

UBI Or The Workhouse?

(This is a transcript of my narration only).

Hello,

In October 2014, I released a half hour video called THE CASE FOR BASIC INCOME (linked below). If you like, you can call this a supplement to it. I'm going to show you three clips from a video produced by a YouTuber who goes by the name Rising Crime News. This is an excellent channel, but although I agree with her proposition that the United States has gone insane, at least as far as the so-called progressives who are running many of its major cities, I am not interested here in bail reform and the like, but in focusing on a bigger problem. That problem is the delusion of full employment with particular reference to finding productive work for those at the bottom of the food chain.

Let's start with this woman.

That's right, over a hundred arrests. Just because a woman is arrested once or even several times doesn't mean she's done anything wrong, certainly not in Britain where the scum who run our criminal justice system have a propensity for arresting and even convicting people for imaginary crimes, but this woman is clearly a professional thief, in particular a shoplifter. In the UK, women are dealt with extraordinarily leniently by the courts, but this woman would have served several sentences by now. Okay, she is a serial thief, but what else could she do? I know what you're thinking, but I doubt there are that many desperate men in New York.

Here is number 2.

This is a more sinister character, partly because men are generally more dangerous than women, physically, and also because he has a long rap sheet for burglary. We are not told what type of burglaries he committed, but although residential burglaries are more serious, there is always a possibility of violence when someone enters any premises unlawfully, there could be someone working or even sleeping there, then there are security officers, maintenance workers, etc. But what could this guy do to earn an honest living? What could he ever have done after he picked up his first few convictions?

Here is number 3.

As you can see, this is a much younger guy, but did you hear his arrest record? Even worse, he is a junkie. What sort of productive work could he ever do? Who would employ him? Certainly no one in the private sector.

Our ancestors came up with a solution for people like this, more than one solution actually. Thieves would be locked up in a filthy dungeon. At one point they were transported to the colonies; Australia was notorious for this. Under what became known as the Bloody Code, people could be executed for what today we would regard as trivial thefts. That was England, but other countries also dealt harshly with offenders.

What though of those who were simply poor, unable to provide for themselves? The photograph you have been looking at for the past minute or so is of a workhouse, this one was in Lurgan, Northern Ireland.

If you are not familiar with them, you can read up on workhouses and the poor laws at your leisure, but here I want to point out that Universal Basic Income is the only decent solution for taking the lowlife out of the gutter today. A lot of people are opposed to it, sadly; most of those who are, consider themselves to be right wing. You'll hear all sorts of flim-flam spouted by these people; to a man and woman they have soft well-paid sinecures, that's if they have to work at all.

But, and this is a big but, the rise of automation and the new robot technologies that are now being developed will soon put a lot more people out of work, and that is a good thing. If all or almost all dirty and dangerous jobs can be done by machines, we should all be thankful. There will be more jobs for technicians, and for those working in the leisure industry, but personally I would be happy with a five hour week rather than a five day one.

Our masters, especially our unelected masters, don't like the sound of this at all, and they go out of their way to find work for people at the bottom of the food chain, and to keep them there. Don't get me talking about the benefit system and the means-testing and everything else that goes with it.

What is needed is to scrap the means-tested benefit system totally, just get rid of it. People like the three discussed here and a lot more besides should be paid a basic income on condition they stay out of trouble. Any theft or criminal act at all, back behind bars, pronto. But what about those people in work, I hear you say? Watch my first video on this subject, and if you still haven't got the message, basic income is universal, it should be paid to everyone, including billionaires, although people could be permitted to opt out on an annual or quarterly basis.

UBI would mean everyone would have to have a state bank account, but an ordinary one, none of this programmable digital currency garbage we hear so much about nowadays. Indeed, we have to stop the war on cash. Basic income is just that, basic, a supplement, something that will improve everyone's lives. And don't say we can't

afford it or it will cause inflation. We can always afford a war, there is a war waging in Europe of all places as I write these words. UBI will permit the Government to make massive cuts to bureaucracy, but there is one big caveat, it cannot work with open borders. At some point it can and should be extended to the entire world, but as things stand it could work very effectively in North America, the British Isles, most of Western Europe, Australia, New Zealand, Saudi Arabia, South Korea, Japan, and a few other highly advanced countries.

Anyway, that is my solution to the problem of the underclass, lift them out of the gutter by taking the boot off their necks. That is really the only thing that is keeping them there in the age of the silicon chip.

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