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"Loneliness, which compels us to bond with others, gives us what we call Humanity."
John Cacharlescioppo

"I've learned that you should always pay attention to successful 'clowns.' "
Patrick Caddell

"...the world is sick...American capitalism has been the vector that has brought this infection across the globe."
Carol Cadwalladr

"I can't understand why people are frightened of new ideas. I'm frightened of the old ones"
John Cage

"Wealth gleaned by way of tax dodges and monopolistic business practices is wealth stolen from the public, even when it is returned in the form of supposed gifts. Philanthropy has the power to do a great deal of good, but so do tax dollars allocated in an equitable democratic system."
Susie Cagle

Susannah Cahalan: The Great Pretender, 2019 on Kindle (wrote Brain on Fire, see K sample)
quoting film The Shock Corridor:
'You'd have to be crazy to get yourself committed to a mental hospital.'

Cai, Zia:
"Outwardly the party appears unified, but underneath there are turbulent undercurrents," Ms. Cai said. "Inside the party school, some have turned against their former liberal ideas to embrace Xi Jinping; some just say as little as possible."
"Freedom of the press is an inevitable trend,"

"...time to establish a greater balance of power between those who rush to speak and do and those who sit back and think...Introverts...must learn to embrace the power of quiet."

Susan Cain via review by Judith Warner NY Times Book Rev

"In self-deception we evade acknowledging to ourselves some truth or what we would see as the truth if our beliefs were based on an unbiased assessment of available evidence."
"...two types of evil characters: moral monsters and moral idiots. Moral monsters are the more basic type of evil character: they simply have a consistent propensity to desire other people's significant, real harm for an unworthy goal such as their own pleasure or entertainment value. Moral idiots also have a consistent propensity to desire other people's significant, real harm for an unworthy goal."
Todd Calder

"...cancellation is removal from a position of prominence on the basis of an ideological crime..."

Agnesw Callard NYT re: Aristotle

"Dangerous ideas are spreading in a moment of national confusion."
Brian Calvert, editor, HCN

"The mind is a charioteer driving twin horses of reason and emotion. Except cognition is a smart pony, an emotion an elephant."
Colin Camerer and George Lowenstein

Camilo - Colombian singer:
"There's a simplicity at the other side of complexity..."

"...if we have a congressman who can't follow the law, how can we expect him to enforce the law?"
Ammar Campa-Naijar

"...Americans have become slightly more conservative economically...they have swung even further in opposition to mingling religion and politics...the Tea Party ranks alongside the Christian Right in unpopularity."
David E Campbell and Robert D Putnam

"People have the notion of saving the world by shifting things around, changing the rules, and who's on top, and so forth. No, no! Any world is a valid world if it's alive. The thing to do is to bring life to it, and the only way to do that is to find in your own case where the life is and become alive yourself."
Joseph Campbell, The Power of Myth

"I'll never forget ... Delphi ...where the oracle ... received inspiration in the fumes ... and prophesized and gave statements of destiny."
Joseph Campbell
"...detribalization..."=

"Be what you is, cuz if you be what you ain't, then you ain't what you is." tombstone in Tombstone, AZ, quoted by Phil Cousineau to Campbell?

"Every life impulse is simple unless you've been baptized or circumcised."
Heaven and hell are within us.
Each religion is a kind of software—stay with the software you've got.
The three religions have different names for the same God...but don't know it.

"If you can see your path laid out in front of you step by step, you know it's not your path. Your own path you make with every step you take. That's why it's your path."

New times require new values – revised religions
"If you can see your path laid out in front of you step by step, you know it's not your path. Your own path you make with every step you take. That's why it's your path."
end Campbell, Joseph

"It is as if there is a void, a nothingness, that lies behind all things."
Fred Camper in NYT obit for Bruce Baillie

Camus, Albert:

"Autumn is a second spring where every leaf is a flower."

"...stake everything on a formidable gamble – that words are more powerful than munitions."

Albert Camus

"There have been as many plagues as wars in history; yet always plagues and wars take people equally by surprise."

"In the midst of winter, I finally learned there was in me an invincible summer."

Integrity has no need of rules.

Albert Camus

"Crushing truths perish from being acknowledged."

"The inhabitants, finally freed, would never forget the difficult period that made them face the absurdness of their existence and the precariousness of the human condition.

What's true of all the evils in the world is true of plague as well. It helps men to rise above themselves,"

"Do not wait for the last judgment, it takes place every day."

"The only way to fight the plague is with decency."

"...authors of confessions write especially to avoid confession, to tell nothing of what they know.

I practice the profession of penitence, to be able to end up as a judge.

...the more I accuse myself, the more I have a right to judge you."

Albert Camus

"The important thing is not to be cured, but to live with one's ailments."

Camus character Galiani

"... the Arabs have acquired the right somehow to slit throats and to mutilate." via Murawiec, p.295

"In the depth of winter I finally learned that there was in me an invincible summer."

"The important thing is not to be cured, but to live with one's ailments."

from The Plague, last paragraph:

"He knew what those jubilant crowds did not know but could have learned from books: that the plague bacillus [i.e. Fascism] never dies or disappears for good; that it can lie dormant for years and years ... and that, perhaps, the day would come when, for the bane and the enlightening of men, it would rouse up its rats again and send them forth ..." see also Marris pdf final quote.

character Rieux: 'It's not a question of vocabulary, it's a question of time.'

The Human Crisis speech (see Marris, pdf):

"...we know perfectly well that the venom is not gone, that each of us carries it in our own hearts.....this world must cease to be the world of police, soldiers and money, and become the world of men and women, of fruitful work and thoughtful play."

Albert Camus

"In the depth of winter, I finally learned that within me there lay an invincible summer."

"All great deeds and all great thoughts have ridiculous beginnings."

"The struggle itself towards the heights is enough to fill a man's heart. One must imagine Sisyphus happy."

Camus in The Myth of Sisyphus

"To decide whether life is worth living is to answer the fundamental question of philosophy, Everything else... is child's play; we must first of all answer the question."

"If the world were clear, art would not exist."

“Autumn is a second spring, when every leaf is a flower.”

“On the day when crime dons the apparel of innocence - ... it is innocence that is called to justify itself.”

see longer quote beginning: The purpose of this essay is ...

Albert Camus

One might think that a period which, in a space of fifty years, uproots, enslaves, or kills seventy million human beings should be condemned out of hand. But its culpability must still be understood... In more ingenuous times, when the tyrant razed cities for his own greater glory, when the slave chained to the conqueror's chariot was dragged through the rejoicing streets, when enemies were thrown to the wild beasts in front of the assembled people, the mind did not reel before such unabashed crimes, and the judgment remained unclouded. But slave camps under the flag of freedom, massacres justified by philanthropy or by a taste for the superhuman, in one sense cripple judgment. On the day when crime dons the apparel of innocence — through a curious transposition peculiar to our times — it is innocence that is called upon to justify itself. Camus, Albert. *The Rebel*. 1951.

"The struggle itself toward the heights is enough to fill a man's heart. One must imagine Sisyphus happy."

"Justice in the big things only. For the rest, just mercy."

"Science has many truths but no truth."

"Life is the sum of all your choices."

Albert Camus

"Let me finish my sentences, because the meaning of a sentence often isn't clear until it ends."

"...it is necessary to keep alive a living society within the shell of the dying one."

"If the world were clear there would be no need for art."

"I have known only one true genius: Jacques Monod," claimed Albert Camus

““You are in favor of democracy ... so please be democratic now and let me speak Let me finish my sentences, because the meaning of a sentence often isn't clear until it ends.”

"I believe in justice, but I will defend my mother before justice."

"only one honorable choice: to wager everything on the belief that in the end words will prove stronger than bullets." Albert Camus

Elias Altman about Camus:

"God and history are easily claimed allies, and life is often cheap when either is on your side.... he came to believe that words well-aimed are as deadly as bullets and also the only defense against them... the ussr's communism and the US's capitalism both ended up with cost-benefit analyses that rated such truth, beauty, and dialogue expendable.... At his best, in his fiction and nonfiction, Camus placed man in a situation, absurd or otherwise, and tried to show how he might work out his salvation, without God or faith in the progressive nature of history...."

From *The Plague*:

Rieux says. "It may seem a ridiculous idea, but the only way to fight the plague is with decency."

"...after a too long waiting one gives up waiting..."

...each of us has the plague within him; no one, no one on earth is free from it ... we must keep endless watch on ourselves lest in a careless moment we breathe in somebody's face and fasten the infection on him....it's a wearying business, being plague-stricken....That's why everybody in the world today looks so tired; everyone is more or less sick of plague...

when a man has only four hours' sleep ...He sees things as they are...in the garish light of justice....

to see people working from morn to night and then proceeding to fritter away ... what time is left for living...

Albert Camus

"...the plague never dies nor does it disappear. It waits patiently in our bedrooms, our cellars, our suitcases, our handkerchiefs, our file cabinets. And one day, perhaps to the misfortune or for the education of men, the plague germ will reemerge, reawaken its rats, and send them forth to die in a once happy city."

Albert Camus via Justice Stephen Breyer

"Albert Camus says ... that the best we can hope for in life is to struggle for what is better, even if while doing so we know that failure is inevitable and hope irrelevant."

Richard Falk

Why Camus chose resistance, via Saul: "The question makes no sense ... I couldn't imagine myself elsewhere, that's all....I understood that I detested less the violence, than the institutions of violence."

Camus: "There is no freedom without both intelligence and reciprocal comprehension."

"Real generosity toward the future lies in giving all to the present."

via Mishra:

Camus defined as 'an autointoxication, the malignant secretion of one's preconceived impotence inside the enclosure of the self.' Camus ... saw resentment as a defining feature of the modern world where individual dissatisfaction with the actually available degree of freedom constantly collides with elaborate theories and promises of individual freedom and empowerment.

see Nobel Writers on Writing

letter: "The systematic waste of able-bodied individuals in the country is not only killing the country but also the lively and vibrant ideas that will ensure its future. This is what we must avoid and it's this situation that we must remind people of every day, every hour if necessary in all articles, all broadcasts, all gatherings, all proclamations aimed at those who set the pace of this war. The rest is up to us."

"...we tell ourselves that pestilence is a mere bogey of the mind, a bad dream that will pass away. But it doesn't always pass away....

There have been as many plagues as wars in history; yet always plagues and wars take people equally by surprise."

...The Plague offers a uniquely clear, forceful, and meticulous account of the states and stages of inertia, ignorance, denial, learned helplessness, and—when we're at our best—resistance that we pass through as we're confronted with an evil as efficient as it is incomprehensible...The only means of fighting a plague is - common decency...the Sisyphean struggle for meaning in a godless, absurdly indifferent universe...

A pandemic, if you are fortunate enough not to be hospitalized or killed by it, wears you down by other, more subtle measures...a kind of spiritual and psychological

incapacitation...By stripping you of the most basic knowledge that the world will remain predictable...

the French people have heeded the lessons of *The Plague*.

via Thomas Chatterton Williams Harpers 6-2020

Camus:

'The only way to deal with an unfree world is to become so absolutely free that your very existence is an act of rebellion.' – camus

“real generosity toward the future lies in giving all to the present,”

end of Camus

"The social contract that we have taken for granted must be updated given our tough economic challenges, and all of us must now pay our great country back — giving more than we anticipated just a year ago. ..All our sacred cows must be reconsidered: Medicare, tax breaks for corporations, Social Security, tax cuts for the wealthy and middle class, military spending, the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Geoffrey Canada

Convincing people to give your way a try will work if you neutralize — and sometimes you have to cauterize — the ones who really are against change. They're the kind of person who, if you tell them it's raining outside, they'll fight you tooth and nail. You take them outside in the rain, and they'll say, "But it wasn't raining five seconds ago."

I call them adult conversations...

...tell me something they've really failed at."

Geoffrey Canada

"Freedom of thought is the first precondition of any thought process."

Monique Canto-Sperber

"The true enemy of any democracy is ignorance, and the only way to battle ignorance is through the acquisition of knowledge: a single set of well-researched, incontrovertible, unbiased facts."

Cape Cod Times

"The arts feed our soul.

Engagement, content, inspiration – liberate our imaginations"

Remarks at The Leo by Mario Capecchi

"Providing a future for our past."

Capitola History Museum

Cardenal:

"Stardust," Father Cardenal's meditation on death. It concludes:

And the galaxy was taking the shape of a flower
the way it looks now on a starry night.

Our flesh and our bones come from other stars
and perhaps even from other galaxies,

we are universal,

and after death we will help to form other stars

and other galaxies.

We come from the stars, and to them we shall return.

Ernesto Cardenal, Nicaragua revolution priest

"I am a revolutionary...I want to change the world...we will continue trying...Those revolutions failed, but others will come."

Cardenal

"What distinguishes evils from ordinary wrongs? ... intolerable harm ... culpable wrongdoing. ... not by the psychological states of evildoers but by the seriousness of the harm that is done."

Claudia Card overleaf to The Atrocity Paradigm, 2002

"... harm must be reasonably foreseeable at the point at which the institution is an evil (rather than, say, just a disaster)."

"I do not believe that evils are extraordinary."

"... evils have ... a harm component and an agency component. ... evils do intolerable harm.

... the moral challenge of avoiding evil responses to evil.

... people ... can easily be induced ... to inflict intolerable harm on others without excuse, without any morally defensible reason - in short, to do evil."

"[Her definition, 2010]: ...evils are reasonably foreseeable intolerable harms produced by inexcusable wrongs."

In Confronting Evils, Chap 4 pp. 110-119:

6. The 'Lives' of Ecosystems, Species, and Gaia:

"Intolerable harm to ecosystems and communities threatens to rob of meaning the lives of the organisms or people who are their members."

C Card

"...a social practice, is evil if it is reasonably foreseeable that intolerable harm will result from its normal or correct operation without justification or moral excuse..."

C Card via Todd Calder

"Freedom of expression is the matrix, the indispensable condition, of nearly every other form of freedom."

Benjamin Cardozo, Supreme Court Justice

"The twentieth century has been characterized by three developments of great political importance. The growth of democracy; the growth of corporate power; and the growth of corporate propaganda..."

Alex Carey

"Evil in that their deliberate, habitual savagery defies any psychological explanation or attempt at treatment."

Benedict Carey, see NYT pdf

"Psychoticism - a pattern of magical thinking that goes well beyond garden variety superstition and usually comes across socially as disjointed, uncanny or 'off.'..."

People often adopt conspiracy beliefs as a balm for deep grievance. The theories afford some psychological ballast, a sense of control, an internal narrative to make sense of a world that seems senseless."

Benedict Carey NYT

"Carhart-Harris has data suggesting that a single dose of psychedelics can make anybody more open to experience, less authoritarian, more politically liberal, and more connected to nature and other people." by Graham Lawton, New Scientist

"...relaxed beliefs under psychedelics (REBUS)...via their entropic effect on spontaneous cortical activity—psychedelics work to relax the precision of high-level priors or beliefs, thereby liberating bottom-up information flow, .."
"...psychedelics can bring about the revision of other heavily weighted high-level priors,.. such as those underlying partisan and/or overly-confident political, religious, and/or philosophical perspectives."

"...psilocybin...the most common outcome is a renewed breadth of perspective. ..
Psychedelic therapy seems to catalyse a type of psychological growth that is conducive to mental health, overlapping in many respects with spiritual growth.

New Scientist article:

"..." psychedelics act ... from molecular interactions to large networks of brain regions...
'the relaxation of beliefs under psychedelics'... known as REBUS and the anarchic brain...

What psychedelics do... is make the brain more sensitive to prediction errors, creating a temporary anarchy that allows you to remold your prior beliefs."

see Neuroscape at UCSF.

2019 paper:

"...entropic brain hypothesis...relaxed beliefs under psychedelics (REBUS) via there entropic affect on spontaneous cortical activity. Psychedelics work to relax the precision of high-level priors or beliefs, thereby liberating bottom up information flow ,particularly via intrinsic sources such as the limbic system....priors...underlying partisan and/or overly-confident political, religious, and/or philosophical perspectives."

R. L. Carhart-Harris

"Life is short - stay awake"

Caribou coffee ad

"...you can dance in a hurricane

But only if you're standing in the eye."

Singer Brandi Carlile, The Eye

Carlin, George:

"Religion has actually convinced people that there's an invisible man – living in the sky – who watches everything you do, every minute of every day. And the invisible man has a special list of ten things he does not want you to do. And if you do any of these ten things, he has a special place, full of fire and smoke and burning and torture and anguish, where he will send you to live and suffer and burn and choke and scream and cry forever and ever 'til the end of time... But He loves you!"

"The American Dream – you have to be asleep to believe it."

George Carlin

"I have this real moron thing I do? It's called thinking." And

"Gee, he was here a moment ago."

George Carlin tombstone wish

"I try to sense and know where the line is—where the line we're drawing these days is. And then I deliberately cross it. And I try to bring the audience across the line and enjoy the experience. I do it in service of ideas. It's not just for its own sake, to bother or annoy or shock."

"It's called the American dream because you have to be asleep to believe it."

"I like to bother people," he said, adding that he tried to figure out "where the line is drawn, and then deliberately cross it and drag the audience with you. And have them happy that you did it."

two-part HBO documentary, "George Carlin's American Dream," which will be shown May 20 and 21

Kelly Carlin said her father was "99 percent progressive"

"He taught me from Day 1 that the Black and brown people have always been oppressed, horribly and systematically, by the owners of wealth. He had a pure disdain and loathing for white men in America."

"It's a big club and you ain't in it," he said.

"The table is tilted, folks," Carlin added. "The game is rigged."

Journey Gunderson, the executive director of the National Comedy Center:

'What gave him his potency was that he turned his standup 'into a call to action.' Carlin taught everyone where to find the power that they have and encouraged them to use it.'

Via Comedienne Nikki Glaser: "There was never a cruelty to Carlin. He always seemed filled with empathy."

end George Carlin

"American motorists are like addicts, and Detroit is the pusher."

Gary Carlson, Boise, in Wired, June 05

Carlson, Tucker:

NYT profiles analysis 5-2022:

"...apocalypse...catastrophe...paranoia...

... on-air technique - gleefully courting blowback, then fashioning himself as his aggrieved viewers' partner in victimhood...

champion of Americans who feel most threatened by the rising power of Black and brown citizens...

'Legacy Americans'...

'the great replacement'...

...lives...in a rural blue-collar corner of Maine...in a carefully constructed bubble of his own -a retreat and a bunker...

Carlson sits in his sauna and thinks about what he wants to say...

Fox's lawyers acknowledged in 2020... 'that spirited debate on talk-show programs does not lend itself well to statements of actual fact' ..

Mother: "When you realize your own mother doesn't like you ... it's like, oh gosh,... felt all kinds of rage about it.... You should only care about the opinions of people who care about you."

...A tight bond with his brother and father...

'Competitive breeding'

"... a kind of meltdown... What had I done wrong, because I had no choice, because I had no money...

I like to have this character, and that character... I always want a fat character, always...

Let's give people what they want. Whatever is working, let's give them more of that."

Regarding mother: "It's just perfect - she's a bitch from the grave."...

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“...our society does not expect older people to be protagonists, when in fact age can bring not only maturity but also a spirit of tolerance and understanding.”

Manuela Carmena, NYT Madrid

“...the man who dies rich dies in disgrace.”

Andrew Carnegie

“... power reveals...”

Robert Caro, via Osnos

“...the quality of the prose is just as important in nonfiction as in fiction.”

Robert Caro

“Pushing people to the point of hysterics is the goal of gaslighting...”

...many times [Trump] is only finding a way to make you spread the gaslighting flames for him...

When Trump is gaslighting, he rarely tells an outright lie....

advance-and-denial...

Start gaslighting a little...take control of the narrative...

invasion of the republican body snatchers...

Trump's gaslighting cannot be stopped...

via Jonah Goldberg: ‘...a crowd-sourced brainwashing spread across the land like a wet rolling fog.’

Amanda Carpenter

Caro, Robert:

via NYT profile: ‘grounded in the belief that time equals truth...’

“I try to have nothing in the room that’s not about writing. It’s hard enough to concentrate.” on writing

Caron, James E:

Satire as the Comic Public Sphere:

“Against the assault of laughter, nothing can stand,” famously expressed in an unfinished story by Mark Twain. 2 Although the implication of radical

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role of comic laughter as a fundamental

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social gesture

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how forcefully satire might function as the comic form of what the ancient Greeks called parrhēsia, speaking truth no matter the consequence—but via laughter-provoking mockery and ridicule.

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danger arises by exchanging the meaning of consensus—an agreement reached through dialogue and among free agents with reasoning intellects—for a consensus extracted from a media ecosystem, one that can be harnessed to political and economic

apparatuses only interested in maintaining and improving their performances—that is, one in service to power. If

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potential for comic presentation. These communication platforms blur genres in unforeseen ways through what Geoffrey Baym calls “discursive integration,”

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Amber Day

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John Oliver (2014—

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satiractivism, a turn that can also readily be seen

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Juvenal about 110 CE wrote that “it is difficult not to write satire,”

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living in a social environment of mendacity and vulgarity, who could resist exposing its folly in the most obvious genre available, satire? Nearly twenty

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theory of a—musement, or the satire two-step—that is, satire rhetorically asks its audience to muse on or ponder the topic presented after laughing.

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the ethical dilemma for satire: Does its brand of critique, its form of speech replete with mockery and ridicule, interfere with the everyday mutual understanding

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necessary in the public sphere?

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truthiness satire

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playing with the news enables a comic critique of truthiness in that cultural moment. That critique makes truthiness satire the most ambitious

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and potentially consequential

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Johnny Carson

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You cannot be both serious and funny.” 35

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serious and funny, which might be the bumper-sticker definition of a satirist. Curiously,

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Satire . . . is meant to make us scratch our heads, think, do a double-take, and then think again.—Maajid Nawaz

end Caron on Satire

"....there's another term for a gathering of politically committed people who make a lot of speeches and argue endlessly over process without producing much in the way of solutions: Congress....

The country has reached the point where things feel so fundamentally wrong that every suggested remedy seems like a media exercise."

David Carr, NY Times Media column 11-21-2011

"The polarized political map is now accompanied by a media ecosystem that is equally gerrymandered into districts of self-reinforcing discourse. Justice Scalia and millions of news consumers select and assemble a world view from sources that may please them, but rarely challenge them."

David Carr

"In the world of 2001, people have become so machinelike that the most human character turns out to be a machine. That's the essence of Kubrick's dark prophecy: as we come to rely on computers to mediate our understandings of the world, it is our own intelligence that flattens into artificial intelligence."

"...the direction and steadiness of our mental gaze are shaped by the 'continual dance' between the top-down and bottom-up systems of attention." (via Daniel Goleman)

Nicholas Carr

Carrère d'Encausse, Helene:

"The history of Russia is first and foremost a continuous history of political murder...
... the lesson bequeathed to them by Stalin, in the place of clear political rules, was that the only choice was either to refuse to use murder or to live eternally in the shadow of its threat..."

Aleksandr Ginsberg: 'We hate Stalin less than our own silence.'

... Khrushchev ... soon discovered that living opponents do not lie down...

In 1961 ... Stalin, responsible for so many deaths, was now really dead in the consciousness and memory of his country...

... political death, where a person is dead in the eyes of the world and buried in silence and solitude...

... it was necessary to keep silent not only about Khrushchev but also about Stalin, and to take back the truth from the people and return it to the party..

... aimed principally at silence. The Soviet Union seemed once more to be the country of dead souls..

Gorbachev...Glasnost...

Eleven centuries of a history notable for its murders make Russia unlike any other country...

... nothing has changed in Russia... In the words of a famous grand duke and historian, it is still 'a tyranny weighed down by assassination'...

.. This tormented history has made the Russians an unhappy people, constantly in search of consoling myths...

Dr. Zhivago

end Carrere d'Encausse

Carrere, Emmanuel:

"What's insidious about the manic phase is that you don't realise it's a manic phase."

"Is Christianity just science fiction, a 'branch of fantastic literature'."

Emmanuel Carriere via james wood review pdf

Carroll, Al:

"Genocide denial in America is a product of cognitive dissonance..."

America is mostly a nation in denial about the genocides that took place on its own soil...

Germany is more honest about its history because the Nazis lost power. In the US, genocide perpetrators won, and their descendants remain powerful and prospered unchallenged...

Denialism plagues America...

end Carroll

"I have said it thrice: What I tell you three times is true."

Lewis Carroll, *The Voyage of the Snark*

"There is no use trying," said Alice; "one can't believe impossible things."

"I dare say you haven't had much practice," said the Queen. "When I was your age, I always did it for half an hour a day. Why, sometimes I've believed as many as six impossible things before breakfast."

Lewis Carroll

"One can't believe impossible things." Alice

"I daresay you haven't had much practice. ...Why, sometimes I've believed as many as six impossible things before breakfast." The Queen

Humpty-Dumpty and Alice:

"When I use a word," Humpty Dumpty said, in a rather scornful tone, "It means just what I choose it to mean - neither more nor less."

"The question is," said Alice, "whether you can make words means so many different things."

"The question is," said Humpty Dumpty, "which is to be master - that's all."

Lewis Carroll

"It is far better to tolerate the occasional absurdity than to risk excluding the truly visionary."

Sean Carroll, letter NY Times 11/12/02

Carson, Rachel:

"Knowing what I do there would be no future peace for me if I kept silent ... I wish you could feel, as I do, that it is, in the deepest sense, a privilege as well as a duty to have the opportunity to speak out – to many thousands of people – on something so important."

"Conservation is a cause that has no end. There is no point at which we can say, 'Our work is finished.'"

"I am apt to use what may appear to be a curious inversion of words or phrases but for the most part these are peculiar to my style and I don't want them changed."

"Mankind is challenged, as it has never been challenged before, to prove its maturity and its mastery — not of nature, but of itself. Therein lies our hope and our destiny,"

"man is part of nature, and his war against nature is inevitably a war against himself ... and I think we're challenged as mankind has never been challenged before to prove our

maturity and our mastery, not of nature, but of ourselves”.

Rachel Carson

"If I had influence over the good fairy who is supposed to preside over the christening of all children I should ask that her gift to each child in the world be a sense of wonder so indestructible that it would last throughout life..."

"The long trend is toward a warmer earth." 1951.

The president of another chemical company, one that produced DDT, said Carson wrote "not as a scientist, but as a fanatic defender of the cult of the balance of nature".

via Popova: Rachel Carson — the poet laureate of nature writing — had just awakened the modern ecological conscience and was using her hard-earned stature to issue the radical insistence that children's sense of wonder is the key to conservation.

Rachel Carson

"There are two lasting bequests we can give our children. One is roots. The other is wings."

Hodding Carter II, Mississippi editor

Carter, Jimmy:

"...piling up material goods cannot fill the emptiness of lives which have no confidence or purpose."

Jimmy Carter, from 'malaise' speech

"Once we understand, we can care, and once we care, we can change."

Jimmy Carter, 2002

"Penalties against possession of a drug should not be more damaging to an individual than the use of the drug itself."

Pres. Jimmy Carter, 1977 cited in Pikhail

"Too many of us now tend to worship self-indulgence and consumption. Human identity is no longer defined by what one does, but by what one owns. But we've discovered that owning things and consuming things does not satisfy our longing for meaning.

...

You see every extreme position defended to the last vote, almost to the last breath by one unyielding group or another. You often see a balanced and fair approach that demands sacrifice, a little sacrifice from everyone, abandoned like an orphan without support and without friends. ...

We have lost our way ... because we have exalted "a mistaken idea of freedom"; our self-indulgence had led us to assert every right as absolute, every form of compromise or regulation as inimical to freedom, and ... to elevate the very avatar of self-absorption to the highest office in the land."

Jimmy Carter

"We have learned that more is not necessarily better, that even our great nation has its recognized limits, and that we can neither answer all questions nor solve all problems. We can not afford to do everything."

Jimmy Carter, Inaugural address.

from Colbert interview:

"I'm against any kind of sanctions that hurt the people that are already suffering under a dictator. Yes."...cardinal virtues ... faith courage love

"That's another secret to my success...to out live personal enemies and animosities..."

end **Jimmy Carter**

Carter, Lynda (Wonder Woman):

"If not now, when, in my life and career?" she says. "I'm just not afraid."

"...of course it's all luck."

Henri Cartier-Bresson

Carville, James:

"Ninety-eight percent of people on the Mall on Jan. 6 were white. We need better white people in the United States."

"I feel the capacity to care is the thing which gives life its deepest significance."

Pablo Casals

Casanova:

"There is no such thing as destiny. We ourselves shape our lives."

"Opioids are like guns handed out in a suicide ward; they have certainly made the total epidemic much worse, but they are not the cause of the underlying depression."

"...deaths of despair..."

Anne Case and Angus Deaton pdf

"We've never really tried getting all our news from our top elected official. It has been tried elsewhere, however. North Korea comes to mind."

Rick Casey

"[Trump] thinks the world revolves around him, and he hasn't learned to master his basic emotions. These behaviors (narcissism, codependent traits and maybe even psychopathy) were passed along from his domineering father, escalated by his brother's drinking, and aided by his family's abundant financial resources."

Greg Cason, behavioral psychologist ... al-anon

Cass, Owen (Romney, 2012);

"...there has been a 'race to the bottom' by ... states that have enacted corporate secrecy laws to try to attract incorporation fees ...the problem is concentrated in Delaware. ... a study by researchers at BYU, ... concluded that America was the second easiest country, after Kenya, in which to incorporate a shell company....Anonymous corporations are ... favored tools of criminals ...they facilitate corruption ...the United States [is] the favored destination for corrupt foreign politicians opening phantom companies to conceal their ill-gotten gains."

John Cassara

" Language and science are abbreviations of reality; art is an intensification of reality."

Ernst Cassirer, quoted on p. 491.

"...there is no major transformation in society without a transformation of values, of mindset."

Manuel Castells

"The worst thing is to stay at home. Hope is the last thing to be lost."

Roberta Castillo on Venezuela election nyt

"...the selection of a Republican candidate for the presidency of this globalized and expansive empire is...the greatest competition of idiocy and ignorance that has ever been."

Fidel Castro, quoted by Thomas L. Friedman

"Unitarians believe that the over-consumption and misuse of finite resources is a form of slow suicide that destroys the land, air and water upon which we rely for our very survival."

"The primary benefit to the LDS Church is not the converts that the missionaries make... those two years of sacrifice, dedication and effort often engender a lifetime of faithful devotion to the church."

Jim Catano

"Her voice is deep, rich, and full of color; she speaks with her whole body, like a singer... Whatever she does is done with every fibre," a Nebraskan journalist observed on the pages of the Lincoln Star after meeting the brilliant and reclusive Willa Cather

"We must dramatically change the publically traded, limited liability global corporation, just as previous generations set out to eliminate or control the monarchy."

"...jobs that threaten the environment cannot be considered good jobs."

John Cavanagh, et al.

"Engineering education fosters a culture of disengagement that defines public welfare concerns as tangential to what it means to practice engineering."

Erin A. Cech

"... people who want to lead a country ... [are] people who have certain blind spots, which is essential for their functioning and success."

Joseph Cedar, writer, director Norman film

Sabina Cehajic-Clancy, a social psychologist in Sarajevo, hatred killing denial:

"It is unbelievable the extent and amount of creativity that people possess when it comes to denying."

Celenza, Chris:

"No one cares how much you know until they know how much you care." quoting someone else.

"...the killing of everything...omnicide."

Danielle Celermajer

Celine, Louis-Ferdinand :

in *Journey to the End of the Night*: "The biggest defeat in every department of life is to forget, especially the things that have done you in."

"In the end, the most interesting thing about a conscience is how it answers, not whom it answers to."

`Casey Cep, NYer

Cervantes:

"Too much sanity may be madness – and the maddest of all – to see life as it is, and not as it ought to be."

Don Quixote by Cervantes

"Cervantes tells us that you can't live without having hopes, without dreaming of something beyond your everyday reality..."

Jesus Camacho, Cervantes rapper

"Experience is the mother of knowledge."

"Forgive me, friend, for making you a madman, by persuading you to believe, as I did myself, that there have been formerly, and are now, knights-errant in the world."

Cervantes, Don Quixote

"[On Don Quixote:] His quest is doomed from the start because he is rebelling against the nature of time, which is irreversible and unconquerable.... The literature of radical Islamism is a nightmare version of Cervantes' novel." by Mark Lilla

Cervantes

Chacon, Raven:

"'Voiceless Mass' considers the futility of giving voice to the voiceless, when ceding space is never an option for those in power."

Chakrabarty, Dipesh:

"...the global is a human-centric construction and by contrast, the planetary decenters the human..."

The planet is a political orphan...

nations remain mired in the temporality and politics of development.

...the political is provincially, parochially human...

"To encounter the planet is to encounter something that is the condition of human existence and yet profoundly indifferent to that existence."

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"I felt disillusioned by people whose religious principles claimed honesty to be paramount, yet who exhibited, even publicly, such deceit."

"It was amazing to observe how frequently such officials abused rules which they themselves, had put in place."

Brent Cameron: '...remember that he has a long memory'."

Epitaph: "The better he knew the cosmos, the more he loved the Earth."

Von Del Chamberlain

"Electricity is not just my slave; I have also become a slave to electricity."

Ross Chambless

"How powerful a presence is her absence."

Fred Chappell, quoted in 'The Last Day', Robin Marantz Henig on death

"The problem is neither the Quran nor the Bible, sleep-inducing, incoherent and badly written novels. The problem is the faithful who read the holy books like instructions for assembling Ikea shelves."

Charlie Hebdo editor, Stephane Charbonnier

"'If I know what I shall find, I do not want to find it. Uncertainty is the salt of life.'"

"If oratorios could kill, the Pentagon would long ago have supported musical research."

"Modern science ... resembles ... a stock-market speculation [rather] than a search for the truth about nature. ...it is the facts that pull the thoughts to the bottom of the sea of oblivion.

when you spend your life watching a bubble chamber ... you may become an expert bubbler .../ but there is little likelihood of your thus acquiring much wisdom.

... doctors make patients ..."

Erwin Chargaff

"What is a soul? It's like electricity—we don't really know what it is, but it's a force that can light a room."

Ray Charles

Charles, Ron:

"comedy is tragedy plus time."

Made Politics Funny Again re Buckley

Chase, Stuart (via Jesse Jennings memoir):

The Tyranny of Words

How often do minds meet; how often do they completely miss each other? How many of the world's misfortunes are due to such misses?

a little brochure by H. G. Wells, written I believe for the Fabian

Society, which dealt with what he termed "a criticism of the instrument." The forceps of the mind, he said, were clumsy forceps and crushed the truth a little when grasping it.

Hum . . . something in that. Even more unsettling was the profound observation of Lao Tse: Those who know do not tell; Those who tell do not know.

Was I alone at fault, or was there something in the structure of language itself which checked communication?

the apathy of the unconverted was as colossal as it was baffling.

noises came through, but no meaning.

When people can agree on the thing to which their words refer, minds meet. The communication line is cleared.

Labels for essences and qualities, such as "the sublime," "freedom," "individualism," "truth." For such terms, there are no discoverable referents in the outside world, and by mistaking them for substantial entities somewhere at large in the environment, we create a fantastic wonderland. This zone is the especial domain of philosophy, politics, and economics.

He is the one creature who is able to accumulate verifiable knowledge about himself and his environment, and yet he is the one who is habitually deluded. No other animal produces verbal monsters in his head and projects them on the world outside his head.

I was trying to learn how to write, and found myself, for the first time in my life, learning how to read, how to listen, how to interpret language.

I found that greater disorders were constantly arising from defective communication.

But you are going to read a book where the author is at least on the watch for failures of meaning, at least alive to the grave difficulties of communication. That is something you do not encounter every day.

a metaphor widens the base of the reference—which is its intention—communication may be improved.

with a dreadful irony, we are acting to produce precisely the kinds of things and situations which we do not want.

Something has perverted human-survival behavior. I assume that it is a temporary perversion. I assume that it is bound up to some extent with an unconscious misuse of man's most human attributes-thinking and its tool, language.

the text of the advertising sections devoted almost solidly to a skillful attempt to make words mean something different to the reader from what the facts warrant.

"A controversy," says Richards, "is normally an exploitation of a set of misunderstandings for warlike purposes."

Bad language is now the mightiest weapon in the arsenal of despots and demagogues. Witness Dr. Goebbels.

The Supreme Court crisis of 1937 was due chiefly to the creation by judges and lawyers of verbal monsters in the interpretation of the Constitution. They gave objective, rigid values to vague phrases like "due process" and "interstate commerce."

Judges and lawyers furthermore have granted to a legal abstraction the rights, privileges, and protection vouchsafed to a living, breathing human being. It is thus that corporations, as well as you or I, are entitled to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. queer creatures created by

personifying abstractions in America. Here in the center is a vast figure called the Nation...

High in the heavens is the Constitution, a kind of chalice like the Holy Grail, suffused with ethereal light.

cowering behind the Constitution is Private Property. Higher than Court, Flag, or the Law, close to the sun itself and almost as bright, is Progress, the ultimate God of America.

The "capitalisms" and "principles" are created in our heads by language and by language are objectified.

Final identification is achieved only by pointing to the apple, touching it with the hand, seeing it with the eyes, tasting it with the mouth, and so recognizing it as nonverbal.

passed them through the censorship of my mind—always on the basis of past experience, for this can be my only reference.

Richards says: The mind is a connecting organ; it works only by connecting and it can connect in an indefinitely large number of ways. Words are meeting points at which regions of experience come together; a part of the mind's endless endeavor to order itself.

Kittens and good scientists tend to let new experience pour in until some kind of workable relationships with past experience are established. They do not pretend to know all about something that they know nothing about.

the infant...arrives from warm, safe shelter...

He brings with him only two instinctive fears, fear of falling, and fear of some loud sounds.

Most sounds made by an infant are expressions of some emotional state correlated with a definite situation—

Syllables come out of the blur of noises; objects come out of the blur of the world outside.

The word and the thing merge.

For a considerable period, word and gesture language develop together.

Gesture language is clear and effective. After the child begins to go to school, word language rapidly takes precedence over gesture. we note the seeds of word magic, in which the name gives power over the person or thing it signifies.

Words mean in so far as they act. With the passing of the years, the child learns to divorce words from direct action, but the close association at his most formative period makes him a potential candidate for word magic throughout his life.

Language is no more than crudely acquired before children begin to suffer from it,

and to misinterpret the world by reason of it.

The student of semantics is embarrassed with the sheer richness of the evidence that people do not know what they are talking about.

semantic discipline

checks a kind of dangerous hypnotism, abnormal reversals of nerve currents, mental states approaching insanity.

"Common sense is that which tells us the world is flat."

end Stuart Chase

Chatwin, Bruce:

by N Shakespeare: 'He thought humans were meant to be a migratory species, and once they settled in one place, their natural urges "found outlets in violence, greed, status-seeking or a mania for the new".'

"Why do men wander rather than sit still?"

from Wiki entry: 'He preferred to call his writing stories or searches.[186][187] He was interested in asking big questions about human existence, sharing unusual tales, and making connections between ideas from various sources.'

from Songlines:

"The definition of a man's 'own country' was 'the place in which I do not have to ask'...

'Walkabout' was, in practice, a kind of ... exchange, spreading messages./..

'The trade route is the Songline...songs are the principal medium of exchange...

A man's verses were his title deeds...

I am!...the most secret and sacred couplet of the Ancestor's song...

wherever their tracks led they left a trail of music...

wealth has to be shared or destroyed...

All she had to know was the song and she knew where she was. To get back, she just sang the song in reverse...

He who has arrived 'goes back...to your 'conception site'...

They knew where they were going, smiling at death..."

"The stars know the time when we die..."

from Shakespeare, letter re: Chatwin:

'He was like a little firework all the time. ...you can't be a beautiful firework and live on and on...

the literate adventurer...

Salman Rushdie: 'he had the most erudite and possibly the most brilliant mind that I ever came across.'

Ruth Tringham on Songlines: 'an idea of trying to grasp an entirely different way of thinking about space and time...'

Elizabeth Sifton: 'People who study Chatwin feel liberated by him...'

Thomas Keneally: 'Modern fiction is sometimes too house-trained. Chatwin's fiction was not house-trained...he saw stories as paradigms of humanity.'

"Much has still to be done towards the elaboration of an integrative physiology, i.e. a formalised general physiology. This would call for the development of novel mathematical methods, the interpretation of experimental results, and the construction of appropriate models inspiring further experimentation. Instrumental and technological advances are today producing vast amounts of highly refined data which are far too scattered to be readily encompassed. A formalised integrative physiology may be expected to rationalise this extraordinary diversity of information within a sound theoretical framework, thus contributing to a deeper insight into the wonders of the living organism."

G. Chauvet (11), Vol. 3, pg. 626.

"The devil came here yesterday, and it still smells of sulfur today."
Hugo Chavez to UN on G W Bush visit and talk.

"...money available for investment...The world is invested in destruction."
Robin Chazdon

Che, Michael:

"You know, I'll bet if someone explained how long impeachment takes to John Wilkes Booth, he'd like say, 'OK, but where's he at right now?'"

"For comedy, you have to pay attention. You have to see the things that not everybody sees to make the points that not everybody's going to make."

"...the end game wasn't to convert you. The end game was to talk to you." on Malcolm X.

Michael Che, SNL

"Slow down and be skeptical."
Brian X Chen NYT

"We don't negotiate with evil. We defeat it."
Dick Cheney, as VP

"Intellectual stimulation is an emotional experience for me, and something will only be a really deeply emotionally experience for me if it engages me intellectually as well."
Eugenia Cheng

"the more violence a regime uses to survive, the less power it actually has."
Erica Chenoweth

Cheney, Liz:

"the most conservative of conservative values is reverence for the rule of law."

Cheney declared, "Trump summoned the mob, assembled the mob and lit the flame of this attack."

"Every lie we tell incurs a debt to the truth. Sooner or later, that debt is paid."
Chernobyl (HBO) Valery Legasov,

"...this new sharing economy is the real deal and will increasingly be a source of income for more and more people...The 21st-century economy will be powered by people."
Brian Chesky, Air B&B via Friedman

"My country right or wrong," G.K. Chesterton
once wrote, is on the same level as "My mother, drunk or sober."

"There will be mirth or there will be madness."

"The world will never be safe for democracy - it is a dangerous trade.

"...lunacy dancing in high places."

"Brave men are all vertebrates ...softness on the surface and their toughness in the middle...cowards are all crustaceans; their hardness is all on the cover, and their softness is inside."

GK Chesterton

"The disadvantage of men not knowing the past is that they do not know the present."
G K Chesterton

"McCarthy was a demagogue of demagogues. ... McCarthy's power lay in outrage, the big lie, distrust, all political goods that could be brokered in an atmosphere of fear and suspicion....with so little he could do so much."

Marquis Childs

"He who rides a tiger is afraid to dismount."

Chinese proverb

Julia Ching:

"[The West]...an excessive individualism and a litigious spirit promoting conflict rather than harmony and an increasing gap between rich and poor in capitalist societies. East Asians value what they call humaneness, or human warmth, which they find lacking in a system where human relationships have lost a personal touch. The West may yet have something to learn from the East."

Julia Ching via Maguire

"...autonomy is an essential condition for striving for individual happiness."

"...it is people's capability for rational thinking and reflective reasoning that makes both autonomy and happiness possible."

"...some of the personal beliefs, behaviors, and laws central to the smooth functioning of laissez-faire, consumer capitalism do not provide people with optimal experiences of freedom and autonomy."

V. I. Chirkov

"... the fertile mental terrain where fear and distrust of authority meet superstitious folklore."

"Take a bogus material, give it an enigmatic name, exaggerate its physical properties and intended uses, mix in some human greed and intrigue, and voilà: one half baked scam," the Department of Energy's Critical Technologies Newsletter.

C J Chivers

Choi, Yejin:

"What we have today is essentially a mouth without a brain."
on artificial intelligence.

Chomsky:

"....people have an instinct for freedom...they really want to control their own affairs. They don't want to be pushed around, ordered, oppressed ...they want a chance to do things that make sense."...physics ... restricts itself to extremely simple questions. If a molecule becomes too complex, they hand it over to the chemists. If it becomes too complex for them, they hand it to biologists. And if the system is too complex for them, they hand it to psychologists ... and so on until it ends up in the hands of historians or novelists. As you deal with more and more complex systems, it becomes harder and harder to find deep and interesting properties."

"The Republican party now has its catechism of things you have to repeat in lockstep, kind of like the old Communist party."

If you're teaching today what you were teaching five years ago, either the field is dead or you are."

Noam Chomsky

Elections are run by the public relations industry. Its primary task is commercial advertising, which is designed to undermine markets by creating uninformed consumers who will make irrational choices - the exact opposite of how markets are supposed to work, but certainly familiar to anyone who has watched television.

Noam Chomsky

Surveying the terrible conflicts in the world, it's clear that almost all are the residue of imperial crimes and the borders that the great powers drew in their own interests.

Noam Chomsky

"Before the 1970s, banks were banks....That changed dramatically in the 1970s."

"Concentration of wealth ... doesn't benefit the economy...Concentration of wealth yields concentration of political power.

...the 'precarious' - people who live a precarious existence at the periphery of society."

"Occupy ... should be regarded as ... the first major public response ... to about thirty years of a really quite bitter class war that has led to social, economic and political arrangements in which the system of democracy has been shredded."

Noam Chomsky

"[The Republican Party] - has roots. It's kind of like jihadis: You have to ask about the roots.... today's Republican Party qualifies as candidate for the most dangerous organization in human history....

"If you assume that there is no hope, you guarantee that there will be no hope. If you assume that there is an instinct for freedom, that there are opportunities to change things, then there is a possibility that you can contribute to making a better world."

end Chomsky

"Humans...try to make some sense out of their experience. There are all kinds of ways of doing this: some are called myth, some are called magic, some are called religion."

"Science talks about very simple things, and asks hard questions about them. As soon as things become too complex, science cannot deal with them. The reason why physics can achieve such depth is that it restricts itself to extremely simple things, abstracted from the complexity of the world. ..Science studies what's at the edge of understanding..."

The task of anyone who wants to uphold intellectual and moral values is not to speak what they regard as truth to anybody — the powerful or the powerless — but rather to speak with the powerless and to try to learn the truth.

The powerful typically know the truth quite well. They generally know what they are doing, and don't need our instructions.

The right-wing Democrats (misabeled "moderate") follow along for their own reasons. These are not hard to discern in some cases: It's not a great surprise that a coal baron who is Congress's leading recipient of fossil fuel funding (Manchin) should proclaim the fossil fuel industry's "no elimination" slogan, or that a top recipient of donations from the pharmaceutical industry (Sen. Kyrsten Sinema) should be holding back badly need drug pricing reforms. That's normal in a political system mired in corruption. But the rot runs deeper.

the U.S. has a one-party political system — the business party — with two factions, Democrats and Republicans.

Chomsky:

The Responsibility of Intellectuals

Chomsky, Noam

“It is a great thing to be able to see what is right under your nose.”

What of the responsibility of intellectuals? Those who qualify for the title have a degree of privilege conferred by this status, yielding opportunity beyond the norm. Opportunity confers responsibility—which, in turn, poses choices, sometimes hard ones.

follow the path of integrity, wherever it may lead.

The facts are not in the least obscure.

what then is the responsibility of intellectuals? They always have a choice. In enemy states, they can choose to be commissars or dissidents. In U.S. client states, in the modern period, the choice can be bitter beyond words. At home, they can choose to be responsible experts or wild men in the wings.

Elaine Scarry reminds us, the prohibition of assassination in international law traces back to a forceful denunciation of the practice by Abraham Lincoln, who condemned the call for assassination as “international outlawry” in 1863, an “outrage,” which “civilized nations” view with “horror” and merits the “sternest retaliation.”

Intellectuals are typically privileged—

Privilege yields opportunity, and opportunity confers responsibilities. An individual then has choices.

end Noam Chomsky

“‘Seriously, it looks like we’re planning our extinction.”

Deepak Chopra

When your time perspective shortens,... you tend to focus on emotionally meaningful goals. When the time horizon is long, you focus on knowledge acquisition.”

Laura Christensen, Stanford U

“Fear is like a currency – you can use it to buy influence and to buy votes.”

V Christensen, Energy Solutions

Christie, Michael:

Character Jake: “Every tree is held up by its own history, the very bones of its ancestors.”

“Everyone’s just green-washing. The revolution isn’t going to happen with corporations. The elephant in the room is growth. Growth is the culprit.

It’s impossible to be a public company and be responsible.”

From letter, “The next hundred years” in 1992:

“I have a little different definition of evil than most people. When you have the opportunity and the ability to do good and you do nothing, that’s evil. Evil doesn’t always have to be an overt act. It can be merely the absence of good.”

Yvon Chouinard, Patagonia

“We’re burning fossil fuels at such a rate that we seem to be undermining the ‘goldilocks’ condition that made it possible for human civilizations to flourish over the last 10,000 years.”

David Christian TED talk, Big History

"The human body just will not go on without water.
It will go on without oil. It may not go on the way we like it, and we
may not be very comfortable, but you can go on. Without water you
can't go on."

Don Christiansen is general manager of the Central Utah Water
Conservancy District. He is the former mayor of Alpine, Utah, and former member of the
Central Utah Water Conservancy Board of Directors,

Chu:

I now know why you won the Nobel Prize. When they asked you a question, by God, you
answered it."

Rep. Ralph Hall (R-TX) to Chu

"You cannot negotiate with Nature. Nor can you ignore it, for it will not go away."

The Economist referring to S Chu; 7-4-09, p. 64.

Steven Chu:

Church Committee's final report about the domestic surveillance was blunt. "Too many
people have been spied upon by too many government agencies, and too much
information has been collected,"

"...your biggest problem in life is not going to be hiding your stuff so nobody steals it, it's
getting anybody to ever use it."

"if you can't tell me what law of thermodynamics it violates, I don't see why we can't do
it."

George Church

Churchill:

"Of all the talents bestowed upon men, none is so precious as the gift of oratory.
The orator is the embodiment of the passions of the multitude....Before he can move
their tears, his own must flow...To convince them he must himself believe."

Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts --

Winston S. Churchill

"In victory, magnanimity....In defeat, defiance."

"He had the gift of compressing the largest number of words into the smallest amount of
thought." on Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald.

"It is a mistake to try to look too far ahead.

The chain of destiny can only be grasped
one link at a time."

-- Sir Winston Churchill"

We are in the presence of a crime without a name."

"People like to change—they just don't like to be changed."

Winston Churchill

Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak; courage is also what it takes to sit down
and listen."

"We shall escape the absurdity of growing a whole chicken in order to eat the breast or
wing, by growing these parts separately under a suitable medium."

in a 1931 essay!

"This is not the end.
It is not even the beginning of the end.
It is, perhaps, the end of the beginning."

Sir Winston Churchill

"To improve is to change; to be perfect is to change often."

It has been said that democracy is the worst form of government except all the others that have been tried.

Churchill

"We are all worms. But I do believe I am a glow-worm." Winston Churchill

Reason, under pressure, often produces prudence when boldness is called for.

--Winston Churchill

"Every day you may make progress. Every step may be fruitful. Yet there will stretch out before you an ever-lengthening, ever-ascending, ever-improving path. You know you will never get to the end of the journey. But this, so far from discouraging, only adds to the joy and glory of the climb."

Winston Churchill

"The longer you can look back, the farther you can look forward."

"The best argument against democracy is a five-minute conversation with the average voter."

"Short words are best, and old words when short are the best of all."

Winston Churchill

"You make a living by what you get.

You make a life by what you give."

Winston Churchill

"Success is the ability to go from one failure to another with no loss of enthusiasm."

"There is no worse mistake in public leadership than to hold out false hopes soon to be swept away.

"The further backward you can look, the further forward you can see."

"The creation of an authoritative all-powerful world order is the ultimate end towards which we must strive. Unless some effective world super-government can be set up and brought quickly into action, the prospects for peace and human progress are dark and doubtful."

Winston Churchill

"Criticism may not be agreeable, but it is necessary. It fulfills the same function as pain in the human body. It calls attention to an unhealthy state of things."

"...writing a book is an adventure. To begin with it is a toy and an amusement. Then it becomes a mistress, then it becomes a master, then it becomes a tyrant. The last phase is that just as you are about to be reconciled to your servitude, you kill the monster and fling him to the public."

There is no merit in putting off a war for a year if, when it comes, it is a far worse war or one much harder to win."

Civilization is the state of society where moral forces begin to escape from the tyranny of physical forces."

"We are shaping the world faster than we can change ourselves, and we are applying to the present the habits of the past."

Winston Churchill

"If you're going through hell, keep going."

Winston Churchill

"science should be on tap not on top."

Winston Churchill

It is no use saying, 'We are doing our best.' You have got to succeed in doing what is necessary.

Winston Churchill

"A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty."

Winston Churchill

"The era of procrastination, of half-measures, of soothing and baffling expedients, of delays, is coming to a close. In its place, we are entering a period of consequences."

Winston Churchill, 11-12-36

"When the present argues with the past, the future is lost."

Winston Churchill

"sink into the abyss of a new Dark Age made more sinister, and perhaps more protracted, by the lights of perverted science."

"...a nation's well-being...is conditioned by a single, pervasive cultural characteristic: the level of trust inherent in society." Churchill?

"Facts are better than dreams."

"The farther back you can look, the farther forward you are likely to see"

Winston Churchill

"True genius resides in the capacity for evaluation of uncertain, hazardous, and conflicting information."

"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts."

Winston Churchill

"History will judge us kindly because I shall write the history."

Winston Churchill, said to Roosevelt and Stalin

"History will be kind to me, for I intend to write it." via Dan Brown

"The malice of the wicked was reinforced by the weakness of the virtuous . . . They lived from hand to mouth and from day to day, and from one election to another . . . The cheers of weak, well-meaning assemblies soon cease to echo, and their votes soon cease to count. Doom marches on."

Viscount Halifax: He mobilized the English language and sent it into battle.

"Safety will be the sturdy child of terror, and survival the twin brother of annihilation. "

"Solitary trees, if they grow at all, grow strong."

— Winston Churchill

"He mobilized the English language and sent it into battle," John F. Kennedy said (stealing a line from Edward Murrow).

"Churchill mobilized the English language and sent it into battle....and, whether defending or attacking, Mr. Churchill never attempted to conceal the cost."

Edward R Murrow

"They go on in strange paradox, decided only to be undecided, resolved to be irresolute, adamant for drift, solid for fluidity, in the face of the plainest warnings, we have entered upon a period of (unparalleled) danger. The era of procrastination, of half measures, of soothing and baffling expedience of delays, is coming to its close. In its place we are

entering a period of consequences..... We cannot avoid this period, we are in it now.....

Winston Churchill (November 12, 1936)

"It is no use saying 'We will do our best.' You have got to succeed in doing what is necessary"

Paraphrase of Winston Churchill

"The multitudes remained plunged in ignorance of the simplest economic facts, and their leaders, seeking their votes, did not dare to undeceive them. The newspapers, after their fashion, reflected and emphasized the prevailing opinions."

in The Gathering Storm

"What scares me is getting to the end before I am finished."

W Churchill in Churchill's secret documentary 2016; see similar Snowden quote.

"You will never reach your destination if you stop and throw stones at every dog that barks."

"...the abyss of a new dark age made more sinister, and perhaps more protracted by the light of perverted science."

"The price of greatness is responsibility."

Winston S. Churchill

He mobilized the English language and sent it into battle to steady his fellow countrymen and hearten those Europeans upon whom the long dark night of tyranny had descended.

– Edward R. Murrow, On Winston Churchill, 1954

Winston Churchill, a lifelong and rabid anti-communist, said that if Hitler invaded hell, he (Churchill) would have found something nice to say about the Devil.

end of Churchill

"I want to enjoy life now, and not trash the planet thinking a better one awaits. ... I don't see how the existence of a god or soul confers any meaning on my life."

"Mammalian brains are...soft-wired for love and affection...morality...kindness..

Patricia Churchland

"No tempest or conflagration, however great, is harder to quell than the mob carried away by the novelty of power."

"If you have a garden and a library, you have everything you need."

Marcus Tullius Cicero

Cicero

"..the stupid are people who do evil to others without benefiting themselves."

Carlo Maria Cipolla

"Climate change denialism by evangelicals is a 'heresy committed against all of creation, nothing less than a monstrous wrong.'"

Richard Cizik, former evangelical preacher

"When I get to the answer, then I'll know the question."

Sandra Cisneros

James R Clapper: Facts and Fears, 2018:

"Our primary adversary ... was...without exaggeration, hacking away at the very roots of our democracy...What happened to us was a sustained assault on our traditional values and institutions of government, from external as well as internal pressures...the destiny of the American ideal is at stake.

On election day, Nov. 8, no one really believed that Mr. Trump had a chance - including the Russians...On election night, they'd planned a multi-faceted campaign to discredit Clinton's win, with the Twitter hashtag #DemocracyRIP...

We showed unambiguously that Putin had ordered the campaign to influence the election, that the campaign was multifaceted, and that Russia had used cyber espionage against US political organizations and publically disclosed the data they collected...

...the evidence ...to attribute the influence operation to Vladimir Putin and the Russian government was overwhelming...

We have elected someone as president ... whose first instincts are to twist and distort truth to his advantage, to generate financial benefit to himself and his family, and ...to demean the values this country has traditionally stood for. He has set a new low bar for ethics and morality."

IC assessment report pp. 376, 372-77, 366-69, 361-2, 3-4. See also Frontline Trump Showdown PBS

"If someone has a broken leg, he or she immediately gets treatment. If the person has a broken soul, they usually do not."

David Clark

"Faith is an unreliable tool for determining reality." Headline

"In science, faith is a vice; in religion; it's a virtue....When it comes to the real world, science works. Religion doesn't."

"Science is ... the best method we have for discriminating between what's empirically true about the natural world and what we might wish to be true — but isn't."

"Novelty is its own reward. It's food for the brain. And the brain's appetite is nearly insatiable. In return, feeling good motivates seeking further novelty. Win-win."

"...neophobia is the yin, curiosity is the yang."

Gregory Clark

Jim Clark in Netscape Time, St Martin's Press, 1999:

Paraphrasing Paul Erdos:

"...a programmer is a machine for turning Coke into code." P. 218

"Shit happens. Some people try to wish it away...Others use it as fertilizer." P. 252.

Palm Beach II Palmetto

"I never bought a man who wasn't for sale."

William A Clark

"The only way of discovering the limits of the possible is to venture a little way past them into the impossible."

One of Clarke's 3 laws

"He never grew up; but he never stopped growing."

Arthur C Clarke epitaph

"Religion is the most malevolent of all mind viruses."

Arthur C Clarke

"Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from magic."

"The only way to find the limits of the possible is by going beyond them..."

Arthur C. Clarke

"robo sapiens..."

"If a scientist says that something is possible he is almost certainly right, but if he says that it is impossible he is very probably wrong." Arthur C. Clarke

"I would consider Creationism nothing less than blasphemy. Do its adherents imagine that God is a cosmic hoaxer, who has created the whole vast fossil record for the sole purpose of fooling mankind? And, though I do not necessarily agree with the Catholic paleontologist Teilhard de Chardin's advocacy of evolution as a major proof of the glory of God, his attitude is both logical and inspiring.

The future isn't what it used to be...

A Creator who, right back at the beginning of time, laid the foundations for the entire future is far more awe-inspiring and deserving of worship than a clumsy tinkerer who constantly modifies billions of his creations and throws away whole species because of defective engineering."

Arthur C. Clarke, 1999

"Leadership is about managing energy, first in yourself and then in those around you."
James Clawson

"One billion people don't have enough food, and yet one billion people eat too much."
Jason Clay, WWF

"I loved Ayn Rand when I was 18 - before I had children and figured out how the world really works. That's not how it works, as it turns out."
Stephanie Clayton, Rep. state rep, Kansas.

Cleary, Beverly:

"A little person sometimes had to be a little bit noisier and a little bit more stubborn in order to be noticed at all." via NYT obit.

Cleese, John:

"I don't make the jokes. I just point them out."

Clinton Hillary:

"China...they have a deplorable human-rights record...They're worried. They're trying to stop history, which is a fool's errand. They cannot do it..."

"It doesn't matter what country they're in or what religion they claim, they all want to control women. They want to control how we dress, they want to control how we act, they even want to control the decisions we make about our own health and our own bodies. Even here at home we have to stand up for women's rights and reject efforts to marginalize any one of us because America needs to set an example for the entire world."

"Since Xmas vacation, I've gone through three and a half metamorphoses and am beginning to feel as though there is a smorgasbord of personalities spread before me."

1967, age 20.

Hillary Clinton

Clinton William Bill:

"When people feel uncertain, they'd rather have someone who's strong and wrong than somebody who's weak and right."

"...in the name of all those who do the work, pay the taxes, raise the kids and play by the rules – in the name of the hard-working Americans who make up our forgotten middle class."

Bill Clinton Demo nomination acceptance speech, 1992

"In that environment, the proper response is relentless explanation. " " ...a political environment in the Republican primary ... means you can't be authentic unless you've got a single-digit IQ."

Bill Clinton

"Inspiration is for amateurs – the rest of us just show up and get to work."

Chuck Close

"...value is independent of your preference. You're going to spend some time with them because there are things in these works to be seen that will transform your vision; there are thoughts in these works that will make you think differently... The point of ...education ...is to enable you to see things that were invisible, to hear new sounds, to understand what didn't make sense..."

Every professor knows the sudden light in students' eyes as they begin to see, as they begin to feel the contours of a mind, a way of sensing, they hadn't imagined existed, as they begin to feel that this mind might be their own."

Michael Clune

Ronald Coase- If you torture the data long enough, they will confess to anything.
via Danah Boyd

Coates, :

"The first black president found that he was personally toxic to the GOP base. An entire political party was organized around the explicit aim of negating one man."

"If a black man can be president, then any white man—no matter how fallen—can be president."

"Donald Trump...The first white president in American history is also the most dangerous president—and he is made more dangerous still by the fact that those charged with analyzing him cannot name his essential nature, because they too are implicated in it."

"The war is here. The war is right here."

"Nothing should really scare a writer more than the moment when they are no longer scared."

Reparations essay:

"America begins in black plunder and white democracy two features that are not contradictory but complementary..."

...we must imagine a new country. Reparations—by which I mean the full acceptance of our collective biography and its consequences—is the price we must pay to see ourselves squarely...Reparations beckons us to reject the intoxication of hubris and see America as it is— the work of fallible humans..."

...a national reckoning that would lead to spiritual renewal.

We are not the first to be summoned to such a challenge...Germany's unwillingness to squarely face its history went beyond polls...

"The reason black people are so far behind now is not because of now,"

Clyde Ross told me. "It's because of then."

...wrestling publicly with these questions matters as much as—if not more than—the specific answers that might be produced. An America that asks what it owes its most vulnerable citizens is improved and humane. An America that looks away is ignoring not just the sins of the past but the sins of the present and the certain sins of the future. More important than any single check cut to any African American, the payment of reparations would represent America's maturation out of the childhood myth of its innocence into a wisdom worthy of its founders.

...Plunder in the past made plunder in the present efficient.

"Politicians respond to only one thing – power. This is not the flaw of democracy, it's the entire point. It's the job of activists to generate, and apply, enough pressure on the system to affect change."

Ta-Nehisi Coates

"To him, a lie is not a lie. It's just what he thinks. He doesn't know the difference between the truth and a lie."

Coates, director of national intelligence

"... actions of powerful men in service of outmoded ideas."

'While the public tends to view instances of election violence "as a static record of the past, historians tend to look at them the way that meteorologists look at hurricanes: as a predictable outcome when a number of recognizable variables align in familiar ways." As Mr. Cobb said last fall — when political violence was clearly trending upward — the metaphorical hurricane was close at hand indeed.'

via Brent Staples
Jelani Cobb

"The Defense Department is not controlled by foreign wars. The wars are a consequence of the quest for higher budgets..."

[on Boeing] managers from the defense side should never be transferred to the civilian arm, lest they infect it with their culture of cost overruns, schedule slippage, and risky or unfeasible technical initiatives...

Spinney paper on Perpetual War

Andrew Cockburn

"Never believe anything until it has been officially denied."

Claud Cockburn via Eduardo Galeano:

"The fear of failure is worse than failure itself."

"Life is too short, so kiss slowly, laugh insanely, love truly and forgive quickly."

"Be brave. Take risks. Nothing can substitute experience."

"People need to learn how to survive without America being responsible for everything. ...you have to .. learn how to express your soul. And this is what I am still doing. I hope I will write until the day I die..."

A book is not improved when it becomes a movie. A book is something that stimulates creativity in the reader. The movie - you have everything already.

I don't remember not being in love. There are very different types of love. There's Eros, love for another person. There's Philia, love for wisdom. And there is Pragma, which is love that goes beyond everything.

I cannot see my life without my wife. Every time I go to sleep, I look at her and she is already sleeping. And I say to myself, 'Oh my God, this is the greatest blessing in my life, to have found the person who understands me.'"

Paulo Coelho

"The truth will make you free,...but first it makes you miserable."

William Sloan Coffin

“... the problem is one of temperament and character. It will not get better. It will get worse, as power intoxicates Trump and those around him.”

Eliot Cohen

Leonard Cohen

"There is a crack in everything,".

"That's how the light gets in."

"Everybody knows that the dice are loaded
Everybody rolls with their fingers crossed
Everybody knows that the war is over
Everybody knows that the good guys lost
Everybody knows the fight was fixed
The poor stay poor, the rich get rich.
That's how it goes
Everybody knows

Leonard Cohen, 'Everybody Knows'

"There is a crack in everything, that's how the light gets in."

Leonard Cohen , Anthem <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mDTph7mer3I>

“What happened to me was not that I got any answers, but that the questions dissolved.”

From NYT op-ed by Wieseltier: <http://www.nytimes.com/2016/11/14/opinion/my-friend-leonard-cohen-darkness-and-praise.html>

He lived in a weather of wisdom, which he created by seeking it rather than by finding it.
He swam in beauty, because in its transience he aspired to discern a glimpse of eternity:
There was always a trace of philosophy in his sensuality.

... he was possessed by a lasting sensation of brokenness. He was broken, love was broken, the world was broken.

“If It Be Your Will,” [was] his most exquisite song.

Leonard Cohen was the poet laureate of the lack, the psalmist of the privation, who made imperfection gorgeous.”

Leon Wieseltier

end Leonard Cohen

“... the dead hand of antiquated economics.”

Maeve Cohen, Econocracy

“People who follow Mr. Trump blindly will suffer the same consequences I’m suffering.”

“In coordination with and at the direction of a candidate for federal office”

Michael Cohen, regarding Trump

"... Wall Street chicanery and climate destabilization share a number of common features. The failure to adequately regulate both financial markets and emission streams springs from a perilous combination of political malfeasance, corporate greed, and public quiescence. Our dual economic and environmental problems are also emblematic of a global economy that is intent—indeed programmed—to use any and all available means to propagate an endless supply of consumer goods to maintain an illusion of 'growth'...

We have created over the past sixty years a growth-bound economy that is dependent on three preconditions to maintain itself—proportional investment in public goods, rising wages across a broad cross section of income classes, and continual novelty....

Maurice Cohen

"Compulsive liars shouldn't frighten you. They can harm no one, if no one listens to them. Compulsive believers, on the other hand: they should terrify you. Believers are the liars' enablers. Their votes give the demagogue his power. Their trust turns the charlatan into the president. Their credulity ensures that the propaganda of half-calculating and half-mad fanatics has the power to change the world."

Nick Cohen The Guardian

Cohen, Phoebe A.:

"This idea of intellectual debate and rigor as the pinnacle of intellectualism comes from a world in which white men dominated,"

The Trump presidency that Wolff describes in virtually pornographic detail was the creation not just of Trump but of all the people who failed to oppose him. These are the people who ducked the greatest political test this nation has faced since the Civil War — who enabled the election of a man whose sanity is now questioned but whose incompetence never was. It is not true that Trump is nobody's fool. He is the GOP's. "When we listen to a tale, we need to take into account the teller."

Richard Cohen

"[Trump] lies for purpose and he lies just for the hell of it. His lying is such that it ought to be a mental ailment. Call him politically insane."

"Pence is shockingly unreasonable. But he is also shockingly hypocritical."

"Democracies perish, Steven Levitsky and Daniel Ziblatt point out, by a kind of civic Alzheimer's. They forget to function."

The first casualty of war, the saying goes, is truth. But with Trumpism, truth is not collateral damage; it is the enemy itself.

The lie no longer shocks. It often amuses, and complacent Republicans either look the other way or jump gleefully on the bandwagon of deceit.

The fascists may not have taken over the government, but the liars have.

Richard Cohen

Roger Cohen:

"This is the silent spring...a time of total reset...
the earth has struck back...asserted its demand to breathe."

"...Perry occupies the culturally and intellectually empty heartland of the Republican Party.

"The only people who walked away unscathed from the great financial binge that preceded this mess were its main architects and greatest beneficiaries: bankers, financiers and hedge-fund honchos. Perhaps the society dealing best with these dilemmas is Germany. It has invested in a highly educated work force. It has matched workers' skills to jobs. It has continued to make precision machinery others can't make. It has fostered cooperation between labor unions and employers and between industrialists and the government in defense of German jobs. The youth unemployment rate is under 10 percent.

Roger Cohen

"When you are not told what to do you begin to think what to do."

"The superrich who trash the West trust the West with their money....
Asians lend America money to police the world."

Roger Cohen

"A defense mechanism to the incomprehensible is to pretend it does not exist."

"There is no why here."

The Islamists' war is against freedom of expression, freedom of conscience, freedom of the press, freedom of blasphemy, sexual freedom — in short, core characteristics of democracies seen by the would-be rebuilders of the Caliphate as signs of Western debasement....

the abject failure of the Arab world, its blocked societies where dictators face off against political Islam, its repression, its feeble institutions, its sectarianism precluding the practice of participatory citizenship, its wild conspiracy theories, its inability to provide jobs or hope for its youth, that gives the Islamic State its appeal.

... Zealotry of any kind subsumes the difficulty of individual choices into the exalted collective submission of dedication to a cause. Your mission is set. It is presented as a great one with great rewards. Goodbye, tough calls. Goodbye, loneliness.

It offers to give meaning, whether in this life or the next, to meaningless lives.

... the ideas behind them, rooted in a violent rejection of modernity (but not all its tools, witness the Islamic State's slick use of the Internet) and in an extreme, literalist interpretation of certain teachings of Sunni Islam, have proved of unquenchable appeal....It is clearly tapping into something deep. Perhaps that something is at root a yearning to be released from the burden of freedom.

Western societies have been going ever further in freeing their citizens' choices — in releasing them from ties of tradition or religion, in allowing people to marry whom they want and divorce as often as they want, have sex with whom they want, die when they want and generally do what they want. There are few, if any, moral boundaries left. In this context, radical Islam offers salvation, or at least purpose, in the form of a life whose moral parameters are strictly set, whose daily habits are prescribed, whose satisfaction of everyday needs is assured and whose rejection of freedom is unequivocal. By taking away freedom, the Islamic State lifts a psychological weight on its young followers adrift on the margins of European society....

Roger Cohen

"A corrupted polity tends toward collapse....

As Europe knows, democracies do die."

...writing was not a choice but a need.

What stands between civilization and barbarism is the idea that nobody is above the law.

History is flux and our natures conflicted.

...the quest for homogeneous societies led the 20th century to its most unspeakable horrors.

Trump beckons us into the abyss of the hateful. The arc of his mind bends towards injustice.

Roger Cohen

"Trump speaks to the basest but also some of the most ineradicable traits of human beings — their capacity for mob anger, their racist resentments, their cruelty, their lust, their search for scapegoats, their insecurities — and promises a miraculous makeover. ...It is possible because history demonstrates there is no limit to human folly or the dimensions of the disasters humanity can bring on itself."

Roger Cohen on a Trump election

"If we want things to stay as they are, things will have to change."

The Leopard by Giuseppe Tomasi di Lampedusa, via Roger Cohen NYT

via Roger Cohen:

James L. Petigru, a prominent jurist

and politician, upon the secession of South Carolina from the Union in 1860:

“South Carolina is too small for a republic and too large for an insane asylum.”

“A know-nothing tide is upon us ... ignorance ... is an attribute.”

Roger Cohen

“... democratic societies can veer off the rails into forms of horror that, in hindsight, seem unimaginable. Small compromise by small compromise, craven step by craven step, is a Republic undone.

There's nothing new about mass popular delusions or the madness of crowds.”

Roger Cohen

“Great. Terrific. Phenomenal. Tremendous. Fabulous. Beautiful. How Trump has hollowed out these words. How arid, even nauseating, he has made them. They mean nothing....

From Trump's White House there now seeps a kind of ignorance mixed with vulgarity and topped with meanness that I find impossible to wash from my skin...”

“When Primo Levi arrived at Auschwitz he reached, in his thirst, for an icicle outside his window but a guard snatched it away. “Warum?” Levi asked (why?). To which the guard responded, “Hier ist kein warum” (here there is no why).

As the great historian Fritz Stern observed, “This denial of ‘why’ was the authentic expression of all totalitarianism, revealing its deepest meaning, a negation of Western civilization.”

Cohen on Trump

“Disorientation propagates itself.”

“Character is like concrete: You can make an impression when it's freshly poured, in its youth, one could say, but when it sets, it's impervious to alteration.”

“Trump[s] fiendish antennae for the mass hypnosis of our age.”

“...Life is a predicament, death the elephant at the horizon that looms larger as the years pass....

“At the bottom of all the tributes paid to democracy is the little man, walking into the little booth, with a little pencil, making a little cross on a little bit of paper — no amount of rhetoric or voluminous discussion can possibly palliate the overwhelming importance of that point.” via Roger Cohen NYT

“Trump's brilliance lay in seeing that he could become the perfect impostor, the wealthy and highly visible figurehead of a 21st-century movement of the dispossessed and the invisible. He could be their voice. He could say the unsayable. He could disrupt...”

Trump, in Singapore, saluted evil.

One of the pleasures of growing old is the shedding of ambition.

...narcissism is an impregnable shield against self-awareness.

Roger Cohen

“Armchair pontification can turn to bloviation...”

Brevity is a bitter stimulant to pithiness...

end Roger Cohen

"Denial is understood as an unconscious defence mechanism for coping with guilt, anxiety and other disturbing emotions aroused by reality...
Every personal life and every society is built on denial...
...a deeper form of denial is more universal: the inability or refusal to be continually 'facing' or 'living with' unpleasant truths."
Stanley Cohen.

"[Trump] ...is an idiot surrounded by clowns. Trump won't read anything — not one-page memos, not the brief policy papers; nothing. He gets up halfway through meetings with world leaders because he is bored. And his staff is no better."
Gary Cohn via Wolff bk

"I bring out the worst in my enemies and that's how I get them to defeat themselves."
Roy Cohn

via Ken Auletta: 'Cohn is a legal executioner...he is not a very nice man.'
"There is an old Jewish saying, 'If you have only two alternatives, then choose the third'."

"...the nation-state ... is fast becoming an obsolete political structure."
Daniel Cohn-Bendit

"Corporations cannot commit treason, nor be outlawed, nor excommunicated, for they have no souls"
Edward Coke , quoted by Robert Monks

Colbert, Stephen:

"I'm no fan of dictionaries or reference books. I don't trust books. They're all fact, no heart."

"Reality has a well known liberal bias."

"You can't discover the product until you're making it."

"You can't laugh and be afraid at the same time."

to the press: "... you people were so good over tax cuts, W.M.D. intelligence, the effect of global warming. We Americans didn't want to know, and you had the courtesy not to try to find out."

"...the expletive deconstruction of the day's news..."

"...the president is trying to cast a spell to confuse people so they cannot know the true nature of reality..."

"...there's this pool of radioactive sludge...the daily news. My job is to be lowered like carbon rods into that sludge and absorb the radiation of the insanity that happened today. Then...I irradiate it back at the audience at a much lower nonlethal rad level..."

"...it's important that you not let the tide of history sweep you along if you don't actually agree with it. (paraphrasing Robert Bolt).

Stephen Colbert

"More so than in any election in my memory, the fate of the Court, of constitutional law, and of justice itself is at stake in the coming election."

David Cole the nation 10-2015

“...the Supreme Court failed the ultimate test of justice. It bowed to the prejudice of the powerful when its duty was to protect the most vulnerable.”

David Cole Cole, KC Mind over Matter, 2003:

“There is an uncertainty relationship between truth and clarity.” Neils Bohr

“Spider thoughts in a spider universe – sensitive to raindrop and moth flutter, nothing beyond...What is it we are a part of that we do not see...” Loren Eiseley

‘There is no where without when, no when without where.’

‘...250 of the 250 million people living in the United States will experience a one-in-a-million coincidence every day – purely by chance. ...events that people think of as highly unlikely are often very likely...only the shared links will be remembered as amazing coincidences.’

‘Literal thinking often leads to intolerance because it insists that only one meaning can be right – leaving no room for interpretation, ambivalence, or ambiguity.’

‘Being right stokes your ego, but being wrong teaches you something.’

“The heights of wickedness to which men have been driven by superstition.”

Lucretius

“If a city can make itself without a maker, why can the same not be true of the universe.” Lee Smolin

“For sale. Baby shoes. Never used.” Hemingway

quotes from K C Cole’s Sympathetic Vibrations, 1984:

‘We live in a three-dimensional spider web spun in the unseen context of our four-dimensional space...From our spider point of view, the world is clearly flat.’ Based on Loren Eiseley’s:

“...spider thoughts in a spider universe.”

“...the only wrong perspective is the one that insists on a single perspective.

“...a man with a huge volume of a thousand pages before him – in reality, the pages of earth time – should read the final sentence on the last page and pronounce it history.” Loren Eiseley Time

‘Complementary ideas are opposing ideas that add up to much more than the sum of their parts....complementarity is not a compromise.

‘...just as we need two eyes to see depth so we need more than one perspective to see almost anything in all of its dimensions.’

‘There is as much information in the shape of the darkness as there is in the light...Light without shadows contains so much information that it contains no information.’

‘A vibration is a wiggle in time; a wave, a wiggle in space.’

‘A thing may be indeterminable but not indeterminate.’

end Eiseley via Cole

“...do we need the spectacle of corpses to make the story real?...a photograph of a dead child on the United States-Mexico border is not, by itself, the bitterest truth. A bitterer truth might be to convey that what we are looking at is not an accident: It is a crime...What sort of person needs to see such photographs in order to know what they should already know?...

These photographs are mirrors, not windows. We look into them, and what they reflect back to us is something monstrous and hard to reconcile with our notion of ourselves. We look, and look, and then — sated with looking, secure in our reactions, perennially missing the point — we put them away.”

Teju Cole NYT Mag
obscure, unseen and dark.”
Teju Cole

“...rape....: the penetration of the vagina without the woman's consent.”
Linda Coleman, Alabama state senator

Coleman, Peter: The Way Out: How to Overcome Toxic Polarization

“...today the schism seems to be approaching a form of mass national psychosis—with the two sides experiencing fundamentally different realities.
...serious problems arise when we exist in two parallel but conflicting realities while living in the same home or community...

* Attractors are stable patterns that draw us in repeatedly and resist change—like a strong attitude, habit, or addiction. ...
there is something liberating, almost comforting, about living in a world of clear good and evil. ...a sturdy sense of certainty, of a place to take a stand.
... the need for moral certainty in what is known as the consistency principle.

negative partisanship, in which Americans largely mobilize against the other party rather than align with their own.

the importance of basic biological differences in brain sensitivities to threat between red and blue Americans,

Karl Popper, one of the most influential philosophers of science of the last century, argued that how scientists—and all humans for that matter—think about problems Popper believed that most of our problems lie on a continuum somewhere between clouds and clocks...
more simplistic, one-dimensional processing of complex problems leads to (and are fed by) more intractable conflicts. At some point, these processes of oversimplification, certainty, and contempt become self-organizing within and between people and groups and become impervious to outside attempts to alter them. This makes them more likely to become intractable attractors.
When different factors begin to reinforce one another in consistent ways, the patterns they form become extremely hard to change because they result in attractor patterns,
attractors draw us into their grip is because they are lower-energy states. We are always seeking easier paths in life, and because attractors require less energy, we are more likely to fall into and remain in these much easier states...it's hard to summon the energy required to change a deeply set pattern or habit.
the power of negativity is extraordinary. One of the more robust findings from psychological research over the past few decades has been that bad is stronger than good.

negative experiences and events have much more impact on us than positive ones, and negative information is processed more thoroughly and remembered

The study of attractors and complex systems has led to the identification of a set of

what I call crude laws* about how these systems change, which go against most of our standard assumptions about linear cause-and-effect change processes
This inclination for coherence is natural and mostly functional until the system reaches a state of hypercoherence, which can become pathological.

Tibetan homes, "Sit quietly in front of the fire with your hosts after dinner and don't speak for hours at a time."

automatic emergency rules
lead to dramatic differences in how we feel, perceive, think, act, and interact with others, and they usually serve us well. However, these rules are meant to be followed temporarily in response

When the threat subsides, we are meant to return to more nuanced, open, and benevolent modes of functioning. We need both modes of operation equally—to aid both wolves struggling within us—but healthy social functioning thrives most in the open, nonacute stress mode.

devastated by earthquakes or tsunamis—a clear demarcation in time, a potential turning point.

Nelson Mandela: I have discovered the secret that after climbing a great hill, one only finds that there are many more hills to climb.
I have taken a moment here to rest, to steal a view of the glorious vista that surrounds me, to look back on the distance I have come. But I can rest only for a moment, for with freedom comes responsibilities, and I dare not linger, for my long walk is not yet ended.

end PeterT Coleman

"The universe is a cosmic web woven by God and held together by the crossed strands of attractive and repulsive forces."
"Since then, at an uncertain hour,
That agony returns,
And till my ghastly tale is told
This heart within me burns."
Samuel Coleridge

"Knowing yourself means knowing what you can do; and since nobody knows what he can do until he tries, the only clue to what man can do is what man has done. The value of history, then, is that it teaches what man has done and thus what man is."
Collingwood ref. 5 in Szasz Madness
"In politics, what begins in fear usually ends up in folly."
Samuel Taylor Coleridge

Coles, Katharine:
"People have all the information that they need...How do we get them to understand that they care?"

Collard, Agnes:
No one can sincerely assert words whose meaning she knows will be garbled by the lexicon of her interlocutor...
I fear that the more I tell you, the less you will understand...

I want to talk to...any and all of you, freely, so that you can help me stop misunderstanding myself."

"catabolic capitalism is a self-cannibalizing system whose insatiable hunger for profit can only be fed by consuming the society that sustains it."

Craig Collins

"From space, there was no geography class in neatly etched states.
From space, there were no continents with the rigid
stitchings of national boundaries.
From space, I saw, instead, the serene beauty of flowing landscapes.
. . the brilliant radiance of sun-glinted lakes.
Because unimpeded by the divisions of national borders,
panoramas of countryside cascaded gracefully and
swiftly before me.
The world I saw from space had no divisions of peoples...
no artificial separations of human interests and human needs.
All I saw was one fragile blue planet.
In the midst of an eternal midnight, an oasis of light.
A vulnerable homeland.
It's people ... a family.
From space, this is the way the world appeared to me.
A world of shared dreams.
A world of shared destinies."

Eileen Collins Colonel, NASA astronaut, at Syracuse University, May 13, 2001

Gail Collins:

"...have you ever seen a state legislature in action? Have you ever seen the Texas Legislature in action? I have, and my first thought was not: "Gee, let's give these folks a whole lot more clout."

Texas, which ranks first in the nation in the percentage of the population without health insurance, and 45th in high school completion. We could return to grass-roots, state-driven environmental regulations, the kind that have made Texas the nation's leader in clean-water permit violations, hazardous waste spills and toxic emissions from manufacturing facilities.

"[The Texas] State Constitution prohibits anyone who doesn't believe in God from holding public office."

"This business of legislating fiction is rather widespread."

Gail Collins on Rick Perry TX

"...Republican voters aren't asking for much...a candidate who's really conservative. Who has verbs in his sentences...
...a series of state and local elections that seemed to suggest that voters were getting tired of crazy...a very strong anti-nutcase tenor...
things have gone so far that Mississippi had to pull us back."

"The primaries have been great for the economy. Dimwitted billionaires are dumping money they don't need into the campaigns of people who can't win, providing much-needed jobs for ad-writers, poll-takers and yard-sign manufacturers."

Do you remember, at the depth of the recession, when Keynesians kept saying that we could jump-start the recovery by just paying a whole bunch of people to dig holes and fill them back in? This is exactly the same thing! Keep going, Republicans!"
a man who ... lost the state in which he was born, the state in which he was governor, and the three states in which he owns houses. ...the only candidate for president who lost his home state by a larger margin than Mitt Romney was John Frémont in 1856. And Frémont was coming out of a campaign in which the opposition accused him of being a cannibal.

Gail Collins

"...he was not the sharpest hoof in the herd." on Clive Bundy

"...one of the terrible truths of presidential politics: It changes everybody who gets into it, generally for the worse, frequently for the awful." (on Mike Huckabee)

Gail Collins

"...freedom ... used to be such a great word, and now, when it comes up, we are forced to recall '...freedom's just another word for nothing left to lose.'" Gail Collins on the Freedom Caucus

When your life expectancy is 15 years and less, then you get counted as old."

Warren Sanderson, via Gail 9-29-2016

"There is nothing so dangerous to national wellbeing as an extremist with a smartphone....the American dream does not involve everybody having health insurance." (on Mario Rubio)" Gail Collins

"This business of legislating fiction is rather widespread."

"When you get weary
And you can't sleep,
count the candidates instead of sheep."

Gail Collins

"[Trump] has a minimal ongoing relationship with reality, let alone truth."

Gail Collins

"... there are several incarnations of the president, from the Somewhat Normal Republican Trump (SNORT) to the Nearly Unhinged Trump (NUT). The one we saw at the bipartisan meeting was the Reasonable Chatty Trump, whose pleasant disposition makes up for the fact that the initials don't spell anything.

The Reasonable version can sit through a fairly long gathering nodding, agreeing, making the occasional joke and appearing to be an excellent listener. When he's actually not paying any attention at all."

end Gail Collins

"Among these rights are life, liberty and pistol in the glove compartment."

"Mitt [Romney] has a habit of ... mutating to the political winds."

"Truly I did not expect to live to hear that a four-term Republican congressman from Kansas was defeated by a gay Native American woman who used to be a mixed martial arts fighter."

"...the drunken, parading, flag-waving elections were the closest thing many people had to entertainment..."

we're [now] watching elections work themselves out through a world of howling social media .."
end **gail collins**

Michael Collins via Kristof Trump poetry contest:

I'm sorry for my tone, of late.
It's tiring, decrying hate,
And likely tiresome as well
But ever since the hammer fell
And Trump ascended to the throne
I've told myself my voice alone
Won't make a difference, but that I
Should not interpret that: Don't try.
The Whos that only Horton hears
In Dr. Seuss' book reached ears
Besides the elephant's when they
Cried all together, so, O.K.,
I'll keep on shouting, We are here!
A waste? Perhaps, but it's sincere.

Collins, Paul:

"...more and more, the courts are seen as a venue for social change."...political groups, are using the courts the way they used to use Congress—basically, amicus briefs are a means of lobbying."

Suzanne Collins:

"Collins's message is clear: to maintain order one has only to strip people of their social consciousness. To retain the ability to think critically and ask questions is to reserve the power to to challenge the status quo and replace it with a new social order..."

quoting Katniss: "...look at the state they left us in, with the wars and the broken planet. Clearly, they didn't care about what would happen to the people who came after them."

"Collins seems to believe that the work of building a more equitable world is a project that ultimately falls to the young."

Rodrigo Rodriguez, chapter in Politics of Panem

"...Katniss's acts of resistance do not entail awe-inspiring acts of bravery and heroism. To the contrary, she more often engages in minor acts of resistance that inspire others to come together as a collective and work for change"

...the goal of the dystopian genre to "place a mirror before readers, challenging them to examine the world they inhabit and the obstacles it places on the path to social justice"

Rodriguez via Nynan piece, pdf see also rod. pdf from Politics of Panem

from Suzanne Collins' The Hunger Games film: President Snow says:

"Hope. It is the only thing stronger than fear. A little hope is effective. A lot of hope is dangerous. Spark is fine, as long as it's contained."

"Suzanne Collins ...filtered her influences through a heroine who embodies the adage that it's better to die on your feet than live on your knees ... a character who exists outside the traditional confines of the feminine-masculine split."

Manohla Dargis, NY Times review of Mockingjay Part 2.

end **Suzanne Collins**

Collison, Patrick:

Irish billionaire

...Collison has posted his entire nearly 800-volume bookshelf to his personal site (though he admits he's only read about half of them).
see Tyler Cohen, progress studies.

Colorado ad for Outdoor Retailers convention:
"Colorado has stronger beer, we have taller peaks...But, most of all, we love our public lands."

"We must no longer view hatred as natural, normal, or necessary; disparity in wealth as inevitable; or injustice as simply regrettable."
Barbara Coloroso, 2007, Extraordinary Evil

[Rand's] idolatry of self and selfishness [is] the antithesis of Christianity."
Chuck Colson, quoted by Prothero

Marie Colvin, from A Private War:
"I care enough to go to these places and write, in some way, something that would make someone else care as much about it as I did at the time. Part of it is you're never going to get where you're going if you acknowledge fear. Fear comes later, when it's all over..."

from Wiki: "You're never going to get to where you're going if you acknowledge fear." [8]

49 min. in: "War is the quiet bravery of civilians who will endure far more than I ever will, of those asked to fight and those who are just trying to survive - Mothers, fathers, sons and daughters, traumatized families, bereft and inconsolable."
Marie Colvin

from wiki on Colvin: Colvin noted the importance of shining a light on "humanity in extremes, pushed to the unendurable", stating: "My job is to bear witness..."

see Requiem for A Private War by Annie Lennox. Lyrics:
Why do these cold stars burn bright
All these cold stars.
Why do these cold stars burn bright
All these cold stars.

Bring it on
Bring it on
Bring it on
Nothing will stop me

Bring it on
Bring it on
Bring it on
Nothing will stop me

Still the world keeps spinning around you
Heaven knows were drifting apart
All the burning buildings surround you
All the world is falling down
All the world is falling down

Bring it on

Bring it on
Bring it on
Nothing will stop me

Bring it on
Bring it on
Bring it on
Nothing will stop me

Underneath the shooting stars
Fireworks tearing us apart
Tiny sparks and broken parts
Bruised and bleeding broken hearts
Hopelessness turned to despair
Shattered glass lies everywhere
Flying from the deadly blast
Armageddon's come at last

Bring it on
Bring it on
Bring it on

James Comey:

"Never attribute to malice that which is adequately explained by stupidity."

"...[Trump] has an emptiness inside of him, and a hunger for affirmation, that I've never seen in an adult."

"Everyone has a story and I bet her story is incredible."

"The statue of Justice has a blindfold on because you're not supposed to be peeking out to see whether your patron is pleased or not with what you're doing. It should be about the facts and the law."

p. 146 ff: listening with Obama...

p. 136...m I king jr and niebuhr

p.116 eisenhower on integrity

location 1598...doubt wisdom weakness

p. 93 confirmation hearing quote, posted on refer door by Comey's wife...

p.56 Warren Buffett tide out...naked bodies...

p. 75 laughter joy

p.219..judgement...intelligence...facts..."...balance of confidence and humility..."

James Comey

"Significance drives memory."

James Comey NYT

Mr. Trump eats your soul in small bites.

It starts with your sitting silent while he lies, both in public and private, making you complicit by your silence.. Mr. Trump pulls all of those present into a silent circle of assent.

Amoral leaders have a way of revealing the character of those around them. Comey opened via Boot

"How it is possible that they didn't get up and walk out...? ... they too easily surrender their individual moral authority to a group, where it can be hijacked by the loudest, harshest voice....Lord of the Flies...herd..."

“...the word ‘conversation’...doesn’t apply when one person speaks nearly the entire time.”

end James Comey

“Let’s look at 200 years of industrial development in the East. By the 1960s, rivers were catching on fire. We already have 200 years of history of what states do when given control of natural resources.”

Robert Comstock Utah Public Lands session 8-2013

“...the stereotype of the hard-core gamer as a geeky, adolescent, straight, white male still persists ...the culture that surrounds gaming provides particularly fertile soil for sowing the seeds of resentment that grow into hate.”

Megan Condis

"Under good government, poverty is shameful; under bad government, wealth is shameful."

"Choose a job you love, and you will never have to work a day in your life."

Confucius wrote over 3000 years ago, "In order to change something, you have to call it by its right name."

Confucius

"The answer is in the question – that’s where wisdom is."

Billy Connolly

Better to write for yourself and have no public, than to write for the public and have no self. -

C. Connolly on writing

"The most interesting places are the empty spaces on a map."

Joseph Conrad

"To make you hear, to make you feel, above all to make you see."

Joseph Conrad

"Facing it – always facing it – that's the way to get through."

Captain MacWhirr in Joseph Conrad's Typhoon.

culture: linear (West, USA), lateral (chinese), intuitive (Japanese). from Culture Hacks by Richard Conrad

"Your profile is then run through algorithms that can serve up increasingly extreme content, pounding our harmless preferences into hardened convictions.

...We shouldn’t sugarcoat the consequences. This is surveillance. And these stockpiles of personal data serve only to enrich the companies that collect them."

"Platforms and algorithms that promised to improve our lives can actually magnify our worst human tendencies...Rogue actors and even governments have taken advantage of user trust to deepen divisions, incite violence and even undermine our shared sense of what is true and what is false."

Tim Cook, Apple

"What is lacking in Utah today is a confidence and the will, and the leadership that is generated by solving hard problems together. Our leaders spend most of their time outlining what they are against and stirring people up to anger. This has given us a

political system that is stuck, under the influence of special interests, which leaves us not finding solutions for today and the future."

Pete Cooke

Cooley, Alexander:

"There are just not a lot of safe spaces anymore...It's becoming much more routine. Just bolder and bolder...Once they saw they could get away with it, It became a standard operating thing..." on repression, censorship, assassination

Cooley, Denton:

"I have done more heart surgery than anyone else in the world. Based on this experience, I believe I am qualified to judge what is right and proper for my patients. The permission I receive to do what I do I receive from my patients. It is not received from a governmental agency or one of my seniors."

"...memories, like witnesses, do not always tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth...unhappy memories became a guide for avoiding bad behavior rather than an excuse for it.

Stephanie Coontz

"The ignorance around here [Congress] is staggering. Nobody has any idea what they're voting on...

Too many people here are willing to deliberately harm the country for partisan gain. That is borderline treason...It is more like gang behavior. Members walk into the chamber full of hatred."

Jim Cooper Rep., Democrat TN

"People vote on things they have not read, do not have the time to read, and cannot read."

Jim Cooper, Demo, House, TN

"It is one of the consequences of aggression that it hardens the conscience, as the only means of quieting it."

James Fenimore Cooper

"[Trump]...comments...signaled to Russia...that the Trump campaign was just find with its underhanded efforts..."

"Trump... [sided] with a foreign adversary that attacked American democracy - and that's treachery."

David Corn

"There is no script. Live your life."

Dick Costello, CEO, Twitter "Among the human rights is the right to remain

To know that we know what we know, and to know that we do not know what we do not know, that is true knowledge."

Nicolaus Copernicus

McKay Coppins:

"...in this state of heightened suspicion, truth itself ...felt more and more difficult to locate. With each swipe [or click], the notion of observable reality drifted further out of reach...censorship through noise..."

"Time is the lens through which dreams are captured."
Francis Ford Coppola

"Weakness has a special sting if you understand it as a moral failing."
Ian Marcus Corbin, NYT oped

"For the many, not the few."
Jeremy Corbyn

"I can tell you, knowing the president for a good 25 or 30 years, that he would love to have the situation that Viktor Orban has, but he doesn't."
David Cornstein, Trump's ambassador to Hungary.

Coronel, Sheila:

"...President Trump, Marcos and Duterte have much in common: the promise of greatness, the assault on facts, the stoking of fear, the erasure of memory. They even have the same aesthetic: loud, bombastic, hypermasculine. They like to wave from balconies, finding affirmation in the adulation of crowds. They thrive in times of insecurity and uncertainty. And they feed off the shortcomings of democracy."

"A word to the wise ain't necessary; it's the stupid ones who need the advice."
Bill Cosby

"Unesco mission is a vital one: to 'build peace in the minds of men and women' and 'create the conditions for dialogue among civilisations, cultures and peoples, based upon respect for commonly shared values'."
Costa-Bravas, on UN, film, culture

Cottle, Michelle:

'When a guy is digging his own grave, you don't fight him for the shovel.'

"In practice, politics runs on hypocrisy..."

...hypocrisy risks making hypocrites of those who denounce hypocrisy."

"If Mr. Trump couldn't have his way, he was content to watch America burn."

Cottom, Tressie McMillan:

"The public is going to have to learn how to talk about powerful women...it is incumbent upon us to talk about style as political craft, even when the politician is a woman." re: Senator Sinema dress; dress as free speech.

"Where science is ambiguous, politics begins...Over the past century we've created the greatest gift in the history of humanity - thirty years of extra life - and we don't know what to do with it!"

Joseph Coughlin, Age Lab MIT via Gopnik

"People who develop the habit of thinking of themselves as world citizens are fulfilling the first requirement of sanity in our time...More and more, the choice for the world's people is between becoming world warriors or world citizens."

Norman Cousins

Cousteau, Jacque:

"Water and air, the two essential fluids on which all life depends, have become global garbage cans."

– Jacques Yves Cousteau

"Happiness, for the bee as for the dolphin, is to exist. For Man, it is to know existence and to marvel in it."

"We forget that the water cycle and the life cycle are one."

"The best way to observe a fish is to become a fish."

"Enjoy the time you have, because it is already too late. We've passed the threshold. The beginning of the end has started....Life will be reborn, but first the world as we know it will die."

Jacques -Yves Cousteau, in 1990s, in Turner Last Stand bio

"...one thing which, if removed, will destroy the most powerful government, the most successful business, the most thriving economy, the most influential leadership, the greatest friendship, the strongest character, the deepest love. ... That one thing is trust."

Stephen Covey

Cowen, Tyler:

see also Collison

Cowen's practice of ruthlessly scouring books for the information value they contain and abandoning them – sometimes after five minutes – may make some completionists shudder.

"...goods that were not produced under 'rudimentary standards of decency' should not be 'allowed to pollute the channels of interstate trade.'"

Jefferson Cowie quoting Franklin Roosevelt FDR

"The Wall Street Journal ... turned out to bear a striking resemblance to Genesis...there lies embedded in the business pages an entire theology. At the apex ... is its doctrine of God...this celestial pinnacle is occupied by The Market."

The Market is becoming more like the Yahweh of the Old Testament – the only true God, whose reign must now be universally accepted and who allows for no rivals."

...the First Commandment is 'There is never enough.' The Market that stops expanding dies.

Harvey Cox, 'The Market as God' Atlantic 3-1999

Cox, Oliver Cromwell:

"Racial antagonism is part and parcel of this class struggle, because it developed within the capitalist system as one of its fundamental traits...

Whether in the United States or around the world, it is capitalist exploitation — and not some inborn tribalism — that drives racial prejudice and conflict...

Race prejudice developed gradually in Western society as capitalism and nationalism developed. It is a divisive attitude seeking to alienate dominant group sympathy from an 'inferior' race, a whole people, for the purpose of facilitating its exploitation...The greater the immediacy of the exploitative need, the more insistent were the arguments supporting the rationalizations."

from his 1948 book via Bouie NYT

'Our conscience is God's way to teach...'

Dr. Paul Cox

"...indigenous peoples believe that the entire planet is sacred."

Paul Alan Cox and Michael J Balick

Coy, Peter:

Socrates originated the concept of a noble lie, which is a myth that elites propagate for what they view as the good of the public...Selgin...Keynes...

Coyote, Peter:

Peter Coyote, challenged his "We are as gods" hypothesis. "Idiot savants," Coyote proposed instead. "We're highly developed, we have these great skills, this technological cleverness, which is completely untethered to wisdom."

"Religion is based on dogma and belief, whereas science is based on doubt and questioning. In religion, faith is a virtue. In science, faith is a vice."

Jerry Coyne, Templeton grantee

"...the real war is between rationalism and superstition...religion is the most common form of superstition."

"...we get no where by labeling our ignorance God."

Jerry Coyne

Cozzens, Donald:

"I write to convince the reader of nothing," he wrote in the introduction to "Faith That Dares to Speak" (2004). Convincing is the job of politicians and debaters, he said; speech that rises from faith should serve as an invitation to ponder and consider... the issue was more about unhealthy patterns of authority and power."

"The time has come to set celibacy free...Charismatic celibacy will remain a great gift to the church. Mandated celibacy awaits repeal."

"A homeostatic afferent pathway originating in lamina I

The new view of pain as a homeostatic emotion arises directly from functional anatomical findings in cat and monkey, rather than from philosophical considerations. These results have identified specialized central sub- strates that represent pain, temperature, itch, muscle ache, sensual touch and other bodily feelings as discrete sensations within a common pathway. They indicate that specific activity representing these modalities is conveyed first of all to homeostatic response regions in the spinal cord and the brainstem. In addition, these findings indicate that in primates a forebrain system has evolved from the hierarchical homeostatic system, and that this provides a discrete cortical image of the afferent represen- tation of the physiological condition of the body (which we term interoception), along with direct activation of limbic motor cortex. The interoceptive system is distinct from the exteroceptive system associated with touch and move- ment, although there is overlap (in area 3a of the sensorimotor cortex) with respect to pain. These data indicate that in humans pain is an emotion that reflects specific primary homeostatic afferent activity. These results are briefly summarized here, and detailed reviews are available elsewhere [4,5,16].

...pain in humans is a homeostatic emotion reflecting an adverse condition in the body that requires a behavioral response.

This new view differs fundamentally from the prior conventional view in several ways. It incorporates specific sensory channels for different kinds of pain and for pain of different

tissue origins. It provides a fast (sharp) pain channel that can elicit fight-or-flight behavior [43,44] and a slow (burning) pain channel that can engage long-term responses, sickness behavior and immune function [42,45].

A.D. Bud CRAig 2003 pdf

“... people [are] making sense of politics in a way that places resentment toward other citizens at the center ...perhaps issues are secondary to identities.”

Catherine T Cramer, The Politics of Resentment 2016

Crawshaw, Steve small acts of resistance quotes see pdf.

“In Ireland, there’s no guns.”

Anna Cream, Parkland High survivor

"This novel is fiction, except for the parts that aren't."

Michael Crichton

Michael Crichton:

“... scientists are driven by the sense that the world out there - reality - contains a hidden order, and the scientist is trying to elucidate the hidden order in reality. And that impulse is what the scientist shares with the mystic. The impulse to get to the bottom of things. To know how the world really works. To know the nature of reality.”

quotes Feynman, Bronowski on awe, art, etc.

“I am constantly depressed by the capacity of academics to overcomplicate things. ... great events leave many scholars undisturbed, still grazing happily in their own narrow fields. ...

...there can never be peace in the world while we believe that for every nation there must be a state and that the state or national parliament ... must be fully sovereign. ... National states are not the only possible form of human government, nor necessarily the best. “

Bernard Crick

"First class scientists take risks."

"Whatever has a beginning must have an ending."

Francis Crick

“...data without models are chaos, but models without data are fantasy.”

P M Crill

“...serotonin could promote prosocial behavior by enhancing harm aversion, a prosocial sentiment that directly affects both moral judgment and moral behavior.”

Molly J Crockett PNAS 2010 see pdf

Crocker, Richard:

“...my machine [Tammany Hall] is America’s great digestive apparatus, capable of converting lonely immigrants into active citizens.” via Jon Grinspan, NYT

“...the Jews live out the indignity of refugees awaiting repatriation, and Christians engage in their undignified scramble for salvation, Islam can at least make available to the Muslims in their families a resigned and dignified calm.”

Patricia Crone, Hagarism, 1977

"...we're all really hackable right now. We're all open to invisible influence in a way that previously would have sounded like conspiracy theories but now sound like open truths. ...I don't like the psychological landscape of social media. I don't like who I am and I don't like who my friends are. I find these people I absolutely love become these complete aliens on social media. It's just the pressure of that structure of communicating."

Brandon Cronenberg in NYT review by Zinoman

Audrey Kurth Cronin Power to the People, 2020 (www.audreykurthcronin.com)

the invention of dynamite (p.7)...

lethal empowerment theory...

focus here on violent individuals...

ricin poisoning p.37...(did search, see pdfs)...

contagion...copycat activities...

Chapter 3 Dynamite...

The advent of gunpowder

grenades...

nitroglycerin...

blasting cap...

tsar

Dynamite Saturday, War...

property anarchist

bombings map

Nobel mis obituary and Prize

Kalashnikov ak-47

letter advocating regulation p. 166

"What the Danes call 'flexicurity' ...a workable and humane policy response to a globalized and highly competitive economy."

James Cronin (Berman)

"Technology is opening a new world of leisure time."

Walter Cronkite, 1967

"...the fundamental cause of democratic decline in contemporary politics is the major imbalance...between the role of corporate interests and those of virtually all other groups....leading to politics once again becoming an affair of closed elites, as it was in pre-democratic times."

Colin Crouch

"Through a remarkable manipulation of limited knowledge, brute force, and an overwhelming arrogance, humans have shaped a world that in all likelihood cannot sustain the standard of living and quality of life we have come to take for granted. We remain fixated on short-term goals and a simplistic model governed by what I call 'Stone-Age logic'.

Find it, burn it, bury it. Our dependency on fossil fuels would be worth of caveman."

Michael M Crow, Pres. AZ State U

"This body is no longer livable."

Frances Crowe at 100 see pdf

Crowley, John, Harpers:

"Fear, shame, guilt, and embaressment - the Four Horsemen of the disintegrating self - were frequent visitors. I was often angry."

"...simplify, then exaggerate."

Geoffrey Crowther, editor, The Economist

"You don't fight injustice by asking to become part of the system that committed the injustice against you in the first place," she told the paper. "That's like a freed slave striving to become a slave owner."

Carmen Yulín Cruz

Cruz, Ted, Senator:

Oliver on Cruz:

I do not like that man Ted Cruz

I do not like him in the news.

I do not like what he just said.

I do not like his boxy head.

I do not like him wearing glasses.

I do not like him kissing asses.

I wish he'd never get one vote.

That man, Ted Cruz, can lick my ??ote.

on Ted Cruz:

"...there is a world of difference between being ahead of the curve and being behind it ...

Lysenko's environmentalist views were congenial to Soviet leaders who wanted to believe ...

'Lysenkoism' came to be a cautionary tale, synonymous with the costs of the ideologically driven distortion of science ...

Climate change denial has the support of powerful men and women in American government, but it finds almost no support within the halls of science."

Naomi Oreskes on Ted Cruz, etc.

Senator Cruz,

There's an old lawyerly adage that "if you don't have the law on your side, argue the facts. If you don't have the facts on your side, pound the table." You did a very good job pounding the table this week.

Aaron Mair, Pres. Sierra Club

Cruz on Trump:

"He doesn't know the difference between truth and lies. He lies practically every word that comes out of his mouth. And he had a pattern that I think is straight out of a psychology textbook. His response is to accuse everybody else of lying."

Csikszentmihalyi, Mihaly:

"If there is too little demand on them, people are bored. If there is too much for them to handle, they get anxious. Flow occurs in that delicate zone between boredom and anxiety."

"When the self loses itself in a transcendent purpose — whether to write great poetry, craft beautiful furniture, understand the motions of galaxies, or help children be happier — the self becomes largely invulnerable to the fears and setbacks of ordinary existence."

“...a kind of spiritual X-ray of my family, with its wounds and its sores.”

Alfonso Cuaron

“...this is Texas. So you talk about guns, you talk about God, you talk about trucks.”

Henry Cuellar

Javier Perez de Cuellar , former Secretary-General of the United Nations:

“... the question may justifiably be put to the leading nuclear powers: by what right do they decide the fate of humanity?... No ideological confrontation can be allowed to jeopardize the future of humanity. Nothing less is at stake.”

from NYT obit:

competent but colorless...

everyone's last choice...

the least objectionable

“We're in a moment of global humility...Holy Cow! We're not fully in control.”

Severn Cullis-Suzuki

“The greatest disguise is learning how to be invisible in plain sight.”

Benedict Cumberbatch (Sherlock Holmes)

Cumming, Alan:

“No one ever fully recovers from their past.”

Cumming, David:

“All the terrible things we see people doing, the British did it first.”

"When you are dealing with fossil fuels, things will always go wrong. There will always be spills, there will always be pollution."

Brendan Cummings

on Dominic Cummings:

via Jenni Russell, NYT: ‘...stories and lies, allied to strategic cunning, conviction, secrecy, ruthlessness and upending convention, could be much more appealing than reason and fact...Mr. Cummings is deploying all the techniques that have worked for him before: disruption, deception, intimidation and an implacable willingness to alienate people.’

"It may be the children...to find a new way....People want fairness.”

Cummings, Elijah Congressman, MD,

“All fiction, all good fiction, can potentially dismantle some of the problematic language that serves often as barriers to meaningful conversation.”

Jeanine Cummins

“Writing...is a gift we as writers are trying to give to readers.”

Michael Cunningham

“You campaign in **poetry**. You govern in **prose**.”

Mario **Cuomo**

"...women would frankly have to have been lobotomized to believe anything the Republican Party tells them."

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"Nothing in life is to be feared. It is only to be understood."

Marie Curie, 1903, 1911 Nobel Prizes

"You cannot hope to build a better world without improving the individuals. To that end, each of us must work for our own improvement and, at the same time, share a general responsibility for all humanity, our particular duty being to aid those to whom we think we can be most useful."

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Madame Marie Curie

"...neoliberalism ...is a shorthand description for a political philosophy, which essentially suggests that the market and marketized forms of competition are the only organizing principle of human activity."

Thomas Curran

Curtis, Adam wikipedia entry: "He believes the Western world is haunted by the past, with no vision for the future, and that it has become pessimistic and backward-looking."

"... the whole thing about good and evil - it's a naive view of the world. The problem is bigger, it's a system."

"On a social-media network, it's very much like being in a heroin bubble. ... you know you aren't safe, but you feel safe because everyone is like you.. But you don't have to take heroin, so it's brilliant. You don't get addicted, or maybe you do. Mostly you do."

Adam Curtis

The Dark Ages of medieval times received its name from the dearth of intellectual stimulation and progress in the realms of science, discovery and reason. Under the crushing weight of strict religious control, deadly plagues and incessant warfare, ideas and their applications seemed generally lost to the west. Indeed, it was the fortunate preservation and encouragement of past ideals and knowledge by the Islamic and eastern kingdoms that kept many of the ideas and records alive during these days.

Jeff Curtis Humanists of Utah news

"...the increasing luxury of the world inside the care is a kind of consolation for the degradation of the world outside of it." gated community?

Rachel Cusk

quoted by Brian Czech:

Endangered Species Act of 1974:

"...various species of fish, wildlife, and plants in the United States have been rendered extinct as a consequence of economic growth."

"... wealthfare - the subsidization of the rich ..."

"A penny spent is a penny burned."

"...economic bloating ..."

"Economic growth is ... the underlying, overarching, all-encompassing cause behind virtually every environmental problem you can think of, including climate change in a fossil-fueled economy."

Brian Czech