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YankeePhilip Is going to be buried in HTML hell

This novice screwed up.

I played where I shouldn't have and messed up the code.

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. And here is the rest of it.

<http://yankeephilip.blogspot.com/2009/05/yankeephilip-is-going-to-be-buried-in.html>

Bob McDonnell's latest ad

This is two days old, so many might have seen it

. And here is the rest of it.

<http://yankeephilip.blogspot.com/2009/05/bob-mcdonnells-latest-ad.html>

WHEN WILL THESE IDIOTS READ THE BILLS BEFORE THEY SIGN IT???????????

.Other examples of Not Reading beneath the fold

<http://yankeephilip.blogspot.com/2009/03/read-it-first-on-healthcare-bill.html>

<http://yankeephilip.blogspot.com/2009/02/read-bill.html>.

<http://yankeephilip.blogspot.com/2009/05/when-will-these-idiots-read-bills.html>

Liz Cheney Battles Again

[Listen](#) to Liz Cheney battle Larry O'Donnell.

And here is the rest of it.

<http://yankeephilip.blogspot.com/2009/05/liz-cheney-battles-again.html>

What the heck is "Guyliner"? Interview with Kis of American Idol

. And here is the rest of it.

<http://yankeephilip.blogspot.com/2009/05/what-heck-is-guyliner-interview-with.html>

Newsbusted

.Nothing Beneath the fold And here is the rest of it.

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I just switched to Mozilla

Sorry Mr.Gates, but you better get your act together. You might get knocked out of the top 10 richest, if people start losing confidence in Microsoft. And here is the rest of it.

<http://yankeephilip.blogspot.com/2009/05/i-just-switched-to-mozilla.html>

DELETED THIS WEEK Saturday thru Wednesday

I am guessing that I had some bad code on my blog. If anyone is looking for posts for this week prior to today, I deleted them. I don't know if that will work,but I am hoping. I am not a computer expert. . And here is the rest of it.

<http://yankeephilip.blogspot.com/2009/05/deleted-this-week-saturday-thru.html>

Malkin gets an AMAZING Hat Trick

Pittsburgh over Carolina 7-4,Lead series 2-0.

Satan and Letang score 2 TKO's

Evgeni Malkin scored 3 goals in the defeat of the Carolina Hurricanes His 3rd goal was amazing. He dug the puck out from the boardson the left side of the net. Skated to the right side. He then pivoted and shot the puck behind him and up into the net. The defenseman never thought he could or would shoot from that angle.Hats rained down from the rafters.

Letang and Satan got involved in some fisticuffs in the final minutes. A carolina player came in hard,high, and late. It ended up with two fights. Both Hurricanes ended up losing.Nothing beneath the fold. And here is the rest of it.

<http://yankeephilip.blogspot.com/2009/05/malkin-gets-amazing-hat-trick.html>

Well he doesn't say BEER TAX

Obama will veto this one, right??

According to the [NY Post](#), Under a new Senate proposal, Congress would **raise the federal excise tax on beer by 145 percent to more than \$3 a case.**

Uncle Sam also would snatch **an additional \$7 on a case of wine -- a staggering increase of 233 percent and an additional 20 percent on hard liquor sales.**

"Buzz-kill doesn't even begin to describe this invasion," said a GOP congressional aide.

Not content just sticking it to alcohol drinkers, the lawmakers also proposed slapping new taxes on soda.

Well he doesn't say BEER TAX

.And here is the rest of it.

<http://yankeephilip.blogspot.com/2009/05/well-he-doesnt-say-beer-tax.html>

COMING TO A PRISON NEAR YOU ! ! ! !

[AP reports](#).....

President Barack Obama forcefully defended his plans to close the Guantanamo detention camp Thursday and said some of **the terror suspects held there would be brought to top-security prisons in the United States** despite fierce opposition in Congress.

He spoke one day after the Senate voted resoundingly to deny him money to close the prison, (if I don't get my way, I am taking my ball and going home) and he decried "fear-mongering" that he said had led to such opposition. (Yeah, there is NO NEED to fear terrorists trying to free their comrades)

He insisted the transfer would not endanger Americans and promised to work with lawmakers to develop a system for holding detainees who can't be tried and can't be turned loose from the Navy-run prison in Cuba. And here is the rest of it.

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Anyone having a problem opening this blog?

I seem to be having a problem. I get a note now and then that says "Internet Explorer cannot open Yankeephilip.blogspot.com..." Any ideas? . And here is the rest of it.

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The [pretty 1/2](#) of Spark it Up writes.....

"How Would You Fix the Economy?"

The Business Section asked readers for ideas on "How Would You Fix the Economy?"

I think this guy nailed it!

Dear Mr. President: Please find below my suggestion for fixing America's economy. Instead of giving billions of dollars to companies that will squander the money on lavish parties and unearned bonuses, use the following plan.

You can call it the Patriotic Retirement Plan: There are about 40 million people over 50 in the work force.

Pay them \$1 million apiece severance for early retirement with the following stipulations:

- 1) They **MUST** retire. Forty million job openings - **Unemployment fixed.**
- 2) They **MUST** buy a new American CAR. Forty million cars ordered - **Auto Industry fixed.**
- 3) They **MUST** either buy a house or pay off their mortgage - **Housing Crisis fixed.**

It can't get any easier than that!

If more money is needed, have all members of Congress and their constituents pay their taxes...

Very good piece, funny, but obviously not serious. Lets do the math

40,000,000 people

x1,000,000 dollars

40,000,000,000,000 dollars.

That's a little more expensive than Stimulus.

I don't think our credit # is good enough for that loan.

And do we want to get a greater national debt?

But how about instead ,we free up a lot of cash?

Let's make Pensions, Social Security, savings interest, etc, tax free?

Lower the capital gains tax to 10-15%

Eliminate penalties from tapping IRA's,401K's, 457H's,etc.

I have a bunch. I would have paid off mortgage, so instead of losing a ton in the market, I would have saved paying interest for long time. Others would buy that car. Others would buy that RV and start retirement early and open up those jobs. It might not be \$1,000,000 each, but it is a lot of money that would flood the market place.

And yes I know there are drawbacks.

"Who will support these people after they blow their savings?"

"How will we fund this program and that program?"

yadda,yadda,yadda.

Feel free to tell me why I am wrong.

Nothing beneath the fold.

. And here is the rest of it.

<http://yankeephilip.blogspot.com/2009/05/pretty-12-of-spark-it-up-writes.html>

No disclosure on utility bills, but new labels for potato chips?

Common sense, Democrat style

For the past two days, the Energy and Commerce Committee has been marking up the Waxman-Markey ?Cap-and-Trade? bill. It will impose a huge, new cost on all energy (estimated at \$4,300 per family each year) and destroy millions of American jobs.

Last night, Republicans put forward a straightforward amendment to require that utility bills indicate the increased cost of electricity that will result from this legislation. The Democrat majority on the Committee rejected this commonsense measure. That?s right: they actually voted against disclosing these costs to consumers on their utility bills!

Today, in another partisan vote, the Democrats have added an amendment to essentially require every new and existing home sold in America to be inspected and labeled as to its energy efficiency.

In addition, on a party-line vote, the Majority has included a mandated study on requiring all products sold in the United States, down to potato chips, to be labeled as to their CO2 ?content,? showing how much CO2 is emitted in the manufacturing of each product.

Reprinted from [Redstate](#) And here is the rest of it.

<http://yankeephilip.blogspot.com/2009/05/no-disclosure-on-utility-bills-but-new.html>

NYT: OBAMA IS GOOD FOR THE BOTTOM LINE

No Wonder they bow to Obama, like he bows to Saudi royalty

. And here is the rest of it.

<http://yankeephilip.blogspot.com/2009/05/nyt-obama-is-good-for-bottom-line.html>

WOOOOHOOOO MANDATORY PAID VACATION

Rep. Alan Grayson was standing in the middle of [Disney World](#) when it hit him: **What Americans really need is a week of paid vacation.**

So on Thursday, the Florida Democrat will introduce the Paid Vacation Act ? legislation that would be the first to **make paid vacation time a requirement** under federal law.

According to the Center for Economic and Policy Research, 28 million Americans ? or about a quarter of the work force ? don?t get any paid vacation. The center says that a lack of vacation causes stress and workplace burnout and that those evil twins cost the economy more than \$300 billion each year. See the story [here](#)

The idea is that more vacation time = less sick time. And Happier,more productive workers.

YEA RIGHT CONGRESSMAN, We need a federal law for that. We need Washington to really really micromanage companies. Because we know they are soooooo good at it. The Social security system is a model for the world. So is Walter Reed. We need the federal government running everything.

Those idiot bosses of companies never ever weighed the pros and cons of their employment strategy. The workers who said Yes to working with no paid vacation need to be protected from themselves. The Congressman must live in Disneyworld

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<http://yankeephilip.blogspot.com/2009/05/wooooohoooo-mandatory-paid-vacation.html>

Delegates say no to Federal Strings.

Local legislators renewed their opposition Wednesday to a potentially permanent expansion of unemployment benefits that could net the state \$125 million in federal stimulus funds.

Del. Chris Saxman said if there were no federal strings attached, he would have supported the plan. However, he said in the long-run it would hurt small businesses that could be faced with the burden of higher fees. Additionally, he said the move could discourage businesses from hiring part-time employees that would cost more if they were let go.

"Employees are not going to hire those part-time employees, and they will say 'we'll do it some other way,'" Saxman said. "(They'll say) we don't want to incur that risk."

Saxman also called on the chamber to either support or oppose the unemployment benefit plan in order to give legislators a better understanding of what the will of local businesses is on the subject.

See the full Newsleader story [here](#)

Nothing Beneath the fold

. And here is the rest of it.

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Earthquake in Roanoke.

NOOOOO, I am serious.

The [Roanoke Times](#) reports.....

The earthquake that hit the Roanoke Valley early this morning was a magnitude 3.0, the U.S. Geological Survey is now reporting, and the epicenter was 3 miles from Roanoke. Immediately after the quake, which was recorded at 4:08 a.m., the USGS originally said that it had registered at 2.6 on the Richter scale and that the epicenter was about 4 miles west-southwest of Roanoke, near the Cave Spring area. Later, the USGS reported that the quake was a 2.8.

See related post over at [Cavalcade](#)

. On February 21, 1774, a strong earthquake was felt over much of Virginia and southward into North Carolina. Many houses were moved considerably off their foundations at Petersburg and Blandford (intensity MM VII). The shock was described as "severe" at Richmond and "small" at Fredericksburg. However, it "terrified the inhabitants greatly." The total felt area covered about 150,000 square kilometers.

The three great earthquakes near [New Madrid, Missouri, in 1811 - 1812](#) (December 11, January 23, and February 7) were felt strongly in Virginia. Reports from Norfolk and Richmond newspapers describe the effects in detail.

An earthquake, apparently centered in southwestern Virginia, on March 9, 1828, was reported felt over an area of about 565,000 square kilometers, from Pennsylvania to South Carolina and the Atlantic Coastal Plain to Ohio. Very few accounts of the shock were available from places in Virginia; it was reported that doors and windows rattled (MM V). President John Quincy Adams felt this tremor in Washington D.C., and provided a graphic account in his diary. He compared the sensation to the heaving of a ship at sea.

The August 27, 1833, earthquake covered a broad felt area from Norfolk to Lexington and from Baltimore, Maryland, to Raleigh, North Carolina - about 135,000 square kilometers. Two miners were killed in the panic the shock caused at Brown's Coal Pits, near Dover Mills, about 30 kilometers from Richmond. At Charlottesville, Fredericksburg, Lynchburg, and Norfolk, windows rattled violently, loose objects shook, and walls of buildings were visibly agitated (MM V).

Another moderately strong, widely felt shock occurred on April 29, 1852. At Buckingham and Wytheville, chimneys were damaged (MM VI). The felt area extended to Washington D.C., Baltimore, Maryland, and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and also included many points in North Carolina - approximately 420,000 square kilometers. This pattern was repeated on August 31, 1861. The epicenter was probably in extreme southwestern Virginia or western North Carolina. At Wilkesboro, North Carolina, bricks were shaken from chimneys (MM VI). The lack of Virginia reports may perhaps be ascribed to the fact that the Civil War was under way and there was rather heavy fighting in Virginia at the time. This shock affected about 775,000 square kilometers and was felt along the Atlantic coast from Washington, D.C., to Charleston, South Carolina, and westward to Cincinnati, Louisville, and Gallatin, Tennessee, and southwestward to Columbus, Georgia.

A series of shocks in quick succession disturbed the eastern two-thirds of Virginia and a portion of North Carolina on December 22, 1875. At Manakin, many chimneys were broken and shingles on one store were shaken off (MM VII). Damage to chimneys was reported from other places in Goochland and Powhatan Counties. At Richmond, the shock, which was accompanied by a rumbling noise, was severe and lasted from 20 to 30 seconds; plaster fell and several panes of window glass broke. There was general alarm in all parts of the city; many people ran out of their houses in fright. The total felt area was about 130,000 square kilometers.

The largest earthquake to originate in Virginia in historic times occurred on May 31, 1897. The epicenter was in Giles County, where on May 3, an earlier tremor at Pulaski, Radford, and Roanoke had caused damage (MM VI). Loud rumblings were heard in the epicentral region at various times between May 3 and 31. The shock on the latter date was felt from Georgia to Pennsylvania and from the Atlantic Coast westward to Indiana and Kentucky, an area covering about 725,000 square kilometers. It was especially strong at Pearisburg, where the walls of old brick houses were cracked and bricks were thrown from chimney tops. Springs were muddied and a few earth fissures appeared (MM VIII). Chimneys were shaken down at Bedford City, Houston, Pulaski, Radford, and Roanoke. Chimneys were also broken at Raleigh, North Carolina, Bristol and Knoxville, Tennessee, and Bluefield, West Virginia. Minor tremors continued in the epicentral region from time to time until June 6; other disturbances felt on June 28, September 3, and October 21 were probably aftershocks. On February 5, 1898, the residents of Pulaski reported additional chimney damage (MM VI).

People rushed into the streets at Pulsaki and East Radford.

An earthquake on February 11, 1907, caused minor damage at Arvonias, Ashby, and Buckingham. At Arvonias, many people became terrified and ran from their houses (MM VI); although no damage was reported from Columbia, many ran from their homes. The felt area was small, approximately 14,500 square kilometers.

Other shocks of lesser intensity occurred in the same area on August 23, 1908, and May 8, 1910.

The Shenandoah Valley region was strongly shaken by an earthquake on April 9, 1918. It was called the "most severe earthquake ever experienced" at Luray. Although little damage resulted, people in many places over the northern valley region were greatly alarmed and rushed from their houses (MM VI). Broken windows were reported at Washington, D.C. The tremor was noticed by President Wilson and his family at the White House; the President's secretary called a newspaper office to learn the cause of the terrifying noise. The felt area extended over 155,000 square kilometers, including parts of Maryland, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia.

Another shock on September 5, 1919, was felt in the same general region, although the total affected area was much smaller. It was strongest in the Blue Ridge Mountains south of Front Royal. At Arco, plaster fell and some chimneys were damaged (MM VI). Springs and streams were muddied in the epicentral area.

On December 26, 1929, a moderate shock at Charlottesville shook bricks from a few chimneys (MM VI). It was reported felt in various parts of Albemarle County. A number of newspaper accounts gave the date of this earthquake as December 25. Giles County was strongly shaken again on April 23, 1959. At Eggleston and Pembroke, several chimneys were damaged, plaster cracked, and pictures fell from walls (MM VI). A wide area (about 7,500 square kilometers) of southwestern Virginia felt the tremor; a few places in West Virginia also reported the shock. .

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2009 Stanley Cup Playoff Conference Finals

The Chicago BlackHawks and the Detroit Red Wings face off at 3 PM on Sunday.

The National Hockey League [announced the dates](#) for the 2009 Stanley Cup Playoff Conference Finals, which begin in the Western Conference on Sunday, May 17 when the [Detroit Red Wings](#) host the [Chicago Blackhawks](#). The Eastern Conference Final will match the [Pittsburgh Penguins](#) against the [Carolina Hurricanes](#) and will start on Monday, May 18. NBC and VERSUS will provide exclusive broadcast coverage of the Conference Finals. All games also will be carried on Sirius XM Radio. Start times and broadcast information will be announced when available. . And here is the rest of it.

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People's Republic of C'ville wants more of your money.

Money (That's What I Want)

[Charlottesville leaders](#) are frustrated with the lack of federal stimulus money arriving.

To date, the city has received about \$1 million in direct stimulus money, which is primarily intended for transit.

"We can use an infusion of these federal dollars to run with to create jobs or retain jobs, to rebuild our infrastructure, and the reality is that it's just not going to come as fast as a lot of us had thought," Charlottesville Mayor Dave Norris said. See the Flying Lizards beneath the fold

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Sometimes it is hard to make an arrest

The kick to the head delivered by an El Monte police officer to a car-chase suspect lying on the ground at the end of a televised high-speed pursuit was a legally justified "distraction blow," an attorney for the [police union](#) [said](#) today.

It is hard to imagine what it is like to arrest someone if all you see are the ones acted out on television or pieces of real arrests seen on Youtube or the local news.

I remember one particular arrest. It involved a man who was high on [PCP](#). When I first observed him, he was holding a knife to a woman's neck. I had a perfect view of them. I could have legally shot him. The only problem was glass in between.

He saw me and started to flee. I kicked a roof door open and chased down the stairs after him. Other officers followed. Other officers came in the building from below. When I caught him, he lunged toward me. I knocked the knife from his hand with a baton. We started wrestling and punching. More officers arrive. The perpetrator is feeling no pain. We eventually handcuff him. He is led down to Police car.

When we arrive outside, there is a crowd gathering. We take the perpetrator around to the rear passenger door. I am holding the perp. As we are turning from back of car to side, the perp attempts to kick my partner in a very sensitive area. Before the impact, I pushed the perp face first onto trunk of car. It made a large thump, and splattered blood from his nose.

Yells and screams came from the crowd. "Police brutality", "He threw him down for no reason", "He didn't do anything"

This was pre-cellphone days, pre video days. If there had been, I am sure that the face first thrust and splatter would be all over the news, and not one picture of the perps leg rising in a kick.

The yells quieted down, when the real victim was lead out of building. She was bruised and her clothes torn. The crowds attention turned to her. She lived in the building and everyone knew her. They asked what happened. "That mother..... tried to rape me on the roof."

We didn't hear a thing then about Police Brutality.

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Mallard Fillmore

Here is the beginning of my post. See more Mallard [here](#).

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Guest Editorial on Torture by Geoff Wilensky

I realize that you have moved on to other things, but I feel examples of torture will give further insight as to what true suffering is.

I have studied torture for decades and watched films of it as well as interviewing some who have been tortured, or have seen their families murdered and arrested on mass.

Even I, a dyed in the wool Anglophile was sickened by the scars from beatings and rubber bullets pock marking the body of my friend in the I.R.A. He loved green Life Savers and Guinness.

1. V. I Volgin....Russian Agronomist.....1939I was placed in Cell Number 47. His cell was 35 Meters in area. There were upwards of 50-60 men per cell. The only air came in dribble ts from the cracks in the floor. There was no place to sit nor lay down. Food came in a rusty basin and the stench of rotten groats and cabbage sickened one. It was so crowded that the dead had no room to collapse.

2. V. Shalumov. It took 20 to 30 days to turn a man into a wreck. Work was a 16 hour shift in a mine. There were no days off, systematic starvation and ragged clothes. They slept in a ripped tent in temperatures downwards of 60 below zero. Beatings were the norm and they never ceased.. By the end of the mining season all the prisoners had been killed.

3. The Burma-Siam Rail Way. Instructions to supervisors....."There are some forces who show compassion to workers who need rest. Why should we waste compassion upon a crafty enemy who has killed thousands of our comrades? They should be treated as Cantonese coolies are." (Quote Abridged) The unfortunates chosen to build the rail way were greeted with these words "You are the remnants of a decadent white race and fragments of a rabble army. This rail way will go through even if your bodies become used as sleepers." Brutalized Korean guards (Korea had been seized by Japan in 1910) ruled by the club, fist, and bayonet. Prisoners were placed in groups of 10 or 20, if one escaped the others were instantly shot. Please note the film "The Bridge over the River Kwai" is not accurate.

4. Wansee Conference.....1942. Reinhard {Hang Man} Heydrich. "The Jews in the course of the Final Solution be brought to the east...for use as labor. in big labor gangs, with separation of sexes, the Jews capable of work will be brought to these areas and put to work employed in road building, in which task undoubtedly a great part will fall through diminution" "The remnant that is finally able to survive all this-since this is undoubtedly the part with the strongest resistance -must be treated accordingly, since these people, representing a natural selection, are to be regarded as a germ cell of a new Jewish development" Essentially they were to be worked to death and the rest shot or gassed.

5. Concentration Camps were invented by the English during the Boer War. The purpose was meant to cut into the supply of rebel forces who were humiliating the army. During the Cold War, in America, that idea was morphed into Strategic Hamlets. See Vietnam and Central America. Further examples of extreme torture

1. The rape of Nanking by the Japanese in 1937.

2. The hideous regimes, including cannibalism, of Idi Amin in Uganda and General Jean Bedel Bakossa in the Central African Republic. He declared himself Emperor and the cost of his "Napoleonic" coronation was the G.N.P for an entire year.

3. Caligula, Nero, Ivan the Terrible,[he had a giant frying pan set up, for he was fascinated by the idea of cooking people. The army would force terrified citizens from their hovels to watch.], 4.Vlad the Impaler, it just never ends.....

Have a little compassion for McCain when he came out against torture. only one who experienced it can truly understand.

Many years ago an African friend of mine from Eritrea witnessed, as he hid, his entire family beaten, arrested, and murdered by the Ethiopian Army. He became a guerrilla fighter at the age of 13. His hands so covered in blood and his heart hollowed out.....he was unable to bear the sight of people.My friend Samson's eyes were blinded by tears and demonic memories. He was only able to sleep or eat if he smoked marijuana to drown out the pain. I still do not know why he chose to tell it all to me.

There is a fine line between proper interrogation and torture. It s all in the mind. Some Americans get so hysterical from propaganda that they feel they are living in a Stalinist mode of operation...."Arrest...Try...Shoot".

Politicians and the media are again corrupting words for petty careerist and ideological ends. in conclusion...a member of the Japanese Secret Service Organ in Manchuria gave this definition of torture during the mid 30's. "When you fish...do you feel compassion for fish? Prisoners are like fish." This was told to an expatriate Blackshirt [Italy] whose family was kidnapped and he was forced into intelligence work. What he witnessed

was so sickening he fled Manchuria. His family, unbeknownst to him, had been murdered.. And here is the rest of it.

<http://yankeephilip.blogspot.com/2009/05/guest-editorial-on-torture-by-geoff.html>

"How Ahmadinejad Made Me A Believer"

Roger L. Simon explains "How Ahmadinejad Made Me A Believer" - reaction to the Durban Conference - first in a series

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Zonation

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