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The Democratic Party as led by Joe Biden, Kamala Harris, Nancy Pelosi, and the Squad is no longer the party of the working American. Build Back Better's generous (\$80,000) deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) is a giveaway to people with extremely high incomes in high cost and high tax Blue states like NY and CA. This and similar agendas underscore the need for a new kind of Republican candidate; one who basis his positions on the impartial, nonpartisan, and inviolable laws of science, economics, and human behavior as opposed to political ideologies.

These laws are what Rudyard Kipling called the Gods of the Copybook Headings, and Henry Ford called the Constitution of the Universe.<sup>2</sup> They do not have Rs or Ds after their names; they are what they are. They say we cannot legislate affluence but they also say we can create it, as proven by Henry Ford during the first part of the twentieth century.



Rudyard  
Kipling, 1895  
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due to age)

As I pass through my incarnations in every age and race,  
I make my proper prostrations to the Gods of the Market Place.  
Peering through reverent fingers I watch them flourish and fall,  
And the Gods of the Copybook Headings, I notice, outlast them all.

We were living in trees when they met us. They showed us each in turn  
That Water would certainly wet us, as Fire would certainly burn:  
But we found them lacking in Uplift, Vision and Breadth of Mind,  
So we left them to teach the Gorillas while we followed the March of Mankind.

With the Hopes that our World is built on they were utterly out of touch,  
They denied that the Moon was Stilton; they denied she was even Dutch;  
They denied that Wishes were Horses; they denied that a Pig had Wings;  
So we worshipped the Gods of the Market Who promised these beautiful things.<sup>3</sup>

In the Carboniferous Epoch we were promised abundance for all,  
By robbing selected Peter to pay for collective Paul;  
But, though we had plenty of money, there was nothing our money could buy,  
And the Gods of the Copybook Headings said: "If you don't work you die."

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<sup>2</sup> While Ford did not cite Kipling, he did write that all of the world's wisdom were in the copy books. These were books in which students copied maxims (such as "you can't get something for nothing") to improve their penmanship. Hindus say that Dharma (the Right Way = the Constitution of the Universe) protects those who uphold it and destroy those who go against it. The famous movie producer Cecile B. DeMille wrote similarly, "We cannot break the Law. We can only break ourselves against the Law," and this is exactly why get-rich-quick schemes and get-something-for-nothing agendas like Build Back Better fail catastrophically every time.

<sup>3</sup> The Gods of the Market Place once promised us that prices for Dutch tulip bulbs (1637), stocks (1929), dot-com stocks (2000), and houses (2007) would go up forever. The Gods of the Copybook Headings caught up to them every time. Now the Gods of the Market Place tell us we can have universal basic incomes, Green New Deals, and other free stuff even though we are \$28 trillion in debt and counting.

Then the Gods of the Market tumbled, and their smooth-tongued wizards withdrew  
And the hearts of the meanest were humbled and began to believe it was true  
That All is not Gold that Glitters, and Two and Two make Four  
And the Gods of the Copybook Headings limped up to explain it once more.

The Gods of the Copybook Headings tell us, among other things:

1. **Build Back Better:** If we keep borrowing money we don't have to buy things we don't need, we will eventually end up having to borrow money to pay interest on our debt and/or we will get hyperinflation. We are already experiencing inflation due to Covid relief spending that, while necessary to some degree, may have exceeded genuine needs. Benjamin Franklin told us long ago, "Buy what thou hast no need of and ere long thou shalt sell thy necessities."
2. **Climate Change:** Pumping millennia of accumulated carbon back into the atmosphere is probably not a good idea noting that carbon dioxide and methane do trap heat. Regardless of however much the Gods of the Market Place promise us electric vehicles, renewable energy, or Green New Deals, though, we cannot have them without proven and economically feasible technology that has yet to be invented. The Gods of the Copybook Headings also tell us, though, that meat can be grown in bioreactors which eliminates the cost of raising an entire animal along with the associated methane (greenhouse gas) emissions and animal welfare issues.
3. **Covid-19:** The Covid-19 vaccine reduces enormously the chance of death or serious illness from the disease. It isn't a guarantee, just as the annual flu vaccine isn't a guarantee, but it's still a winning bet. I got my third shot in November and I encourage you to get vaccinated as well unless your doctor advises you against it.
4. **Wages:** The Gods of the Market Place along with the Democrat Left tell us that we can legislate high wages and even a Universal Basic Income. The Gods of the Copybook Headings tell us that higher wages will, in the absence of higher productivity to go with them, destroy the jobs and/or cause rampant inflation as prices rise to pay the wages in question. They also tell us, however, that we can make the jobs sufficiently productive to pay almost unlimited wages which is exactly how Henry Ford created the middle class and made the United States the wealthiest and most powerful nation on earth.

Henry Ford (*Moving Forward*, 1930) wrote, "Substituting the engineer for the politician is a very natural step forward. The engineer can do that which the politician can never do under any circumstances. The engineer creates and harmonizes while the politician can at best only rearrange what he has in hand." This is what I intend to deliver if I can get the Republican nomination for the 8<sup>th</sup> District. The Gods of the Copybook Headings know no ideology or political affiliation, but they are all-powerful and inviolate. We go against them at our utmost peril but, when we act in accordance with them, they will deliver everything we desire including high wages, high profits, low prices, and cruelty-free and greenhouse gas emission-free meat.