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## The Fallacy of Socialism

~*Adverse Yaw*

How many unionized public school teachers have aggressively attacked their supposed objective of teaching truth? Truth, not in a religious connotation, but simply what works and what does not work in the everyday life of a society. If truth was their true objective it would seem that they have missed the mark for at least the past 100 years.

Do our public educational institutions address the theories of communism, socialism, progressivism and their fundamental differences to what is written in our Declaration of Independence and our Constitution of the United States of America? No. Not really.

In all actuality, they are lucky to have taught their students to read and write, add, subtract, multiply and divide. I'm a good example of one of the unlucky ones. I received a public education, and at the late age of 65, I struggle to read, write, and I find it almost impossible to spell common words correctly. I don't know what I would do without spell-check in my computer and a devoted wife who majored in English. Anything that I have learned about our Constitution, I've done so on my own. I read it and then discuss it with others who have read it. I have learned to refuse to listen to experts on the Constitution who have in all actuality never read it much less studied it.

The sad part of our public educational system is that it advances the assumption that common people are too stupid to take care of themselves, and that the government should look out for them. They misread many things in our founding documents such as the phrase 'all men are created equal,' to many, if not most of them, this means that all Americans should have the same wealth, drive the same quality cars, play on the same golf courses, eat the same kinds of food, and have the same amount of resources to vacation when and where they please. They seem to believe this false error to the point that they think our system of government favors the rich. (Capitalism was evil and favors the rich were thoughts of Karl Marks when he was writing the Communist Manifesto.) Therefore, their lack of wealth is the entire fault of our system of government. Evidently, many think that if one American is rich, we all should be decadently rich. This is a major fallacy. Our founding fathers should have added the word **opportunity** behind the word equal, but I believe that the word opportunity was implied.

There are many flaws associated with Capitalism, and they are most obvious in America. Words such as greed, cronyism, abject selfishness and arrogance all apply in describing much of it. But there are other words that apply, too, words that are inherent to America, such as liberty, freedom, property ownership and a multitude of words that promote action with results. Only in America can a common man achieve greatness. Capitalism always produces useful work which means jobs and pay. It always provides a place where the common man is allowed to flourish into a middle class and higher. It produces time to play and enjoy the fruits of ones' labor. This is a truth that can be seen when watching society perform under Capitalism. Not to say that Capitalism is perfect, because as previously stated it is not, and there are many struggles that take place when Capitalism is prevalent in a society. Struggles are common when living in this age, (the Adamic fall of man) whether Communism, Capitalism or any other type of ideology, struggles always have been, and always will be. Until God Almighty decides to end it all with a new Earth, mankind will have to deal with struggles.

The major fallacy of socialism and progressivism is similar, almost identical, to the false ideals that Marx and Engels thought and taught about Communism. They perceived Communism to be the only perfect society.

They both thought Capitalism, along with organized religion, was part of a system used to control the masses for the benefit of the rich and, therefore, the ruling class.

Marx's and Engels' thoughts and ideas were set to fail from the beginning. In order for Communism to work, it had to dominate all other ideologies. Both men had the false belief that if everyone in the world would do all that he was capable, and that everyone would use only what they needed, there would be plenty. Their fundamental concept is this: **"Each will produce according to his ability; each will receive according to his need."** Sounds good—if it worked!

This philosophy has **never** worked. Marx and Engels understood that for Communism to work, it had to be "full communism," which meant World domination, otherwise, everyone would go elsewhere.

Communism's congenital weaknesses are best illustrated by this teacher to his classroom of students. This illustration is transcribed from the book; "The Naked Communist," by W. Cleon Skousen.

*"Each will produce according to his ability; each will receive according to his need."*

This perhaps sounds excellent when one is dealing with a handicapped person that which he cannot do for himself. But what happens when this is applied to the whole society? Recently, a teacher asked his students what they thought about this Communist slogan, and they all seemed to think it was fine. The teacher then said he would give them a little demonstration of what would happen in school if "each produced according to his capacity, and each received according to his need." Said he;

"To get a passing grade in this class you must receive 75. Therefore, if any of you get 95, I will take off 20 points and give it to a student who only gets 55. If a student gets 90, I will take off 15 points and give it to a student who only makes 60. In this way everyone will get by."

Immediately, there was a storm of protest from the brighter, hard-working students in the class, but the lazy or less studious pupils thought it was a fine idea. Finally, the teacher explained:

"In the long run I don't think any of you would like this system. Here is what would happen. First, the highly productive pupils — and they are always a minority in school as well as in life — would soon lose all incentive for producing. Why strive to make a high grade if part of it is taken from you by 'authority' and given to someone else? Second, the less productive pupils — a majority in school as elsewhere — would, for a time be relieved of the necessity to study or to produce. This would continue until the high producers had sunk or had been driven down to the level of the low producers and, therefore, had nothing to contribute to their companions. At that point, in order for anyone to survive, the 'authority' would have no alternative but to begin a system of compulsory labor and punishments against even the low producers. They, of course, would then complain bitterly, but without understanding just what had happened."

This illustration accurately describes the very same things that have been taking place in America since the end of WWII and before. All Americans should remember that a vote is a vote is a vote. The votes of the ignorant will always bring down the harder working and more astute Americans.

Our founding fathers had placed a provision in the Constitution that would have helped prevent this from happening. Of course, the 17<sup>th</sup> Amendment was falsely and politically ratified which took power from the intelligent of society and handed it to the masses, therefore, we have the best Senators that money can buy.

There is little that can be done to stop a freight train without brakes that is screaming down a steep grade. Adding to the danger, it has millions of tons of kinetic energy pushing it faster and faster. Already it has reached a speed well over a hundred miles per hour. It is much too late to jump, that would mean death for sure. The train will be derailed and destroyed at the first turn.

Why on earth has America come to such a desperate gloomy outlook where a majority believe this fallacy? Is there any hope for the future of our nation? I'm sure that the Children of Israel felt the same way as they stood at the Red Sea with Pharaoh's Army in near pursuit. Surely, many of them felt that it was too late and had conceded for themselves a certain death.

If we have read the book of Genesis we know what happened that day. God performed a miracle, and the Children of Israeli watched as the Egyptian Army drowned in the very same sea where they had just crossed on dry land.

America is in a similar position. Our back is against the wall with nowhere to turn, and only Almighty God can snatch us from the fire. This scripture comes to mind which is in the ESV version of the Holy Bible: *When*

*I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command the locust to devour the land, or send pestilence among my people, if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land. 2<sup>nd</sup> Chronicles 7: 13-14.*

There you have it readers. This is what I believe is our one and only hope. And I further believe that if the Christians of this country do not prepare themselves and pray, we will be not be a free nation for very long. We will live where terror reigns, and death will become common here as it is in most countries of the third world. Not just death, but violent death. It will happen near to us including near our homes and in our churches. The smell of death will become common. This may sound alarmist, but I am confident that it will be here sooner than we think. And, even the bravest will live in fear for their lives and the lives of their loved ones. Thank about that as you watch your favorite Sitcom.

A.V. YAW



**THE WORLD HAD DIVIDED MEN into two classes, the stupid good people and the clever wicked ones. ——— In the Holy Scriptures things are quite the opposite. There righteousness is always associated with wisdom and evil with folly.**

~A.W. Tozer

## **Does God Always Answer Prayer?**

~by A.W. Tozer

Contrary to popular opinion, the cultivation of a psychology of uncritical belief is not an unqualified good, and if carried too far it may be a positive evil.

The whole world has been booby-trapped by the devil, and the deadliest trap of all is the religious one. Error never looks so innocent as when it is found in the sanctuary.

One field where harmless-looking but deadly traps appear in great profusion is the field of prayer. There are more sweet notions about prayer than could be contained in a large book, all of them wrong and highly injurious to the souls of men. I think of one such false notion that is found often in pleasant places consorting smilingly with other notions of unquestionable orthodoxy. It is that God always answers prayer.

The error appears among the saints as a kind of all-purpose philosophic therapy to prevent any disappointed Christian from suffering too great a shock when it becomes evident to him that his prayer expectations are not being fulfilled. It is explained that God always answers prayer, either by saying Yes or by saying No or by substituting something else for the desired favor.

Now, it would be hard to invent a neater trick that this to save face for the petitioner whose requests have been rejected for non-obedience. Thus, when a prayer is not answered, he has but to smile brightly and explain, "God said No." It is all so very comfortable. His wobbly faith is saved from confusion, and his conscience is permitted to lie undisturbed. But I wonder if it is honest. To receive an answer to prayer as the Bible uses the term and as Christians have understood in historically, two elements must be present: (1) A clear-cut request made to God for a specific favor. (2) A clear-cut granting of that favor by God in answer to the request. There must be no semantic twisting, no changing of labels, no altering of the map during the journey to help the embarrassed tourist to find himself.

When we go to God with a request that He modify the existing situation for us, that is, that He answer prayer, there are two conditions that we must meet: (1) We must pray in the will of God and (2) we must be on what old-fashioned Christians often call "praying ground," that is, we must be living lives pleasing to God.

It is futile to beg God to act contrary to His revealed purposes. To pray with confidence the petitioner must be certain that his request falls within the broad will of God for His people.

The second condition is also vitally important. God has not placed Himself under obligation to honor the request of worldly, carnal or disobedient Christians. He hears and answers the prayers only of those who walk in His way. “Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God. And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight . . . If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you” (I John 3:21, 22; John 15:7).

God wants us to pray, and He wants to answer our prayers, but He makes our use of Prayer as a privilege to commingle with His use of prayer as a discipline. To receive answers to prayer we must meet God’s terms. If we neglect His commandments, our petitions will not be honored. He will alter situations only at the request of obedient and humble souls. The God-always-answers-prayer sophistry leaves the praying man without discipline. By the exercise of this bit of smooth casuistry, he ignores the necessity to live soberly, righteously and godly in this present world, and actually takes God’s flat refusal to answer his prayer as the very answer itself. Of course, such a man will not grow in holiness; he will never learn how to wrestle and wait; he will never know correction; he will not hear the voice of God calling him forward; he will never arrive at the place where he is morally and spiritually fit to have his prayers answered. His wrong philosophy has ruined him. That is why I turn aside to expose the bit of bad theology upon which his bad philosophy is founded. The man who accepts it never knows where he stands; he never knows whether or not he has truth faith, for if his request is not granted he avoids the implication by the simple dodge of declaring that God switched the whole thing around and gave him something else. He will not allow himself to shoot at a target, so he cannot tell how good or how bad a marksman he is.

Of certain persons, James says plainly: “Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts.” From that brief sentence, we may learn that God refuses some requests because they who make them are not morally worthy to receive the answer. But this means nothing to the one who has been seduced into the belief that God always answers prayer. When such a man asks and receives not, he passes his hand over the hat and comes up with the answer in some other form. One thing he clings to with great tenacity: God never turns anyone away, but invariably grants every request.

The truth is that God always answers the prayer that accords with His will as revealed in the Scriptures, provided the one who prays is obedient and trustful. Further than this we dare not go.

*This transcription is from A.W. Tozer’s book: Man – The Dwelling Place of God. Tozer was born April 1897 and passed in May 1963. I found this book to be most revealing. I recommend reading it, it’s a very worthwhile read.*

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**Sin, I repeat, in addition to anything else it may be, is always  
an act of wrong judgment.**

*~A.W. Tozer*

## **The Great Secret Weapon of Communism**

The greatest mistake that is being made in the free world today is the fact that we are mixing iron and clay. We are fighting for freedom, but allowing some of our boys and girls to grow up believing in things which turn out to be basic Communistic concepts. Materialism is not Americanism—but communism. Every time we produce a boy or girl who is trained to believe that the universe is the product of accumulated accident, that human beings are only graduate beasts, that there is no such thing as innate right or wrong or that deep spiritual convictions are old-fashioned and unnecessary, then we have caused a casualty among our own ranks in the field of ideological warfare.

Without his ever knowing it, a young American is, thereby, trained to be a potential Red ally. This is indeed the great secret weapon of Communism. . . .

Of course, we must do more than merely teach correct principles — certainly, we must practice them. I, therefore, close with the words of Francis Bacon who said: “It is not what you eat, but what you digest that makes you strong. It is not what you earn, but what you save that makes you rich. It is not what you preach, but what you practice that makes you a Christian!

*Transcribed from “The Naked Communist”  
by W. Cleon Skousen*



**The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; He frustrates the plans of the peoples. The counsel of the Lord stands forever, the plans of His heart to all generations. Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom He has chosen as his heritage!**

*Psalms 33: 10 - 12 NIV*

## BOOK REPORT

Many of my friends who are my age have parents, uncles and aunts who grew up during the depression, a great portion of them have passed on and are no longer with us. The few that remain are elderly, however, many have good minds and wonderful memories. The book “Growing Up” by Russell Baker is a delightful read, one moment you are blurry-eyed with tears, and the next you’ll be belly laughing. It is a biography written like a novel. Russell Baker was a Journalist, who had learned to fly during the war. He was a virgin until he met the woman he married. His mother was the wind beneath his wings from his childhood through college. He was poor growing up. A fantastic read. I Strongly recommend it.

*~Adverse V. Yaw*

**“Ten years ago,  
Steve Jobs was alive,  
Bob Hope was alive,  
Johnny Cash was alive.**

**Now  
we're outta jobs,  
outta hope  
and outta cash.”**



**I am among those who believe that our Western civilization is on its way to perishing. It has many commendable qualities, most of which it has borrowed from the Christian ethic, but it lacks the element of moral wisdom that would give it permanence. Future historians will record that we of the twentieth century had intelligence enough to create a great civilization but not the moral wisdom to preserve it.**

*A.W. Tozer*

**Once - many, many years ago - I thought I made a wrong decision.  
Of course, it turned out that I had been right all along. But I was  
wrong to have thought that I was wrong.**

*~John Foster Dulles (This arrogant sounding quote sounds like a few flight instructors & a couple of cousins that I've known. ~AV Yaw)*

## **An additional Book Report** **The Pursuit of God**

*If you are one of those who actually read these views of mine in their entirety, you notice that once I start reading a particular author, I seem to get stuck on quoting him and incorporating some of his writing here. **AW Tozer** is one of those writers. Being the human that I am, and saddled with humanities many flaws, (assumption is one of them), I assume that you, too, will enjoy and appreciate what I place here. If my assumption is wrong, I take no offence. Just file this in the nearest trash can, and go on living your life.*

*The heart of **AW Tozer** is best revealed in his book **The Pursuit of God**. Below I have transcribed the preface of the book. I found the book to be very eye opening. Reading it (now on my second reading) has reinvigorated my own pursuit of knowing God. I recommend reading this book especially if you are the least bit interested in knowing Truth.*

*The book can be found in its entirety and totally free on-line. The Preface of this book by **AW Tozer** reads:*

### *Preface*

In this hour of all-but-universal darkness one cheering gleam appears: within the fold of conservative Christianity there are to be found increasing numbers of persons whose religious lives are marked by a growing hunger after God Himself. They are eager for spiritual realities and will not be put off with words nor will they be content with correct "interpretations" of truth. They are athirst for God, and they will not be satisfied till they have drunk deep at the Fountain of Living Water.

This is the only real harbinger of revival which I have been able to detect anywhere on the religious horizon. It may be the cloud the size of a man's hand for which a few saints here and there have been looking. It can result in a resurrection of life for many souls and a recapture of that radiant wonder which should accompany faith in Christ, that wonder which has all but fled the Church of God in our day.

But, this hunger must be recognized by our religious leaders. Current evangelicalism has (to change the figure) laid the altar and divided the sacrifice into parts, but now seems satisfied to count the stones and rearrange the pieces with never a care that there is not a sign of fire upon the top of lofty Carmel. But God be thanked that there are a few who care. They are those who, while they love the altar and delight in the sacrifice, are yet unable to reconcile themselves to the continued absence of fire. They desire God above all. They are athirst to taste for themselves the "piercing sweetness" of the love of Christ about Whom all the holy prophets did write, and the psalmists did sing.

There is today no lack of Bible teachers to set forth correctly the principles of the doctrines of Christ, but too many of these seem satisfied to teach the fundamentals of the faith year after year, strangely unaware that there is in their ministry no manifest Presence nor anything unusual in their personal lives. They minister constantly to believers who feel within their breasts a longing which their teaching simply does not satisfy.

I trust I speak in charity, but the lack in our pulpits is real. Milton's terrible sentence applies to our day as accurately as it did to his: "The hungry sheep look up, and are not fed." It is a solemn thing, and no small scandal in the Kingdom, to see God's children starving while actually seated at the Father's table. The truth of Wesley's words is established before our eyes: "Orthodoxy, or right opinion, is, at best, a very slender part of religion. Though right tempers cannot subsist without right opinions, yet right opinions may subsist without right tempers. There may be a right opinion of God without either love or one right temper toward Him. Satan is a proof of this."

Thanks to our splendid Bible societies and to other effective agencies for the dissemination of the Word,

there are today many millions of people who hold "right opinions," probably more than ever before in the history of the Church. Yet, I wonder if there was ever a time when true spiritual worship was at a lower ebb. To great sections of the Church the art of worship has been lost entirely, and in its place has come that strange and foreign thing called the "program." This word has been borrowed from the stage and applied with sad wisdom to the type of public service which now passes for worship among us.

Sound Bible exposition is an imperative *must* in the Church of the Living God. Without it, no church can be a New Testament church in any strict meaning of that term. But, exposition may be carried on in such a way as to leave the hearers devoid of any true spiritual nourishment whatever. For it is not mere words that nourish the soul, but God Himself, and unless and until the hearers find God in personal experience they are not the better for having heard the truth. The Bible is not an end in itself, but a means to bring men to an intimate and satisfying knowledge of God, that they may enter into Him, that they may delight in His Presence, and may taste and know the inner sweetness of the very God Himself in the core and center of their hearts.

This book is a modest attempt to aid God's hungry children so to find Him. Nothing here is new except in the sense that it is a discovery which my own heart has made of spiritual realities most delightful and wonderful to me. Others before me have gone much farther into these holy mysteries than I have done, but, if my fire is not large it is yet real, and there may be those who can light their candle at its flame.

~A. W. Tozer, Chicago, Ill., June 16, 1948

*The above touches only a tiny part of what is written in this fantastic read. It's free. Type this URL in to your browser:*

<http://www.manybooks.net/titles/tozera2514125141-8.html>

*Check it out, I think you will find it to be worth your while.*

*Comments before and after preface by Adverse Yaw.*

**Peace is always easy to achieve — by surrender.**

**Unity is also east to achieve — by surrender.**

**The hard task, the task that confronts us, is to combine  
peace and unity with Freedom!**

*~John Foster Dulles*

## **Book Report #3**

Remember the movie 'Seabiscuit?' This movie was based on the best-selling, non-fiction book *Seabiscuit: An American Legend* by Laura Hillenbrand. I haven't read that one, but it is on my wish list. While writing this, I am in the middle of reading another of her non-fiction books and it is a fantastic read. Especially exciting for aviators. She does an amazing job of creating the fear and excitement of being the crew member of a B-24 Liberator that is flying missions in the Pacific Ocean during WWII. This book is about more than WWII—it's about a young runner who should have been a Gold Medal winner of the 1936 Olympic Games as a teenager.

The title of the book is, *Unbroken: A World War II Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption*. So far I have read only 20% of the book, and I assure you, it's a page turner, I recommend reading this book. It is a biography of the little known gifted athlete; Louis Silvie Zamperini. Although, Louie is far from perfect, you can't help but appreciate this story about another member of the Greatest Generation.

*~AV Yaw*

**The man who is seriously convinced that he deserves to go to hell is not likely to go there, while the man who believes that he is worthy of heaven will certainly never enter that blessed place.**

*~A.W.Tozer*

## **Around The Farm**



*By Twister Doudney Quarter Horse*

Things around here never change. We eat Bermuda grass starting sometime near the end of March, then around Thanksgiving it starts to dwindle until there is nothing fit to eat by the time Christmas comes. Then the Boss starts giving us a little sweet feed everyday. Except there are days when he is up in the Indian Territory. That is what the Boss's cousin, Jim, calls Oklahoma, and we are totally on our own. Bryan, the Boss's neighbor, comes around to check on things every so often, and he will feed us if he thinks about it. Sweet feed is full of molasses, and Blackie and I love the sweet taste of it. It taste so much better than Bermuda grass. The nicest thing about winter is that there are no flies, and the air is always fresh and cool, however, sometimes the weather becomes inclement with rain, sleet, snow and, worst of all, that cold, wet north wind, and it makes me shiver just thinking about it. However, we are lucky enough to have the woods. When the wind gets unbearable we head to the south side of the place, and the tall trees protect us there. The north wind is almost nonexistent there. Sometimes, we can scrounge around there and find a little grass to munch on.

Everyone here is fine. Hurricane, the mule, Blackie and myself hang out together. Nipper and Whitey hang out together, and we all get along fairly well. Nipper is a nuisance that is constantly pestering everyone. The Boss is forever yelling at him to knock off the noise. He gets horribly annoyed at all the noise. The Boss likes it quite, 'ya know.

The Boss took the final six cattle to the sale barn two Saturdays before Christmas. He got a decent price and wishes he had waited to sell them all at that time. He told me that same Saturday that the Cattle business is a gamble at best, and the odds seem to always be against the producer.

The Boss seems to have developed more interest in getting Hurricane, the mule colt, to soften lately. He claims that Hurricane is the smartest animal on the place but, the most stubborn, too. I believe it, however, Blackie and I love hanging out with the little guy. He is growing fast. He is already as big as Nipper, his daddy, and he is fast enough to keep up with Blackie and I when we go for a run that's more than the donkeys can do. I don't think they care about running anyway.

That is about all I can think of to say about the goings on around here. Keep close watch, they tell me that there are a few Black Bears in the county, and I hear tell that our hyper-stupid government is releasing wolves nearby. I doubt that the farmers and ranchers will tolerate them being around for very long. Anyway, keep a close watch.

*~Twister*

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## **Around the House**

*By Barkley Doudney Schnauzer Dog*

From the amount of space the Boss left for my humble little column, there isn't a lot going on around here.

The Boss drove to Amarillo to pick up Mammy and Homer. They arrived here the Friday before Christmas, and they were reunited with their little French Poodle, Jacque, which was exciting for everyone except Linda, the Boss and me. I am happy for them. Jacque is okay, he just can't hunt, if you know what I mean. You have heard the expression "That Dog Won't Hunt?" Well, that applies here.

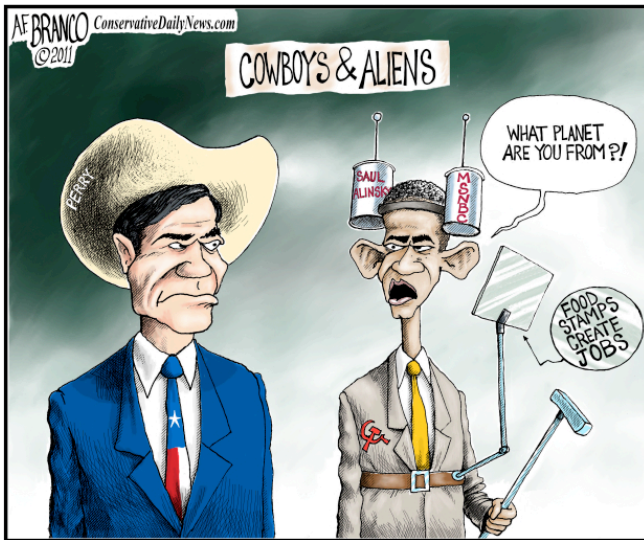
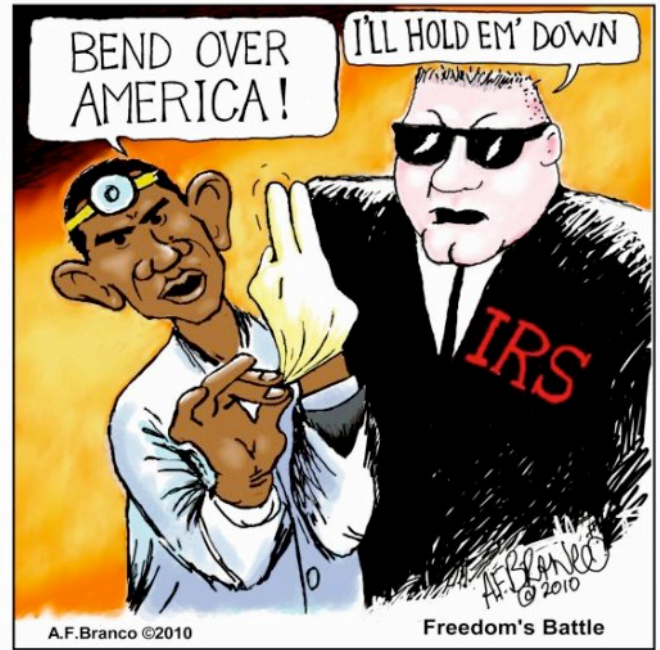


Linda is doing fine. Her granddaughters are over often, and they are very sweet little girls. However they best leave Jacque alone because he snaps a lot.

The Boss says he will be around more now that the cattle are all sold which doesn't make Linda all that happy.

That is about all that I can think of to say in such a short space. Keep your nose into the wind, Spring is right around the corner.

~Barkley~



# That's All Folks!