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WE HAVE THE CIRCUS. WHERE IS THE BREAD?

Cliff Jones 20th May 2018

The Royal Family is a huge business. It is bedecked with the badges of many charities. You know what these charities are? Most are organisations working hard and unselfishly to levy a tax on goodwill so that government can avoid its responsibilities. Protecting the bonuses of failed bankers has been a higher priority for governments than the rough sleeping homeless who, incidentally, were not allowed to spoil the wedding party by coming into camera. I am not sure that many people, looking at their wedding photographs, would be happy knowing that

the crowds had been cleansed of those that might prick consciences.

To contact the Royals your best bet is to attach yourself to a charity: one that has received Royal approval. Do not ask the Royals to take a stance against injustice because they 'do not intervene in political matters'. That phrase is a Royal mantra.

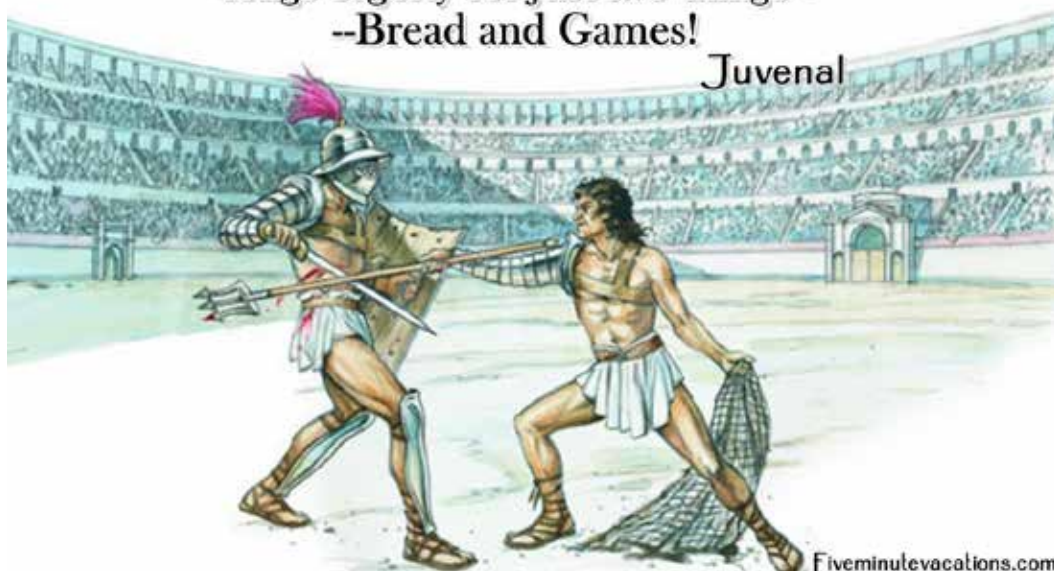
Their entire existence is, however, a huge intervention necessary for government to diminish democracy, poison politics and exercise power. No serious democracy, no grown up country, requires a Privy Council or a Royal Prerogative.

We do because we are a monarchy and monarchies have subjects, not citizens. Theresa May's first instinct upon coming to power was to employ the Royal Prerogative to precipitate Brexit. To do this she tried to blindfold the Goddess Demokratia. That she failed demonstrated that the barely alight democratic fire that stops the Goddess from freezing sometimes responds to a stirring of its embers.

Yes a case will be made that the cost of that wedding, a wedding dripping with privilege and the display of conspicuous con-

Now that no one buys our votes,
the public has long since cast off its cares;
the people that once bestowed commands,
consulships, legions and all else,
now meddles no more and
longs eagerly for just two things--
--Bread and Games!

Juvenal



such a constitution is to enable and support participation it must start like that. Mr. and Mrs. Windsor and their family are welcome to sit around a table with Mr. and Mrs. Bloggs to discuss, disagree and arrive at proposals for such a constitution. Let us have a bit of inclusion.

You may think that I am fantasising, that nothing like that will ever happen; perhaps you are right, perhaps the inertia of the status quo shall wear out the forces pushing for change. But without such change where shall we be? Our country is subject to powerful social fracking forces. While that fracking

proceeds Royal events shall distract us.

The Royal Family is often presented as the cement that holds us together. It is a nice and comforting thought. That 'together' maintains, however, a growing gap between rich and poor, a society increasingly stratified and governments that hoard power. We are now, courtesy of Theresa May, officially a nasty country. When the good ship Brexit is launched by the Queen and sails out to sea we can forget about the leaking hull for we shall all be on deck celebrating another Royal event.

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Bread and Circuses

This phrase originates from Rome in Satire X of the Roman satirical poet Juvenal (circa A.D. 100). In context, the Latin panem et circenses (bread and circuses) identifies the only remaining inter-

est of a Roman populace which no longer cares for its historical birthright of political involvement. Here Juvenal displays his contempt for the declining heroism of contemporary Romans, using a range of

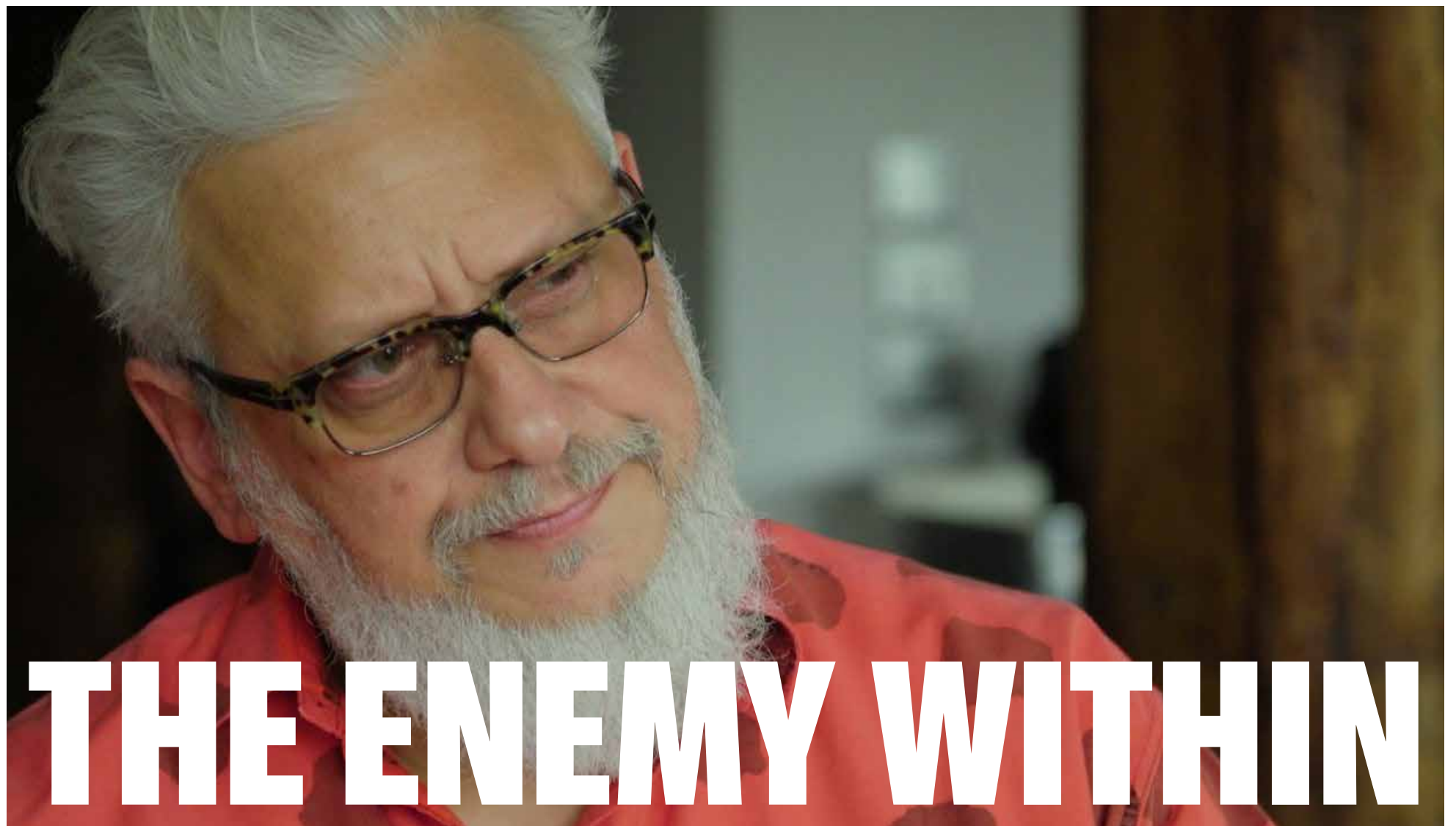
different themes including lust for power and desire for old age to illustrate his argument.[6] Roman politicians passed laws in 140 B.C. to keep the votes of poorer citizens, by introducing a grain dole: giving out cheap food and entertainment, "bread and circuses", became the most effective way to rise to power.

... Already long ago, from when we sold our vote to no man, the People have abdicated our duties; for the People who once upon a time handed out military command, high civil office, legions – everything, now restrains itself and anxiously hopes for just two things: bread and circuses.[7]

[...] iam pridem, ex quo suffragia nulli / uendimus, effudit curas; nam qui dabat olim / imperium, fasces, legiones, omnia, nunc se / continet atque duas tantum res anxius optat, / panem et circenses. [...]

(Juvenal, Satire 10.77-81)

Juvenal here makes reference to the Roman practice of providing free wheat to Roman citizens as well as costly circus games and other forms of entertainment as a means of gaining political power. The Annona (grain dole) was begun under the instigation of the popular politician Gaius Sempronius Gracchus in 123 B.C.; it remained an object of political contention until it was taken under the control of the autocratic Roman emperors.



By TONY GREENSTEIN

When the General Election was called last year I was one of the few people to predict that Corbyn might achieve a hung parliament. This at a time when the Tories were ahead by up to 24% in the polls. On 20th April I posted a blog [Labour Can Win if Corbyn is Bold](#). On 3rd June I followed this up with [Is Labour on the threshold of victory?](#) the subtitle of which read 'No one has been more disappointed with the success of Labour's campaign than the Labour Right and Zionist Jewish Labour Movement.'

This was at a time when the Observer's sage Nick Cohen wrote 'Will there be 150, 125, 100 Labour MPs by the end of the flaying? My advice is to think of a number then halve it.' [Don't tell me you weren't warned about Corbyn](#)

I will therefore make another

prediction. The revitalised 'anti-Semitism' campaign we have seen in the past 6 weeks, is just the beginning. It is a weapon of mass expulsions. As long as Corbyn accepts that there are 'pockets of anti-Semitism' in the Labour Party, then he will be at the perpetual mercy of those whose real goal is his removal. Until Corbyn is gone the 'anti-Semitism' crisis will not abate.

It is important to understand that there is nothing that Corbyn can do to satisfy his accusers. Every tweet, every blogpost will be 'proof' of anti-Semitism. As long as Israel commits its war crimes in the name of the Jewish people so long will there be people who are fooled by this and use anti-Semitic terminology. They are wrong to do so but the blame lies with the apologists for Israel's war crimes. The only answer to this campaign is to stand up to it, to rebut its assumptions and to declare

openly that Labour is opposed to an Apartheid State of Israel.

Chuka Ummuna and the Labour Right set out to damage Labour's prospects in the local elections. There is no doubt that they had some success, not least in London. It is understandable that people want to spin the local election results but we should admit that they weren't as good as they could have been.

Ironically the Labour Right's greatest success was in Barnet, where Labour failed to take control of the Council. Labour's Zionist councillors, in particular the Jewish Labour Movement's [JLM] Adam Langlaben and friends in West Hendon convinced the electorate that Labour was 'anti-Semitic' hence they didn't vote for them! In a classic display of Chutzpah Langlabe complained that voters had been put off by Labour's 'anti-Semitism'!

Unless Corbyn begins fighting

back against the Israel's supporters and the Zionist lobby he will never become Prime Minister. It is worse than useless, when Labour is accused of being 'riddled' with anti-Semitism to say that he is a militant opponent of it. He and Israel's apologists are talking about two different things. Corbyn means hatred of Jews when he talks about anti-Semitism. Jonathan Arkush and the Zionists mean hatred of Israeli Apartheid and Zionism. That is why, after their recent talks, Arkush expressed his [dissatisfaction](#) because Corbyn couldn't agree to his simple requests.

The Zionists [wanted](#) 'a swift resolution of party disciplinary cases [such as that of Ken Livingstone](#) and Labour adopting the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) definition of antisemitism.' None of these things have anything to do with anti-Semitism.

Livingstone stated that Hitler supported Zionism. Whether he was right or wrong is immaterial. The fact is that he spoke about Zionism not Jews or Judaism. Unless you believe that Jews and Zionism are synonymous then the attack on Ken makes no sense and if you do believe that Jews and Zionism are the same thing then what you are saying is that anti-Semitism equals anti-Zionism, which is in itself an anti-Semitic statement!

This simple piece of logic entirely has entirely escaped Corbyn and his advisers. The demand

that Jackie Walker, a Black-Jew be expelled is obviously on account of her anti-Zionism. Even stranger is their demand for the [full IHRA definition of anti-Semitism](#) when there is a very simple [21 word definition](#) of anti-Semitism from an academic expert on anti-Semitism, Dr Brian Klug:

antisemitism is a form of hostility to Jews as Jews, where Jews are perceived as something other than what they are.

The full IHRA definition, including 11 examples, comes to 450 words. Why? Because it takes that many words to conflate anti-Semitism and anti-Zionism! Thus anyone who says the 'anti-Semitism' campaign isn't about Israel and Zionism is either a liar, a fool or both.

Sir Stephen Sedley, a Jewish former Court of Appeal Judge [wrote](#) that

'the IHRA definition offers encouragement to pro-Israel militants whose targets for abuse and disruption in London have recently included the leading American scholar and critic of Israel Richard Falk'

Sedley described how the definition

'gives respectability and encouragement to forms of intolerance which are themselves contrary to law, and higher education institutions in particular need to be aware of this.'

If we don't learn the lessons of what happened in the past 6 weeks then we should not be surprised at the consequences which are Corbyn's removal.

Margaret Hodge

Jewish Labour MP, Margaret Hodge has said the moment she found out she faced investigation for confronting Jeremy Corbyn over anti-Semitism made her think about "what it felt like to be a Jew in Germany in the 30s".

The response from The Labour Party was:

"The comparison of the Labour Party's disciplinary process with Nazi Germany is so extreme and disconnected from reality, it diminishes the seriousness of the issue of antisemitism.



SPARE A THOUGHT FOR THE RIGHTISTS

If you became a Member of Parliament in say 1979 aged maybe 29 you would now be aged 68. If you became a Member of Parliament between 1980 and 2010 you could only be selected if your political views were broadly in line with our then Labour leadership. This is why almost all the "Left" MPs are either very old (older than me aged 66) or are relatively new in Parliament.

The Chris Leslie generation had their feet on the ladder during the Blair and Brown years.

Labour's vote dropped from 13.5 million in 1997 to 8.6 million in 2010. The thinking was that those voters were unlikely to return to Labour. The "big idea" under Ed Miliband was "triangulation", getting very close to the Tories so disgruntled Tories would feel that they could safely switch to Labour.

In February 2014 Shadow Education Secretary Tristram Hunt crossed a UCU picket line to deliver a lecture to his students on socialism. The party leader at the time Ed Miliband did not sack him.

The 2015 Manifesto did not mention trade unions at all, as part of "triangulation".

The effect of this was that the two parties were indistinguishable. There was no reason why 4.9 million disgruntled former Labour voters should return to Labour.

The people who grew and matured as politicians when the Labour Party was not socialist are finding the Corbyn revolution a difficult time. Their Constituency Labour Parties (CLPs) are now filled with socialists who are impatient and disrespectful. All the hot-heads who left Labour over Blair's Iraq War are now back, fifteen years older and even more determined to have a socialist Labour Party.

So if you find that the political world has changed, what do you do?

A few MPs quietly stood down in 2017.

Some MPs thought that the 2017 General Election would show that Corbyn and his mates were unelectable, clearing the way for worthy and experienced comrades (themselves) to pick up the pieces and to build a centre left Labour Party that could defeat the Tories. The 9.6% swing to Labour and the third highest ever Labour vote was unexpected and inconvenient.



Right Wing Labour

So now what?

Some Labour MPs recognised that Jeremy "won his spurs" in the 2017 General Election. Whether they like Corbyn or not these MPs have fallen into line behind Corbyn.

The malcontent MPs are still trying to discredit Corbyn. "Unelectable" is no longer a runner, but "Antisemitism" and "Brexit" are still tools they can use to discredit Corbyn.

Forty years ago the then Councilor Corbyn was organising to defend the Jewish community in London. As a backbench MP Corbyn regularly sponsored early day motions against antisemitism in the House of Commons - which most of the malcontents did not support at the time. The Antisemitism line is not working very well because it is ridiculous to suggest that Jeremy Corbyn and Labour are either anti-Semitic or racist. Some of the attackers are known Tories or take money and / or gifts from the State of Israel. The real is-



Chris Leslie

sue here is that the State of Israel does not want a Labour Government that will recognise Palestine. The anti Corbyn MPs are "useful idiots" for the State of Israel.

With Brexit there are many genuine and honest Remainers. I know, because I am one. Many of us in the Labour Party are open Remainers. I would consider a "Goldilocks Brexit" (not too hard, not too soft, but just right). There is no Goldilocks Brexit on offer.

Two thirds of the seats we need to win to win the General Election voted Leave. The strategy of the malcontents since the day after the Referendum has been to try to have Labour commit to remaining in the EU. If you are pro EU and anti

Corbyn then Labour should commit to a Remain position.

Corbyn and Keir Starmer are operating a nuanced position with the intention of fighting the next General Election not only with the Remain voters but also picking up

significant numbers of disgruntled Leave voters.

So if discrediting Corbyn does not work, what else can they do?

Political giants like Roy Jenkins and David Owen and Shirley Williams led 28 Labour MPs into the SDP. Despite having a hugely favourable media and adequate funding only six SDP MPs survived the next General Election.

The proposed Centre Party does not have a prospective leader fit to clean the boots of Roy Jenkins. The future does not look good for a "centre" party. If you sit as a MP for a safe Labour seat you have no chance of holding it for the Centrists at the next Election. If your seat is not safe you might give it to the Tories by splitting the Left vote, but you are still out of a job.

According to the Daily Express the latest wheeze is to stand for Labour at the next election and hope that your faction will hold the balance of power in the next Parliament.

In 2017 a snap election coupled with the Right's hold on the NEC gave sitting MPs a free pass to stand in 2017. That is unlikely to happen again.

Those "Right" MPs who have worked to develop relationships with their new members will probably be selected again. For those individuals the thought of betray-

ing their CLP and the loss of many significant friendships either before the next Election or after is a big disincentive. They would rather support a Labour Government than bring it down.

Those "Right" MPs who do not have good relations with their CLPs are likely to be deselected before the next General Election either on a trigger vote (the current system) or through mandatory reselection (the new proposal before Conference this autumn). Successors stand waiting in most Labour constituencies.

If you believe that you should be in the Cabinet it is very hard to recognise that your golden future is behind you. The "soon to be deselected" are in a desperate state. Do they wait until they are deselected? Do they jump, and where to?

The Tories are not in a position to offer the malcontents safe seats given their own "chicken run" of Tory MPs seeking safer seats. The Liberals cannot help them. Is it better to make a "principled" leap to the Centre Party before they are deselected? It looks daft to join the Centre Party after you have been deselected.

If a Right MP is behaving in a crazy way it may well be because they are personally and professionally in an impossible situation.

By Daniel Powell

At 03.00 a.m. on 14th April, Theresa May announced that she had authorised airstrikes as part of joint action with France and the US against Syria in retaliation for an alleged chemical weapons attack in Douma. It was the first time she has made such a commitment, which will be significant for the course of Britain's foreign policy and the future of her own position since parliament was not consulted. Government is not required to seek a Commons vote for military action by law, as Royal Prerogative permits such authorisations; though since 2003 convention has been to secure parliamentary approval. This was the legacy of Tony Blair's Foreign Secretary Robin Cook, who resigned over the Iraq War.

May would have been conscious of David Cameron's humiliating Commons defeat in 2013 when his proposal to launch airstrikes against Syria failed, though in 2015 he won a vote for airstrikes on grounds of restriction to ISIS targets rather than the sovereign Syrian state. May's authorisation also had no mandate from the UN Security Council, since Russia would most likely veto any such proposal; the airstrikes were conducted hours before the Organisation for the Prevention of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) was due to inspect the site at Douma; the US claims access to the site was blocked by Russian forces, which they in turn deny.

May has claimed the strikes were not an intervention in the civil war or to cause "regime change", but solely to "degrade and deter" Syrian government chemical weapons facilities and attacks. That claim is disingenuous, since the UK has long held an interest in deposing Assad. In 2013 French foreign minister Roland Dumas revealed that British officials had invited him to participate in the training of rebels to invade Syria two years before the war began; in the same year William Hague announced the gifting of 'non-lethal aid' to 'moderate rebels', as they prefer to describe the numerous Salafist jihadis from groups such

as Jaysh-al-Islam and Al-Nusra. In reality these groups are often as brutal in their tactics and ideology as ISIS. The difference is that although ISIS fighters were useful to the west when they fought Assad, they were not a cooperative ally. ISIS has now been mostly defeated by the Kurdish YPG with assistance from NATO, who have since dropped this 'tactical and temporary' alliance, allowing its member state Turkey to invade the Kurdish-held Afrin enclave, assisted by more 'moderate rebels'. Mi6 has covertly supplied weapons from the fallout of the Libyan war to jihadi groups in Syria for the purposes of deposing Assad: in 2014 a trial at the Old Bailey collapsed when the defendant accused of terrorism charges was revealed to have been working with Al-Nusra, who

were shown to have been supported by the UK. Western media leaks have revealed that British special forces have been deployed in Syria for some time, and the Iranian Fars news agency reported that Assad's troops recently captured several British personnel. The government refuses to answer questions on special forces matters due to the secret nature of these operations. This also avoids giving the impression that there are British 'boots on the ground' to a general public unenthusiastic for war.

Evidence cited for the Douma gas attacks relies on eyewitness statements and reports shared on social media by aid organisations such as the White Helmets, who are partly funded by the UK and embedded with jihadi rebels. A US report from 2013 stated that

rebels Al-Nusra had been attempting to develop chemical weapons, and several members were subsequently arrested in southern Turkey for possessing Sarin gas and fuses. In this merciless war it is often near impossible to attribute events to a specific cause or actor. May's rationale for not seeking UN approval relies on the notion that in certain circumstances the government can act on grounds of humanitarian intervention. However, Professor of Public Law at Oxford University Dapo Kande has advised the Labour Party that the UN charter provides for no exceptions, and even if such allowances were permitted, the airstrikes would not fulfill the government's own criterion since they did not bring about 'urgent and immediate relief' to those they apparently sought to protect. It is unlikely that the UK would accept such illegal bypassing from many other nations.

Assuming the targets of May's airstrikes did contain chemical weapon facilities, the effectiveness of this strategy can be questioned, since the Pentagon's General Kenneth Mackenzie admitted future gas attacks might still occur, though Assad might now "think long and hard" about it. British General Jonathon Shaw has questioned whether Assad was responsible for the gas attacks, since he is on the verge of winning the civil war against the US and UK supported rebels and has little to gain from inciting further escalation. Others have suggested the airstrikes were executed

on the whim of Donald Trump as a face-saving exercise, as his calamitous scandal-ridden White House administration falls apart in Washington. Trump and May have reiterated the airstrikes are 'sending a message' to their opponents - gesture politics at their worst.

Critics have suggested May hopes to gain from a poll-boosting 'Falklands effect', though this is unlikely to convince a skeptical public. The airstrikes have received widespread condemnation from opposition parties, with Jeremy Corbyn calling for a new 'War Powers Act' to ensure the government must seek parliamentary approval for military action; May's response was that this would prevent it from conducting surprise attacks. This renders the UN Security Council's existence somewhat obsolete in dangerous times with the prospect of a Third World War seeming a real possibility. The Pentagon has assured that the US maintains 'deconfliction channels' with Russia in order to prevent direct battlefield interactions between the superpowers - though Russian Minister Sergei Lavrov claims communication channels are at a new low, worse than during the Cold War. Whatever consequences May's foray into war has for her personally, she and her husband Philip can at least console themselves that the airstrikes have caused the share price of arms manufacturer BAE to rise sharply, which will be good news for the Capital Group firm Mr. May works for.

THERESA MAY AND THE PRICE OF WAR



On 13th March 2017, I was arrested for sending a death threat to a large number of members of Durham County Council. On 13th April, to the shocked disbelief of the Police and after six or seven hours on the part of the Crown Prosecution Service, I was charged. I was supposed to stand trial on 6th December. It was "postponed". I was supposed to stand trial on 11th April 2018, a year after I had been charged. That, too, was "postponed". Since then, I have had no trial date, despite having been on bail since 13th March 2017.

On what grounds was I arrested and charged? None whatever. Literally none. The supposed similarities between the letter and my published work were comprehensively refuted when the Police first interviewed me, on 13th March 2017. Those similarities either did not exist, or they were attributed quotations from the work of other people, including William Shakespeare. The hypothetical possibility of a fingerprint was also dealt with and dismissed in full on that occasion, as being entirely explicable in terms of my having at some time loaded a ream on paper into the printer at either of the public libraries that I frequented, and indeed continue to frequent.

I was charged on the basis of the existence of two fingerprints that were supposed to have been mine beyond reasonable doubt, yet the Crown has produced only one fingerprint that may or may not have come (as, in point of fact, it has not) from one of my hands but not from the other, on one side but not the other of a folded

LINDSAY CASE



piece of paper. The contortions required would defeat even someone a very great deal less arthritic than I, if they would be possible at all. Am I to be expected to stand in a dock or a witness box and wave my two hands in order to demonstrate, both that I had such, and that it caused me intense pain to exert them? Do you imagine that that would add to the majesty of the law, in which some of us simple souls still believe profoundly?

There is no other fingerprint evidence, which is to say that there is no fingerprint evidence whatever. There is no computer evidence. There is no electronic evidence of any kind. There is no handwriting evidence. There is no DNA evidence. There is no proof of postage. I shall say that again: there is no evidence that the letter was ever posted, not only by me, but by anyone. If there is no public interest in prosecuting the father of Poppi Worthington, then there is certainly none in prosecuting me.

Although I have had no contact with any alleged victim in this case while these matters have been ongoing, none of them has removed me as a friend on Facebook, nor has any of them stopped following me on Twitter. That includes the complainant in this case, who, entirely by his own choice, both remains my friend on

Facebook, and continues to follow me on Twitter.

The Crown Prosecution Service caused all of my dozens of character witnesses to be disallowed, because it knew that the testimony of any one of them would have guaranteed my acquittal: past and present members of both Houses of Parliament, local councillors including several alleged victims in this case, senior members of the Catholic and Anglican clergy, distinguished academics, leading journalists, Justices of the Peace, a Presiding Justice in Court, and so on.

Nevertheless, my good character is evidenced by the fact that while these proceedings have been ongoing, I have been elected unopposed as a Public Governor of County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (the only unopposed election of which I have ever heard there, and possibly the only one that there has ever been), and I have taken a creditable 203 votes for the Lanchester Ward of Durham County Council, as well as a more than creditable 302 votes for Lanchester Parish Council. Those figures are universally regarded as having been artificially reduced by the persecution of me. Even so, though, my neighbours voted for me in their hundreds. The verdict of my peers, indeed.

Did You Know?

Baby pandas weigh at birth only 1/90th. of their mother's weight.

It is believed it is due to the fact that Pandas subsist almost entirely on bamboo, which has a very low nutritional value. Says wildlife biologist Dajun Wang, "It is easier for the animal to convert

bamboo into milk than to convert bamboo into animal tissue." Adult Pandas can eat 80lbs. bamboo a day.

The world's largest earthquake with an instrumentally documented magnitude occurred on May 22, 1960 near Valdivia, in

southern Chile. It was assigned a magnitude of 9.5 by the United States Geological Survey. It is referred to as the "Great Chilean Earthquake" and the "1960 Valdivia Earthquake."

In World War 2 the UK trained 60 women SOEs (Secret Operations Executives)

60 were trained and up to a quarter were killed by the Germans or died in service. Some of their code names were Waitress, Churchill, Didi, the White Mouse (Le Souris Blanche) They were mainly British but also French, Hungarian, Indian, Mauritian and Polish.

The longest standing World Record in Track and Field is the Women's 800 metres.

It was set in Munich on 26th. July 1983, with a time of 1min. 53.28secs. by Jarmila Kratochvílová born 26 January in the former state of Czechoslovakia.

The longest standing world record by a British athlete is in the Triple Jump. It was broken twice in the same meeting by Jon-



athan Edwards. On his first jump, he became the first man to pass the 18-metre barrier with a jump of 18.16 m. That record lasted for about 20 minutes. His second jump of 18.29 m made him the first to jump 60 feet. This was set in 1995 World Championships in Gothenburg.

How strong is a spider's silk? A single strand of spider silk is thinner than a human hair, but

also five times stronger than steel of the same width. A rope just 2 inches thick could reportedly stop a Boeing 747.

What can measure up to six feet in length but has a mouth only an inch wide?

Answer: The giant anteater will eat as rapidly as possible, its amazing two foot long tongue moving in and out 150 times a minute—more than twice a second!



By Kitty S Jones

Charities and groups contracted to deliver the government's new Work and Health Programme have been told they must not be critical of the work and pensions secretary, Esther McVey.

A clause in the contract for those delivering the programme stipulates that signed-up charities must "pay the utmost regard to the standing and reputation" to McVey and the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP). However, such contracts that prevent charities from speaking out do not align with government claims of "transparency".

Turning Point, the RNIB, the Royal Association for Deaf People, and the Shaw Trust are among charities that have agreed to act as providers of services under the programme - which focuses on supporting disabled people and other disadvantaged groups into work in England and Wales. It does not operate in Scotland.

The existence of an extraordinary clause was revealed through a freedom of information request by campaigning website the Disability News Service (DNS). [You can read the report in full here.](#)

DNS says the clause states that the contractor "shall pay the utmost regard to the standing and reputation" of DWP and ensure it does nothing to bring it "into disrepute, damages the reputation of the Contracting Body or harms the confidence of the public in the Contracting Body".

The contract defines the "Contracting Body" as the work and pensions secretary - [Esther McVey](#), who was criticised and heckled last week in the Scottish Parliament as she attempted to make a [defence for Universal Credit and the hated rape clause](#).

All of the disability charities contacted by DNS have insisted that the clause - which DWP has been using since 2015 - will have no impact on their willingness to criticise McVey or the Department.

Shaw Trust said the "publicity, media and official enquiries" clause had been present "in previous DWP contracts" and "does not and has not impinged on our independence as a charity".

A DWP spokeswoman said: "The department did not introduce this clause specifically for the Work and Health Programme contract.

"It has been used in DWP employment category contracts since 2015.

"The contract is the framework which governs the relationship with DWP and its contractors so that both parties understand how to interact with each other.

"The clause is intended to protect the best interests of



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both the department and the stakeholders we work with, and it does not stop individuals working for any of our contractors from acting as whistle-blowers under the provisions of the Public Interest "Disclosure Act 1998, nor does it prevent contractors from raising any concerns directly with the department."

So how do charities raise concerns about the impact of draconian Conservative policies, without being "critical of the work and pensions secretary, Esther McVey," or get around the problem of "paying the utmost regard to the standing and reputation" of the DWP, exactly?

This authoritarian gagging clause is unenforceable in so far as it purports to preclude a worker or group from making a protected disclosure, under the [Public Interest Disclosure Act](#)

[1998](#). However, whistleblowing legislation has been amended since the Public Interest Disclosure Act 1998, by the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act 2013 and the Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015.

The 2013 Act, among other things, introduced a public interest test. In order to benefit from whistleblower protection a disclosure must "in the reasonable belief of the worker making the disclosure" be "made in the public interest".

The 2015 Act created a power for the Secretary of State to impose reporting requirements on prescribed persons (bodies to which whistleblowers may disclose information). It is claimed that these requirements would cover matters such as the number of whistleblowing disclosures received and investigated.

In an era of outsourcing and public sector commissioning, most contracts issued by NHS trusts, local authorities and central government departments, or by their prime providers, now include such restrictions on providers speaking freely or releasing any information without permission.

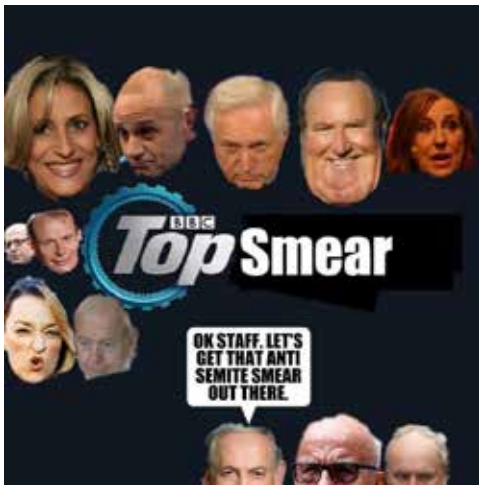
The Panel on the Independence of [the Voluntary Sector](#) included in its [2014 report](#) a specific request to the government that such clauses be outlawed. Nick Hurd, then the Minister for Civil Society, said in a priceless Orwellian response that it was the government's ambition for the UK to be "the most transparent and accountable government in the world"; but he said it had a duty "to ensure all publicly released information is accurate and validated, and contracts with providers are

designed to reflect this".

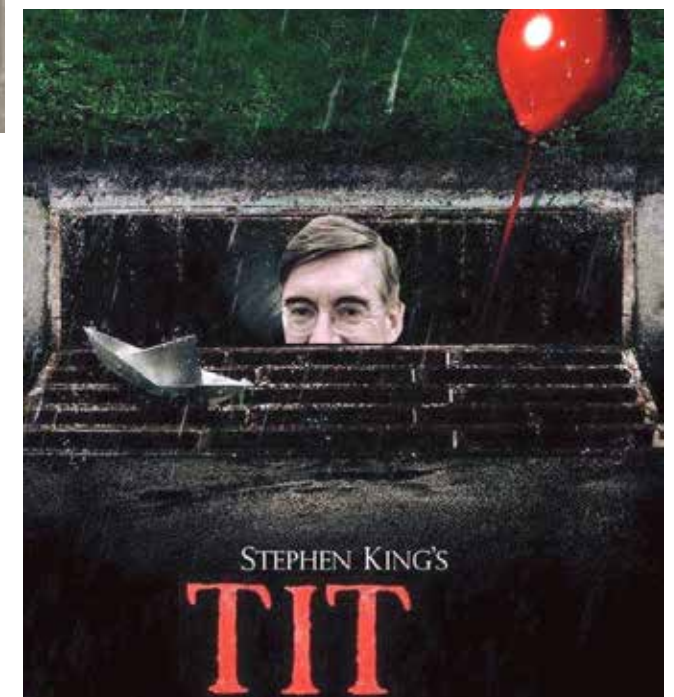
That's a government denial clause, by the way.

Asheem Singh, director of public policy at the charity chief executives body Acevo, [said in 2014](#) that gagging clauses are unacceptable and charities and social enterprises should challenge them.

"There is no doubt that many confidentiality clauses in government contracts are designed to protect not the public but the department or the ministers concerned," he says. "We need an open, transparent system where data is freely shared. We have reams of data protection legislation that is designed to protect the vulnerable. Contractual confidentiality clauses that aim to prevent 'bringing a department into disrepute', as one example puts it, merely protect officialdom."



IF BEHIND IN POLLS OR HAVE NO ANSWER TO A QUESTION PLEASE FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS BELOW



As fascist today...



As it's always been

Now free from moral fibre!

By Guido Fawkes

Paul Delaire Staines (born 11 February 1967) is a British-Irish, right-wing political blogger, who publishes the Guido Fawkes website. His website was described by The Daily Telegraph as "one of Britain's leading political blogsites" in 2007.[7] Since 2013 the Sun on Sunday newspaper has published a weekly Guido Fawkes column. [8] Born and raised in England, Staines is an Irish citizen.

Staines acquired an interest in politics as a libertarian in the 1980s and did public relations for acid house parties in the early 1990s. He then spent several years in finance, first as a broker then as a trader. In 2001 he sued his fund's financial backer in a commercial dispute.[9] Consequently, Staines declared himself bankrupt in October 2003 after two years of litigation, and legal costs on both sides running into hundreds of thousands of pounds.[10]

In September 2004,[11] Staines began the "Guido Fawkes Blog of plots, rumours and conspiracy". The name is an alternative of Guy Fawkes, and continues that symbolism with the masthead slogan "tittle tattle, gossip and rumours about Westminster's Mother of Parliaments. Written from the perspective of the only man to enter parliament with honest intentions. The intention being to blow it up with gunpowder..."

In 2006, Staines along with Jag Singh co-founded MessageSpace, a digital advertising agency which operates an advertising network representing dozens of leading political websites. MessageSpace also advises political clients on digital campaigning using social media. In 2012 it advised the successful Boris Johnson London mayoral campaign. Private Eye reported in June 2012 that MessageSpace was advising the Russian Embassy in London on using social media.[12] In 2013 Staines together with Singh and Matthew Elliott co-founded WESS Digital, a data analysis company supporting political and charity campaign work.[13]

St Kitts and Nevis-based Global & General Nominees Limited (GGN) publishes the Guido Fawkes Blog. Staines describes himself as an "adviser" to GGN. [14] He is a director of Global & General Nominees (Hong Kong) Limited.

Education and personal life

Staines was born in Ealing, London to Dublin-born Mary (née Cronin) and Indian-born Terril De Laire Staines. He grew up in Sudbury, London. Raised a Catholic, he attended Salvatorian College Catholic grammar school in Harrow.[15][16] Subsequently, he read business information studies at the Humberside College of Higher



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Guido Fawkes

Education (now the University of Lincoln), but did not complete the course.[17][18]

In 1981, he won the UK Atari Asteroids video games championship and went on to finish ninth in the world championships held in Washington D.C. As a young man he was a member of the Social Democratic Party, sitting on the national executive of its youth wing,[19] and the Conservative Party.[20] He lives in Ireland[21]

and was a member of the now defunct Irish political party, the Progressive Democrats.

In 2002, Staines was banned from driving for 12 months for driving under the influence.[23]

In 2008, Staines was again convicted of driving under the influence, his fourth alcohol-related offence and second drink-driving incident since he was banned from driving in 2002.[23]

Politics

Staines is a libertarian who described in a 2000 publication[24] how he became a libertarian in 1980 after reading Karl Popper's *The Open Society and its Enemies*. He joined the Young Conservatives whilst at Humberside College of Higher Education, "because they were the only people around who were anti-Socialist or at least anti-Soviet". Having joined the Federation of Conservative Students, he described his politics as "Thatcher on drugs". He relates that at college he was a "right-wing pain in the butt who was more interested in student politics than

essays", who went on "to work in the various right-wing pressure groups and think tanks that proliferated in the late eighties".

Staines has been active in the Libertarian Alliance. He was pictured at the 1987 Libertarian Alliance conference with a T-shirt supporting UNITA, produced by his Popular Propaganda enterprise (while at college), which produced posters and T-shirts.[25] Staines worked as "foreign policy analyst" for the Committee for a Free Britain, a right-wing Conservative pressure group, alongside David Hart. Staines acted as editor of *British Briefing*, a long-standing publication by the group that was a "monthly intelligence analysis of the activities of the extreme left" that sought to "smear Labour MPs and left-leaning lawyers and writers".[16]

Staines relates of his work with the Committee:

I was lobbying at the Council of Europe and at Parliament; I was over in Washington, in Jo'burg, in South America. It was 'let's get

guns for the Contras', that sort of stuff. I was enjoying it immensely. I got to go with these guys and fire off AK-47s. I always like to go where the action is, and for that period in the Reagan/Thatcher days, it was great fun, it was all expenses paid and I got to see the world. I used to think that *World Briefing* was a bit funny. The only scary thing about those publications was the mailing list - people like George Bush - and the fact that Hart would talk to the head of British Intelligence for an hour. I used to think it was us having a laugh, putting some loony right-wing sell in, and that somebody somewhere was taking it seriously. You've got to understand that we had a sense of humour about this.[16]

In 1989, Staines published *In the Grip of the Sandinistas: Human Rights in Nicaragua 1979-1989*, under the auspices of the International Society for Human Rights (of which he was UK secretary-general), analysing the Sandinistas in Nicaragua from 1979 to 1989. He was then the editor of *Human Rights Briefing*.

Staines says his credibility was damaged by his enthusiasm for drugs and raves. "One minute I would be on *News at One* saying 'there's no drugs at these parties' and the next minute I'm supposed to be talking about civil war in Angola. It wasn't working." [16]

He founded the *Global Growth Org* website,[26] a campaigning group for free trade for the third world. Campaigns included support for microcredit, as well as a pharmaceutical campaign to "promote the tariff-free trading of drugs in the developing world, secondly defend the re-importation and parallel trading of pharmaceuticals in the rich industrialised nations. Thirdly, to lobby legislators for patient-friendly duration limit". The site's last *Hot Sheet* was published in March 2005, and its last blog entry in June 2006.

HOPE AND GOOD NEWS

August 2018.

UK. Care Farms

There are now over 230 of these according to Natural England, with 80 combined within Care Farming UK, with referrals coming from GPs and others.. Some teach life skills to people with disabilities and help them get qualifications.

One such venture is Carlshead Care Farm, near Leeds. This is 1 acre in size and contains fields, fishing pools, trees, allotments and a forest garden. There are two learning rooms as well as chicken coops and animal hutches. The manager, Tanya Bish says all participants are set targets, including gaining ABC vocational awards.

Big Issue North May Edition.

Sudan

President Omar-al-Bashir has released over fifty opposition activists detained for 84 days for protesting against rising food and healthcare costs.

Chad

All charges against Tadjadine Mahamat Babouri dropped, detained since 2016 for posting videos on Facebook criticising the Government. Another young activist, Alain Didah Kemba, released unconditionally.

USA

Two Guatemalan asylum seekers released from immigration detention after activists made over 1,600 phone calls to the authorities in Pennsylvania.

Alabama not pursuing another death warrant for Doyle Hamm.

Governor of Ohio has commuted William Montgomery's death sentence to life imprisonment.

North Korea

Koo Jeong-hwa, who fled with her 4 year old son, was forcibly returned and accused of treason, was released in April.

Amnesty magazine Summer 2018.



Costa Rica

Announces Ambitious Plan to Ban Fossil Fuels and Become World's First Decarbonised Society.

New President, Carlos Alvarado announced plans to fully ban the use of fossil fuels and make Costa Rica the first country in the world to achieve decarbonisation in his inaugural speech.

"Decarbonisation is the great task of our generation and Costa Rica must

be one of the first countries in the world to accomplish it, if not the first," said the president. He added: "We have the titanic and beautiful task of abolishing the use of fossil fuels in our economy to make way for the use of clean and renewable energies."

The president plans on implementing the country's fossil fuel ban in 2021, which would also symbolically mark Costa Rica's 200th year of independence.

While the ban may seem unrealistic, Costa Rica has already been hailed for generating 99% of their energy needs through renewable energy sources, such as hydroelectricity, wind, solar, and geothermal energy.

Experts say that one of the last major steps for the country's decar-

Tanya (learning and development manager): *We help you reach your potential using the living resources of the farm*

bonisation is eliminating fossil fuels from public transportation, which make up a large portion of

Costa Rica's carbon emissions. The Independent <https://www.independent.co.uk/topic/CostaRica> and <https://www.goodnewsnetwork.org/>

Peru.

Around Cuzco, high in the Andes, farming is a difficult activity because of low soil fertility and low temperatures exacerbated by climate change. However two non-governmental agencies # are helping by setting up solar powered greenhouses with drip irrigation modules. Women tend to do most of the farming whilst men find paid work. They live in rural areas, largely ignored by public policy makers and are being trained in new techniques to make sustainable use of soil, water and seeds. Now as well as staples maize, beans and potatoes they are able to grow tomatoes, lettuce and peas. They are also being taught to defend their

rights as women, farmers and citizens. Although on a small scale at the moment it will hopefully expand.

NGOs involved are the Peruvian Flora Tristan Women's Centre supported by the Spanish Basque Agency for Development Cooperation.

Big Issue July 2018.

US.

In this day and age, we may feel too shy to knock on our neighbor's door and ask for a cup of sugar - but thankfully, there is now an app for that.

Chummy is an app that allows people to ask for help with things they may need - whether it's borrowing a cat carrier, renting a car spot for a month, moving houses, or searching for a lost pet. Other people who are using the app in the community can see the post and offer up their own assistance.

While social media may offer up some alternative help, there are often limitations that come with certain online communities. The app, however, depends on people's proximity and willingness to help.

"Chummy makes possible what other social media networks do not: It helps people to develop real-life connections, based on trust and mutual support within your city," says the app's website. "Reciprocal help, kind hearts and open minds are our pillars." *Good News Network.*





JOE SOLO

I'm small fry. Meaningless in the general scheme of things. I write a few articles and sing some songs; I get a few likes and shares on social media, but I have no political clout, not really. I'd be kidding myself if I thought I did.

Yet I am targeted fairly regularly by fake accounts and right wing trolls looking to undermine my posts and turn otherwise positive comments threads into raging arguments. And on top of that I regularly receive messages attempting to harden my stance, encouraging me to threaten violence or to cause more trouble.

They are looking to radicalise me in order to nullify the positivity. I know that.

I also know many of these messages/comments are a result of the same hand; because although you can't see the handwriting, you can see it in the phrasing, the posing of questions, the deliberate use of language to imply a point without directly saying it. I'm pretty sure anyone who posts about politics on here will know where I'm coming from. It isn't paranoia. This is really happening.

So if a concerted campaign of infiltration can be targeted at someone as meaningless as me, imagine the level of this fired at a political party, or a campaigning group, or a prospective candidate.

It's the perfect answer to the

problem they face. A genuine People's movement for change has risen up from nothing to become a threat to the status quo and the more they attack from the outside, the bigger it grows. So, in tried and trusted fashion, they infiltrate and attack from the inside.

After all, the more you deny something, the more they can accuse you of a cover-up while amazingly producing evidence to prove their own point. You ultimately end up eating yourself alive trying to prove them wrong.

It is absolutely classic infiltration politics.

Straight out of Chapter One. Stand strong. Together.



One Person's lifetime

The National Health Services began their work on the 5 July 1948.

The National Health Services began their work on the 5 July 1948. This put into practice Westminster legislation for England and Wales from 1946 and Scotland from 1947, and the Northern Ireland Parliament's 1947 Public Health Services Act. (NHS Wales was split from NHS (England) in 1969 when control was passed to the Secretary of State for Wales before transferring to the Welsh Executive and Assembly under devolution in 1999.

Calls for a "unified medical service" can be dated back to the Minority Report of the Royal Commission on the Poor Law in 1909, but it was following the 1942 Beveridge Report's recommendation to create "comprehensive health and rehabilitation services for prevention and cure of disease" that cross-party consensus emerged on introducing a National Health Service of some description. When Clement

Attlee's Labour Party won the 1945 election he appointed Aneurin Bevan as Health Minister. Bevan then embarked upon what the official historian of the NHS, Charles Webster, called an "audacious campaign" to take charge of the form the NHS finally took. The NHS was born out of the ideal that good healthcare should be available to all, regardless of wealth. At its launch by Bevan on 5 July 1948 it had at its heart three core principles: That it meet the needs of everyone, that it be free at the point of delivery, and that it be based on clinical need, not ability to pay.

Three years after the founding of the NHS, Bevan resigned from the Labour government in opposition to the introduction of charges for the provision of dentures and glasses. The following year, Winston Churchill's Conservative government introduced prescription charges. These charges were the first of many controversies over reforms to the NHS throughout its history.



Novichok

By Craig Murray

The mainstream media are making almost no effort today to fit Charlie Rowley's account of his poisoning into the already ludicrous conspiracy theory being peddled by the government and intelligence agencies.

ITV News gamely inserted the phrase "poisoned by a Russian nerve agent" into their exclusive interview with Charlie Rowley, an interview in which they managed to ask no penetrating questions whatsoever, and of which they only broadcast heavily edited parts. Their own website contains this comment by their journalist Rupert Evelyn:

He said it was unopened, the box it was in was sealed, and that they had to use a knife in order to cut through it.

"That raises the question: if it wasn't used, is this the only Novichok that exists in this city? And was it the same Novichok used to attack Sergei and Yulia Skripal?"

But the information about opening the packet with a knife is not in the linked interview. What Rowley does say in the interview is that the box was still sealed in its cellophane. Presumably it was the cellophane he slit open with a knife.

So how can this fit in to the official government account? Presumably the claim is that Russian agents secretly visited the Skripal house, sprayed novichok on the door handle from this perfume bottle, and then, at an unknown location, disassembled the nozzle from

the bottle (Mr Rowley said he had to insert it), then repackaged and re-cellophaned the bottle prior to simply leaving it to be discovered somewhere - presumably somewhere indoors as it still looked new - by Mr Rowley four

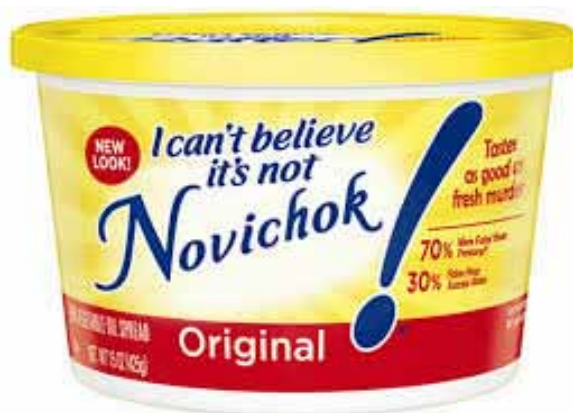
months later. However it had not been found by anyone else in the interim four months of police, military and security service search.

Frankly, the case for this being the bottle allegedly used to coat the Skripals' door handle looks wildly improbable. But then the entire government story already looked wildly improbable anyway - to the extent that I literally do not know a single person, even among my more right wing family and friends, who believes it. The reaction of the media, who had shamelessly been promoting the entirely evidence free "the Russians did it" narrative, to Mr Rowley's extremely awkward piece of news has been to shove it as far

as possible down the news agenda and make no real effort to reconcile it.

By his own account, Mr Rowley is not a reliable witness, his memory affected by the "Novichok". It is not unreasonable to conjecture there may also be other reasons why he is vague about where and how he came into possession of this package of perfume.

The perfume bottle is now in the hands of the Police. Is it not rather strange that they have not published photos of it, to see if it jogs the memory of a member of the public who saw it somewhere in the last four months, or saw somebody with it? The "perpetrators" know what it looks like and already know the police have it, so that would not give away any dangerous information. You might believe the lockdown of the story and control of the narrative is more important to the authorities than solving the crime, which we should not forget is now murder.





BE STRONG AND NOTHING CAN CHANGE YOUR DESTINY BUT YOU

Interview Val Colvin

LABOUR INTERNATIONAL

Interviewed by Charles James

Val, you came to wide attention when photos of you in a Jeremy Corbyn T shirt appeared all over the Left media. You were photo shopped as being on the Tory Front Bench in the Commons. Which was the first photo? How did it grow from there?

Hi Charles, it's good to be in touch. I became a Corbyn supporter in July 2015 and as soon as I heard him speak, I became a Labour Party member. I had never joined a party before that. I always knew what I felt about what was going on in the world but I felt my politics didn't fit in. That is until I heard Jeremy speak at the beginning of his leadership contest (the first one). I heard that Owen Smith was visiting Liverpool to give a speech about his leadership campaign (the second attempt to unseat Corbyn) and I thought I would go down and see what he had to say.

There was a lady with a plaque showing the way to where Smith was giving his speech and I overheard her talking to a woman and telling her where it was. The lady with the plaque asked the women "are you an Owen Smith supporter?" to which the woman replied "Yes". Well, I looked at this woman and I thought, if you're an Owen Smith supporter then I'll eat my t-shirt, we just know you see, Socialists can identify each other from a mile away. I struck up a conversation as we were walking to where the speech was planned and asked her outright if she was really an Owen Smith supporter - she laughed, I laughed and we've been friends since, her name is Sue Parry. Now I tell you about Sue because she took the very first photo of me in my Corbyn t-shirt with my arm raised and the crowd behind me. I put that photo on Facebook and the rest is history. I was at a music event the night of the Smith "rally" so had my phone off. When I got home about midnight, I looked on Facebook and I had hundreds of friend requests and hundreds of notifications and I just thought my phone had gone mad, until I started reading the comments - it has certainly become one of the most laughable and memorable days in my life.

Which are your favourite photos?

My favourite photos have got to be the one where I am standing behind Smith by the ice-cream van and then a couple more with me dancing with John Travolta, who wouldn't love that? Then with me ice-skating me Christopher Torrill, I mean, look at those legs! But there were just so many ☺

What effect did all this ex-

posure have on you?

Well, to be honest, I'm a level headed girl so it didn't really have any affect apart from I suddenly made loads of virtual friends and I even saw myself on the news. I just found it really funny at the time and a couple of days later, Facebook & Twitter quietened down and I'd had my 15 minutes of fame so to speak. I did receive a lovely message from a new Facebook friend, Nell Mylrea from the Isle of Man, she asked me what the exact wording was on my t-shirt in the photos. I replied and then she made me a lovely doll, so I can also say I have a mini-me ☺

Your FB profile says you are events manager for WSO Liverpool. What is WSO?

Ha, yes, another string to my bow. In real life, I'm a Paediatric Intensive Care Nurse Manager and work in the local Children's Hospital. In May 2015, I was on duty and the results came in from the general election with the Tories winning, it felt like someone had stabbed me in the stomach. I see poverty in Liverpool and all around me. Parents who come in with their critically ill children sometimes cannot afford to eat. Nurses I work with are wishing their lives away until payday. Homelessness was surfacing in Liverpool and growing. Foodbanks were starting to open in Liverpool too. This felt like a real blow and it fired something up in me. During my break at work I was on Facebook and two of my real friends rather than virtual were chatting. One, Stephen Goodall comes from Widnes, the other Joe Solo comes from Scarborough. I know them from the musician world I dearly love. They too were devastated by the election result. Stephen suggested putting on a gig to raise food for foodbanks and Joe agreed. They put out the statement "I wonder if we can get a gig in lots of different places". I said that I was sure we could do something in Liverpool and put out a plea to my musician friends if they would help and play at a gig in aid of the foodbanks and homeless. I went to bed that morning, after my night shift, and when I woke up I had 70 friends say they would like to help. Joe & Stephen had called on other musician friends and before we knew the amount of events grew and grew. We used the name "We Shall Overcome - a raised fist and a helping hand" as the name of our organisation, shortened to WSO. October 2015 was the date of our first events and the festival takes place all over the UK every October. So far WSO organisers and musicians have helped put together 750 gigs in 142 towns across 9 countries on 3 continents, raising an estimated £350,000 of cash, food, clothing and bedding for those hardest hit by austerity, and we have no intention of stopping un-

I Coordinate the events for WSO Liverpool & Merseyside and we have between 10 and 20 events taking place in our area alone. This year's events take place around the weekend of 5/6/7th October and include music gigs, comedy nights, film nights and an art auction.

If anyone is interested in joining WSO nationally or you want to find a group in your area, then get in touch via Facebook

We Shall Overcome 2018 <https://www.facebook.com/groups/WSO16/> or WSO Liverpool & Merseyside <https://www.facebook.com/weshallovercomeLiverpool/>

You were born in Liverpool?

I was born in Liverpool. I've lived here all of my life but have travelled around the world a lot.

Liverpool, to me and many other Scousers, is the best city in the world. We offer everything from football to music, architecture to theatre, universities to cathedrals (we've got two you know), art to museums, Liver Birds & Super-lambbananas, and everything in between. We are extremely friendly and we will very quickly make you into an honorary Scouser if you visit us more than once.

What first interested you in politics? Do you have early political experiences?

I've been interested in politics all of my life. I grew up in the 60's and went to school in the 70's, Liverpool was a deprived area. I was first married in the 80's and my first mortgage had an interest rate of 17% and then the poll tax was introduced. I remember the strikes with the miners and the dockers. I remember that Militancy was imbedded in the politics of Liverpool and it scared me. I looked back now and realise it scared me because I didn't understand it. The average person's way of finding out the news was from the TV and the newspapers and I, like a lot of other people, believed what was written in the papers! I believed that Militants were ruining Liverpool but I've since researched it and I see them in a different light now. I'm not a Militant but I understand why they did what they did and I agree with their actions then.

I found my true political voice after I plucked up the courage to finally go to my local Constituency Labour Party (CLP) meeting. We had an email informing us that the meeting was taking place and that there would be a vote to decide who the CLP supported as the Labour Party leader - Corbyn or Smith! Well, I just had to go, didn't I. I went into the meeting on my own in my Jeremy Corbyn t-shirt and sat down. A number of people came over to me, including Steve who runs Skwarkbox, <https://skwarkbox.org/>, and welcomed me and said they recognised me from the ice



cream van photo, so I really felt at home. There was no going back from there and I have been a regular activist since then.

What was your route into activism?

My activism stems from my local CLP and a core group of like-minded members. I am also a member of Momentum. My passion is the NHS and the political issues relating to the privatisation of the NHS. I actively campaign in marginal seats for the NHS, I'm usually in a set of scrubs and with other nurses or NHS workers who are in uniform too. People tend to wander over and want to talk about the NHS and then we introduce them to what is in the Labour Party Manifesto. I am an avid supporter of the group Save Liverpool Women's Hospital (<https://www.facebook.com/SAVELWH/>) and I run a number of sites on Facebook relating to the NHS, keeping nurses and the public informed of what is happening in our NHS.

I also campaign with Councillors and I am the fundraiser at our CLP. I do a number of talks at different CLP's and Momentum groups speaking about the NHS. I also get involved with door knocking and delivering leaflets.

Each activist has their comfort zone and we are not the monsters which are portrayed by the

right wing media. When they use words like "provoke", "infiltrate", "extreme", "rabble" or "violent" in their headlines, it means we are on the right track and we are exposing lies and they are worried. They cannot counteract our arguments or beliefs with arguments or beliefs of their own, they just call us names!

I was lucky enough to be chosen to go as a delegate for my CLP last year to the Labour Party Conference, along with 5 other delegates. Our CLP said they could not afford to send us all and that we had to fundraise for at least four delegates. I set up a Crowd Funder and we raised the money within 2 months of starting it, enough for 5 delegates. At Conference I met so many people and learnt so much about how the Labour Party works and it was a great experience. Another great thing that came out of the Owen Smith photographs was that a lady I had never met except on Facebook offered to put me up, free of charge, for the four nights of conference and I will be forever grateful to Carole Arnold for doing that for me and we have become good friends - once again the spirit of Socialism shines through with Corbyn supporters.

What have been the political experiences that have formed you?



The first political experience that has shaped me has to be the Tory win at the 2015 general election, it fired something up in me, it made me so angry, I felt I had to do something no matter how small.

Becoming involved in WSO and working with grass roots charities who help people struggling under the policies of austerity has made me determined to devote my time to helping people and to educate people about how these policies are damaging so many people. These people feel so oppressed that they do not realise that they have a voice too and we encourage them to speak out.

As I said earlier, my main passion is the NHS and I will fight as much as I can to stop the privatisation of our NHS - do you know we are into the third year of a five-year plan for transforming the NHS, which includes the selling of contracts to private health companies, the selling off of NHS assets and land to developers, the transformation of doctors and nurse's contracts, the building of multiple new PFI hospitals, the list is endless! Read about it, YOUR NHS IS BEING DESTROYED - <https://www.kingsfund.org.uk/topics/integrated-care/sustainability-transformation-plans-explained>

What impact has Jeremy Corbyn had on you?

Corbyn becoming leader of the Labour Party has given me the confidence to find my political voice and use it. His beliefs are my beliefs. Because of my NHS activism, I was head hunted by Ken Loach to be a part of an NHS party political broadcast for the Labour Party. What an absolute privilege to be a part of helping tell the truth about what this Government is doing to this country and the NHS.

Does music give you an escape from politics or does your music simply express another dimension of you?

Ha, ha, sorry, this question has made me laugh. I would love to be a musician but if I attempted to sing anything I would bring the house down ☺. I am an avid music lover and I love to support live music. In Liverpool and the North West we are so privileged to have a great choice of fabulous musicians. Going to see music events is something that I do with my husband, Jim. He has a great knowledge of music and my knowledge and loving of live music has grown since we've been together.

Music is an escape from politics and it is an escape from my work as a nurse. It is our time and I thoroughly enjoy it.

I am lucky enough to know a lot of musicians, promoters and venue managers, local, national

and international. Some of them are political like me and lots and lots of them have helped me by supporting us at WSO Liverpool & Merseyside by either playing at an event or promoting an event under the umbrella of WSO or lending us their venue.

What is your favourite music?

My taste is eclectic. I love everything from Soul to disco, punk to rock & roll. My favourite genre is Americana.

If you had the choice would you rather make your life as a musician or as a politician?

Neither, I'm happy as a nurse and doing my bit for both music and politics

I assume you are a trade unionist?

I do belong to a trade union and I'm currently thinking about being a rep.

What do you choose to tell us about your personal life?

Hmmmm

I never stop, I'm always busy and I like it that way. I'm happily married and I love my life, I have a great mix of people and things going on in my life. I grew up poor and I remember the feeling of being hungry. I learnt a lot from my Mother, who is the strongest person I know. My mission in life is to help people the best way I can. I support Liverpool Football Club. The rest, I think I've told you.

Are you a reader? What do you read?

I read a mixture of political books, novels, biographies and medical research.

If you could send a message back in time to yourself as a young teenager what advice would you give?

That's a hard question. I grew up quickly and sometimes it was tough. I once had a really hard time around the age of 14/15 years and I stood in front of a mirror contemplating the end of my life. But something made me realise I would get through the tough times, I will be strong and nothing can change my destiny but me. I don't think I could better that message and I wouldn't change anything about that message I told myself as a teenager.

Life is about ups & downs, if you make a mistake or you go through a hard time then learn from it. Be good to yourself, because then you can be good to others.

Thanks for the opportunity of taking part in this interview - it's been good to take part. Much love from Liverpool, come and visit some time.

FAMOUS FAKE FOLKS - Homer the reputed blind author of The Iliad and Odyssey may not have actually existed. The legends existed 1000 years before he was meant to have lived. Some Academics believe 'Homer' was a group of intellectuals who wrote down for posterity all the mainly spoken poems of the time. Likewise there is doubt whether Pythagoras may have devised the mathematic theorem named after him. It is believed that an Italian Pythagorean Cult, decades after his death devised the mathematical theories, modelling their lifestyles on the fabled Greek which included fasting. Socrates was written about by several contemporaries so did exist but his supposed writings on Philosophy only exist as references in the writing of Plato. Confucius, famous for making hundreds of wise motifs including "I do not open up the truth to those not eager for knowledge," may not have existed. Many of the sayings were commonplace before 500 BCE when Confucius was supposed to have said them.

DR MARX NICKED POETRY - Karl Marx held a PhD in Philosophy from Jena University in 1841 and also wrote poetry whilst studying. The poems were eventually published in 1929, the majority of which were dedicated to his wife although one, presumably not romantic in nature, was entitled 'Medical Ethics'. Some of Marx writings and personal letters he signed as 'Old Nick'.

"HAPPY NEW YEAR MUMMY" IN TUNA - An Ancient Egyptian graveyard has been discovered containing 40 stone coffins, south of Cairo in the town of Tuna-Al-Gabal. The Necropolis dates from around 300BC in the Ptolemaic era. It is expected to take 5 years to excavate the whole site but one of the first artefacts unearthed was a Necklace with the inscription 'Happy New Year'. Obviously it wasn't.

TRUMP HOME ALONE TOO! - Donald appeared in a cameo as himself in the sequel to Home Alone. Bizarrely Trump had a clause written into all filming permits on the buildings he owned in New York, that a part was written for him in the film. In the case of Home Alone 2 the scene was left in, most often the scene would be cut from the final edit as the contract only stated he should be filmed.

EL GATO PRECEDED BY HAROLD WILSON AND MANGO - Jeremy Corbyns cat El Gato is not the first pet the Labour Leader has had. With his first wife Jezza had a tabby cat called Harold Wilson and a black mongrel dog called Mango.

LEG TONIC - A simple cure for restless leg syndrome is half a pint



of Indian Tonic Water before bed. The Quinine in the Tonic acts as a muscle relaxant.

POINTLESS FOOD - Tinned or cooked Tomatoes are more nutritious than raw, fresh ones as they are difficult to digest fully. Frozen Peas are more nutritious than 'fresh' Supermarket peas which begin to lose their goodness once the pod is picked. However boiling the frozen peas leaches the goodness out. The best way to eat peas is to plant dried ones in compost and then pick the shoots once they are 3 inches long, eating them as salad.

WHETHER WEATHER EXTREMES - Forty seven years on since the United Kingdom adopted decimalisation most people still adopt selective 'Imperial' units of measurement. During the recent 'Beast from the East' cold blast the Met Office used Degrees Centigrade and Centimetres of snow, but most people, including TV presenters used Feet and Inches. Wind speeds were reported in Miles per Hour. During heatwaves the temperature reverts to degrees Fahrenheit as it sounds more dramatic when it's over 100. At the time of writing it is unknown what effect Brexit will have on this double-speak as no Impact Study has been made, but judging by the Blue Passport debacle you better get used to freezing point being 32 degrees in future.

VIKINGS PISS WILDFIRE AT CRAPPY SAXON BUILDINGS - Vikings made highly flammable firelighters, for use in battle from tree fungus distilled in urine. The Touchwood tree fungus combined with Sodium Nitrate from the boiled down urine was dried producing a highly combustible incendiary weapon. Saxon buildings were built from Wattle and Daub, including Animal Dung. If this seems to be a bit Lavatorial and archaic consider the fact that 1 in 6 Mobile Phones has Fecal Matter on it and 80% have more bacteria on them than the average toilet seat.

DAILY MAIL TOSSER - Paul Dacre thinks the 'Trans-Siberian Express' is a politically correct, lefty snowflake, Fake news publication for LBGT immigrants.

HEART OF DARKNESS - When Frankenstein author Mary Shelley died an apparently fossilised human heart was found in her writing desk. It is thought to have been that of her husband, the poet Percy Bysshe Shelley writer of 'Rise Like Lions', who was drowned and cremated. The 'fossilisation' is believed to be because Shelley had tuberculosis and the heart was calcified before being baked hard during the cremation instead of burning. It is not known who retrieved it from the ashes.

INEDIBLE AIRMAN BECOMES POTUS - During WWII nine US Airmen were shot down and taken prisoner on the Japanese controlled island of ChiChi Jima. Eight of the prisoners were selectively killed and eaten by the Cannibal Islanders, the ninth managed to escape and be rescued. He was George HW Bush, the 41st US President, murderous architect of the Gulf War.

PETER GIVES GREAT HEAD - The Czar Peter The Great on discovering his wife having an affair had the lover beheaded. He then forced his wife to keep the head, preserved in a glass jar next to her bed for the rest of her life. It is now on display in the Kunstkamera Museum in St Petersburg. That'll show 'em.

DIRTY HEATHENS - Bathing was popular Britons in the 'Dark Ages'. The Church had the belief that the use of communal bath houses, spread across Europe by the Romans, led to immorality, promiscuity and venereal disease and banned it.

BLOODY HARD STARE - The Double Hard Bastard of the Reptile world is the Regal Horned Lizard. It can fire poisoned, evil smelling blood from its eyes straight at its attacker. Picture this at PMQ's as Jezza asks his final question and Treeza brings out the 'Run on the Pound' defence.

CLASSY YANKS - 'We don't use the term "Working Class" in the US because it's a taboo term. You're supposed to say "middle class", because it helps diminish the understanding that there is a class war going on' - Noam Chomsky.

Of course it's totally different here, Class War is called Austerity and everyone is fucked.

MUMMY'S GONE TO EVEREST - At any one time there are at least 200 dead bodies of Climbers and Sherpas on the slopes of Mt Everest. The extreme weather and inaccessibility prevents their retrieval. Its okay though because the cold, dry air preserves the bodies for eternity.

HAIRY BALL ON QUEEN'S HEAD SHOCKER - The Queen owns several jewels called Bezoars, human Pearls. They are similar to human Gallstones and are made of hair and vegetable fibres in the human stomach. Yuck!

HEADCASE - An American entertainer called Brad Beyers has an act which consists of DIY self-harming called 'The Human Toolbox'. He drills through his head with a Powerdrill; Hammers nails through his face and hangs a Picture on it and pushes an Icepick up his nose. Perhaps Trotsky was the inspiration, or summat.

PUSSYGRABBER DIES ALONE - If you die alone and remain undiscovered your pets may resort to eating your face. Cats will wait ONE Day on average, whereas Dogs will wait up to a week. Lets hope Larry the No 10 Cat has been briefed on this as Theresa May must be close now.

MANDELSON AND CAMPBELL STILL RELEVANT - Says Blair, quite often. He goes on to say that Paul 'Gazza' Gascoigne should still be playing and Bobby Robson should be England football manager and Katrina and the Waves could well win the Eurovision Song Contest, as we are really popular there. In a rare moment of clarity Tony declares Noel Gallaghers High Flying Birds are shite and Oasis were a 2 Album Boyband and he's more into Boo Radleys these days.

KING WAS A LOTHARIO - A Saxon King of the East Saxons, Hrothgar was reinterred by St Augustine in his Abbey in Canterbury. He was one of several non Christian kings to be enshrined to legitimise the Church 'Royal'

authority on the Pagans. The Latinised inscription on his tomb reads 'Lotharius Maximus Rex'.

DEATH TO THE PIXIES - James Cornan of Wilmington, North Carolina claims to have discovered the remains of a Pixie in a Falcons nest whilst exploring the Rocky Mountains. The partial skeleton, 4 inches long was analysed and found to be human like in form, but not a human Foetus as the skull was fully formed.

MOZART MASONIC MELODIC PISSTAKE - With news of at least two Masonic Lodges operating in the Houses of Parliament, it's worth noting this is nothing new and Wolfgang Amadeus Mozarts 'The Magic Flute' is his satirical answer to the elitist practices of the Masons. Earlier in his career, when he was fashionable and in the favour of the Viennese Bourgeoisies Mozart was a Freemason himself. Later he fell out of fashion with the upper-crust and he was rejected by the Freemasons. In 'The Magic Flute' many of the secret rituals and symbolism of the Freemasons are included and mocked. It was enormously popular with the working classes and the tunes became popular hits for years, mocking the elite.

ANNA SOUBRY TO SUE SAINSBURY'S - Soubry the Tory MP for somewhere posh, no-one normal has heard of, has become enraged at the supermarket chain over their new Traditional West Country Foxburgers. Apparently their organic range has been humanely slaughtered. Soubry advocates live tenderising of the meat by hounds or at the very least beaten to death with a stick with nails in it. Anna is currently enjoying the limelight as a principled Tory Brexit moderate and is sticking it to Sainsburys out of sheer spite

COKE CRAZY NAZI FAVOUR FANTA - As elsewhere Coca Cola was a big deal in pre-WWII Germany. Once war was declared due to trade embargoes and shipping convoys being sunk the ingredients for Coke were in short supply. The Coca Cola Corporation then marketed the fruit based Fanta instead.

WHO ARE THE SEMITES?

By Gerald Ali

Semitic an old term from Arabia, simply describes the monogamous relationship, in contrast with other forms of relationship, such as the patriarchal which is the Judean form as portrayed in the old testament. .

This is an old term going back a few thousand years.

All Muslim women and most of the men are in monogamous relationships, so are many people in other communities, it's a base for relationship in the christian religions also, it still quiet common.

The term "anti Semitic". if properly applied, would actually mean someone or group that is opposed to monogamy.

What follows below is a digest of the racial and racist versions that appeared in the 1800's when racism took root and first flowered, in real terms there are no 'Semitic languages', nor Semitic races of the types described, its an "idea" that's been imposed..

This racism was not only continued into the rise of Hitler and the Nazi party, but has since been spread by the British governments along with the European governments, in fact probably a majority of governments now world wide.... they must have a reason for doing so.

The modern racist version of "anti Semitic" appeared in 1860, coined by a member of a Jewish religion, Moritz Steinschneider, he lived in Austria.

This version defines a 'semitic jewish race', which is specific to jews only.

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wikipedia >>>> Wilhelm Marr was a German agitator and publicist, who popularised the term "antisemitism", publishing "The Way to Victory of German-ism over Judaism, 1879"

Semitic most commonly refers to the Semitic languages, a name used since the 1770's.

The origin of "antisemitic" terminologies is found in the responses of Moritz Steinschneider to the views of Ernest Renan.

As Alex Bein writes: "The compound anti-Semitism appears to have been used first by Steinschneider, who challenged Renan on account of his 'anti-Semitic prejudices' [i.e., his deroga-



1. Semite archer, 12th Dynasty
2. Shasu-Bedouin warrior, 19th Dynasty

tion of the "Semites" as a race].

Avner Falk similarly writes: "The German word antisemitisch was first used in 1860 by the Austrian Jewish scholar Moritz Steinschneider (1816-1907) in the phrase antisemitische Vorurteile (antisemitic prejudices).

Steinschneider used this

phrase to characterise the French philosopher Ernest Renan's false ideas about how "Semitic races" were inferior to "Aryan races"

ALL the political parties are INVOLVED, as well as the Zionists and the Jewish communities in general.

The term 'race' or ras in its original spelling, simply defines the "sense of community within a clan.", nothing more....

To class a number of Jewish religions as a 'race' as has been accepted in a British court, is the same racist position propagated by the nazi party.

And the ones who propagan-

dise the Jews as a race, inside the labour party, are all Zionists or their supporters.

The original and correct definition of 'race' was being taught in every British university through the 1800's, only in the last two decades did the perverted, distorted, racist version begin to appear.

FOOTBALL DONE A BREXIT

THE CAST: Gareth Southgate (England Manager,) Sammy Lee (Coach,) Phil Neville (Women's Football,) Arsène Wenger (Voice of Experience,) Stanley Acrimonious (Lower Leagues,) I Catchem (Goalkeeping Coach,) Steve Kemp (Physio,) and Stuart Pearce (Psycho) Therapists, Steve Holland (Trainer,) and Mike Ashley (Kit man.) They sit in a dark room.

Gareth: Listen up you lot, we need to identify WWW and EBI today.

Sammy Lee: What Went Well and Even Better If.

Gareth: I'm hoping that's what you lot are going to tell me.

Iker Can Catchem: I thought the lad Pitchford done good, Gareth.

Gareth: So done I, Iker, but did we use him too much, d'you think?

Mike Ashley: He looked good in his various outfits, as did you Gareth; nice waistcoats, lad.

Gareth: We'll put that in the column marked What Went Well, then.

Sammy: WWW

Gareth: Not so fast Sammy, we can see what the internet thinks later on.

Sammy: What Went Well!

Gareth: You're supposed to be telling me.

Arsène Wenger: Speaking as the Voice of Experience

Gareth: You certainly are son.

Steve Holland: I see what you did there, Boss.

Iker: You worked the boy Pitchford far too hard, and the ball travelled to him only slightly more quickly from one of their corners than from one of ours. After that he was

obliged to whack the ball up the field to the opposing keeper, or their defenders, or out of play for a goal kick.

Steve Kemp: We visibly flagged late in the game, despite being superhumanly fit, and that cost us.

Arsène: I did not see anybody flagging, I will have to look at the incident later.

Sammy: It would have been Even Better If, the boy had tried to hit one of our lads with the clearances, but for that, one of them needed to have stayed up.

Stuart Pearce: I don't think any of the lads stayed up any longer than England Teams in the past. Some of them would pull all-nighters even before a big game.

Arsène: I am not aware of that, I should have to view the CCTV from another angle.

Gareth: Stanley, you've been very quiet, what were your observations?

Stanley Acrimonious: Thanks Gareth.

I thought we did rely far too heavily on Jordan Pickford, when defending and when attacking; he had to make too many saves, and as soon as we lost possession anywhere on the field, we failed to press, so that as we fell back, we gave the opposition opportunities.

When we attacked, our main tactic was to pass, pass until we had reached our own back four then it was a long, rapier like ball to Pickford, and a hopeful punt upfield at Raheem, who I thought played wonderfully well. Sadly there was nobody to say to him, for example

"Harry's good -"

Phil Neville: Harry is good.

Stanley: But if the boy Sterling can't see him, or isn't looking anywhere but at the ball, or the goal, then how does he know?

Phil: We all know Harry's good!

Stanley: And at another time Deli Ally was good, but who told him?

Sammy: We've been telling him all month how good we think he is, building his confidence like.

Stanley: And it has worked, he now thinks he can run every ball into goal himself, and nobody says knock it wide or slip it through. And the result is that he gets tackled, the ball is cleared and the next thing we know Jordan Pickford is making a save. Or the Stones boy is sticking a foot out, or Harry Maguire is sticking a forehead out and the ball ends up in Row H. No thought of passing upfield.

Gareth: Thanks Stanley. What did we all think of Trippier?

Arsène: I thought some of those teams were

Trippier than others, but Croatia were certainly Trippy, and Colombia were both Trippy and Fally-Over. Sometimes at the same time.

Stuart: I'm glad we didn't have to play France; I thought that our only defence against Mbappé would have been to trip him up.

Arsène: I did not see that incident.

Stuart: But by then Football had decided it really wasn't coming home at all, it decided to stay away at little longer.

Arsène: Au contraire, I thought Football made a very good decision, and I would say it has indeed Come Home. I would, however, recommend that the England team buy Mbappé.

Stanley: Football has actually done a Brexit, leaving us bereft, singing songs by Baddiel and the Crashing Pumpkins, and thinking of 1966. And Mbappé can't play for England, just like everyone else.

All sing: Football's done a Brexit, Done a Brexit; It's Done a Brexit. Football's gone to France.

The curtain falls, as always, on the English Team, its hopes, and on Southgate's Backroom Staff.

