

‡4 Scrawlings

A Light & Dark

A1 How did FDR & Bush 2 differ? FDR was crippled *below* the neck. And heart.

A2 How do academic pols resemble Bach's 250 cantatas? Herd one, herd 'em all.

A3 **By Their Fruits Ye Shall Know Them.** Jimmy Cagney became immortal for realizing that if Newton could get famous for discovering gravity in an apple, he could strike it big by discovering levity¹ in a grapefruit.

A4 B.Rawlins (§E1) on the "health-bill" ripoff (Congress' latest annual trillion-dollar kickback-feeding): Why the surprise? The whole history of medicine began with leeches.²

A5 **Born Lyres' Pure Bull.** Astrology was evidently born in Mesopotamia. Obviously under the sign of Taurus. Its professional practitioners are born under the constellation Lyra. And you thought horoscopes were worthless? If astronomy is the oldest science and prostitution the oldest profession, the prostitution of astronomy is superlative-squared. (DR *Skeptical Inquirer* 2.1:62-83 [1977], *Queen's Quarterly* 91.4 p.969 [1984], *DIO* 8 ‡5 fn 62.) Horoscopes ask birth-times to the minute, but longtime world's most famous astrologer Jeane Dixon cut 14^y from her bio: *SkInq op cit* pp.63-64, 71, 73. (Jeane swore she'd either marry millionaire Jimmy Dixon or join a convent. She was whole-hog or nun.)

A6 In 1980, lots of simmering-volcano-Mt.St.Hell neighbors ignored scientists' warnings & got lavingly roasted. Could the dolts have been IQ-jumpstarted by bullhorn-replays of planet-Bluto's *Animal House* food-fight casus-belli-alert? "I'm a ZIT! — **GET** it?" (The absolute acne of truly bad "humor"? Ahh, maybe wait out the page before deciding.)

A7 California is the US' prime home for astrologers, psychics, *et ilk*. Did cultural insanity help produce a state in such ghastly shape that most educated persons permanently crossing its border are leaving, not arriving? Is California what Yogi Berra actually had in mind when he said of a restaurant: "nobody goes there anymore; it's too crowded."³

A8 **Making God's Point: Model-T⁴ Goes Model-A.** The Roman Empire's join-us-or-else co-prosperity-sphere mob-operation (§B2) killed millions for profit, resulting in passing deification for the founding mass-murderers, capos Big Julie & Little Augie Caesar. Enforcement by public torture-murder-to-get-the-point-across: crucifixion. A millennium later, to repel Constantinople-gobbling Islam, Roman-ia's Christian protector Vlad Tepes (the historical Dracula) copied Rome but upped volume by streamlining the old-fashioned-way: dispensing with the cross-bar, sharpening the post, & rectally popsicling⁵ the victims. By thousands. Proto-Henry-Ford assembly-line progress: from crucifixion to goosifixion. If Jesus suffered for our sins, Christian-goosified Moslem victims suffered far worse. [While Ford's Model-A failed vs his Model-T, Vlad's upgrade was indeed an upward step.]

A9 Question: What do you call [1] a regular hexahedron, [2] JFK's least fave neighbor nation, [3] a 1920s-fash painter? Answer: [1] Cube, [2] Cuber, [3] Cubist.

A10 What's the difference between a believer in god & a believer in SantaClaus?

Answer: One is 365 times crazier than the other.

¹Cagney's mashing a grapefruit onto Mae Clarke's face (*Public Enemy* 1931) is actually funny only in the overacting. The sadistically contemptuous treatment of women it pioneered in too many films of the era is now rightly seen as one of the greater historical embarrassments of a male-run industry.

²The one item **sure** to be in a health bill is its whole purpose: an anti-opt-out (fn 23) mandate. Obama (costliest prez ever) winklessly jokes: cut medical costs by *public* gov't force **making** us buy insurance from his *private-profit-cartel* owner. Laws forcing big employers to "cover" (i.e., **deduct from salary**) employees' insurance *already have most of the US on mandate*. Has that lowered cost?

³Note that the US press acts as if it is totally coincidental that California [a] is the greatest budget-disaster state, and [b] has the greatest illegal immigration. In the face of California's pathetic fate (Mickey Mouse's *Fantasia* Dukas-nightmare), it nonetheless remains unalterable selectively-scofflaw press-media mythology that exploiting desperate cheap-labor illegals is good-for-the-economy.

⁴Roman crucifixion used a T not a cross, but early Christians' handy symbol (two thonged perpendicular sticks) evolved into a cross — both choices for simplicity & mechanical stability.

⁵See R.Florescu & R.McNally *Dracula . . . His Life & His Times* NYC 1989 pp.104-105.

B Some Lives Are More Precious Than Others

B1 Is it coincidental that the 1st time in US history when the Prez & VicePrez effectively authorize torture, coincides with the 1st time US warlords are realizing what's unsettlingly new about starting war? It's not just our cannonfodder-underling soldiers that are at risk, as in the old days. This time, *WE RULERS* could get killed, too; e.g., by an imported-nuke.⁶ So, the more torture, the greater the chance of interdicting such hitherto-unheard-of insolence.

B2 Mobster Out-Truths "Free Press" ⁷ — Courtbiz vs Warbiz. How many newspaper readers doubletake when, on one page, reading of the court system spending decades of lawyers' fees on the trial&appeal&appeal&appeal of a serial rape-murderer of children, the expense justified by the US' wuvable reverence-for-the-sanctity-of-life, which abhors the horror of possibly executing even a single person unjustly? — while the opposite page has the latest body count for the latest US war: thousands of innocent people killed for the crime of being-in-the-way. How often does the US establishment's "Mainstream" (fn 14) press⁸ point out the contrast between establishments' ostentatious⁹ projected concern about a "culture of life" (Libs, lawyers, & centrists against snuffing criminals; and Romans & fundies against foetus¹⁰-snuffing)? — versus the taken-for-granted right of the US military to kill¹¹ foreigners whenever their non-cooperation becomes inconvenient for cartels' access to their natural resources. The spectacle constitutes a bigoted demotion of whole classes of humans, by a nation that incessantly and censorially preaches domestic anti-racism. (For the non-rich, anyway: *DIO* 8 ¶5 §I2.) *DIO* 4.2 ¶8 fn 8&23 earlier touched upon such revealingly dis-proportionate concern. (Which could readily be deemed murderous racism in many of its apparitions: e.g., *DIO* 4.3 ¶13 fn 14&19 [1994], www.dioi.org/pro.htm/#hsa.) To point out the contradiction¹² between *ultra-profitable* courtroom over-over-overdone hyperfine-ritual allegedly to save innocent life, versus *ultra-profitable* cartel massacres of clusters of innocent "foreigners", is one of the most dangerous heresies in the eyes of the rulership, which is precisely why that rulership's *FreeSmicker*Press has expunged it from discussion for decades. (DR directly asked a longtime editor of a major US newspaper about this, face-to-face, in 2008. No answer.) But it's easy to show how succinctly a genuinely free press could drive home establishments' chasmic hypocrisy here. E.g., if we look at the

⁶The irony here is that the ease of a nuke getting into the US is greatly enhanced by the machinations of the rulership itself (Obama & other white Republicans) to cheat Labor out of decent wages by mega-immigration and "free trade".

⁷Note analogy to equally outrageous-but-undeniably-true headline at *DIO* 4.2 p.55.

⁸Try recalling the last US war opposed at its start by any major church. It helps to be over 100^y old. When pope JP2 (*DIO* 4.2 ¶9 §§H7&H8) discouraged invading Iraq, he didn't excommunicate Catholic soldiers. Being busy ejecting saintly J.Gramick for her work with homosexuals.

⁹The "Mainstream" (§G7) media & the justice system can find zero time to publicly debate their own hypocrisy on the present point, instead meticulously devoting eons of their obscenely expensive time to arguing the fine points of even the most obvious evidential pseudo-controversies, and whether an endless succession of rapists, torturers, murderers (starring in its exhaustive examinations of the pros&cons of case after case) did or didn't know-right-from-wrong. (See *DIO* 4.2 ¶9 §F, which obviously was itself insufficiently cynical as to how nutty courtrooms had become.) A neat way to put shrinks on the public dote. And to guarantee maximum recycling of career criminals back out onto the streets (in everyone's neighborhoods except the posh ones, where reside those who're milking the system by such theatre), so they'll be back in court as soon as possible, for more court profit. See "Criminals aren't just for breakfast anymore" at *DIO* 4.2 ¶9 §O2.

¹⁰See *DIO* 4.2 ¶9 §D: "Split-Second: Life's Start as the Most Murderous Moment" on god as the ultimate mass-snuffer of "unborn" humans. (Précis below at fn 29.)

¹¹But notice §E15.

¹²So readers won't miss DR's take: if crime trials are part of a war on crime, then the occasional courtroom justice-miscarriage is parallel to collateral damage in conventional wars. (And far more justifiable, since so numerically minuscule by comparison.) The aim here is to emphasize that the establishment's concern-for-life is but a mask for enriching the clan of defense lawyers so aptly called "criminal". See fn 9 & *DIO* 6 ¶4 §C7.

Roman church's history of selective encouragement of holy wars (the several Crusades, the Armada, Mussolini's attack¹³ on Coptic Ethiopia, Hitler's assault on the atheist USSR [most lethal of all battles throughout human history: over 30 million dead in this theatre alone], and the US' massive bombing of non-Christian Vietnam), it's hard to take very seriously the Vatican's culture-of-life propaganda against population control. Two eye-openers on the larger point at issue here: [a] From *DIO* 4.2 (¶9 §A1): "if you want to get the Church upset about [the Vietnam war], then: have US airplanes drop condoms on Vietnam instead of bombs." (Try finding anywhere, in the "Mainstream"¹⁴ media, such a dangerously elucidating contrast. Or our next item.) [b] The neatest comment on capital-punishment-opposition vs war-promotion comes from one not known as a logician, but: has anyone put it better? Gangster Louis "Lepke" Buchalter was tried&fried in 1941&1944, resp. (He was the last wealthy citizen to be executed in the US. Though one suspects that he was bankrupt by chair-time.) He'd ordered so many murders that his outfit had become notorious as "Murder Inc". During WW2, while he was in Leavenworth prison, he met men jailed for being wartime conscientious objectors,¹⁵ and rightly asked them:

So, let me get this straight. I'm in here for *killing people*.

And you guys are in here for *NOT killing people*?

B3 Butcher Lincoln. Some months before the 1862/9/17 Battle of Antietam, Abraham Lincoln for days sporadically spent hours alone weeping at the death of one youth: his young son Willie, who had died February in the White House of typhoid fever. Question: Is there a credible record (any record?) that, following the September wounding & death of tens of thousands of youths at Antietam, Lincoln shed as many tears? — Any¹⁶ tears? After Cold Harbor, his hiring — "Butcher"¹⁷ Grant — did.

B4 We know the trendresult of freemarket capitalism is monotonic wealth-concentration. (Vis-à-vis entropy, this is the anti-twin of physicists' heat-death nightmare.) An organism can't function robustly if all blood is in the palm. A restorative confiscatory-redistribution not just of income but of wealth would help. (When the richest 2% own perhaps most of it, this might be a wiser source of Stimulus money than the middle class' future. Obama&co act like the idea never even occurred to them.) But there've been no provident Solons for millennia. Instead, the French Revolution, Stalin, and D.MacArthur (Japan) indicate: only hideous bloodletting gets it done (too often net-counter-productively), since all establishments (incl. academe: above p.2; or www.dioi.org/err.htm#blgg) can&will use *ANY* means to hold onto power&riches. Will world greed-death equilibrium arrive (whether or not secularly stable) when all but rulers are unlanded peons and-or "terrorists"?

¹³Mussolini's 1935 invasion of Ethiopia devastatingly resembles the US' present Afghanistan occupation, in the screaming contrast (rigorously press-uncited) of modern weaponry vs ragged, primitive, tank-less, airplane-less *resistance fighters* (always so described, when the USSR was invading the same area in 1979), who routinely are projectively accused in US media of drug-trafficking, despite [1] no sign of the big armaments such wealth buys; [2] US stooges' involvement in the same trade. (Baltimore: #1 heroine city, an Afghan-prez brother's home; 1/2 its murders now execution-style.) Given Afghaneighbor Pakistan's fragile US-puppet gov't, its burgeoning religious fanaticism, & its nuke, let's hope Obama's War is actually aimed at muzzling said bomb. But the propaganda used to justify invasions is oft insultingly illogical, and their short-term lethal acts' putative gains can escalate long-term mass-enagement (rather than lead to stable solution): classic tarbaby. And, naturally, the US media will not even mention population-control anymore (more wages of multi-culturalism's PC), without which the invaders' alleged aim of socially uplifting the invadees is mathematically doomed.

¹⁴See §E13. One almost admires the press' skill here. What could *be* more glaring ethical contradictions than items[a]&[b]? Yet media magicians — by dark arts we used to think were the province of the theologian-"educators" — manage to lifetime-hypnotize 99% of the public into ignoring both.

¹⁵Lepke perhaps also encountered non-conscientious hood→boxer→diver→celeb Rocky Graziano (who went to Leavenworth for being AWOL); on whom, see *DIO* 14 ¶2 fn 73.

¹⁶Similar sense of proportion at fn 7 or *DIO* 4.2 ¶8 fn 23.

¹⁷Mary Lincoln's term for U.S.Grant, who never caused a single death in the War Between the States without her husband's permission — nay, aggressive encouragement.

C Occasional DIO Prescience?

DR thought¹⁸ OSimpson wouldn't get off (1st time around). But otherwise *DIO* commentary scored some hits outside scientific history. (For vindications inside: www.dioi.org/vin.htm.)

C1 Our opposition to mammograms was published in 1992 (*DIO* 2.1 ¶1 §A8 [b]). In 2009 Nov, the dam broke and the severe risk-benefit balance we discussed is now (partially) out in public. What will distant-future commentators say of a mass program (much driven by patients' you-never-know fears, doctors' fears of malpractice suits, & perhaps researchers' wish for a national data-base) expensive in time, aggravation, pain, terror, with little if any net gain other than to medbiz income? (See fn 23.)

C2 The same *DIO* section condemned as lunacy Reagan's theory that trillions in national debt would be paid off by the re-stimulated economy. How long will the media continue to be in awe of Reagan? — who [a] hyper-accelerated the US' already glaring rich-vs-poor gulf; & [b] started us down the road to ever-deeper, vicious-circle debt-addiction, which could end in a sudden war of desperation, or a slomo foreclosure-sale (who's funding stimulus-paybacks?) akin to the under-rated, *DIO*liciously tasteless 1979 farce-film, *Americathon*.

C3 In 1998, we urged (*DIO* 8 ¶5 §C) a reconstructive “Gospel According to Judas”. In 2006, the National Geographic Society revealed a long-secret 1970s find of a “Gospel of Judas” papyrus in Egypt. One of the books soon growing out of that was J.Archer & F.Moloney *Gospel According to Judas* 2007. None of this related to our interpretation of Jesus as a fiscally canny typical cult-guru, privately enjoying the percs of wealth to the point of disillusioning idealist Judas, who (John 11.1-12.9) told Jesus that the funds might better be spent on the poor instead of Jesus' needs of the flesh. (See www.dioi.org/rel.htm#thbp.)

C4 On 2006/11/30, *DIO* posted (www.dioi.org/pro.htm#cppj) the charge that the Dembos' pacifist pose (which yet cons some of the Left) was a fake, predicting that 2008 would bring as phony a Choice as Johnson “versus” Goldwater in 1964, when the War candidate was for war, and the Peace candidate was for war. (The issue [as also at §B2] is separate from that of the war's wisdom. The point here is simply the “bipartisan” truth behind the pretense that US elections still mean much, on the most important issues.) [Added 2011: 1864 fake war-choice had Lincoln “vs” own General (!) McClellan of Peace Party Dems.]

C5 *DIO* 8 (¶5 fn 22) [1998] suggested the identity of Deep Throat. On 2009/10/17, *DIO* 1st learned of ongoing detailed expert research indicating that Mark Felt's sole source was indeed our nominee. We await further developments.

C6 The following was posted at www.dioi.org/pre.htm on 2007/1/20 (2^y to the day before Obama's swearing-in) under the header, “Hilla the Hun Against the World”:

“While some are regarding it as a celeb-joke, an argument can be made that spectacularly wealthy and greedy world-rule-dreaming mega-forces are behind [the Obama candidacy's challenge to Hillary], since who else would care to push a neophyte whose sole standout-qualification is that he *looks* as international as any other Miss Universe.”¹⁹

¹⁸See *DIO* 4.2 ¶9 §F3 & *DIO* 6 ¶4 §C5.

¹⁹It took Maureen Dowd over 2^y to catch up to *DIO* on the “Miss Universe” recognition: *International Herald Tribune* 2009/10/12 p.9. What is disappointing, about the Dembo “base” that Trickle-down Obama suckered for the nomination, is how ineducable it remains. (How does the Left think Obama got backed by more money than all other candidates? The tooth fairy left it under his pillow? Actually, much of the Left still believes his campaign's deliberate deceit: that most of his funding came from average folk.) What's-left-of-the-left is so dazzled by Historic Justice in electing a “black” prez (the rich's C.Thomas-ploy, which reliably kryptonitizes Dembos), it's in-denial on the realities (§E7) right before its nose. The above 2007 posting is enlightening only in that it shows that anyone of the slightest common sense could have seen way before 2009/1/20 that these betrayals were cynically planned not just from Day-One but (like the US' Iraq occupation) from Day-Minus-One. *What does Obama have to do* before the Dembo base realizes it was snookered? (Dumbos act inversely ineducable: branding him socialist, though he's a GOP dream-come-true. But this may be just theatre to keep pushing centrism rightward.) Pre-election: Obama used ambiguities & kept-press hype to convince hopeful college kids he was the peace-option and the populist, & promoted universal medical coverage (so who'd need insurance companies?) somehow mandate-less. Post-election: keeps Bush “Defense” Sec'y; expands

D Two Unjustly Neglected Nobels

D1 And the Nobel Prize for Chemistry goes to . . . Barry Bonds. (Bonds isn't smiling. He's not quite into every kind of needling.)²⁰

D2 The Nobel Prize for Physiology goes to PC²¹ for its epochal discovery that the human brain is the only living organ in the entire universe with 0% genetic determination.

E Definitions

E1 Barbara Rawlins = only princess ever to marry her court jester.

E2 White House = ultimate Oscar. (Worse: www.dioi.org/pro.htm#wzfp and #cqcw.)

E3 Jesus' post-crucifixion non-public circulation = Resurrectile Disfunction.

E4 IINO (antself-pronounced: I-no) = Independent-in-name-only, calls self Independent but, TV-zombied: votes just for Dumbos&Dembos. (Talk about *wasting* your vote.)

E5 “Bank” = as prefix to “Robbery”, has lately gone from objective to adjectival.

E6 Middle class = only domestic fiscal blood left for rich-owned-gov't's fangs to suck.

E7 Obama = pathological lawyer: [1] help poor by bailing his fatcat owners, Auda-ciouslyHoping for trickledown; [2] decrease troops by increasing them; [3] lower²² health costs by IRS-forcing²³ insurance-purchase from a cartel greedy-rich enough to afford him.

war; antiRobinHood-bails not nationalizes the big banks that elected&own him; and now (fn 2) seeks mandated non-universal coverage. Leftists keep alibiing him and Hoping he'll turn out as dreamed, talking of holding-him-to-his-promises (how?); and (*Nation*) fearing attacking him could result in losing the power (?) the Left has gained through him, delusionally thinking he owes-them since they elected him (when he knows he was elected by his media's paid shepherds, not the American sheeple they brainwashed). All a replay of a David Low cartoon c.1937 when England yet hoped Mussolini was OK & so kept caving to him (even while warning him to behave), & tolerating ANYthing, to preserve the dream that anti-reds Hit&Muss (Low's perfect abbrev) were net-pluses (Liddell-Hart *Hist2WW* 1970 p.8), despite crashing waves of counter-data. Low, having in mind the same what-DOES-it-take question as above, draws Muss as stock-villain in a stage melodrama, snarlingly leaning against Brit hero, who wags a finger: “Benito Mussolini, have a care! You have ruined the woman I love, killed my aged mother, sunk the British fleet and set fire to the Empire — but BEWARE! Do not go TOO FAR!”

²⁰Rather than avoiding drugs, many pro **and amateur** athletes push drug-testing-limits' tolerances. Is sport's highest art now a delicate drugging-act? Shrubya's best moment was State-of-the-Union-condemning athletics' luring kids into steroids. (Far happier result than disastrous pre-State-of-Union-speech showboating by NASA [1986] & ABC [2006] to fake security of Shuttle & Baghdad, resp.)

²¹The capitalist West's 0th Commandment outranks all others in import and in persistence of propaganda and youth-“education”: all races are of precisely equal mean intelligence. (See *DIO* 4.2 ¶9 fn 40 & www.dioi.org/bes.htm#jfrv.) So, why does this essentially scientific claim require such rigorous and editorially-100% one-sided press-propping? Rephrasing Franklin on established religion: any belief requiring incessant promo&editorial protection must have a weak case. PC argumentation on this is just *alibiing* (as for astrology, hypnotism, god, ESP, DemParty-is-dovish, Shakespeare as author, etc): OK, so the evidence looks bad for us superficially, but here's why our orthodoxy hasn't been absolutely proved wrong. The tactics may be lawyer-clever, but they don't constitute a positive case.

²²Medicare already covers ED medication. How smart is banning taxmoney for the poor's abortions but paying for fertility-mechanics? Who can't afford abortions (or pills) can't afford kids; so 100 times as much taxmoney will support them & the endless cycle: *DIO* 1.1 ¶2 §D3 & fn 7; *DIO* 8 ¶5 §E7.

²³Candidate Obama promised non-mandated universal health coverage but, as prez, flipped to his insurance-cartel funders' dream: the very reverse. Talkshowblab on a (mini) “public option” diverted from this bait&switch bill's proposed kill of a far more basic option, the only one that can freemarket-curb medbiz' cancerous growth: the Pascalian (*DIO* 8 ¶5 §L) risk-benefit option to simply **OPT-OUT**. (Medbiz' fear that this option is getting popular is *the* cause of its “health-bill”: fn 2.) What's the chance you'll steadily spend even 1/3 of ordmag \$10000/yr, the US' bankrupting annual health-extravagance/citizen: *DIO* 4.3 ¶13 §§G3-5. (Proposed \$950/yr fine for cartel-dodgers: lowball-prank.) Multiplying by roughly 100^y: lifetime cost/citizen = ordmag a *million* in taxes. If free to choose, most of us would keep the million in exchange for [a] maintaining a healthy lifestyle, & [b] signing away rights to extreme intervention. Why decree that irrational or illegal? Except for gov't-enforced enrichment

- E8** Voting Dumbo or Dembo = seeking *an advantageous relationship* with con-men.
E9 “Modern art” = an antique. (But newer than the other “Emperor’s New Clothes.”)
E10 “Progressive” 12-Tone music = regressive music, 29 times²⁴ less free than tonal.
E11 Woody Shakespeare = Christopher Marlowe.²⁵
E12 Evidence for ESP = fraud and-or bad statistics. Always.²⁶
E13 “Mainstream” Press (§G7) = media owned by 1% of 1% of 1% of the public.
E14 “Fringe” Press = media owned by the other 99.9999% of the public.
E15 Bunnyrabbit religion = kill²⁷ us (§A8) or we take you over by sheer numbers.
E16 Montezuma’s Real Revenge = Border-Dysentery.
E17 California = “sanctuary-state” portside open scar in the US’ *Titanic*.
E18 “Affirmative Action” = rich-owned-media-promoted divide&conquer enagement (of the lowers&middles) about every inequity-grievance but the big one: rich-vs-poor.
E19 999 = number of theories²⁸ the press has entertained throughout its pseudosearch to explain its eternal pseudomystery of ethnic groups’ intractable differing success-histories.
E20 Prothonotary = Ultimately, Soviet-spy Alger Hiss’ 2nd-least-favorite warbler.
E21 Christian = worships Satan’s & thus evil’s creator. Which segues smoothly to:

F Religion & Atheism

- F1** Do popular religions fight human cloning because they resent the competition?
F2 I’m outraged at Danish newspaper-publication of Moslem-insulting cartoons. The European press should be ashamed of itself — for not publishing said cartoons continuously&prominently *throughout the last 30 years*, to stimulate Moslem immigrants into revealing their hothead-intolerance (too-often violent, even murderous) early enough to warn Europe that its own tragic internal combine of cheap-labor-exploiting Christian capitalists and bleeding-heart socialists was about to import a virulent religious cancer into Europe, and so risk poisoning (perhaps indefinitely) the most civilized region of the world.
F3 Organized Religion as Celebrity-Philosophy. Celeb-obsession & churches are pop-culture substitutes for reality. Media commentators justly laugh at celebrities who’re famous for being famous. Why not a parallel observation that mass-religion is believed-in primarily *for* being believed-in? (See www.dioi.org/rel.htm#mjsj.) What other evidence is there?

of the medbiz which (while capable of grand scientific miracles) funds pols’ campaigns and has wasted a massive fraction of net national medical costs upon minimally-useful, counterproductive, or dangerous passing-fads (see Shaw’s *Doctor’s Dilemma*), e.g., radical mastectomies, radium treatments, tonsillectomies, HRT, hysterectomies, CTscans, mammograms, over-radiation in general, etc.

²⁴Because 7¹² is about 28.9 times bigger than 12!: simple math, unmentioned in any musicologist’s discussion of what purports to be mathematical music. And, ah, where’s the connexion (of an arbitrary permutation-straitjacket) to music’s uplifting humanity? In Vienna’s Zentral Friedhof, 12-toner A.Schönberg is wisely planted far from the honored grave-grove of Beethoven, Schubert, & Brahms.

²⁵See [www.dioi.org/sha.htm], and the Marlovian cases of, e.g., C.Hoffman, S.Blumenfeld, R.Barber; & see Woody Allen’s 1976 film *The Front*. When promoting 90%-invented Shakespeare “biographies”, the Shakespeare industry has parallels to that of professional Babylon&Ptolemy-astronomy hustlers: non-citation and-or insult of opponents replaces logical argument; non-mention that many eminent experts disbelieve the Industry view (e.g., Hawthorne, H.James, Whitman, & Twain knew businessman Shakespeare was a front); hilariously glass-house ritual-claims that all skeptical induction is speculation. (Analogously mirrorless Muffia: www.dioi.org/thr.htm#xjhb.)

²⁶ESP is as ridiculous as seeing with your nose or hearing with your tongue, but most ESP-brained hopefuls know little stats and (*DIO 2.1* ¶1 §F3) even less of the acting & magic tricks con-men use.

²⁷*DIO 4.3* ¶13 fn 8: “Question: how can there be peaceful multi-culturalism where 2 or 3 cults are competing to outmultiply everybody else?” See also *DIO 8* ¶5 §O2.

²⁸Back in the analog-disk (pre-CD) era, Steve Martin used to tell the following story: when he played records on his phonograph, they didn’t sound right, so he rose to stereophonic. Still sounded bad, so he went to quad. No luck, so on to octophonic. Failure after failure led finally to milliphonic: 1000 speakers. Still bad. Finally, he caught on: it was the needle. (See also *DIO 2.3* ¶8 §C25.)

F4 When people differ, they can communicate on realities; but not on faith. (As apologists actually emphasize, to evade empirical testing.) Mass-faith is maintained by insular indoctrination, a robotically inculcated bar to communication: *a divider of people*. Which suggests why popular religions are ever busy at mind-control, anti-alienthink censorship, bunnyrabbiting, intolerance. And war (§A8) with its attendant agonies, home-wreckage, death. But empathize with their problem: how many religions win out by logical suasion?
F5 Nun Dare Call It Teasin’? It’s common in convents to find crucifixion-icons on a wall of every room: a skin-tight nearly-naked young guy nailed to a cross.

Question: if, in every room of a monastery, monks hung on their walls an image of a slim young topless female suffering agonizing&fatal torture-bondage, what would we think?

F6 When I was about age 8^y, a saintly great-aunt earnestly explained to me how proud I should be to be a Protestant and — better yet! — an Episcopalian. My reaction was reasonable (so much so that it still mystifies me as to why it was evidently quite unusual): hey, if god is fair,²⁹ then why should I get a better break than others, in religious heritage? (Contradiction in your faith in your native faith’s merit; & see www.dioi.org/mot.htm#dlsb.)

F7 Pascal’s Casino, Where You’re Gambling With Your Life! Revealingly, eternal-heaven-as-reward for finite terrestrial good-deeds has *exactly* the same insultingly comanesque “Guaranteed” payoff-vs-investment ratio as *something-for-nothing*, namely: ∞. You’re born into a 100^y life; so, the rulership pushes pop-religion, with Pascal as mathematical enforcer-croupier (*DIO 8* ¶5 §L), asking you to believe in the wildcat gamble that, if you sacrifice-invest that unique gift (dash your ONE chance to have a free and fun life), you can multiply your 100^y “winnings” *infinitely*. (See Sam Spade at *DIO 4.3* ¶13 fn 28.)
F8 The “Problem-of-Motion” vs the “First-Eviller”? — **Some responsibility-chains are more equal than others.** Has it been noticed that Christians’ two fave theological arguments *contradict each other*? The rise and curious persistence of evil (in a universe allegedly due to & governed by an all-powerful, everything-creating, *and* all-good Christian god) is a “paradox”, i.e., what non-bigots would call a contradiction. For which god’s “theologian” lawyers have long been handsomely paid to create get-him-off sinuous apologia, supposedly explaining-away this classic “Problem”-of-Evil (*DIO 8* ¶5 fnn 51&52). Irony: the reasoning here (*EVADE responsibility-recession-to-origin*) is the very opposite of the revered Aquinas First-Mover argument (*Summa Contra Gentiles* 1.13.3-32) for the Existence of god (*INSIST-ON responsibility-recession-to-origin*): every motion is caused by a mover, so there must be a “First-Mover” or (*ibid* 33) “First-Cause”, namely, god.

F9 If heaven exists, Beethoven, Berlioz, Wagner, Liszt, Tchaikovski, Brahms, Dvořák, Mahler, Nielsen, Elgar, Rachmaninov, Strauss, Bax, Sibelius, VaughanWilliams, Martinu, Shostakovich, Barber are creating ennobling music there. So *why’s it not sent to Earth* which sorely needs spiritual uplift? Were there a god such precious brains would never die.

F10 The God of False Appearances. Death is the ultimate proof that there is no god, so pop-religion’s hucksters have no other option than to claim that you never *really* die; it just *looks like* you decay&die. Likewise, Jesus was divine, but like other divinities (e.g., Rome’s Caesars; our 2001-2009 Divine-Flounder legacy-prez) *looked like* a regular human. Jesus planned his entire degrading nabbed→tried→whipped→nailed finale; it only *looks like* he couldn’t dodge the bunco squad this time. (Planned sacrifice needn’t look ambiguous, e.g., Brünnhilde’s Immolation; USSR army 1941-1945; both sides’ 9/11 heroes.) The world is ruled by an all-good & all-potent god; it only *looks like* it’s ruled by visible greedy&corrupt humans, while god&heaven are (**pointlessly**) invisible and so *look like* they don’t exist at all. Exactly why god has gotten so deeply into the (we-used-to-regard-as-satanic) realm of creating false appearances is left for silver-tongued&pocketed theologians to deal with — by going 1000s of years straight without getting straight about such obvious points.

²⁹Likewise, it’s unfair that I exist at all, when almost every potential-human sperm-egg pair vanishes (as each conception wipes out zillions of other pair-permutations) without merging into a zygote (much less a grown person), making nature (or god, if you must) by far the greatest of all abortioners: thus, the universe’s top mass-murderer according to anti-abortioners’ own reasoning. See *DIO 4.2* ¶9 §D6.

G Shorts

G1 Girth-Wisdom. Ever heard of an enormously fat person getting shot in a duel?

G2 Dueling academics' fear of cult or math mis-steps has 2 phases: [a] timidity ere risking slips occasionally attending exploration; [b] post-error shame. Fear #1 can cost discoveries; #2, integrity. (See ‡1 fnn 2&7; ‡3 §E4, fnn 12&45; www.dioi.org/biv.htm#tcfh.)

G3 Needlessly-Divisive PC At War With Itself. [a] To PCers, "native American" implies: realer (North) American than a US-born WASP. [b] But in such also-laboriously-multisyllabic stroking-terms as "Italian-American", "Serbian-American", etc, the 2nd word implies that, though a descendant of immigrants, one is equal to a US-born WASP. But: aren't these two ethnic-politics evergreens actually rather forked-tongue-contradictory?

G4 Morally-Superior? Or Navigationally-Challenged? Whites&blacks have been slavers throughout history. Yet the central implicit thesis of white-guilt-flogging, all-is-race-hate "historians" is that blacks couldn't have shipped sardine-crowded slaves to the Americas in chains&filth, just as profitably&cruelly as whites did. But this view is *itself* flagrantly racist. The unfaced sole reason blacks didn't ship slaves here is that, at that time: blacks didn't know how to navigate ships across the Atlantic.

G5 Civil Rights & Civility Rights. When civil-rights "progress" is Mediumly boasted of, it is invariably, narrowly measured **entirely** in terms of ethnic-diversity stats achieved, but never in terms of whether general society³⁰ has *thereby* improved in net civility, culture, safety, drugfree schools, happiness, intellectual diversity, and *free speech*: DIO 4.2 ‡9 §G.

G6 Gov't by 535 Messalinas. OK, so it's hollerin'-good-showbiz for TV 'snews spat-show-host&curtus-interruptus-compulsive powerdrol Chris Matthews to sell big elections as races: Dembo-vs-Dumbo, neck&neck-down-to-the-wire (so don't waste vote on "spoilers") by-a-nose-again&again, etc. But: why does he keep mispronouncing "whoresrace"?

G7 Cheerleading championships are cheating their fans if they don't even invite the best-coordinated rahrah team ever: the Mainstream Press (§B2). Dazzling routines include: Forget-Single-Payer, Obama-Is-Change, Non-Billionaire-Owned-Candidates-Are-Spoilers, US-Invasion-Equals-Just-War, Mexican-Invasion-Equals-Just-Peachy.³¹

H Life

H1 If aging and getting-mature were the same, DR would live forever.

H2 An infinite line is one whose *beginning and end cannot be experienced*. Thus, we will most fully enjoy existence (and eschew fear of non-existence) if we realize (DIO 8 ‡5 fn 53): each human's life fortunately has the very same property.

H3 The Underappreciated Reality of Serial Resurrection. Desperate religious folk so fixate on hope for a non-existent miracle of post-death resurrection that they miss savouring a wondrous genuine&reliable joy: whenever one wakes from sleep, the event becomes one more miraculous re-coming into existence, one of tens of thousands of resurrections most of us are granted, by the unfathomable accident of possessing conscious life.

H4 Life's five mystical highs: total solar eclipses, sex, chocolate, music, *induction*.

H5 Among the wisdoms that come with age: the realization that making others happier & brighter is not only a social good but one of the most refined of pleasurable achievements.

H6 No matter the lowness of attacks on one who is striving for the ideals of truth and fairness, he knows that the issue of a good, humble, and wise mind endures; and his theorist's intelligence can firmly envision that high ultimate reality, regardless of base passing politics. So, other than sympathy for those in the dark of ignorance, the hopelessness of mediocrity, and-or the prison of prejudice, he has no cause for any intellectual state but happiness.

³⁰ Johnny Carson's eulogy for Abe Lincoln: "without whom, we would not have the dunk-stuff."

³¹ See DIO 4.3 ‡13 §F1. The US, whose power made English the world language, now has a lower percentage of English-speaking inhabitants than Denmark, Holland, Sweden, etc. The media responsible for this transformational achievement are so modest, they never even mention it.