Canada’s environmental record,” Prime Minister Stephen Harper responded, “and it’s an honour to get an award that recognizes our efforts.”

Nobody had the heart to explain to him that the award was for “doing the most to obstruct progress in the global climate-change talks.”

SOURCE: *The Irrational*

[<http://www.mc.ca/stories/2009/12/02/wedontmeantoharperonitbut091202>]more

Right Over Anybody Who Doesn’t Believe In Your God!

Recipe for religious fundamentalism:

STEP ONE: Take a loving and compassionate god.

STEP TWO: Drain your god of all love and compassion.

STEP THREE: Fill your empty god with all of your personal fears and hatreds.

STEP FOUR: Let the theocratic good times roll!

SOURCE: *Unicycle*

[<http://www.unicycle.com/new.php?p=articles&id=471&but=allis1>]more

Third Party On, Dudes!

There are more than 25,000 third party applications for the iPhone. What are some of the ones you may have missed?

iBoredom&Mayhem. A simulation of being on the ground in Iraq using real time GPS data and news feeds.

iCandy. Watch your favourite chocolate bars being slowly...sensually unwrapped. Then, become really frustrated that you can't eat them. Sponsored - perhaps ill-advisedly - by Cadbury's.

iEye. The camera in your phone focuses on your eye. Watch yourself watching yourself! You look fabulous, if you do say so yourself.

iSore. An old man shakes his fist and yells, "You kids get off my lawn!" over and over and over again.

SOURCE: *Geekly News & World Report*

[<http://www.geeklynews.com/geeklynews/issue/091209/geeklynews/01carmenmiranda.htm>]more

It Makes More Sense If you Read It Out Loud

To stimulate the economy by creating jobs, President Obama has been talking about taking some of the money returned from TARP and using it to weatherize homes. Weatherization may be "ecologically correct," but it isn't a term that excites the pundits. What are they calling it?

Cash for caulkers.

And, there you have it. The American population is made up entirely of six year-olds.

SOURCE: *Weekends!*

[<http://www.nobc.com/Weekends/video/play.shtml?mea=227229>]more

So It Can Strangle Them Before They Become More Than Signs

"Business seeks sign world serious about tackling the globe's warming"
- *Toronto Star*

SOURCE: *Billy-Bob's International House O' Headlines*

[<http://www.com/lol.pdqfc.wywyg.wywyg/fid=3176533083>]more

Hearing Polka Doesn't Really Make The Song Better

Okay. I am down with just about every Internet fad there has been. Cats closing the lids of pianos on the hands of their owners? Adorable. Ratting out your teenage brother's porn surfing habits on your Facebook page? That's what Facebook was made for! Cats using handheld rocket grenade launchers on their next door neighbour's doghouse? Priceless!

But, Bob Dylan performing a song on YouTube called “Must Be Santa” with a klezmer influence? (I know some people hear polka when they listen to it, but I hear klezmer.) That’s my limit, thanks.

SOURCE: Bill’s Bitter Pills

[<http://bill.geekgoons.com/>]more

It’s Been A Bad Week For Backpacks With Canadian Flags On Them...

Where Canadians stand on the Afghan detainee transfer torture scandal:

- ✓ the Afghan government did not torture detainees we handed over to them, and that’s damn decent of them considering that the detainees were the worst kind of terrorists
- ✓ okay, many of the detainees we captured and handed over to the Afghan government were innocent of any wrong-doing, people who just happened to be in the wrong place at the wrong time, but that’s okay because we know they weren’t tortured
- ✓ there is no proof that detainees were tortured
- ✓ okay, there is proof that detainees were tortured, but nobody in the government knew about it
- ✓ okay, somebody in the government knew about the torture, but that is not reason enough to demand anybody’s resignation

YOU ARE HERE: anybody who insists on pursuing this issue is putting the lives of every one of our brave men and women fighting in Afghanistan at risk. They need to put politics aside for national security.

☐ Peter McKay, your time in cabinet is rapidly coming to an end

☐ the Prime Minister had nothing to do with the detainee transfer file. No, seriously, move along, people. Nothing to see here.

☐ ?

SOURCE: *Politics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/home.asp?did=674&dir=bb>]more

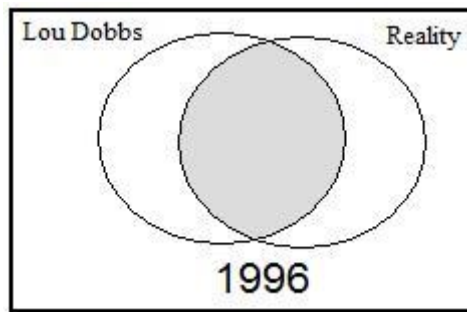
The Daily Me – Hymen Kolonik

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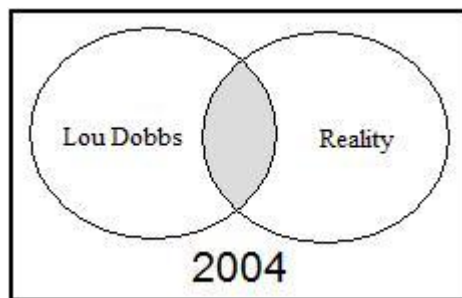
Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Anything Of Any Importance Can Be Illustrated By A Venn Diagram

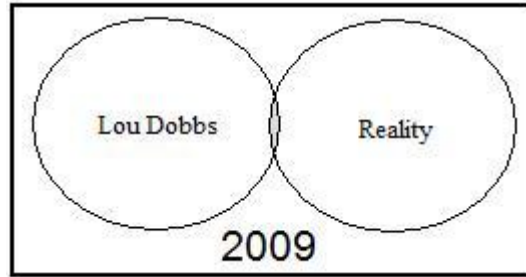
Hard as it may be to believe, CNN news anchor Lou Dobbs, anti-immigrant ranter and nascent birther, was once a trusted voice in television journalism. What happened?



In 1996, Lou Dobbs looks like he has a reasonably good grasp on reality.



By 2004, Lou Dobbs and reality have started moving apart.



It is now 2009, and it is clear that Lou Dobbs and reality have almost completely parted company.

SOURCE: *Politics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/home.asp?did=648&dir=bb>]more

Why Dumbasses? Why Not Dumbelbows or Dumbeyebrows or Dumblowerintestines?

Some of our associates have become excited by the possibility of taking video of tornados on Mercury. Really! Where do you people get your ideas! First of all, the Cameras for Dumbasses Foundation does not have the funds to send anybody to Mercury! Secondly, there is no known way that human life could survive on Mercury even if there was a way for us to get you there, and, as I never tire of saying, it is not the intention of the Foundation to facilitate the deaths of its associates!

Besides, they're magnetic tornados. Completely different. They'd probably completely screw up the camera before you got even a second of footage.

SOURCE: *Cameras for Dumbasses*

[<http://www.c4d.org/announcements/091527>]more

It Really Puts The Health Care Debate In Perspective

Well, ladies and gentlemen, it happened. I said I wanted Obama to fail, and he did. Big time. On the international stage. Boy oh boy oh boy oh boy, did he fail. He spends a whole six hours in Copenhagen trying to get the 2016 Olympics for Chicago, and it goes to Rio instead. Rio, folks! Crime-ridden, diseased Rio! It would have been sweeter if Obama had lost to Kerblazistan, but Rio is a pretty good slap in the face, too. Look, I'm not merely happy that Obama failed. I'm FREAKIN' ECSTATIC! Now...let me make clear, though, let me make absolutely clear that I'm not saying that because the jocks used to beat me up in grade seven. Well, not only because of that. Chicago won't get the jobs that the Olympics would bring, of course. And, the United States won't get the prestige. But, the important...the most important...the utmost important thing is that Obama fails, and when Obama fails, the country wins!

SOURCE: *Rush Limburger Home Page*

[http://www.rushlimburger.com/home/daily/site_100209/content/truth_distorter.hostile_enemy.html][more](#)

Not You

“I don’t know what a progressive candidate means in his lexicon.”

- Conservative John Tory on Toronto Mayor David’s wish that a progressive replace him when he retires in 2010

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>][more](#)

You Have A Sick Imagination Tell Us More

DEV SEZ: The *Forbes* list of the wealthiest people in the world was called a “billionaire bloodbath” by a senior editor of the magazine. At first, I thought, alright! The obscenely wealthy are finally getting what they so richly deserve. Imagine my disappointment when I found out that all they lost was money.

SOURCE: *Devin’s Heaven Blog*

[<http://heaven.devsez.blogspot.com>][more](#)

Fortunately, There Aren’t Many Reasonable Republican Left, So We Don’t Have To Agree To Disagree

A representative of Republican, err, Representative Trent Franks has stated that when he referred to President Barack Obama as “an enemy of humanity,” he wasn’t speaking of the entire human race.

“He meant Republicans,” the spokesman said. “We like to think of ourselves as humanity, but I guess reasonable people can disagree on that point.”

SOURCE: *The Postington Wash*

[<http://www.postingtonwash.com/wp-dyn/articles/A49881-2009Oct01.html>][more](#)

They’ll Have Him Forcibly Removed At Dawn And Voila!

The best way to kill a vampire? Make him eat garlic. When he tries to get medical attention, his insurance company will tell him his allergy to garlic was a pre-existing condition and refuse to pay for his treatment!

SOURCE: *The Medical Industrial Complex*

[http://www.medical-industrial-complex.org/journals/micx/vampire_killing/secure/2_pds.htm]more

He Could Have Died Of Beriberi...Or...Or Alzheimer's...

Those who want President Obama to stop Attorney General Eric Holder investigating CIA torture point out that 24 cases had already been investigated by the George W. Bush Justice Department, and that 22 of them had been dismissed.

“Just because a guy appeared to have frozen to death just because he was left naked on the cement floor of a very cold cell for several days does not mean that he actually did,” government official Anne Once-Maus claimed. “He could have choked to death on a piece of bagel he had been eating three days before he was arrested. He could have slit his wrists, bled to death and sowed up the wounds to make it look like nothing had happened. He could have been mauled to death by a tiger.

“I’m just saying that you can’t assume anything.”

SOURCE: *Cleveland Wheeler Dealer*

[<http://www.cleveland.ca/enter/index.ssf/?/living/wheelerdealer/index.ssf%3fu/base/news/1104741007233460.xml>]more

Is It Too Late To Fire The Coach?

The Toronto Maple Leafs have played their first NHL game of the season, and already the team is 12 games out of first place.

SOURCE: *The Schwartz Sports Report*

[<http://www.schwartzsportsreport.com/ssr-news.shtml#56238132265>]more

Are You Sick Of The Health Care Debate Yet?

CHRIS MATTHEWS: I have with me Congressman Alan Grayson from Florida. On the floor of the House of Representatives, he said that the Republican plan for health care is don’t get sick, but, if you do, die quickly. Congressman, have you gotten a lot of flak from the Republicans for this?

CONGRESSMAN ALAN GRAYSON: Oh, sure.

MATTHEWS: And, did they make you cry?

GRAYSON: I - what?

MATTHEWS: Did Republican criticism of your speech make you blubber?

GRAYSON: I don't think -

MATTHEWS: You know - like a baby?

GRAYSON: What the hell -

MATTHEWS: Would you please answer the question?

GRAYSON: I -

MATTHEWS: Congressman, did the Republicans make you cry?

GRAYSON: No! No, they didn't! What the hell kind of a question is that?

MATTHEWS: I'm just asking the questions the American people want answers to, sir. As a journalist, that's my job.

SOURCE: *Drew's Transcript-o-rama*

[<http://www.transcript-o-rama.com/rummysnodummy.shtml>]more

The Daily Me – percival avatretard

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

What Planet Are They From? And, How Can We Get Them To Go Back There?

Six people were killed and 27 wounded when a group protesting health care reform clashed with a group protesting government action on global warming outside a town hall meeting of constituents of Democratic representative Barney Frank.

The conflict began inside the meeting when the climate change protestors started shouting incoherently about bad science, natural earth cycles and, for some reason, gun control. Health care reform protestors immediately started shouting incoherently about big government, high taxes and teabags. Before long, the two groups had stopped shouting at Frank and other Democratic officials at the front of the room and started shouting at each other. The main bone of contention was whose crazy anti-government conspiracy theories should be given priority.

After the meeting, representatives of each group met with counterparts outside the halls, many of whom were exercising their right to carry concealed weapons. The weapons didn't stay concealed for very long, and tragedy ensued.

"It's the voice of the American people," Fox News talking sphincter Glenn Beck said through tears, "and it's a...a beautiful thing.

SOURCE: *Alternate Reality News Service*

[<http://www.arns.com/sinbin?id=32320041314881314627fx>]more

That Must Be Some Dog

The Lost Symbol

Dan Brown

you don't really need any more information, do you?

Nothing I can say will possibly dissuade anybody from buying this book. So, for the next 1,000 words, I'm going to write about my cocker spaniel, El Sidra, instead.

SOURCE: *Unread Book News*

[<http://217.204.42.12/cgi/NGoto/2/64382861?3518>]more

It's Not Torture – It's Advanced Fun Techniques!

When asked, if Guantanamo was supposed to be closed by the end of the year why there are still prisoners there, White House spokesperson Robert Gibb chirped, "There are no more prisoners at the Guantanamo facility. It's now a vacation resort. The people still there are enjoying involuntary vacations."

When asked why torture continues to be practiced by the CIA and government contractors, Gibb additionally chirped, "No, no, no. The President ended torture on his

first day in office. No, what's going on is enhanced...uhh, expanded...differently handled...uhh, can I get back to you on what the term for what's going on there?"

SOURCE: CBBS News

[<http://www.cbbsnews.com/stories/2009/09/25/news/main542815.shtml>]more

Miss? Who You Callin' Miss? Oh, I'm Sorry – I Have A Cold.

"It's the one season premier you can't afford to miss."

Oh, really?

If I miss it, will I have to take a cut in my salary in order to keep my job? Will I get behind in my mortgage payments? At the end of the month, will I be forced to choose between feeding my children or paying for the prescription drugs I need for my spasmodic collarbone? Will I – shudder – be forced to give up my car and have to take – heavy shudder – public transit?

Because, frankly, if none of these things happen, I think I probably **can** afford to miss this season premier!

SOURCE: *Ukrainian TV Guide*

[<http://www.tvguide.ua/listings/index.asp?referrerID=0&returnurl=%2Flistings%2Findex%2Easp%3F®Mode=0>]more

Just Don't Ask Whom He Spilled His Coffee On – Or Where!

Prime Minister Stephen Harper looked almost human at a Tim Horton's in Oakville this week. He chose a sour grapes cruller, which he kept smashing into his cheek.

"Ah, yep," said Conservative Party spokesweasel Lindor Hegemon. "I know how that must look. But, understand, we've come a long way from the days when Stephen used to rub doughnuts into his eyeballs. He's really trying to look human, you have to give him that, and, anyway, we figure he should have this whole 'eating' thing down in a couple of...let's say months just to be on the safe side."

SOURCE: *The National Whipping Post*

[<http://www.canada.com/national/nationalwhippingpost/news/story.html?ia=0ec0ocda-b6e6-4c18-bf9b-07b342cc48ec>]more

Actually, He Fled The US Before He Could Serve His Time, But Hollywood Never Did Allow The Facts To Get In The Way Of A Good Story

“Whatever you think about the so-called crime, Polanski has served his time... I hope the US government acts swiftly because filmmakers are looking for justice to be properly served.”

- famed criminal lawyer Harvey Weinstein

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.toshtml>]more

Canada Needs To Get Out More

A suspect in an American terror plot has a Canadian connection: he was a fan of *Degrassi: The Next Generation*. Najibullah Zazi, the Afghan accused of plotting to plant terrorist bombs in New York, referred to several *Degrassi* characters in emails with his family: five years later, he was still stunned by Marco and Dylan’s kiss, and he didn’t think much of the plotline where Manny gets drunk and is videotaped topless.

“This proves nothing,” said legal expert Anton D. Busey. “Kevin Smith is a huge *Degrassi* fan, and he has never had any connection to terrorism...not counting *Dogma*, of course...”

SOURCE: Canadian Depress

[<http://www.cd.org/english/notforyou.htm>]more

One Barbie That’s Not Good For Shrimps

Universal Pictures has won the right to create a feature-length film about Barbie. No word, yet, on whether the living doll’s inhuman figure will be accomplished through makeup and prosthetics or CGI.

SOURCE: *Entertainment Right Now*

[<http://www.entertainmentrightnow.com/mini/smug2009/2009/09/23/barbieorbust/>]more

The Rare Elephant In The Room You Can’t Get To Shut Up

Going Rogue: An American Life

Lynn Vincent, with Sarah Palin (or, is it the other way around?)

Random House

400 pages

Sarah Palin was contracted to write a 600 page book, but she quit with a third yet to be completed. “I think it will be better for the people of Random House,” Palin explained. “Besides, I would like to pursue other options.”

SOURCE: *Unread Book News*

[<http://217.204.42.12/cgi/NGoto/2/64382861?3521>]more

While They're At It, Could They Clarify Our Past Goals There?

“What’s next for Canada in Afghanistan?

As the clock ticks toward the withdrawal of combat troops, a Manley-style panel could help our country clarify its future goals there”

- *Globe and Mail*

SOURCE: *Billy-Bob's International House O' Headlines*

[<http://www.com/lol.pdqfc.wwwygw.wyswyg/fid=1344532738>]more

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

Little Stick Diplomacy

IAN GOATMANSING: Canada has responded forcefully to the news that two Russian fighter planes were flying really close to its Arctic border.

ELMER “FUDD” MCKAY: Back off and stay out of our air space!

GOATMANSING: Russia has forcefully responded back.

UNNAMED RUSSIAN OFFICIAL: Frankly, this is a farce that I will not dignify by giving my identity.

GOATMANSING: The United States forcefully responded to Canada’s response.

HILLARY “DUFF” CLINTON: Uhh, back off the accusations, okay? We’re trying a new thing called “diplomacy” these days.

GOATMANSING: Canada forcefully responded to America's response to Canada's initial response.

MCKAY: Oh. Ah. Right. Sorry. Didn't mean anything by it. So sorry. (pause) Ahem. And, let that be a lesson to you!

GOATMANSING: The Kremlin has stated that it will issue a response to the Canadian response to the American response to the initial Canadian response...just as soon as it stops laughing. Which, I suppose, is a response of its own.

SOURCE: *The Irrational*

[<http://www.mc.ca/stories/2009/02/28/socrazyitjustmightwork090228>]more

Typical Single Issue Family Man...

A new study by Harvard University shows that Utah has the largest population of porn surfers of any state in the union. Utah. The home of the Mormon Church. I may have to rethink my opposition to Mitt Romney becoming the Republican presidential candidate in the next election.

SOURCE: *Clean Slate*

[<http://cleanslate.com/id/2371171/>]more

We're Not Saying You Necessarily Do It Well...

Two Orthodox Jewish schools that rent Toronto school board property owe back rent of nearly \$1 million between them. I hope this will finally, finally lay to rest the racist belief that Jews control the finances of the world!

SOURCE: *Toronto Startle*

[http://www.thestartle.com/NASApp/cs/ContentServer?pagename=thestartle/Layout/Article_Type1&c=Article&cid=1088591831813&call_pageid=968300078492&col=968566972294]more

Exit Laughing

Oreste Lionello, who dubbed the voices of Woody Allen, Jerry Lewis and other English language comedians for Italian moviegoers, has died in Rome at the age of 81. Sadly, none of the comedians he dubbed have uttered condolences.

SOURCE: *Obits 'R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

Bankruptcy Always Trumps Hair

Sunday. NBC. 9pm. *The Sorcerer's Apprentice – Celebrity Edition*. Donald Trump lost control of his hotel empire when his Las Vegas hotels went bankrupt and was fired by Merlin in the second episode. The series has been much more fun to watch since.

SOURCE: *Ukrainian TV Guide*

[<http://www.tvguide.ua/listings/index.asp?referrerID=0&returnurl=%2Flistings%2Findex%2Easp%3F®Mode=0>]more

Giving Michael Steele The Bum's Rush (Using Rush's Bum)

The recent splits within the Republican Party are not difficult to understand. Michael Steele was all in Rush Limbaugh's face about him being just an entertainer and sometimes saying outrageous things. And, Limbaugh was all, "Oh, no, you di'nt!" And, Steele was like, "Yeah, I, uhh, you know, kind of did." And, Limbaugh was all, "Oh, bring it, bitch! I got millions of listeners – what you got?" And, then, Steele was like, "Oh. Yeah. Maybe I, like, was out of line." And, Limbaugh laughed and was all, like, "Pussy."

It's not hard to understand. You just have to translate what Republicans say into normal English.

SOURCE: *Teen Persons*

[<http://www.teenpersonsmag.com/politicalstuff/watchhisplace/steelebitchslap.shtml>]more

Who Will Cut My Dog's Cheese?

Canine Fecal Inspector. The government of the German Republic is looking for 20 technicians to do DNA testing on dog shit that has been left in public areas. Ability to match this against a computer database of all dogs essential. Lack of squeamishness preferred. Please refer all enquiries to the office of Peter Stein.

SOURCE: *Your Guide To Getting Jobbed*

[<http://on.ygtgj.com/listings/043238.qrhtml>]more

And, That's About 10 Minutes Too Long

F&F. A sequel to *Fa & Fu*, which itself was a sequel to *Fas & Fur*, a sequel to *Fast & Furious*, a distant relative to *The Fast and the Furious*. On the one hand, Vin Diesel and Paul Walker seem to be phoning it in (literally, as in the scene where they're driving down highways in different countries at 200 miles per hour bickering with each other on

their cells). On the other hand, in keeping with the public's decreasing attention span, this feature film only lasts 12 minutes.

SOURCE: Imaginary Movie Database

[<http://www.imd.com/title/tt1078740/>]more

Gandhi Is Dandy, But Charles Time Gnarls

Six love letters scribbled by a young Prince Charles roughly 30 years ago drew outrage from India, a last-minute reversal from the seller and a frenzy of bidding won by an Indian conglomerate that said the pacifist leader's possessions will be coming home.

The letters show a young prince enamoured with the young British-born Canadian while feeling the pressures of being royalty. The Indian government had protested the sale, saying the items should be returned to the nation and not sold to the highest bidder.

SOURCE: *24 Hour News Mashups*

[<http://politicalmashups.seeblogspotrun.com/>]more

It Doesn't Stimulate JUST The Economy...

3's company, man) The Conservative government is asking Parliament for \$3 billion as an immediate economic stimulus. It has not explained what it will spend the money on and has asked that the money be given without oversight. Why is it doing this?

a) remember when Prime Minister Stephen Harper said his priority was "making our government honest and transparent?" Neither does he...

b) he wants to be remembered as "Canada's first economist Prime Minister" (in the same way George W. Bush will be remembered as "America's first MBA President")

c) it has Sponsorship scandal envy, and, really, who would deny the Conservatives the opportunity to be the subject of an investigation of misusing government funds five years from now?

SOURCE: *Les Pages aux Folles*

[<http://www.lespagesauxfolles.ca>]more

Season Three Should Be Mandatory Viewing For The Federal Cabinet

The Conservative government has revived a bill that would impose mandatory sentences for drug related crimes and would send people to jail for growing as little as one marijuana plant.

For god's sake, haven't any of these people seen *The Wire*?!

SOURCE: *aye Weakly*

[<http://www.aye.net/>]more

Keeping A Cool Head In A Non-emergency

A Quebec woman who made over 10,000 911 calls in 15 months has been given a seven month suspended sentence. That may seem lenient to some, but Judge Serge Boisvert probably figured that it was better than risking having her tie up the jail phone.

SOURCE: *Allo, Frenchie!*

[<http://www.quebecbore.qu/allofrenchie/index.php>]more

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

I Know You Said You'd Be Willing To Take Ideas From Anywhere, But...

Dear Aaron,

Thank you for your suggestion that we make it rain candy. I have consulted with atmospheric scientists who believe that, with the proper seeding, we can create candy clouds that, under the right conditions, will rain candy. Unfortunately, they believe that their methods will make it possible to rain jawbreakers, not the candy canes for which you have stated a preference.

Rest assured, however, that research continues, with all of the positive implications for the economy that that implies. With a positive attitude and a lot of hard work, I believe we may, in the future, turn this raining candy thing around.

Yours,
Barack Obama
President of the United States of America

SOURCE: *The Smoking Gut*

[<http://www.thesmokinggut.com/archive/1080963828024753794637486482cahs01.html>]
more

Did She Swallow, Or Did She Spitzer?

I just saw a picture of Ashley Dupre at a New York fashion show. Are you kidding me? She's a babe! I would totally humiliate myself and my family and throw away a promising career as a straight-laced crusading district attorney for her! Not that I have a family. Or, for that matter, a promising career as a straight-laced crusading district attorney. It's the principle of the thing.

SOURCE: *The Quick and the Detwiler*

[<http://quick&detwiler.blogspot.com/>]more

Steele Yourself For The Future

A Steele At Half the Price

Don't speak Ebonics, don't wear no fro
But I'm the future of Republican politics, yo
My name is Michael Steele
And I'm here to reveal the real deal
On the RNC
Connecting with our homies in the hip hop community!

Cutting edge? Please spare me, pundit!
This I pledge: we're so beyond it
And, what's beyond the cutting edge?
We're so hip, we're off the ledge!
...Or, off the hook.
Maybe I should read another "black" book.

The old guard in the party don't need to panic
We're just trying to get some voters, Hispanic
And, maybe even a black or two
But, you have to know we haven't abandoned you
We're happy you do the obstructionist thing
This hip hop talk is just so much bling bling!

SOURCE: *Poetry, Cornered*

[<http://www.cibc.com/ca/personal/poetrycorner/258.html>]more

Faith Based Justice

The Canadian government is being urged to adopt the British policy where suspected terrorists can be deported to countries that torture as long as its government assures us that it won't actually torture them. This is based on the premise that a country may torture, but it certainly wouldn't **lie** about it.

When was Pollyanna Nicholson elected Minister of Justice?

SOURCE: Canadian Depress

[<http://www.cd.org/english/notforyou.htm>]more

There Was So Much Applause, The Price Of Hand Lotion Doubled In One Hour

Stand up. Sit down. Stand up. Sit down. Stand up. Sit down. Stand up. Sit down.

That was a Presidential speech? It felt more like shul!

SOURCE: *The Arad Post*

[<http://www.apost.com/servlet/Satellite?pagename=APost/APArticle/ShowFull&cid=1094851590238>]more

Speak Microsoftly, And The Size Of The Stick You Carry Doesn't Matter

Microsoft Corporation is asking some of the 1,400 workers it fired in January to pay back part of their severance pay, which the company claims was too high. Microsoft blames an "administrative glitch" for the overpayments.

Any guesses as to whose software was responsible for the mistake?

SOURCE: *Geekly News & World Report*

[<http://www.geeklynews.com/geeklynews/issue/090221/geeklynews/01boromir.htm>]more

Jindal Or Nothing?

BOBBY JINDAL: My father grew up in one of the poorest areas in India. How bad was it? It made *Slumdog Millionaire* look like *How To Marry a Millionaire*. Here in the US, when we would shop for tacos at the local grocery store, we were astonished by how much variety, how much choice there was. When my father used to tell us stories about how life was for him when he was growing up, the moral was always: "India sucks. Never go back there." Why am I telling you this in response to President Barack Obama's speech to Congress? Because it's important for Americans to know that Republicans can have heart-warming ethnic heritages, too.

I was a Senator from Louisiana when Katrina attacked New Orleans. I remember it like it was yesterday. I had my finger in a levee for 72 hours, waiting for the federal government to send somebody to relieve me. Hungry and exhausted, I didn't have the energy to resist when federal Marshalls pulled me away. Of course, we all know the flooding that soon followed. That was when I learned just how useless government bureaucrats can be. Every day of my life, I am ashamed to be one of them. So ashamed, in fact, that if you call me Governor, I will deny it. And, if I am elected President in 2012, I will deny that, too, although maybe not quite so loud.

The President's economic recovery plan, with all of its spending to create jobs is all fine and well in the short term, but we know what really creates permanent jobs: international trade agreements and tax cuts. Tax cuts were responsible for winning World War II. Tax cuts paid for landing a man on the moon. Tax cuts paid for the Medicare system we need to privatize. I shave with tax cuts every morning. Tax cuts got my cat down from a tree. Tax cuts fixed the broken axle of my Hummer. Tax cuts will help you lose 30 pounds – 50 with an international trade agreement thrown in! There is nothing that tax cuts can't do. And, **that's** change you can believe in!

SOURCE: *Weekends!*

[<http://www.nobc.com/Weekends/video/play.shtml?mea=227187>]more

Bad Faith Based Justice

Members of the legal team of Guantanamo detainee Omar Khadr are being investigated by the American military on suspicion of being members of the legal team of Guantanamo detainee Omar Khadr. "Umm, yes," deputy chief defense lawyer Michael Berrigan responded to the charges. "We are members of the legal team of Guantanamo detainee Omar Khadr. That was kind of the point."

"They're not making this any easier on themselves," said an unnamed Guantanamo prosecutor whose code name among journalists is "Squiggy."

Meanwhile, Canadian Foreign Affairs Minister Lawrence Cannon, after a meeting with American Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, stated, "I have indicated today the government of Canada fully respects the process that the American government has put forward, and we will await the outcome of that process before anything takes place."

SOURCE: *Glob and Maul*

[http://www.globandmaul.com/servlet/story/RTGAM.20090225.eladvote0102_@/BNStory/newAndJusticeForNone2009/]more

He's Got Horseshoes Up It

Why hasn't Karl Rove's subpoena-ignoring ass been thrown in jail yet?

SOURCE: *Karl's Big Red Web Page of Unreconstructed Marxism*

[<http://www.bigred.commie/articles/95^.htm>]more

The Daily Me – Tanaka Watako

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

You Can't Be Too Jewsy

Do Jewish parents spoil their children? Of course we do!

When they're young and they notice that most of the non-Jewish children around them are getting lots of presents at Christmas, do we tell them that the distribution of goods in the world is essentially unfair and that they should suck it up? Of course not! We promote a minor holiday, Chanukah, to major status, with gift giving, candle lighting, spinning of dreidels and other fun. Okay, it ain't exactly Christmas, but we try.

When our girls notice that their Bar Mitzvahed brothers are getting lots of attention and loot, what do we do? We create a Bat Mitzvah ceremony out of thin air for them! Because, really, we see no point telling our daughters that the world values boys more than it does girls.

There will be plenty of time in life for them to learn **that** lesson.

SOURCE: *Judaism Right Now*

[www.cwp.org.uk/HarkHaroldAngelsSing/Archives/judaismrightnow/spoiledor.htm]more

I've Still Got Scars On My Stomach From My Years On The Hula Hoop Circuit

Fadamant: believing with absolutely certainty that the fad you are currently interested in will last longer than the fed you replaced it with.

SOURCE: *Michelle's Obscure Pedantry Page*

[<http://www.MichellesOPP.ca/blogger.html>]more

The Bipartisan Spirit Shows Up In The Strangest Places

IrishEddieOHara says:

You forgot to show the concentration camps for those who will continue to oppose Barack Obama, that slimey baby killer.

MaldivianScarlettOHara says:

Dude, chill out. This Web page is for reruns of Peanuts comic strips, for goodness' sakes!

SOURCE: *Old Comics*

[<http://www.oldcomics.com/peanuts/>]more

Hello, Shopper's Drug Mart? Got Any Perspective? Cuz I Got A Headline Writer Who Could Sure Could Use Some

“LICENSED TO BEND THE RULES

Like James Bond, office superstars often get special treatment from the boss – enough to make co-workers want to chuck a shoe-bomb under their desks.”

- *Globe and Mail* headline

“US warplanes ‘bomb Afghan wedding party’”

- *The Independent* headline

SOURCE: *Billy-Bob's International House O' Headlines*

[<http://www.com/lol.pdqfc.wygyw.wyswyg/fid=1306586038>]more

Not Waiting For God To Open The Door

8pm. The Fishing Network. *Reeling in the Big Ones*, with *Chuck Formaldehyde*. Chuck's special guest is Sarah Palin, who shows him how to fish with a rifle.

9pm. Fox. *Family Guy*. Sarah Palin makes a guest appearance as Stewie's nanny. They find they have much in common.

10pm. CBS. *CSI Wasilla*. Sarah Palin makes a guest appearance as a state governor whose home contractor is murdered before he can reveal whether or not his company built her house for free in return for a \$25 million contract to build a sports stadium nearby.

11pm. NBC. *Friends*. Sarah Palin makes a guest appearance as Chandler's crazy aunt who thinks she has a shot at becoming President of the United States, even though the show ended years before Palin appeared on the public stage.

SOURCE: *Ukrainian TV Guide*

[<http://www.tvguide.ua/listings/index.asp?referrerID=0&returnurl=%2Flistings%2Findex%2Easp%3F®Mode=0>]more

Sounds Like The Name Of A *Fairly Oddparents* Character

There are a lot of reasons to be sad that Elwyn Tinklenberg didn't oust Michelle Bachmann in a Mississippi House race. For me, the main one is that I was looking forward to saying Elwyn Tinklenberg for the next few years.

SOURCE: *The Day To Day Show, with Jon Tudor*

[http://www.comedycentric.com/tv_shows/thedaytodayshowwithjontudor/headlines_pol.jhtml]more

That's Nothing! The Obamas Haven't Chosen A Dog Yet, But It's Autobiography Is Already Worth \$10 Million!

MONDAY: I got so fed up with waiting in line to get a special coffee order that I told the barista to just give me whatever everybody else was having. I figured: better latte than never.

TUESDAY: A good day is when I have more new messages in my inbox than I do in my junk mail box.

WEDNESDAY: I'd have Arianna Huffington's baby any time. I...I'm not sure how that would work, but being willing should count for something!

THURSDAY: Henry Kissinger has said he believes Hillary Clinton would make a great Secretary of State. Be afraid. Be very afraid...

FRIDAY: Would giving government money to bail out the Big Three automakers be a case of lemon aid?

SATURDAY: Apparently, Sarah Palin has been offered \$7 million to write a book. Or, should that be "write" a book. After it's been published, do you think she'll be able to tell Katie Couric the title?

SUNDAY: David and Amy Pollard met in the online environment *Second Life* and were married both there and in real life. When Amy caught David having sex with a character in the virtual world she divorced him in the real world. And people think that letting homosexuals marry is going to undermine the sanctity of marriage?

SOURCE: *Random Thoughts and Blood Clots Home Page*

[<http://suzie.randomthoughts&bloodclots.blogspot.com>]more

Kyl The Messenger

“This is strictly about whether or not a minority of senators is going to prevent the president from being able to name and get confirmed judges that he chooses after he’s been elected by the American people. And it’s never been the case, until the last two years, that a minority could dictate to the majority what they could do.”

- Arizona Senator Jon Kyl, circa 2005

“I will lead a filibuster if the nominee is the kind of radical leftist who decides cases based on empathy rather than the Constitution or the law. And if that’s what [Obama] intends to do, then I’ll try to get my colleagues to join in that as well.”

- Arizona Senator Jon Kyl, circa yesterday afternoon

SOURCE: *No Comment Quotes*

[<http://thesepeopleareinsane.psy/update.tohtml>]more

The Last Inaction Hero

Prime Minister Stephen Harper, before attending the G20 summit to deal with the global economic crisis, stated, “People around the world, including Canadians, are worried about what this crisis means and they expect their leaders will act to address these problems.

“We must begin by _____ *. Assuming that works, our next move would be to _____ *. If either of these tactics fail, we should not hesitate to _____ *. Of course, it would help if we could be doing _____ * at the same time, but that will depend on some factors that are out of our control. Still, if we take these actions, our economies should be in good shape.”

* action to be named at a later date

SOURCE: *Glob and Maul*

[http://www.globandmaul.com/servlet/story/RTGAM.200801112.eladvote1112_@/BNStory/newsEconomicCatastrophe2008/]more

The Daily Me – Westbrook Pegler

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so...burdeny. Everybody has a new jauntness in their step (yes, even people in wheelchairs). You smile at strangers in the subway, and they smile back as they call you a pervert. Orange juice never tasted so...orange. And, juicy. Even sex...well, okay, still no luck there. But, even Coldplay sounds...tolerable. Yes, a new day really has dawned.

We give it two and half weeks. Three weeks, tops.

Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

What If We're In Love With Ellen?

Californians who think they've accomplished something by passing Proposition Eight, which calls for an amendment to the state Constitution banning gay marriages, should think again.

Guys, do you really believe that you're getting something by invalidating Portia de Rossi's marriage to Ellen DeGeneres? Even if the courts don't overturn the proposition and their marriage is annulled, you still don't have a chance with her. You really should have gotten over de Rossi a long time ago.

And, what do you think all of those single gay men are going to do now that they don't have a stable mate to come home to? Exactly what your teenage kids do: have sex in the park and other public places. Without a life partner, they may even come on to you more.

You really didn't think this through very well, did you?

SOURCE: *Yellow Triangle Blues*

[http://ytb.gay/November_2008/election.htm]more

Not A Week Since The Election, And Already He's A Disappointment

Jerry's President Watch Diary

DAY ONE: Codename POTUS-elect (hey – what is the point of having a secret code name that everybody knows?) didn't declare himself a Muslim and welcome a terrorist attack on the Homeland.

DAY TWO: Still no sign of POTUS-elect's Muslimness and a terrorist attack.

DAY THREE: First press conference. POTUS-elect still does not declare himself a Muslim. Still no terrorist attack.

DAY FOUR: Why the hell is POTUS-elect not declaring himself a Muslim? Maybe the terrorist attack takes time to plan, but declaring himself a Muslim is something he could do at any time.

DAY FIVE: Could it be that POTUS-elect isn't a Muslim?

DAY SIX: Oh. Right. Rush Limbaugh explained it: POTUS-elect is waiting for the inauguration to declare himself a Muslim and welcome a terrorist attack on the Homeland. Makes sense. At least I have something to look forward to, now.

SOURCE: *Red State Blues*

[http://www.redstateblues.com/diaries/jerry_in_geo/2008/nov/10/where-is-the-terrorism-we-were-promised/]more

It's Like Losing The Comfort Of A Turkel Necked Sweater

Studs Terkel, master collector of oral stories, has died at the age of 96. The world was speechless.

SOURCE: *Obits 'R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

Oh, Like THAT'S Really Subtle!

Stunt Nomination: putting a person on a political ticket because they are unknown but can appeal to a demographic you would like to target, even though they have few qualifications for the position. EXAMPLE: Oh, isn't it obvious?

SOURCE: *Michelle's Obscure Pedantry Page*

[<http://www.MichellesOPP.ca/blogger.html>]more

Speaking Of Pounding The Point Home

"We must not forget that 400 years ago, Canada was a land of savages with scarcely 10,000 inhabitants of European descent, while in China, we're talking about a 5,000 year-old civilization."

- senior International Olympic Committee official Dick Pound

"I was defending the IOC [and] its choice of Beijing against assertions by the North American media. Yes, I'm sure that there's probably a more politically correct way of expressing it in this day and age... It wasn't a comment on the government or whatever the aboriginal peoples might have been. It was a comment about the US in its current incarnation having a solution to everybody's problems."

- Pound, digging himself deeper

“That was the word used at the time in all the literature by the Jesuits who were here. They were just generally les sauvages.”

- Pound, digging himself even deeper and starting to shovel dirt into the hole

SOURCE: *The Schwartz Sports Report*

[<http://www.schwartzsportsreport.com/ssr-news.shtml#56268137245>]more

La La Land Blog Blah Blah

Italian businessman Raffaello Follieri has been found guilty of conning investors out of millions of dollars posing as a papal agent with real estate to sell. Ordinarily, I wouldn't care about a story like this, but he happened to be dating Anne Hathaway before he was arrested.

Anne. I know you must be feeling shocked and humiliated by what the man you were involved with turned out to be. If you need to talk, drop me an email. Any time. Really. I'll drop whatever I'm doing to be there for you. Seriously. Get in touch. Okay?

SOURCE: *Bill's Bitter Pills*

[<http://bill.geekgoons.com/>]more

Going To Washington With Cap And Trade In Hand

Preemptive Environmentalism: offering the newly elected leader of a country a deal on the environment before he or she has had the opportunity to articulate his or her own policies on the issue. EXAMPLE: Less than 24 hours after Barack Obama was elected President, Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper, in a preemptive environmentalist strike, offered to enter into a cap and trade deal with the United States that would protect Alberta oil sands projects.

SOURCE: *Michelle's Obscure Pedantry Page*

[<http://www.MichellesOPP.ca/blogger.html>]more

Is That All?

“Wall Street bonuses could dive by up to 50%”

- *Globe and Mail* headline

SOURCE: *Billy-Bob's International House O' Headlines*

[<http://www.com/lol.pdqfc.wywyg.wywyg/fid=1456822038>]more

If Only Experimental Conditions Weren't Impossible To Recreate In A Lab!

The Syrian government claims that a recent American attack on its soil killed “a father and his three children, the farm's guard and his wife, and a fisherman.” The US military claims, on the other hand, that its forces killed a key al-Qaeda in Mesopotamia operative.

This is a great example of the concept of the quantum uncertainty of war. In the textbook case, a cat sits on a battlefield. When it is killed, it has a 50 per cent chance of being an innocent civilian and a 50 per cent chance of being a wanted terrorist. Which one will the cat be? The only way to determine that is by a journalist actually looking at the body of the cat; until that time, it could be either, so it has to be considered both.

Of course, no journalist is going to risk their life to determine the identity of a dead cat on a live battlefield, so this remains a largely theoretical exercise.

SOURCE: *The Journal of Sub-atomic Politics*

[subscription only]

The Daily Me – Bradley “Biff” Dejesus

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Enjoy,
The Daily Me Staff

The Economy Woke Up Screaming The Day It Died

“WHAT HAPPENED TO MY DREAM JOB?”
- Globe and Mail headline

SOURCE: *Billy-Bob's International House O' Headlines*

[<http://www.com/lol.pdqfc.wywyg.wywyg/fid=1376863029>]more

Events May Or May Not Have Taken Place At Some Unspecified Time Involving People We Are Not At Liberty To Name

A source in the Federal Bureau of Investigations has confirmed that it might currently be investigating for undisclosed wrong-doing an organization that may have unspecified ties to Democratic Presidential candidate Barack Obama. When asked for more detail, the FBI source said, "I wouldn't want to jeopardize an ongoing investigation."

In response, Obama had a good laugh.

SOURCE: Deadline News Network

[<http://www.dnn.com/2008/ALLPOLITICS/10/28/repmain/index.html>]more

Body Fluids Make A Bad Basis For An Obituary

Legendary Four Tops singer Levi Stubbs has died. No more tears.

Legendary porn movie producer Gerard Damiano has died. No more...uhh...you know...

SOURCE: *Obits 'R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

Still Sarah Palin As President



Halloween 2008: which do you find scarier?



SOURCE: *Economics For Dummies*

[<http://www.politicsfordummies.com/entertainmentfordummies/economicsfordummiesshowme.asp?did=505&dir=bb>]more

Bill, Does Everything Have To Be About Your Fantasy Life?

So, there it is. In an exclusive interview, Barack Obama told Rachel Maddow that he wanted to spank her. Okay, what he actually said was that Maddow was “cruising for a bruising.” I’m gonna give Obama the benefit of the doubt and say that he intended the violence to be consensual because, if he didn’t, well, I don’t want to think that badly of a presidential candidate, even if he is a Democrat.

The fact that he seems to get off on kinky sex is bad enough.

SOURCE: *The O'Meilly Factor*

[<http://www.foxynews.com/story/0,2933,9607,222.html>]more

Meme Is Murder

“Putting Lipstick on a Pig: More Doublespeak on the Situation in Iraq”

- the Independent Institute headline

“No amount of lipstick can save these pigs”

- *Report on Business* headline

“We don’t put lipstick on a pig”

- General Motors ad in the *Toronto Star*

“Lipstick on a Pig? Garmin Updates Nuvi With Faux Crystals”

- *Wired Gadget Lab* headline

“Putting lipstick on a pig

Wall Street suffered from the illusion that it could make beautiful bonds out of piles of dubious mortgages.”

- *Fortune Magazine* headline

We need a new metaphor for the futility of trying to make something ugly look good.

And, don’t even get me started on hell freezing over!

SOURCE: *The Amazing Chocolate Yummies Blog*

[<http://www.chocoyummies.net/>]more

Like Brent Butt And...Uhh...And...Who Else?

The CRTC has denied a bid by Canada’s private networks to charge cable and satellite carriers for their signals. The CRTC has suggested that it would allow the broadcasters to charge the cable and satellite companies for any Canadian content that the broadcasters produced.

“Oh, ha ha,” CanWest Global Chief Executive Officer Leonard Asper sourly responded.

“The CRTC should really leave the comedy to the professionals!”

SOURCE: *Payback*

[<http://www.paybackmag.com/articles/magazine/20081031/canadiancontent?AsperTame.html>][more](#)

Would You Dress A Moose In That Dress?

The John McCain campaign has spent \$150,000 on clothes for running mate Sarah Palin. Critics of the campaign have pointed out that it seems hypocritical for Palin to be swanning around in Neiman-Marcus and Saks Fifth Avenue duds while claiming to be an average, Josephine Six-pack hockey mom.

“Are you kidding?” responded campaign spokesweasel Steve Schmidt. “All the average, Josephine Six-pack hockey moms I know would kill for the chance to spend \$150,000 at Neiman-Marcus and Saks Fifth Avenue! This makes Sarah soooooo mainstream!”

Expect a clarification in the next day or two.

SOURCE: *The Postington Wash*

[<http://www.postingtonwash.com/wp-dyn/articles/A49881-2008Oct27.html>][more](#)

I Figured That I Was Going To Hell For Being Jewish Anyway, So...

The Vatican has issued new psychological screening guidelines.

Old Screening Procedure

QUESTION: Are you a homosexual?

ANSWER: No.

QUESTION: You're in.

New Screening Procedure

QUESTION: Are you a homosexual?

ANSWER: No.

QUESTION: Are you sure you're not psychopathic?

ANSWER: No.

QUESTION: Okay, you're in.

SOURCE: *Unicycle*

[<http://www.unicycle.com/new.php?p=articles&id=453&but=allis1>]more

McCain Tells Truth! Electorate Confused!

We're not saying Barack Obama has had long-standing relationships with terrorists. We're just saying we don't know if Barack Obama has had long-standing relationships with terrorists. If Barack Obama hasn't had long-standing relationships with terrorists, why doesn't he come clean about his not having long-standing relationships with terrorists? Who is the real Barack Obama?

Well, actually, the real Barack Obama has praised John McCain for his stand on curbing the proliferation of nuclear weapons throughout the world. That's right: Barack Hussein Obama believes John McCain did something good in Congress.

McCain/Palin 2008.

"I'm John McCain, and I was confused by this message."

SOURCE: *Ad Meek*

[http://www.admeek.com/A&W/national/article_display.jsp?nuvu_content_id=1070952426]more

Must Be The Market's Time Of The...Uhh...Cycle

Since the stock market started having, ahem, violent mood swings, Lefties have been arguing that unfettered free markets don't work. They have even gone so far as to impugn the libertarian theories of Saint Alan of Greenspan.

Enough, I say! There is nothing wrong with the teachings of Saint Alan! It is reality that is deficient for not living up to his perfect theories!

SOURCE: *National Coalition of Anti-tax Loonies Home Page*

[<http://www.ncal.ca/HomeSweetHome.html>]more

Irony Even Alanis Morissette Would Recognize

McCain surrogates, and even the candidate himself, have warned that the Democrats should not be given the "perilous" power of the presidency and substantial control over both houses of Congress in the election. "President Bush had that advantage for six of the eight years of his presidency," one Republican insider argued, "and we all know how well that turned out!"

SOURCE: *USA Whenever*

[http://www.usawhenever.com/news/national/2008-10-25-control-issue_x.htm]more

Bet That's Gonna Catch The Eye On Bookstore Shelves!

Even If You're A Christian Who Believes In Turning The Other Cheek, It's Okay To Hate Liberals Because They Are Latte Sipping Know-nothing Intellectuals Who Are Intent On Handing The Country Over To Abortionists, Terrorists, Drug Dealers And Other Scum Of The Earth Because All They Know How To Do Is Undermine And Ultimately Destroy The Values That Have Made This Country The Greatest Nation The World Has Ever Known

Anne Coulter

Washington Times Press

hardcover 299 pages

\$29.95

After seeing the title, it really isn't necessary to actually read this book. If only more publishers were that considerate!

SOURCE: *Unread Book News*

[<http://217.204.41.59/cgi/NGoto/2/64382861?3518>]more

Today's Politicians Are So Incompetent, They Can't Even Get THAT Right!

"Today's turmoil doesn't presage another Great Depression"

- *Globe and Mail* headline

SOURCE: *Billy-Bob's International House O' Headlines*

[<http://www.com/lol.pdqfc.wywgw.wywyg/fid=1216822038>]more

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Enjoy,

The Daily Me Staff

Uhh, Bill, Don't You Want To Wait For The Debate To Happen Before You Declare A Winner?

Yeah, yeah, Vice Presidential debate. Everybody knows Sarah Palin won by exceeding expectations. She didn't fall over. She hardly drooled on herself, and that was mostly in the second half of the debate, when most viewers had already gone off to watch their DVDs of the first season of *Heroes* – the good season. It was obvious that Sarah Palin won the debate: most of her words were English, and many of her sentences actually had both a noun and a verb.

Shame on Joe Biden, the obvious loser! How dare that...that...sexist use his experience and knowledge to beat up on a girl!

SOURCE: *The O'Meilly Factor*

[<http://www.foxynews.com/story/0,2633,93207,007.html>]more

Even If The Salad Dressing Itself Tastes Yummy

Actor, businessman and philanthropist Paul Newman has died. Jokes about what goes into his Newman's Own salad dressings are now officially in bad taste.

SOURCE: *Obits 'R Us*

[http://www.king.ids.net/~bdlm/obits_r_us.html]more

Niche Knowing You

After a speech in Saskatoon in which he called the arts “a niche issue” that “ordinary Canadians” can't identify with, people have questioned whether Conservative leader Stephen Harper even knows a single ordinary Canadian.

The Conservatives have responded with a press release claiming that, while he doesn't spend time with ordinary Canadians outside of elections, Harper does have an imaginary ordinary friend that he has known since childhood. “His name is Fred Johnston,” the press release stated. “He lives in Kitchener, Ontario. He is 43 years old and has worked all of his adult life on a Ford assembly line...until it was closed down a year ago. Now, he mostly sits around the house bitching about immigrants taking all the good jobs and drinking beer bought with money that should be going to his oldest daughter's college fund. His mistress has left him in disgust, but that hasn't stopped his wife from being suspicious about the affair. He watches American television on the moral grounds that ‘at least none of my taxpayer dollars went into producing it!’ and can't wait for the Buffalo Bills to become the first Canadian NFL team so that wimpy CFL can finally go down the tubes.

“And, yes, Stephen Harper's imaginary friend votes Conservative.”

SOURCE: *This 22 Minutes Feels Like An Hour*

[<http://www.mothercorp.ca/hour22minutes/>]more

Only If She Wears Lipstick So Law Enforcement Can Tell Them Apart

Sixteen states have enacted or drafted laws to restrict and control pit bulls, including heavily contested states such as Florida and Ohio. Does this mean Sarah Palin will not be allowed to campaign in them?

SOURCE: *Late Tonight with David Lenoman*

[<http://marketing.ubs.com/latetontight/latetontightshow/monologue>]more

Somebody Is A Slow Learner

“Bailout deal faces first test”

- *Toronto Star*

“Black Monday revisited

In biggest one-day point drop ever, Toronto stocks sink 841 points, Dow Jones slips 779 as Congress votes down \$700-billion (US) bank bailout 228 to 205”

- *Globe and Mail*

SOURCE: *Billy-Bob's International House O' Headlines*

[<http://www.com/lol.pdqfc.wywygw.wywygw/fid=1322933098>]more

And, You Wouldn't Want Energy Policy To Be Based On Them!

House Republicans claimed that a bill to allow offshore drilling as little as 50 miles from the shoreline was not good enough because experts at the Interior Department's Minerals Management Service told them all the good oil reserves are three to 50 miles from shore.

Nice to see that MMS officials are willing to take time away from their drug taking and sexual liaisons with oil company executives to write reports. I know when I used to take drugs and have orgies in college, all of my reports used to alternate between saying, “Hey, man!” and drawings of hearts with smiles in them.

SOURCE: *The Day To Day Show, with Jon Tudor*

[http://www.comedycentric.com/tv_shows/thedaytodayshowwithjontudor/headlines_pol.jhtml]more

Juan Valdez Is Grateful

The disappearance of Fox News last month has had some remarkable effects. The nation's IQ appears to have risen 27 points. Barack Obama has handily been elected as president, American troops have started leaving Iraq and George W. Bush and Dick Cheney have been handed over to The Hague, where they are to be tried for war crimes.

"It's like...waking up from a bad dream," man on the street Jill Ashkenaz commented. "Only, you're sharing your morning cup of coffee with three hundred million other people!"

SOURCE: *Alternate Reality News Service*

[<http://www.arns.com/sinbin?id=38822641316461312787fx>]more

Juan Valdez Is Unimpressed

"Talk to the police. Look at who's committing these crimes. They're not the kid that grew up next door."

- Conservative MP, running again in Calgary centre, Lee Richardson, explains why he is happy Canada accepts so many immigrants

"Settlement agency has \$3.5M pulled
40,000 newcomers in Peel affected by federal funding cuts"

- headline over a *Toronto Star* article about how the Conservative government makes immigrants feel right at home

SOURCE: *Les Pages aux Folles*

[<http://www.lespagesauxfolles.ca>]more

Hey, Dipshit: Disrespectful, Yet Attention-getting

Hey, dipshit,

Remember how we couldn't get you to come to our Carmela's communion? You had some lameass excuse about a burst appendix that just couldn't wait? Well, we'll be thinking of you in burning in hell on earth as we enjoy pina coladas in heaven.

Frank Tucci

* * *

Dear Marie-Claire:

You had to go and marry that Jew, didn't you?

Love,

Josephina

* * *

Hey, Maggie,

So, you probably haven't been saved because of the...you know. I'll pray for you in Heaven. In the meantime, some practical advice as you're stalked by Satan while the planet descends into Hell:

1. Soon after a nuclear blast, there is a rainfall that is black. If the rain isn't black, the blast probably wasn't nuclear.
2. Satan will come in the form of a self-professed messiah from Russia. Unless he's Barack Obama. I don't know – this stuff has always confused me. Stick with good old white American boys (or, white good old American boys) and you'll be safe...probably...
3. If a tin looks in any way bloated, the food in it has gone bad.

Good Luck,
Erik

- letters sent to *You've Been Left Behind*, a Web site where Christians can post messages to be sent to others after they have been taken up in the Rapture

SOURCE: *The Smoking Gut*

[<http://www.thesmokinggut.com/archive/108096382802475374748648cahs01.html>]more

Les Pages aux Folles: The Back Story

A Nayman family legend has it that I decided to devote my life to writing comedy/humour when I was eight years old. Most boys that age wanted to be hockey players or astronauts (or, so I have been told) – why comedy? Through my thirties and forties, it was important to me to understand why I developed the way I did (after a couple of decades filled with unanswerable questions, I decided to stop wondering and accept myself the way I was), so I gave this question considerable thought. Unfortunately, the best I could come up with was a cliché.

I grew up in an emotionally abusive household (as did many funny people). I realized early on in my life that laughing made me feel better; I figure my first impulse to write humour was to help ease myself through a tough childhood. I also suspect that I thought that if I could make my parents laugh, they might not fight so much, but that turned out not to be the case (intense therapy succeeded where my youthful ambitions failed, but the ambitions remained).

Honestly, if my early life had been any more of a cliché, I would have started this piece with: “It was a dark and stormy night...”

COMEDY HISTORY ASIDE: Years later, I was watching a terrific series called *The Green Room*. Comedian Eddie Izzard was telling the story of how he first met his idol, Richard Pryor. After a few minutes of small talk, they found that they had something in common: they both knew that they wanted to be stand-up comedians when they were four years old. You know how I thought I was precocious because I knew I wanted to be a humourist when I was eight? I was actually already half a lifetime behind the curve!

My original inspiration in my early teens was Art Buchwald. If he is remembered at all these days, it is for being the person who sued Paramount Pictures for stealing his original idea for what would become Eddie Murphy’s *Coming to America*. And, winning. This case exposed the arcane Hollywood bookkeeping that allowed studios to claim films that had grossed a billion dollars never made a profit, and introduced the world to the term “monkey points.” But I remember him as the preeminent newspaper satirist who, in his prime, wrote creative and biting (and very funny) political commentary.

Not a bad role model if that’s what you’re into.

Between 1984 and 1987, I wrote 300 articles for a satirical newspaper column (enough for three books). I called the project *Les Pages aux Folles*, playing off the name of the then popular film *La Cage aux Folles*. I thought the title translated as “cage of crazies,” which would have made my version “page of crazies.” This tickled me. When the English version was released as *The Bird Cage*, I thought, Bird Pages? Okay, *I can make this work*.

Three years into the project, I was no closer to becoming the preeminent newspaper political satirist of the 1980s than when I had started. Years later, I would realize that one wasn’t given a newspaper humour column because one was actually, you know, funny (although some naturally are and others grow into it); they usually went to people who had proven their service to the newspaper in other departments. In defence of my naïveté: teenager.

I moved on to scripts and university, but the satirical bug never quite left me. Between 1987 and 2002, I kept coming back to the form, writing over 100 new articles (enough for a fourth collection). Then, a number of pieces of my life came together to drive me to the internet.

At university, I studied emerging technologies and the arts. My Masters thesis (from the New School for Social Research) was on the challenges interactivity posed for fiction writers. My PhD dissertation was on fiction writers who posted their work to the World Wide Web. I know, I know. Today, that’s a big **duh!** But, in 1999, when I wrote the bulk of the dissertation (I was awarded my PhD in 2000), it was still relatively – ahem – novel.

ACADEMIC ASIDE: the problems I identified in 1999 have scaled up nicely, with few changes over the years. Was I prophetic? Naah – I was just paying attention.

When I returned to Toronto after three years living in Montreal (a residency requirement of McGill University, where I studied), I volunteered for a public interest web page developer called The Electronic Commons; it was championed by a woman named Liss Jeffrey. The project was run out of a building called Chelsea Mews, deep in the heart of the University of Toronto; that is where I met the woman who would become my Web Goddess, Gisela McKay.

As we got to know each other, Gisela pointed out something odd about my life that hadn't occurred to me: I wrote fiction, and I had studied people who post fiction on the internet, but I hadn't posted any of my own fiction on the internet. While I agreed that that was a bit strange, I demurred; although my Masters degree was done entirely online, I didn't know the first thing about creating or maintaining a web page. Gisela, who, among her many talents, is a professional web developer, offered to design a page and walk me through how to keep it going. To ensure that I couldn't refuse, she offered me free space on her server.

I couldn't refuse.

But, what would I write? Reviving *Les Pages aux Folles* as an online project was the most logical way to proceed. When I started it as a print project, I aimed for each article to be around 700 words (in the mistaken belief that this was standard newspaper column length; depending upon the newspaper and the column, it could actually be anywhere from 400 to 600 words); this relative shortness turned out to be a good length for the internet, where long stories require a lot of scrolling and can give some readers eye fatigue. You don't want to give readers eye fatigue.

So, I immediately started posting fiction to the web? Slow down, speed racer. I took the summer of 2002 to build a stockpile of articles. This wasn't meant to supplant weekly writing (since much of the writing would be topical, it would be best to post pieces soon after they were written, something the internet easily facilitates); it was meant as a safeguard against weeks when I was unable to write an update, whether through life circumstances or lack of inspiration. The wisdom of this choice is most vividly illustrated by my experience in 2005, when I had to have triple bypass heart surgery: I prepared four weeks of updates from my stockpile and posted them a couple of days before going under the knife. (As it happened, although I was advised to give recovery at least a month, I was eager to get back to writing after about two and half weeks). My stockpile started with 40 articles; it has fluctuated between 10 and 50 (but mostly closer to 10) ever since.

By the first week in September, 2002, I felt comfortable enough with the cushion that I had produced that I took the plunge and went live with *Les Pages aux Folles*. Years of writing had given me the confidence that I could pull it off (although, like most people who start a project like this, I had no idea how much work I was letting myself in for). It had also given me four complete books that I could place in an archive on the site, which

helped me avoid the problem that many web sites have when starting out: a paucity of content. There was enough writing on the web site from day one that anybody interested could stay a while, or be encouraged to keep coming back.

The first three books had been written on a manual typewriter; the fourth on an electric typewriter and a computer. Because of this, I had to type the articles into my computer before I could post them. This forced me to reconsider the material I had previously written, which proved salutary. I gather many writers are highly critical of their own work, but I found that I really enjoyed becoming reacquainted with mine. (Having had to read through the entire project to collect stories for these special anniversary issues, I feel more or less the same way.) The worst that I will say about my past writing is: "I wouldn't write exactly that, or in that way now."

PEDANTIC ASIDE: Is *Les Pages aux Folles* a blog? On one hand, it is a regular publication (every week, without fail; by the 20th anniversary, that will entail 1,040 consecutive weeks) written by a single person. On the other hand, blogs automate the process of posting to the internet (with tools such as WordPress), but I code my text by hand and upload it and any images I may create using tools Gisela taught me. Also, blogs tend to be a single page of text with newer posts higher up (occasionally breaking into an archive page or two), while each piece I post is on its own separate page. It may be a moot point, but I am reluctant to call *Les Pages aux Folles* a blog.

Except...

In trying to explain what an achievement 20 years of *Les Pages aux Folles* is, one of the facts I point out is that, depending upon the year they were started, between 80 and 90 per cent of blogs are abandoned within the first six months of their existence (I assume that the numbers for personal web pages are roughly the same, but I'm not aware of that research). Writers can be exhausted by the commitment (I often refer to my web site as "the insatiable maw;" no sooner do I finish one update than I have to immediately start working on the next). Writers can run out of inspiration. Other life priorities can leave writers without time. Lack of a readership can cause writers to quit out of despair (because I was emotionally driven by a need to write, the lack of readers was never a disincentive for me, although lately I do despair of ever finding an audience, if for no other reason than I know there must be a lot of people out there who would enjoy my writing...if they knew that it existed). Some people might lose their internet access. Twenty years on the internet is a looooooong time is what I'm saying.

By the 20th anniversary, I will have written 38 books of prose and produced nine books of cartoons for *Les Pages aux Folles*. The project will contain over 3,500 pieces of writing, and somewhere between two and a quarter and two and a half million words.

Nor has this been my only writing project. In 2010, I decided to write my first novel. Blame Terry Pratchett. I had never wanted to be a novelist; I was happy writing my short articles. But, in 2010 I learned of a contest for first humorous science fiction novels that was sponsored and would be partially judged by Pratchett. This seemed like a great

opportunity for me to do what I do best: be goofy. The only problem with entering a novel writing contest, though, is that you have to write a novel to do it. So, I sat down to write what would become *Welcome to the Multiverse**.

I don't usually talk about this, but since we're all friends here, I feel I can state the truth: my first novel took two months to write. Starting from nothing but the desire to write a novel, the first week involved developing the ideas; the next six weeks involved the actual writing; the final week involved rewriting and polishing. This was a stupid short amount of time in which to write 80,000 words (the nine novels I have written since have taken anywhere from six months to a year to produce), but there were extenuating circumstances, your honour. For one thing, by that time I had been writing for 40 years, so unlike many first time novelists, I had already developed my voice and knew my way around a story. More importantly for this essay, many aspects of worldbuilding that contributed to the novel (for instance, the Transdimensional Authority and the Alternate Reality News Service) had been introduced on *Les Pages aux Folles*, so I wasn't exactly starting from nothing.

Perhaps most important: working on the web site taught me how to quickly turn ideas into prose. When you have a weekly deadline, you have to write fast. Under these conditions, there are two ways writers can go. Like a nuclear explosion, they can burn themselves out. Or, like a nuclear chain reaction, their creativity can feed off itself, allowing them to constantly write new material. I was fortunate that my writing took the latter path.

What's next? I have no idea. I know I have a need to write; if life forces me to go a couple of days with writing even a little, I start to get antsy. Humour is not something that a writer can turn on and off: it is a way of looking at and interacting with the world that becomes a constant in your life. At least, it has become that for me. It does help if it has an outlet, though, so I foresee writing as long as I have the words. (Both my father and my grandfather on my mother's side had Alzheimer's, so there is no guarantee that I will always have the words, or for how long.) Regardless of what happens in the future, I already have a creative legacy (including novels, short stories and unproduced screenplays – so many unproduced screenplays!) that I can be proud of.

I hope you enjoy 12 from 20.

** Sorry for the Inconvenience*

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