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The American work force increases its productivity year after year, yet all too frequently this does not translate into greater profits for the employer or raises for the employee. So who does benefit from increased productivity? The health insurance companies who yearly raise their premiums at twice the rate of inflation. Those premium increases occur because we operate the most inefficient health care delivery system in the world. By 2014 the taxpayers of America will be presented with a shocking bill for using that inefficient system to cover the previously uninsured. The solution: replace our existing for-profit system (before it takes ALL our money) with one identical to Britain's National Health Service.

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In the years following World War II the United States and Great Britain each took a right path and a wrong path. The right path for us was that we were faithful to the capitalistic system which had brought us so much prosperity. Our wrong path was to embrace a

collectivist approach to medical care we call "health insurance."

Britain in its postwar years fell under the spell of socialism. Their government nationalized a number of industries and subsidized others. That country suffered as a whole generation of Britons experienced low economic growth and diminished prosperity. Part of that movement, though, was the creation of the British National Health Service which opened for business July 1, 1948. Americans have traditionally and disparagingly referred to the British system as "socialized medicine"—a reputed catastrophe of long waits and inferior service to be avoided at all cost. We have rejoiced that we weren't dumb enough to fall for it. But I say, look again America. LOOK AGAIN!

In 1979 the United Kingdom elected conservative Margaret Thatcher as prime minister. During her eleven years in office she undid the socialism by selling off the state run companies and ending state subsidies to corporations. In short, she returned her country to a free enterprise economy, with one very significant exception—the British National Health Service. That service was and is the most efficient deliverer of health services on earth, and no true conservative would touch it. Plus, the service was (and remains) extremely popular with the British people.

The greater efficiency of the British way is gained four ways: 1. It provides universal coverage out of tax revenues thereby eliminating the health insurance middleman 2. A National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence made up of medical experts decides what tests, procedures and medicines the National Health Service will pay for. (If you want treatment not approved by the institute, you must have insurance or pay out of pocket.) 3. Their medical practitioners are more into preventive medicine. 4. Medicines approved by the Institute are bought in bulk.

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the peace? Because as long as the Palestinian people in the occupied territories remain oppressed and persecuted, and as long as the Palestinian people within Israel have their rights abridged and remain without permanent....

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I want it understood that I am proposing the adoption of the existing British National Health Service in its totality for service ASAP to over 90% of our population (the same percentage of Britons that use it.) I additionally propose that the United States refrain from establishing its own board of medical experts for at least three years as I believe we need that time away from for-profit health care before an unbiased board can be formed. During that time we would accept and implement the dictates and decisions of the British board.

Private health insurance would remain an option here just as it is in Britain (where it frequently acts as a supplement to the national system.) Medicare and medicaid would be superfluous and would no longer exist.

The British system is comprehensive and has evolved over its 63-year history. It includes dental care utilized by over half the population. (National Health care dentists provide free-to-the-patient care for those under 19, pregnant, or on public assistance and charge others considerably less than their private counterparts.) The British system also operates nursing homes available to those with low assets and income.

I believe it is essential that we adopt a long-established health care system developed by a people who eat a similar diet and whose language we share. We can use our recent census to allocate the necessary monetary, physical and personnel resources to deliver quality health care from day one. The Brits have the kinks worked out, and their program comes complete with a Patients' Bill of Rights and safeguards against long waits for elective surgery.

Major hurdles to adoption of the British system include entrenched ideology, tradition, and just all round resistance-to-change. Soon after signing his health care legislation, President Obama was proud to say that he "hadn't given in to the left."



But countries do from time to time adopt systems that are contrary to their prevailing ideology. In 1978 the Chinese Communists decided to adopt American style markets--including for-profit health care—in place of an inefficient state-run economy. Today the Chinese enjoy a free enterprise system that has produced a miracle of growth and prosperity. (From all reports, though, the Chinese people despise their for-profit health system.)

Can America overcome resistance to replacing a grossly inefficient, noncompetitive and wasteful health system? While the Chinese traded in their inefficient state-run economy for a better one, they only had to overcome dedicated Marxists--not the army of outraged and terrified lobbyists that for-profit health care will sic on Washington. (I say "terrified" because future lobbying fees, many beyond most imaginations, will be lost forever upon enactment of this program.) It can't happen without a sympathetic House of Representatives. Just as essential will be a favorably inclined U. S. Senate that adopts at its convening a 51-50 majority rule that allows the V. P. to break a tie (not its old filibuster rules or even a 51-49 majority rule.) Then and only then will this be accomplished.

Although most Americans recognize that some services are best delivered by government, many question whether health care should be among them. The ultimate test as to which is best: its efficiency. It is the comparative gross inefficiency of the American health care system that makes government operated health care both desirable and necessary. President Obama has stated numerous times that he is hopeful that the health care legislation he signed into law will save \$1 trillion over the next ten years. Yet on July 28, 2011 Health Affairs published a report that actuaries at the Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Service project annual 5.8% increases in money spent on U. S. health care through 2020 with medical care by that time representing one fifth of the economy. They also project increases in the government's share of that spending.

I am confident in asserting that, once implemented, A NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE WILL SAVE THIS COUNTRY OVER ONE TRILLION DOLLARS A YEAR.

Where a government entity provides a service—be it fire, police, highway repair, street maintenance, military, or library—it does so because it can and does deliver that service more efficiently than the private sector. The bottom line: 8.1% of UK gross domestic product goes to health care (\$2,992 per person) versus 16% of U. S. GDP (\$7,290 per person.)



What do we get for the money we've been spending? Americans should all be living healthy happy lives to age 95! Unfortunately, longer life expectancy is not provided by our system as the UK's is 79.1 years, the US's is 78.1 years.

Some other comparable figures: infant mortality rate is 4.8 per thousand births for the UK, 6.9 for US; physicians/ nurses per 1,000 people are 2.5/10.0 for UK, 2.4/10.6 for US; percent of total health costs paid by government (versus individuals/private insurance) is 81.7% for UK and 45.4% for US.

But here is the comparison that's sickening. Great Britain provides universal health care at no charge to the patient, while we don't even come close to providing that service. Would you believe the UK spends 15.8% of its government's revenue on health care while we spend 18.5% (and rising) of our government's revenue? That's just how inefficient our system is and why I assert that OUR FOR-PROFIT HEALTH CARE SYSTEM IS RIPPING US OFF, AND THAT THE MOST

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Let's look at the issue from a morality and fairness perspective. At a recent family reunion, someone commented that North Carolina's Blue Cross CEO makes more than \$4 million. A cousin from Baltimore countered, "So what's the big deal? In Maryland the same job pays over \$8 million!" Oddly enough, it's the general/family practitionersthe ones who are on the front line of medicine and whose diagnostic skills and abilities are critical to quality health care—who presently earn the least. With adoption of the British system: GP's would make closer to \$200k (up from the \$120k area), specialists would earn around \$165k (near a Congressman's pay but down from today's \$340k average), expenditures for health insurance premiums would shrink dramatically, and drug company profits would shrink to more reasonable levels.

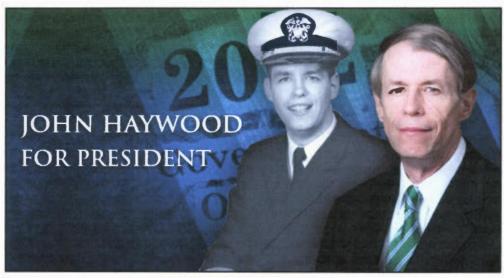
With our health care costing over 2.4 times what the British are paying (again that's \$7,290 per person vs. \$2,992), at what point do we call it corrupt? Corrupt, not in the sense of being illegal, but corrupt because unconscionable amounts of money are unjustifiably made off the sickness and suffering of our fellow man. Let's replace for-profit health care with a National Health Service for most Americans while preserving the for-profit system for those who have the means and desire to pay for it. And let's do it now!

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In 1986, following my dad's death (and my mother's generous disclaimer in my favor under his will), I came home to handle investments and start, along with my wife, a home school for our four children. We called it Calvert School, operated it over 14 years, and placed all four in competitive colleges. Time magazine gave us a bit of notoriety in 2000 when it ran a picture and several paragraphs in a story about homeschoolers being admitted to established colleges and universities.

I once asked my father why he was a Democrat. He said: "Because they're for the little guy." But in 1980 when Ronald Reagan campaigned against "high taxes" and "big spenders," I switched to the Republicans and remained so through the 2000 election of George W. Bush. Besides, I didn't consider myself a "little guy." I lived in a nice neighborhood, and home and stock prices were rising nicely. The only thing that was down after Reagan's election was our blankety-blank federal income taxes. By 2000 I wouldn't have dreamed of voting democrat again, even if the Republicans had nominated the devil himself.

George W. Bush didn't have a tail and horns, but I believe he will go down in history as one of our worst presidents-- with his copycat successor rated not much better. Mr. Bush greatly accelerated a trend that began with President Nixon's 50% cap on taxation of earned income. Other Republican presidents followed up with lower income tax rates. Even President Clinton chimed in with a zero tax on sales of primary residences. The net result: destruction of our progressive income tax system to the point that, today, the top one percent of households receives 24% of the nation's income (as opposed to 10% before Nixon.) When that happens you get money hoarding (explained in the following section) that removes huge amounts of cash from the spending economy (the government spends what it taxes) and destroys the middle class. Every American voter must come to realize, as I have, and as Utah tycoon Eccles did (see next section) that OUR COUNTRY PAYS A SEVERE PRICE WHEN IT ABANDONS PROGRESSIVE INCOME AND ESTATE TAXES. We pay that price with lost jobs, lower home values, lower income, and destruction of the middle class.

President Obama had to have his surge in Afghanistan, and when his tax-the-rich proposal was rejected by Congress last December, his gratuitous capitulation to the Republicans that continued the Bush tax policies has

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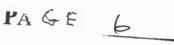
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left his treasury depleted. He finds himself not only without ammunition to battle the recession, but so short of funds that the safety net programs on which millions of Americans depend have been placed in jeopardy. For shame! And the only path to justice in old Palestine and peace in our time is through United Nations Security Council sanctions against Israel--sanctions long sought by the community of nations but just as long thwarted by repeated American vetoes.

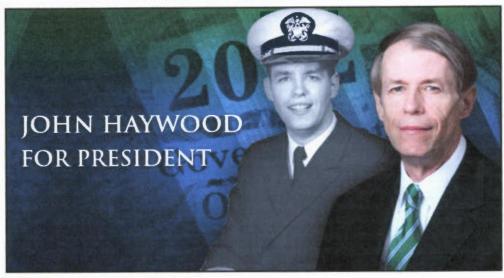
Keep reading and you will see that I have other proposals including: geoengineering that cools the earth to counteract geoengineering that is warming it; turning toward renewables and away from "pollutables"; preservation of a woman's right to an abortion; same-sex marriage rights; dusting off the Comprehensive Child Development Act -- a bill that passed Congress with large bipartisan majorities but fell to a RIchard Nixon veto; and, of course, the centerpiece of my campaign addressed in the first section of the Broadside -- THE INITIATION OF A NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE TO REPLACE THE FOR-PROFIT SYSTEM THAT IS BLEEDING US DRY.

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RESTORING FULL EMPLOYMENT

Unemployment has a chain reaction effect that first brings financial ruin to its victims which leads to the forced sale of their homes. These forced sales lower housing prices for everyone, which results in reduced bank lending because of declining collateral values. Why haven't we been able to bounce back from The Great Recession like we did from all other recessions since WWII? Because changes in tax policies have allowed the same income and property hoarding (where one percent of households receives approximately 24% of the nation's income) that existed before and during most of the Great Depression. We must return to a very progressive but steep income tax so such income hoarding becomes difficult, the taxed money is circulated by a government that spends it, the middle class grows rather than shrinks, and that top one percent of household's share falls to a more manageable 10% of national income (as it was under Kennedy/Johnson.)

I propose re-adoption of the income tax code of 1965 with its many tax brackets which went as high as 70% (down from 1963's 91%) and its many deductions. This would entail upward adjustments for the inflation that has occurred since 1965, and this upward adjustment would apply to all brackets, exemptions, and the lifetime residence exclusion. I propose using the Dept. of Labor inflation multiplier, and I am estimating that multiplier at 7.8 for 2013. I am also proposing two additional taxable income brackets: a 75% bracket for \$25-\$50 million income and an 80% bracket for income above \$50 million. Another proposal is an INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR SOC. SECURITY TAX INCREASES SINCE 1965. That tax credit would apply to an increase I propose here: raising the Social Security tax ceiling from \$106,800 to \$180,000. This ceiling increase will prevent reduction in social security benefits and preserve current age eligibility levels.

Here's the goal I seek: THAT EACH 2013 TAXPAYER PAY--IN INCOME AND SOCIAL SECURITY TAXES--THE SAME PERCENTAGE OF HIS INCOME AS WAS PAID BY 1965 TAXPAYERS. Obviously, all figures have to be adjusted for inflation. For explanation and examples, see below. Since lowering of social security taxes is out of the question, the just stated goal may not be achievable for those on the lowest rungs of the income ladder. Nevertheless, that group benefits the most from social security at retirement time. Those with taxable income over \$25 million will pay more than their 1965 counterparts. The reasons behind these proposals are stated below.

First of all, BECAUSE IT'S FAIR. The more you make, the more you pay. Long term capital gains status was attained in 1965 with a six month holding period (as opposed to today's one year requirement), and on that long term gain you got to exclude half the gain before applying your ordinary income tax rate. The maximum rate on capital gains was 25%. There was a large lifetime exemption for sale of residence. Social Security benefits were not taxes.

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Over the years tax rates have been reduced and huge loopholes have been created for dividends, capital gains, and home sales to the extent that our tax system has lost its "progressivity"—meaning that the more you make the same or less you pay. As a taxpayer's taxable income increases, he pays the rate for each bracket on that bracket's income only. Before calculating tax a taxpayers subtracts his deductions and exemptions. A family of four filing a joint return in 2013 would have approximately \$18,720 in exemptions which is the 1965 \$600 per person exemption times the 7.8 estimated multiplier. The 19% tax rate that applied to 1965 joint taxable income between \$4,000 to \$8,000, would in 2013 apply to joint taxable income of \$31,200 to \$62,400. The 32%/50%/60% rates would apply respectively to the following joint brackets in 2013: \$156,000 to \$187,000/ \$343,000 to \$405,000/ \$686,000 to \$780,000. The 70% rate that applied to all 1965 taxable joint income over \$200,000 would in 2013 apply to joint taxable income between \$1,560,000 and \$25,000,000. Single taxpayers brackets were and would be half the joint brackets.

Second, the revenues from these taxes are spent rather than being hoarded. And that means lots of hiring by government contractors. From the beginning of 1940 (when sharp tax increased were imposed) through the end of 1942 the unemployment rate dropped from 14% to 2%. Much of the proposed revenue will be spent on much needed infrastructure improvements (water, sewer, roads, bridges,rail transport) which is something President Obama has talked about doing but is powerless to accomplish without the cash to pay for it.

Third, the proposed taxes would stop and reverse the ongoing destruction of the middle class as government contract work is well paid work. Without it we return to the era before 1939 with its much smaller middle class and the remainder of our population either on easy street...or just scraping by. It is the shrinkage of the middle class, many with earnings between \$55,000 and \$105,000, which has created shortfalls in expected social security tax collections. That in turn has led to talk of raising social security age requirements and /or cutting benefits. It was growth of the middle class that was expected and planned for when social security taxes were increased under President Reagan.

Fourth, the proposed taxes would severely restrict the hoarding that is detrimental to our economy. Today, one percent of households receives 24% of the nation's income. While in 1965 that same one percent received 10% of our nation's income. Under present tax law a hypothetical taxpayer making \$100 million (believe me, there are a bunch of them) will get to keep over \$70 million of it because of the following five special rates: a 15% rate on his long term capital gains, a 15% rate on his dividends, the 0% tax on the sale of his primary residence, and a 28% rate on his preference income, and a 35% rate on his salary. To spend the \$70 million he has left after taxes, this hypothetical taxpayer would have to purchase goods and services worth almost \$270,000 each weekday for a year. That's not just hard to do, it's impossible. So an awful lot of our hypothetical taxpayer's income gets taken out of the spending economy and put into mostly blue chip stocks where it earns dividends taxed at a 15% rate. This money hoarding harms the economy by stunting its growth and making high unemployment inevitable.

Fifth, we had substantial economic growth in 1965 and the years that followed. The 1965 tax changes constituted a substantial tax cut when enacted. Since the U. S. had economic growth before with this tax structure, there's no reason to believe we can't or won't have it again.

Sixth, a return to full and unrestricted deductions provided for in the 1965 tax code would increase spending as taxpayers spend to enlarge their deductions and reduce their taxes. That in turn will stimulate the economy as well as prevent hoarding. Deductions (as well as the exemptions that would increase from 2010 rates of \$3,650 per person to approximately \$4,680 per person) are particularly important to the prosperity of the middle class.

Seventh, we need to pay down the national debt to prevent American taxpayers from becoming enslaved to paying the interest on that debt.

Marriner Eccles was Chairman of the Federal Reserve Board from 1934 to 1948. Robert B. Reich reports on Eccles' writings in his book Aftershock (A Borzoi Book published by Alfred A. Knopf, a division of Random House, New York, 2010.) Born in Logan Utah, Eccles was at age 20 a Morman missionary to Scotland, returning two years later to head the family bank. Reich reports (on page 11-12): "...by forty he was a tycoon--director of railroad, hotel, and insurance companies; head of a bank holding company controlling twenty-six banks; and president of lumber, milk, sugar, and construction companies spanning the Rockies to the Sierra Nevadas." When the depression hit, Eccles is quoted: "I saw for the first time that though I'd been active in the world of finance and production for seventeen years and knew its techniques, I knew less than nothing about its economic and social effects."

But he studied, he learned, and in the month before Roosevelt was inaugurated he testified before a senate committee seeking answers to the ongoing economic crisis. That testimony is summarized on pages 14-15 of Aftershock, and I'll quote portions of it here: "He advised senators on ways to get more money into the hands of the beleaguered middle class....His proposed program included relief for the unemployed, government spending on public works, government refinancing of mortgages, a federal minimum wage, federally supported old-age pensions, and higher income taxes and inheritance taxes on the wealthy in order to control capital accumulations and avoid excessive speculation."

Eccles retired to Utah in 1950 where he wrote the following about the causes of the depression (pages 17-18 of Aftershock): "As mass production has to be accompanied by mass consumption, mass consumption, in turn,

implies a distribution of wealth--not of existing wealth, but of wealth as it is currently produced--to provide men with buying power equal to the amount of goods and services offered by the nation's economic machinery. Instead of achieving that kind of distribution, a giant suction pump had by 1929-1930 drawn into a few hands an increasing portion of currently produced wealth. This served them as capital accumulations. But by taking purchasing power out of the hands of mass consumers, the savers denied to themselves the kind of effective demand for their products that would justify a reinvestment of their capital accumulations in new plants. In consequence, as in a poker game where the chips were concentrated in fewer and fewer hands, the other fellows could stay in the game only by borrowing. When their credit ran out, the game stopped."

Henry Ford recognized this phenomenon when in 1914 he doubled his workers pay to \$5 a day--twice the going rate. His fellow capitalists were incensed and cried: "Socialism!" But Ford was shrewd enough to recognize that, while doubling his workers' pay was going to hurt his pocketbook short term, what he really needed long term was customers who could afford his cars. And that's exactly what he got.

When World War II ended, it was assumed by most Americans that high taxes would end too--just like they did after World War I. Republicans swept into power in the House of Representatives in the 1946 election and appeared poised to seize the White House in 1948. 1948--what a race that was! The Republicans for all intents and purposes were running the type of race they always run. Their philosophy then and now is as simple as pie: collect just enough revenue to provide minimal services and get the government out of the way of what its all about -- the acquisition and accumulation of private wealth. Harry Truman saw what Eccles saw, and he fought for the people's interests over the special interests. His victory in that watershed election led to decades of low unemployment, rising home values, ample bank lending, and a STEEP AND PROGRESSIVE INCOME TAX THAT KEPT MONEY HOARDING TO A MINIMUM AND ALLOWED THE MIDDLE CLASS TO PROSPER.

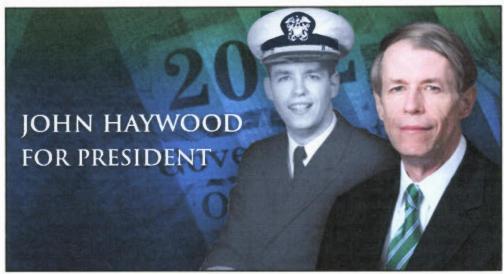
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ESTATE TAX

There are a couple of arguments made by the right against the estate tax including :

1. Why bother to collect the tax since not that much revenue is produced by it in the first place?

Because the primary purpose of the estate tax is to prevent income/property hoarding, not the collection of revenue. Avoidance techniques all have one thing in common: the divestment of property away from wealthy individuals to other individuals or charities. The relatively low "take" from the estate tax is a testament to its success, not its failure.

2. There are just too many taxes what with income taxes, property taxes, etc. Why have to pay an additional "death tax?"

There is a common misconception that a person who inherits pays federal income tax on his inheritance. Not only is that not so, but the person who inherits frequently receives more than his benefactor. Here's an example: Tom's Uncle Bill bought property 15 years before he died for \$0.5 million (his basis). The property then appreciated to the \$1 million level before Uncle Bill departed this earth, leaving the property to Tom. Had Uncle Bill sold the property before he died, he'd have paid a capital gains tax. But lucky Tom doesn't because he gets a "stepped up basis" to the \$1 million it was worth when his uncle died. Since uncle's \$1 million estate is exempt from estate taxation, Tom can sell the property he inherited completely tax free--free not only of estate tax but free of the capital gains tax as well.

Many older people who own appreciated assets would like to sell them and reinvest in higher yielding assets or ones with greater appreciation potential. They refrain from doing so because they want their heirs to take their property tax free. As a result the treasury loses the revenue and the elder citizen is denied the investments he or she prefers.

Here's what I propose:

- A lifetime per person exemption of \$1,650,000 for gift and estate tax and generation skipping with a raised basis for heirs on that \$1.65 million as well as for all assets that pass through the estate. Portability of exemption to spouse would not be allowed.
- 2. Tax on taxable estates between the \$1.65 million exemption and \$5 million would be equal to the capital gains tax the decedent would have paid had he sold his assets the day he died (or sold them on the traditional

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six-months-after-death alternate date.) If no capital gains would have been owed, then there's no estate tax whatsoever on that first five million of taxable estate, but the heirs would have "earned" their stepped-up basis for anything over the \$1.65 million exemption. Most estates will fall into this category, but If the taxable estate is greater than \$5 million then capital gains tax is figured on the entire estate and prorated for the \$1.65-\$5 million category.

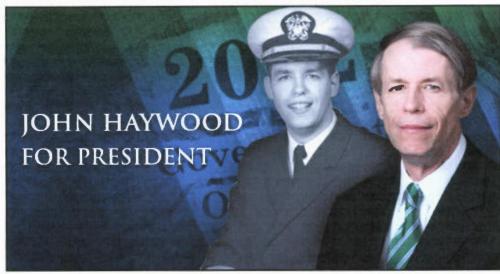
- 3. For estates over \$5 million I propose a graduated schedule of increasing tax brackets starting with a 22% rate for the \$5 million to \$11 million bracket, a 27% rate for an \$11 million to \$18 million bracket, and increasing thereafter by an additional 5% rate of taxation as the taxable estate increases. A top rate of 77% would apply to that portion of any estate that exceeds \$150 million.
- 4. Capping the marital deduction at \$30 million. (Tax is not uncommonly avoided when an elderly tycoon marries a "sweet young thing" -- who lives to 95.)
- 5. Use of installment payments spread over five years when taxing assets not easily marketable such as farms, small businesses, and closely held stock. A fixed 2% annual interest rate would apply.

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As president I will appoint justices to our Supreme Court whose temperament, writings and statements indicate that he/she/they are likely to uphold the Roe v. Wade decision. I am committed to preserving a woman's right and access to abortion services both by vetoing any legislation that is restrictive of abortion rights and by working to repeal the Hyde Amendment which prohibits federal money being spent on abortion services. Under the British national health system (see above for proposed adoption of that system) no-hassle abortions are paid from tax revenues.

Is it too much to ask that every adult American have the right to marry the person he or she loves? What possible threat is that to anyone or any institution.? (See my made up story below for more on gay/lesbian marriage.)

A Message to Abortion/Gay Rights Opponents

If you ask members of the religious right why they oppose abortion, they'll tell you a fetus is a living person and abortion is murder of a child. If you ask the same folks why they oppose gay marriage, most will tell you it's based on St. Paul's condemnation of homosexuality in Romans and 1st Timothy.

Seems to me that both these oppositions derive from ST. PAUL'S VIEW OF SEX. Short and simple: he didn't approve. Paul outright condemned any "lustful passion" as sinful, and if sex isn't "lustful passion", then what is? Paul preached a three level hierarchy. Level one (the highest) was reserved for the celibate. Level two was made up of the married heterosexuals as Paul grudgingly allowed for marriage to avoid "promiscuity." Anybody else (be he gay, lesbian, a living together heterosexual, or whatever) was assigned by Paul to the outer darkness.

While Paul's writings may be termed the "legislation and executive orders" of Christianity, the words of Jesus Christ himself are its supreme law. Most churchgoers have sung: "The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord..." Paul's words are trumped by Christ's: "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." (Gospel of John, Chapter 13, verses 34-35, King James version)

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If a fetus is a person at conception, then its birth is of no consequence in its personal history. So the people of the religious right are ostensibly very concerned with the welfare of this fetus/child. OK, start talking to these "pro life" people about the accessibility to or the high cost of medical care available to actual born children. They aren't interested. Talk to the same people about the share of our huge national debt that each of today's newborns must shoulder, you'll just get a blank look.

Plus this purported concern for the "unborn" doesn't make logical sense. Approximately 20% of pregnancies end in miscarriage -- a spontaneous abortion. We don't conduct funerals for these unborn. We celebrate the birth of Christ, not his conception. Are children going to start observing their conception date rather than their birthday? Is little Alice going to start asking her parents to tell her about the day she was conceived? I don't think so. I recall from law school days studying a case where the Roman Catholic Church had successfully lobbied the Connecticut legislature to ban barrier birth control on the grounds that one mustn't create barriers between sperm and eggs because EACH IS ALIVE!

I submit that it is first and foremost motivation of pro-lifers is to punish the pregnant woman for having sex in the first place, with additional condemnation for those who had sex with the intention or expectation of not getting pregnant. After all, people might really get into some lustful passion under those circumstances. What the religious right says is one thing, but what they really believe is that a pregnancy is punishment for sin. Likewise, the sin of gay sex requires as punishment the denial of rights accorded heterosexuals. Additionally there is the perverted pleasure that the religious right enjoys in joining with their compatriots to celebrate their higher position in Paul's hierarchy.

And what of the pregnant woman? She is a living and breathing person and very much alive. Christ said: "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets." (Gospel of Matthew, Chapter 7, v. 12, King James) Raising a wanted child is a labor of love. Raising a child that is not wanted is akin to slavery-for 18 years no less. Well, then, the pro-lifers argue, the pregnant woman can just take a year out of her life, deliver, and go though the heartbreak of separating from her baby and giving him or her up for adoption. Still sounds like slavery to me.

Are you going to use your vote to elect a president and representatives who want to use the police powers of the state to force pregnant women to have children against their will? If so, it's not only terribly crummy of you to do so, it's in clear violation of Christ's commandments to do unto others as you would have them do unto you and to love your neighbor as yourself. Are you going to use your vote to elect a president and representatives who promise to exercise their power over the federal purse to prevent payment for abortion services out of government revenues for taxpaying citizens who want but cannot pay for those services? If so, you are again in clear violation of those same commandments.

Believing that a fetus is a living person doesn't make it so. A pregnant woman IS a living person, and many of those women are baptized Christians received into Christ's flock forever. Common sense tells you that a living person breathes the breath of life. When you die, the doc will tell your loved ones that you have "expired" and are no longer among the living. So, dear voter, God gave you a brain. If your preacher is telling you that a fetus is a living person and that abortion is murder, find another preacher -- one that follows the commandments (they are not suggestions) of Christ. And please, please don't waste your vote following this pro-life stupidity. Pro-life politicians will defeat my proposals for an American Health Service. That would not only violate Christ's commandments, it would be a tragedy.

One other thing. If you go on one of these pro-life websites, you will see reference to any number of Bible verses. You'll note, however, that they are not the words of Jesus Christ. They're from the same old Old Testament that gave birth to Zionism and whose passages were cited by Old South preachers to promote and justify involuntary servitude.

Now for a made up story, but one that a could happen. Dave and Ted meet in their 20's, fall in love, profess their love one for the other, but their state denies them the right to marry — a right they would exercise if available.

Dave has some family wealth, a degree from a prestigious college, a really good job, and makes lots of money. Ted's education is not that great, and although he enjoys his work, he just doesn't make near the money that Dave does.

Dave's only family is his married sister Susan as well as his nephews, Susan's twin sons Brian and Bill. Susan is horrified at Dave's "lifestyle," calls her brother a "dirty queer" in front of her sons, and generally will have little to do with him.

Dave and Ted end up with a nice house in Dave's name where they live together for over 30 years in a loving and faithful relationship. They don't live far from Susan, and practically their only contact with her family (if you can call it that) is the occasional knocked over mail box, the graffiti on the garage door, and other pranks that Dave and Ted were pretty sure were performed by Dave's nephews.

Over the thirty years that Dave and Ted share their life together, Dave accumulates a sizable stock portfolio from earnings and inheritance. And then, Dave, at age 57, drops dead of a heart attack. Dave had meant to

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write a will, but he was (the thought) in perfect health, and he just never got around to it. Had he been married, Dave's house and stocks would have gone to Ted. Instead, they pass under the laws of his state--to Susan, his only surviving kin. Susan, however, is well fixed herself so she disclaims Dave's house in favor to her sons, Brian and Bill. She does choose to keep Dave's stocks though.

Brian and Bill get the sheriff to put Ted out of their new house and to make sure he doesn't take any of the Dave's furniture with him. Ted's out with little money to his name. But after his eviction, Ted remembers some golf clubs he left in the basement of Dave's (now Brian and Bill's) house. When he returns to retrieve them, he's surprised to find a party going on in the back yard with the participants gathered around a bonfire. Ted slips in the front door unobserved, gets his clubs, but as he's leaving he runs into his former next door neighbor. Ted asks what's going on, and receives this reply: "Ted, you're not going to like this. I smelled the smoke and went to investigate. The people back there are Brian and Bill's church youth group, and what they're burning is your old mattress."

Committed conservatives who liked this story's ending should consider the words of Barry Goldwater, godfather of American conservatism: "It's time America realized that there is no gay exemption to the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness..." (Goldwater also said every woman should have the right to an abortion.)

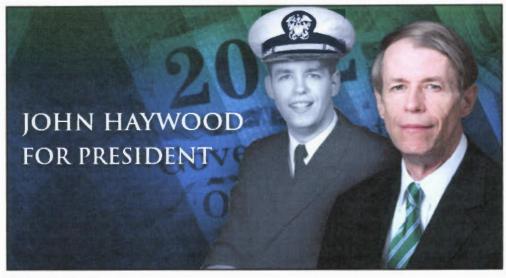
Please don't buy this nonsense of denying marriage rights, but allowing "civil unions." I see that as resurrecting the old "separate but equal" doctrine which prevailed in American education for over half a century before our supreme court ruled it inherently unequal."

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GLOBAL WARMING

Several Republican presidential candidates say global warming is a myth — a hoax perpetrated to force conservation that would take away the workingman's job. All Gore--former senator, vice president and winner of the popular vote in 2002 presidential election — has long asserted that a crisis of unimaginable dimensions can be avoided only if people in general and Americans in particular reduce their greenhouse emissions. Mr. Gore's warnings notwithstanding, Americans continue to increase those emissions. The rest of the world — with China and India leading the way — is quickly acquiring private automobiles and building coal burning plants for electricity to run the myriad electrical devices that Americans presently enjoy.

Jeff Goodell in his How to Cool the Planet (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, Boston/New York, 2010) is telling us the horse is out of the barn, the milk spllt. There's already so much CO2 affixed to the upper levels of the atmosphere that even if the seven billion people of the earth stopped burning hydrocarbons tomorrow (they won't), there would still be extensive global warming for centuries to come. Even more scary: the warming that has already occurred is feeding on itself and accelerating dramatically. Most of the to-date small rise in the oceans is due to expansion of the waters of the oceans due to increased temperatures, not to ice melt. Since the oceans are very good at storing heat, though, that heat is not going to away quickly. Because of the ocean currents and wind patterns, one degree air temperature increase at the equator translates to ten degrees of air temperature increase where the ice is.

More heat means more ice melting, and when the ice melts, open water and land are then exposed to the sun which absorb the sun's heat—the same heat that used to be reflected off the earth by the white ice. Next, the northern permafrost thaws (already happening) releasing into the atmosphere its potent heat-capturing methane gases. And there is no controversy about this process within the scientific community. None. There may be perceived controversy among the public due to news feeds and press releases from organizations that lobby on behalf of industries associated with production of CO2. (Reminiscent of the ad campaign that ran after the Surgeon General's report against smoking, the ads showing white coated "physicians" praising and smoking Camel cigarettes.)

If all the earth's ice melts, the oceans rise 200 feet. That translates into the inundations of coastal plains throughout the world and the destruction of countless cities, homes, businesses, farms, and plants (including nuclear plants.) Any politician who promotes hoax and myth theories is acting, not just irresponsibly, but reprehensibly and culpably as well..

We must stop sitting on our hands and hoping for the best. Thirty tons of carbon in the form of CO2 gases are being dumped into the atmosphere daily on a worldwide basis. Laboratory and in-the-field research is a must.

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How to Cool the Planet points us toward possible solutions that require research in the lab and testing in the field. Goodell's book, subtitled Geoengineering and the Audacious Quest to Fix Earth's Climate, presents a number ideas while discarding the less plausible.

One of the most promising: spraying into the atmosphere particles that would reflect the sun's heat back into space. Such particles would constantly be falling out and would have to be replaced as needed. This would be an attempt to duplicate the large dust cloud created by the 1991 eruption of Mt. Pinatubo in the Philippines that cooled the earth for several years.

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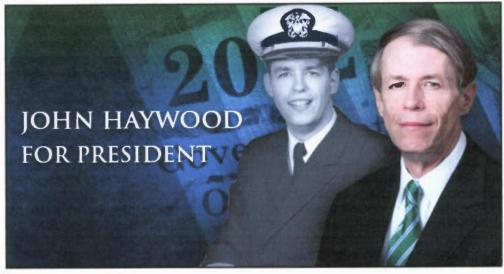
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ALTERNATIVES TO HYDROCARBONS

NASA scientist James Hansen -- a pioneer in the science behind global warming -- advocates a three pronged approach to global warming: 1.conservation 2.turning to renewables 3.building third and fourth generation nuclear plants. Since 4th generation nuclear won't be commercially viable before 2030, I'll exclude them from this Broadside but examine the rest.

If you were hoping for a candidate who would preach about conserving to save the earth, I'm afraid I'm not your man. I do everything I can to cut down on my driving. The high cost of gasoline forces that on all of us anyway. But I have no intention of giving up my midsize SUV freedom machine. What's more, I absolutely refuse to be cold in the winter. That puts me in an impossible position to lecture those millions of persons in the emerging economies who are doing their best to achieve American levels of prosperity (and the higher energy consumption that accompanies that prosperity.) So on item number 2.

The renewable technologies are solar, wind, biomass, hydro, and conventional geothermal. At the demonstration stage are wave and tidal power as well as a type of geothermal energy called "Hot Dry Rock." In March 2010 a Duke University research group headed by Duke's former chancellor issued a bombshell of a report. Its conclusion: by using technology available today, wind and solar power, combined with generation from hydroelectric and other renewable sources such as landfill gas, can produce 94% of North Carolina's electricity needs. Only six percent would have to be purchased from outside the system or produced at conventional plants. Ding, Ding, Ding! Dr. Hansen's second proposal is a winner! I believe our utilities must move out of their "comfort zones," away from "pollutables," and toward generation by renewables.

That leaves Dr. Hansen's proposed third generation nuclear plants. This third generation (probably none in service before 2020) is not a whole lot different from the first two generations in that they will create nuclear wastes. These wastes remain radioactive and must be stored away from the environment for thousand of years. Since politics has stood in the way of the planned opening of a storage facility in Nevada (the people of Nevada don't want it), these toxic wastes pile up at nuclear facilities throughout the United States. Licensing and opening plants without a waste disposal system in place makes as much sense as licensing a restaurant that cannot access a sewage system. It makes no sense at all and the practice will be discontinued if I am elected.

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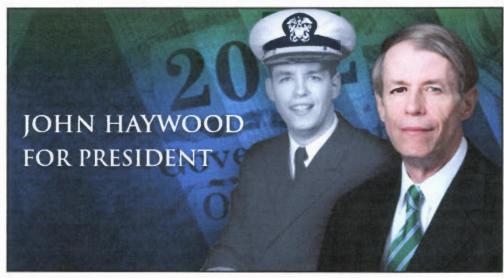
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UNBINDING CHILDREN'S MINDS

There used to be a practice in old China of binding the feet of young girls. After the wrappings were removed, the girls' feet didn't grow because their bodies weren't programed for growth at the later age. The parents wanted their daughters to have dainty feet (made them more marriageable.) The girls were handicapped for life

In modern day America an awful lot of schoolchildren can't read or can barely read and they perform at a much lower level than their fellows. And, obviously, if they can't read worth a fig they can't write worth a fig nor can they learn worth a fig. In many cases--at the preschool ages when a child should be greatly increasing his or her vocabulary and learning language skills at home-- no one is speaking to that child or speaking very little. No one is reading to that child, or reading very little. And because of this these children have "bounds" placed on their minds at an enormously important time in their lives. By the time they're school age, they're handicapped for life.

Now, let's face it, there's an alternative view: It's nature, stupid. Inherited intelligence, don't you know. Race. That's the message I and many others received from the widely read The Bell Curve, a 1994 book by Harvard phsycholgist Richard J. Hernstein (deceased before the book was released) and American Enterprise Institute political scientist Charles Murray. The book was published without prior peer review. When I brought the book up with one one of my children, a psychology major home from college, he said: "Stop right there Dad. We studied that book thoroughly at school. It's absolutely and completely wrong." (If you google the book you will see that it generated a great deal of discussion and peer review after its publication and the book's thesis, is, I believe, thoroughly discredited.)

Former Vice President Walter Mondale writes in his memoirs (The Good Fight, Scribner, a division of Simon & Shuster, Inc., 2010, p. 96) how he and Senator Fritz Hollings of South Carolina held hearings and worked with Nixon administration officials at cabinet level and below cabinet level to craft a bill called the Comprehensive Child Development Act of 1971. When Hollings spoke to business people about the proposed bill, "he would ask for a show of hands by those who had attended nursery school. Typically a large number would raise their hands. Hollings would say, 'So did I, and all we are talking about is making it possible for poor children to have the same opportunities we had. It's like kindergarten." The bill passed both houses of Congress with large, bipartisan majorities. They were oh, so close to striking a blow for equality in America. But, unknown to Senators Mondale and Hollings, the powers of darkness were about to strike.

Back in Minnesota for the holidays, Senator Mondale was stunned to received a message: "Nixon vetoed your bill." Worse than the veto was the accompanying statement accusing the bill's authors of trying to "Sovietize"

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American youth. As Mondale would write on page 99 of his memoirs: "He said our bill would take the responsibility of child rearing away from parents. It was plainly designed to scare people, poison the conversation about helping families, and dip into the nation's stew of cultural resentments." Columnists and "family value" interest groups rushed into the fray.

A conservative senator from New York took the to the Senate floor to allege that the legislation would undermine the family, establish the premise of family inadequacy, and encourage women to put their families into institutions of communal living. When Mondale challenged the senator to cite the provisions of the bill that would accomplish these things, the senator couldn't do it. He couldn't do it because they weren't there. But neither were the votes for veto override, and the Comprehensive Child Development Act of 1971 was tossed into the dustbin of history.

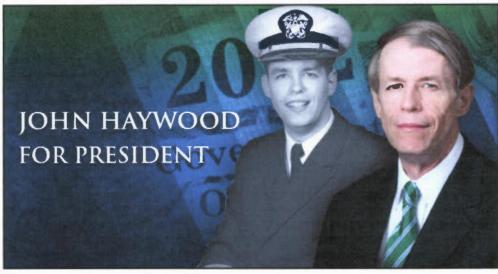
I believe the next Congress should pull that old bill out, dust it off, and have another look.

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DEALING WITH ZIONISM

Two of President Harry Truman's letters from 1947 appear in Harry S. Truman by Margaret Truman (William Morrow and Co, New York, 1973) pages 384-385. The first is to Eleanor Roosevelt:

"The actions of some of our United States Zionists will eventually prejudice everyone against what they are trying to get done. I fear very much that the Jews are like all underdogs. When they get on top they are just as intolerant and as cruel as the people were to them when they were underneath. I regret this situation very much because my sympathy has always been on their side."

The second letter (to Henry Morgenthau, Jr) reads in pertinent part: "The vote in the United Nations is only the beginning and the Jews must now display tolerance and consideration for the other people in Palestine with whom they will necessarily have to be neighbors."

The following verses (from the 23rd chapter of Exodus) present Zionism in a nutshell:

I will send my terror upon all the people whose land you invade, and they will panic before you. I will send homets ahead of you to drive out the Hivites, Canaanites, and Hittites. But I will not do this all in one year because the land would become a wilderness, and the wild animals would become too many to control. I will drive them out a little at a time until your population has increased enough to fill the land and I will fix your boundaries from the Red Sea to the Mediterranean Sea, and from the southern deserts to the Euphrates River. I will help you defeat the people now living in the land, and you will drive them out ahead of you.

Make no treaties with them and have nothing to do with their gods. Do not even let them live among you! If you do, they will infect you with their sin of idol worship, and that would be disastrous for you. (Scripture quotations are taken from the Holy Bible, New Living Translation, copyright 1996. Used by permission of Tyndale House Publishers, Inc, Wheaton, Illinois 60189. All rights reserved.)

"Berl Katznelson, a close ally of Ben-Gurion and a leading intellectual force among the early Zionists, put the point bluntly: 'The Zionist enterprise is an enterprise of conquest.'" (quoting from The Israel Lobby and U. S. Foreign Policy, John J. Mearsheimer and Stehen M. Walt, Farrar, Straus and Giroux, New York, 2007, p. 80)

"Israeli terrorists also murdered the UN mediator Count Folke Bernadotte in 1948, because they opposed his proposal to internationalize Jerusalem. The perpetrators of these acts were not isolated extremists: the leaders of the murder plot were eventually granted amnesty by the Israeli government and one of them was later elected to the Knesset." (quoting from The Israel Lobby, see just above, p. 102)

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Article I (Purposes) of the United Nations Charter states:

- 1. To maintain international peace and security, and to that end: to take effective collective measures for the prevention and removal of threats to the peace, and for the suppression of acts of aggression or other breaches of the peace, and to bring about by peaceful means, and in conformity with the principles of justice and international law, adjustment or settlement of international disputes or situations which might lead to a breach of the peace;
- 2. To develop friendly relations among nations based on respect for the principle of equal rights and self-determination of peoples, and to take other appropriate measures to strengthen universal peace;
- 3. To achieve international cooperation in solving international problems of an economic, social, cultural, or humanitarian character, and in promoting and encouraging respect for human rights and for fundamental freedoms for all without distinction as to race, sex, language, or religion; and
- 4. To be a center for harmonizing the actions of nations in the attainment of these common ends.

The passage from Exodus and the Purposes of the United Nations are diametrically opposed. The sixty-six years on conflict in the Middle East, the terrorist attacks on the United States, the resulting war in Afghanistan, as well as the war in Iraq--all have their root cause and grow out of United States policies that favor Zionism and contravene the purposes of the United Nations.

Here is a paragraph with citations omitted from the website TrueTorahJews.org: "Zionism was supported by the German SS and Gestapo. Hitler himself personally supported Zionism. During the 1930's, in cooperation with the German authorities, Zionist groups organized a network of some 40 camps throughout Germany where prospective settlers were trained for their new lives in Palestine. As late as 1942 Zionists operated at least one of these officially authorized 'Kibbutz' training camps over which flew the blue and white banner which would one day be adopted as the national flag of 'Israel'."

A version of the birth of Israel is offered by the former Lisa Halaby -- the California girl and Princeton grad who married the King of Jordan -- in her book Leap of Faith -- Memoirs of an Unexpected Life (Her Majesty Queen Noor, Miramax Books, 2003). She reports that Jews, Muslims, and Christians lived peacefully in the Middle East and in Palestine for centuries, and it was not until the rise of Zionism and the creation of Israel that animosities "took root." She cites a process that started with a 1917 declaration by British Foreign Minister Balfour. That process took a "giant step" in 1920 when the newly formed League of Nations created Britain's postwar "trusteeship" of Palestine, The British, she says, were in effect promising two contradictory goals for the territory: a homeland to the Jews and eventual independence for the Arabs. There was a steady influx of European Jews thereafter and that increased when the Nazis came to power in Germany and then proceeded to occupy much of Europe.

Halaby/Noor further reports that following the war, the UN General Assembly voted to partition Palestine into two states. 55% of the land went to the Jews -- even though they owned 6 percent of the land and represented only one-third of Palestine's population. Queen Noor quotes Mahatma Gandhi as saying at that time: "Palestine belongs to the Arabs in the same sense that England belongs to the English and France to the French. What is going on in Palestine today cannot be justified by any moral code of conduct."

Queen Noor also reports that Palestine experienced its own 9/11 at a place called Deir Yassin where a massacre of its inhabitants was carried out by the Stern gang, a Jewish terrorist group of several hundred members founded in 1940, and the Irgun, the military arm of the Revisionist Party, under the command of Menachem Begin, a future Prime Minister of Israel. She further states: "Though the leaders of Deir Yassin had made a peace pact with neighboring Jewish villages, Israeli terrorist forces entered the village on the morning of April 9, 1948, and, after overcoming initial resistance, went house to house, shooting the people inside at close range, then blowing up some of the houses. No one knows the exact number of Palestinians who died that day. The gangs said they killed hundreds."

She reports further: "Were it not for the testimony of eyewitnesses, the report of a member of the International Red Cross, and a few brave Jewish scholars who pressed for access to primary sources in Israeli archives, the scope of the tragedy might never have been known. Some key documents are still 'classified' by the Israeli government, including photographs of the aftermath of the attack. Some Zionists even go so far as to deny the massacre ever happened."

Queen Noor adds that, following Dier Yassin, atrocities were committed by both sides in the countdown to the British withdrawal. She says further that "It was clear that David Ben-Gurion and other Zionist leaders had no intention of allowing the Palestinians to be part of the Jewish state. Jewish military forces had been steadily and systematically depopulating Arab villages for months, driving out the inhabitants and then bulldozing their houses to the ground....When I was growing up in the United States, the prevailing view of the 1948 Arab-Israeli war was the Israel was forced to defend itself against hordes of bloodthirsty Arabs pouring across its borders. But now that I was living in Jordan, I was discovering that the Arab view was quite the opposite: Israel had been on the offensive, demonstrated by the fact that most of the fighting was not within the territory

partitioned to Israel but in the territory partitioned to the Palestinians. She observes further in her book that by the end of the 1948 Israel had captured 78 percent of the land assigned to the Arab state, thereby gaining nearly one-third more of the territory than the UN had originally granted in UN General Assembly Resolution 181. And she reports further that Israel then ignored UN Resolution 194, passed in December 1948 and reaffirmed many times since, acknowledging the rights of the Palestinians to receive compensation for properties seized and the right of return to their homes.

One matter that was not mentioned by Queen Noor was the secret agreement between the Zionists and Jordan's King Abdullah reported at page 30 of The Iron Wall by Avi Shliam (W. W. Norton and Company, New York and London, 2000 and 2001): "On 17 November 1947, twelve days before the UN met to decide the fate of Palestine, Golda Meir, representing the Jewish Agency in Sharett's absence, secretly met with King Abdullah in Naharayuim, on the river Jordan, and reached a broad understanding with him. Abdullah began by outlining his plan to preempt the mufti, to capture the Arab part of Palestine, and to attach it to his kingdom, and he asked about the Jewish response to this plan. Mrs. Meir replied that the Jews would view such an attempt in a favourable light, especially if Abdullah did not interfere with the establishment of a Jewish state, avoided a military confrontation, and appeared to go along with the United Nations. She did not promise Abdullah any active Jewish support in his bid to annex the Arab part of Palestine adjacent to his kingdom. Rather, the understanding was that he would take it himself, the Jews would set up their own state, and, after the dust had settled, the two parties would make peace. This meeting did not commit either side formally to a particular course of action, certainly not in advance of the UN decision. But it did result in a meeting of minds and laid the foundations for a partition of Palestine along lines radically different from the one eventually envisioned by the United Nations."

In his book FDR Meets Ibn Saud, (Friends of the Middle East: New York, 1954) William A. Eddy, U. S. Minister to Saudia Arabia, recalled a November 1945 White House meeting between President Harry Truman, Minister Eddy, and three other Chiefs of Mission to Arab countries. These ministers complained that the countries that were hosting them were upset with the rise of Zionism and U. S. support for it. Truman concluded the meeting by saying, "I'm sorry, gentlemen, but I have to answer to hundreds of thousands who are anxious for the success of Zionism; I do not have hundreds of thousands of Arabs among my constituents."

Wikipedia reports that there was a UN General Assembly vote on partition of Palestine (resolution 181) held on November 29, 1947. A two-thirds majority was needed to pass and with some vote switches, it was obtained.

President Truman is quoted by Wikipedia as saying: "I do not think I ever had as much pressure and propaganda aimed at the White House as I had in this instance. The persistence of a few of the extreme Zionist leaders -- actuated by political motives and engaging in political threats -- disturbed and annoyed me." (The pressure included a personal visit from Truman's former business partner and a letter from Truman's mother, as reported In Harry S. Truman by daughter Margaret.) The Wikipedia account states further that "Indian Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru spoke with anger and contempt for the way the UN vote had been lined up. He said the Zionists had tried to bribe India with millions and at the same time his sister, Vijayalalshmi Pandit, had received daily warnings that her life was in danger unless 'she voted right'. Three countries--Haiti, Liberia, the Philippines -- were persuaded to change their positions, which enabled the required majority to be reached. Liberia's Ambassador to the United States complained that the US delegation threatened aid cuts to several countries."

UN resolution 181 legitimized two states, but sixty-four years later there's still no Palestinian state. Moreover, Israel has yet to adopt a constitution that protects the civil rights of the Palestinians within its borders. Over the years there have been any number of UN General Assembly resolutions that attempted to apply pressure, and usually these resolutions pass with the votes of nations representing a large portion of the world's 7 billion inhabitants. These resolutions are consistently voted against by six or seven nations (Israel and the US being two of these with the US being the only country with a population over 25 million.) Since UN General Assembly votes carry no sanction while its Security Council votes do, perennial US vetoes of anti-Zionist resolutions emasculates the United Nations and renders it incapable of carrying out the purposes laid out in its charter.

Israel is a legitimate state only so long as it is in compliance with UN resolution 181 which created it. Barring prior resolution of all matters to the satisfaction of the United Nations, United States diplomatic recognition of and aid to the state of Israel will cease on the first day of my administration. I will direct my ambassador to the United Nations to work through the Security Council to ensure that the United Nations takes whatever action is required reach compliance with UN resolution 181 of 1947 and the adoption of an Israeli constitution that guarantees the civil rights of Palestinians. In addition, I will seek repeal of 36 US Code sec. 2301 that begins: "The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum is an independent establishment of the United States Government..." as well as associated legislation that provides for payment out of the public treasury of museum employees, officers, and directors. The way the museum is set up and its placement on federal land makes our government a communicator of Zionist propaganda, which is not just inappropriate—it's downright wrong.

In his book, Eisenhower and the Cold War, (Oxford University Press, 1981) Robert A. Divine reports on the 1956 Suez War. When Egypt's President Nasser took control of the Suez Canal, the British and and French didn't like it. Their representatives met with Israeli Prime Minister Ben-Gurion where a plot was hatched whereby Israel would be the first to attack Egypt. The French and the British, pretending great surprise, would then invade Egypt on the pretext of having to "save" the canal from destruction by the warring parties. And that's just what

they did.

The Soviets were livid and threatened World War III. President Eisenhower was himself furious, but was able to mollify the Russians and worked through the United Nations to force the British and French to abandon their attempt to seize the canal and withdraw from all conquered territory. When Israel dragged its feet on withdrawing from two key pieces of real estate (Gaza and Sharm el-Sheikh) alleging that they harbored terrorists, Eisenhower threatened Israel with reduction of U. S. aid, termination of private U. S. aid to Israel and U. N. economic sanctions. At that point the Israel lobby went to work on Congress...and all hell broke loose. Although the House of Representatives was supportive (Speaker Sam Rayburn said: "America has either one voice or none, and that voice is the voice of the President -- whether everybody agrees with him or not."), the Senate refused to go along.

The President was forced to go over the Senate's head with a nationwide radio and television address. Only then did the Senate back down and Israel agree to withdraw. But the Israeli withdrawal was made under several conditions that clearly rewarded its aggression. Chief among them was that the retreating Israeli army would be replaced in Gaza with a United Nations police force, as indeed it was.

Distinguished professors John J. Mearsheimer of the University of Chicago and Stephen M. Walt of Harvard's Kennedy School of Government have written a thoroughly researched and footnoted academic work titled The Israel Lobby and U. S. Foreign Policy (Farrar, Straus and Giroux, New York, 2007.) I'll quote from the dust jacket : "They describe the remarkable level of material and diplomatic support that the United States provides to Israel and argue that this support cannot be fully explained on either strategic or moral grounds. This exceptional relationship is due largely to the political influence of a loose coalition of individuals and organizations that actively works to steer U. S. foreign policy in a pro-Israel direction. Mearsheimer and Walt provocatively contend that the lobby has a far-reaching impact on America's posture throughout the Middle East...and that the policies it has encouraged are profoundly damaging to both America's national interests and Israel's long-term security. The lobby's influence also affects America's relationship with important allies and increases the dangers that all states face from global jihadist terror."

The book lives up to that billing. Additionally, I believe anyone reading this book would reach this conclusion: no president of the United States has ever successfully stood up to the Israel Lobby. I intend to be the first to do so. Wish me luck. I'm going to need it.

The following quote from George P. Schultz, Reagan's secretary of state, appearing on page 46 of the Mearsheimer book and on page 112 of Shultz's Turmoil and Triumph: My Years as Secretary of State (New York: Scribner, 1993) is illustrative:

"In early December (1982)...I got word that a supplement was moving through the lame-duck session of Congress to provide a \$250 million increase in the amount of U. S. military assistance granted to Israel: this in the face of Israel's invasion of Lebanon, its use of cluster bombs, and its complicity in the Sabra and Shatila massacres! We fought the supplement and fought it hard. President Reagan and I weighed in personally, making numerous calls to senators and congressmen. On December 9, I added a formal letter of opposition saying that the supplement appeared 'to endorse and reward Israel's policies.' Foreign Minister Shamir called President Reagan's opposition 'an unfriendly act' and said that 'it endangers the peace process.' The supplement sailed right by us and was approved by Congress as though President Reagan and I had not even been there. I was astonished and disheartened. This brought home to me vividly Israel's leverage in our Congress."

On page 35 and 36 of the Mearsheimer book there is reported the sorry tale of how Presidents Kennedy and Johnson made a show of "inspecting" to prevent Israel's development of atomic bombs and how, when President Johnson was told by CIA head Helms that they in fact had those weapons, that Johnson told him to hide the evidence! (Excuse me, but did not the United States in the not too distant past attack a thoroughly inspected regional rival of Israel's in order to destroy that rival's non-existent weapons of mass destruction?)

Here is a quote from page 218-219 of the Mearsheimer and Walt book where they talk about George W. Bush's efforts to have negotiated peace between Israel and the Palestinians which was called his "Road Map" to peace:

"During the entire period, the Israelis continued building settlements in the West Bank, despite American protests and despite the fact the the Road Map explicitly calls upon Israel to 'freeze all settlement activity (including natural growth of settlements).' They also continued assassinating Palestinian leaders, sometimes at the most unhelpful moments -- at least from a U. S. perspective. For example, the Israeli Defense Force scuttled a proposed Palestinian cease-fire on July 22, 2002, when it killed Sheik Salah Shehada, a prominent Hamas leader, and fourteen others (including nine children). The White House denounced the attack as "heavy handed" but did not force Israel to end its targeted assassinations policy. As noted previously, the IDF undermined another emerging cease fire in June 2003, when it tried but failed to kill Rantisi, another Hamas leader.

On March 22, 2004, Israel assassinated Hamas leader Sheik Ahmet Yassin with American-made Hellfire missiles. This move was generally perceived as a serious blow to America's position in the Middle East, not only because

U. S. weapons were used but also because many in the Arab world believed that the Bush administration had given Israel the green light to kill a paraplegic in a wheelchair....Less than a month later, on April 17, 2004, the IDF finally killed Rantisi."

Further quoting from page 219 of The Israel Lobby under the heading "Arafat Dies and Nothing Changes" comes this paragraph :

"By refusing to negotiate with Abbas and making it impossible for him to deliver tangible benefits to the Palestinian people, Sharon contributed directly to Hamas's electoral victory in January 2006. The Ha'aretz columnist Bradley Burston wrote just before the election, 'If it appears to you...that Israel is Hamas' campaign manager in next week's elections for the Palestinian parliament, few would argue--especially in Hamas.' With Hamas in power, Israel had another reason not to negotiate and the Bush administration was even less likely to push them to talk with the Palestinians."

Here are a number of other quotes from The Israel Lobby.

On page 102: "As former Prime Minister Barak once admitted, had he been born a Palestinian, he "would have joined a terrorist organization." On page 91: ""...Israel's democratic status is undermined by its refusal to grant the Palestinians a viable state of their own and by its continued imposition of a legal, administrative, and military regime in the Occupied Territories that denies them basic human rights. Israel at present controls the lives of about 3.8 million Palestinians in Gaza and the West Bank, while colonizing lands on which they have long dwelt."

Also from page 91: "Indeed, the Israeli organization Peace Now recently released a study based on Israeli government records, which shows that more than 32 percent of the land that Israel holds for the purpose of building settlements is privately owned by Palestinians. Israel intends to keep almost all of this land forever. This seizure of Palestinian property violates not only Israel law but also a fundamental principle of democracy: the protection of private property."

From p. 88: "Israel refuses to adopt anti-discrimination laws as part of what it call its "Basic Law." ..."There is widespread support among Israeli Jews for the unequal treatment of Israel Arabs. A poli released in March 2007 found that 55 percent of Israeli Jews wanted segregated entertainment facilities, while more than 75 percent said they would not live in the same building as an Israeli Arab. More than half of the respondents said that for a Jewish woman to marry and Arab is equal to national treason, and 50 percent said that they would refuse employment if their immediate supervisor was an Arab."

From page 96: "Prime Minister Golda Meir, for example, famously remarked that 'there was no such thing as a Palestinian."

From page 87: "There are now about 5.3 million Jews and 1.36 million Arabs living in Israel, including the disputed area of East Jerusalem. There are another 3.8 Palestinians in Gaza and the West Bank, which means that there are only about 140,000 more Jews than Palestinians living in what used to be called Mandate Palestine..."

From page 99: "In 1967 it expelled between 100,000 and 260,00 Palestinians from the newly conquered West Bank and drove 80,000 Syrians from the Golan Heights."

From page 89: "In early 2007, Benjamin Netanyahu apologized to ultra-Orthodox Israelis with large families for the hardships that were caused by welfare cuts that he had made in 2002 when he was finance minister. He noted, however, that there was at least one important and unexpected benefit of these cuts: 'there was a dramatic drop in the birth rate' within the 'non-Jewish public.'"

From page 89: "Menachem Begin once said the 'Palestinians are beasts walking on two legs,"..."Such discriminatory view are not restricted to Israeli leaders. In a recent survey of Jewish high school students in Israel, 75 percent of the respondents said that Arabs are 'uneducated.' The same percentage said that they are 'uncivilized,' while 74 percent of those polled said that Arabs are 'unclean."

From page 100: "The Swedish branch of the Save the Children organization released a report in May 1990 that 23,600 to 29,900 children required medical treatment for their beating injuries in the first two years of the first Palestinian uprising."

From p. 38: "When President Gerald Ford and Secretary of State Henry Kissinger grew impatient with Israeli intransigence during the disengagement negotiations with Egypt in 1975, a threat to curtail aid and conduct a far-reaching reassessment of U. S. policy was derailed when 76 senators signed a letter sponsored by the American Israel Public Affairs Committee demanding Ford remain "responsive" to Israels' economic and military needs. With their ability to reduce U. S. aid effectively blocked, Ford and Kissinger had little choice but to resume "step-by-step" diplomacy and try to gain Israeli concessions by offering additional inducements."

No reader interested in this matter should fail to google "Zionism" and check out the website "True Torah Jews Against Zionism" already quoted in this section. Their articles delineate the evils of Zionism much more

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thoroughly and eloquently than I can. On that website is this appeal: "Bold Jewry is looking for brave statesmen and open-minded journalists who could help to defend us from our tragic enemies, camouflaged as our spokesmen, our defenders and friends: the Zionist so-called 'state of Israel' and their sympathizers abroad." I offer myself as such a statesman. Should I suffer the same fate as U. N. mediator Bernadotte--dead in a pool of blood, his assailants unpunished and rewarded with high political office -- so be it.

Don't get me wrong. I want to live to a ripe old age as much as anyone. But when I remember my friend Jimmy Davis -- who served in Vietnam, came home in one piece, thought he'd survived it, only to die a horrible death from exposure to Agent Orange -- I feel it's worth the risk. So many died in Vietnam, but we all gained some solace in the belief that at least by their sacrifice our country had learned its lesson and would never again get sucked into another quagmire half way around the world.

Yet here we've gone and done it again -- and again. These military actions have been deemed necessary, according to George W. Bush, because we must crush those who "hate our freedoms." I believe we've created enemies who hate our policies. President Obama's assertion at West Point that "Our security is at stake in Afghanistan" just makes me ill.

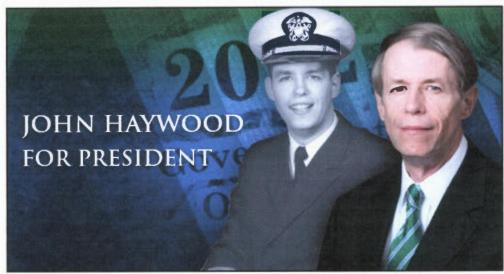
We are faced with two choices: 1. maintain our support for an evil force called Zionism and face endless war 2. change our policy and allow the United Nations to function as it is supposed to function to end wars and threats of wars. I, obviously, support that second option.

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WAR

Ten years and counting of warfare in Afghanistan is enough. My first official act as president will be to order removal of all United States forces from that country. My second will be to order home any remaining United States forces in Iraq. Robotic U. S. military and CIA drones that now patrol over at least six countries and fire missiles to carry out targeted assassinations (213 attacks in Pakistan alone under the current administration) will cease. NATO will resume its role as a defensive alliance. Untried Guantanamo inmates imprisoned for over ten years will be released, and those held for a lesser time will either be tried in the first six months of my administration or let go.

The war on terrorism will continue to be fought at the airports and other transportation centers. But that war will only be successfully concluded when its root cause has been eliminated and peace attained

PEACE

We won the cold war. Why can't we win the peace? Because as long as the Palestinian people in the occupied territories remain oppressed and persecuted, and as long as the Palestinian people within Israel have their rights abridged and remain without permanent constitutional protections, that peace will elude us.

There are a number of parallels between America's days of slavery and the present age of Palestinian captivity: 1. The gag rules adopted by both houses of Congress to halt an avalanche of antislavery petitions...and today's crescendo of pro-Israel messages that keep another side from being heard. 2. The four million slaves...and the four million Palestinians in the Occupied Territories. 3. The Fugitive Slave Act to force return of escaped slaves...and a long list of U. S. laws that have rewarded and encouraged Israeli actions harmful to Palestinians and others. 4. John Brown's raid of October 1859 when 19 men captured 100,000 muskets to arm the slaves, followed by war 18 months later...and the nineteen men who carried out the 9/11 horrors that brought us two wars in rapid succession.

The United States has been instrumental in the creation, nurture, arming, and protection of Zionism. Be it Aryan racism or Jewish racism, oppressors wearing swastikas or oppressors wearing stars, it's all the same thing: one group exercising superiority over and suppression of another. President Truman's fears told to Eleanor Roosevelt were well founded, and action by the United Nations Security Council is essential if we are ever to attain a peace that is true and lasting.

WHO I AM...

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