

## **Military Resistance 9H7**



Riot police with batons drawn on the streets of Hackney on Monday (Pic: Guy Smallman) [Socialist Worker UK]

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AUGUST 10, 2011 By GUY CHAZAN And ALISTAIR MACDONALD, & AUGUST 11, 2011 By GUY CHAZAN, Wall Street Journal [Excerpts]

**In the central English city of Nottingham, five police stations were attacked with firebombs, with one set on fire.**

**“None of this is going to stop unless there is some payback to the police,” said a boy of 15 who declined to be named.**

Others say social factors played a role.

Benitus Fernando, a 38-year-old immigrant from Sri Lanka who works at a small grocery store in Clapham, said high youth unemployment and recent government budget cuts have made young people feel they “don’t have a future.”

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The U.K. economy continues to see poor economic news, with Tuesday’s manufacturing data estimated to have seen its biggest fall in more than two years. Manufacturing production fell 0.4% in June, missing economists’ forecasts for a modest rise, the Office for National Statistics said. National industrial output is now estimated to have fallen 1.6% between April and June.

The U.K. has pledged to eliminate its public-sector deficit within four years, and as part of that, local government spending has been cut by more than a quarter.

**Lewisham, one of London's most deprived neighborhoods, closed five libraries and slashed youth services, including advice centers for pregnant teenagers and unemployed youth.**

**Lewisham was among the areas hit by violence Monday night.**

Meanwhile, more details emerged about the killing of Mark Duggan by police in North London—the initial spark that set off the unrest.

**An independent commission said there was no evidence Mr. Duggan fired at police before being shot fatally by an officer in the chest.**

The incident occurred after officers stopped a silver minivan taxi carrying Mr. Duggan in the Tottenham neighborhood intending to arrest him, for reasons not yet clear.

**An officer from the unit, which investigates illegal gun crime, fired two shots that landed in Mr. Duggan's bicep and chest. He was pronounced dead at the scene.**

Also raising questions was the fact that a police officer's hand-held radio was struck by a bullet. But that later turned out to be from a bullet from another police officer's gun, the commission said.

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**From: Ewa Jasiewicz [London]**

**Subject: Deptford United - You're Invited, Opportunity Knocks Us, and From Stockholm Syndrome to Self-Representation**

**Date: Aug 11, 2011**

[Excerpts]

Deptford High street had already seen a spate of looting on Monday, the Greg's bakery got ransacked first and some cash machines and a Tesco's got their glass bashed in.

A couple of the 11 – that's right, 11 – bookies also got a kicking.

The fear tonight was that people living above shops might find themselves burnt out if whatever was below them was worth smashing into.

A 100 of us ended up congregating outside the Ladbrookes, some with flasks of tea and biscuits, others with beer. All of us were local.

Some local folk used to spending a lot of time in the streets also joined us, dead skeptical at first, challenging us, and quizzing us on what we were doing and what we really thought about the riots.

All of them said they saw it coming and most said it was necessary and 'liberal means of change don't work'.

They challenged us on why we talked about what 'they' the 'rioters' and 'them' should do – 'Why is it 'them' that are going to make a change or take risks?' They said 'What about you? Where are You in this?'

Fear-lines had been breached, anything felt possible, the 'invisible' were setting the agenda.

One young girl said, 'We are making history like them people in the history books, you speak loud, people will hear you, we need to be heard and this is Our time, this is Our time'.

**Outside the Town Hall we spoke out on the £88m be axed from Lewisham council's budget over the next three years, with the loss of over 350 council jobs and shutting youth, pensioner and unemployed services and almost every library in the borough.**

On the way home groups of boisterous kids were zooming by on bikes yelling 'Blame the government!'

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The (narrow) spectrum of political opinion and representation in the mainstream media and even on the left independent media exposes the power dynamics that sustains it.

It is overwhelmingly white privileged, public school, and middle-upper class and it is utterly dislocated from working class and underclass conditions in this country.

**Labelling the rioters 'thugs, thieves, morons, criminals' is nothing new to the ears of many youth who hear this every time they go out in a group or gang, just walking down the street, or getting stopped by the police.**

**Saying that this is 'criminality, pure and simple' (Cameron) or 'these people aren't even working class' (Tony Parsons in The Mirror) or any of the other diatribes that simplify causes of the symptoms we can see is a means of shutting down any analysis or voice that 'these animals' have and removes any agency from them – reinforcing some of the root conditions of why this is happening.**

The liberal sentiment of 'these people don't have opportunity, they don't feel part of their community, that's why they're smashing it up' is flawed; since when was Primark, Footlocker and Tesco 'part of the community'?

Whose community?

**The government has authorised workfare where benefit claimants are being forced to work in Primark and Tescos for their benefits/slave wages undercutting employment and creating a government sponsored and enforced peanut-wages McJob casualisation.**

When we hear about 'opportunities' and a lack of 'jobs' – what jobs?

Most of the jobs actually available to people in impoverished communities are not even 'jobs' as we would know them – casualisation is king, you have no rights, no permanent contract, you're not actually 'employed' by the parasitic employment agency is cashing in on your vulnerability, be it migrant worker or local, and not by the company you're funnelled into – usually contractors for big supermarkets, with workers labouring in fields, in greenhouses, in the pack house, in the warehouse, on the road, whether its picking strawberries, cherries, cucumbers, or forklift-driving, or picking 85 products per hour, losing your 'bonus' if you don't reach it, cleaning, catering, baggage handling, construction, you are mostly, through agencies, a nobody.

On paper you are 'self employed', or through some agencies, even a Company Director, registered at Companies House, yet mopping the floors of Manchester Airport whilst the in-house agency accountancy firm fiddles tax and takes money off you for, er, taking more money off you. Is this the 'entrepreneurial class' we have been told to be?

On rights and responsibility, those who are responsible for keeping people in conditions of constant precarity won't actually take responsibility for ensuring any rights.

Workers are disposable, and can be sacked for anything, reason or no reason, or as some rotas show, literally, 'Switched Off' when not needed; machines not required on the line today, come back tomorrow and we'll make you stay 13 hours, no overtime, and you'll agree because of you don't, there's plenty of you where you came from..

These McJobs or non-jobs, are majority un-unionised and in this country rely heavily on the exploitation of economic refugees from Eastern Europe fleeing a post-state communist neo-liberal feeding frenzy that has transformed public wealth, built by generations and controlled by oppressive regimes into the private property of casino capitalists, transferred above the hands of the people, from the visible hand of the state to the invisible hand of the market.

In the UK alone, the bargaining power of unions – meaning the number of workers covered by a collective agreement securing decent conditions – has dropped from 4 out of 5 in the 1980s to less than 1 in 3 and falling today (Prof Keith Ewing, Red Pepper Aug-Sept 2011).

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**Mark Duggan is being mourned.**

**Grief for him joins the grief of families who have lost over 330 relatives at the hands of police since 1998.**

**That a gang of police officers can truncheon someone to death on the street, or smother someone in a police cell, or discharge their weapon into them in a vehicle and it was 'accidental' or the consequences 'unwanted' removes the power dynamics from the situation, the intention to destroy another's identity that comes with racism, a whole system against a family, and undermines any trust or sense of security in a community.**

Positive change can emerge from what we've been witnessing and what some have been participating in.

The Big Bang that these riots/uprisings have been and the questions they have thrown up about capitalism, government, work, home, family, and power need opening up, not shutting down.

In terms of 'Has this peaked?', the street tactics have been all about creating moments and opportunities and have been highly de-centralised and autonomous.

If the goal is largely smash, grab and go along with some more overtly anti-police action, then it's a momentum that's unsustainable, reliant as it is on shock and the unpreparedness of local people and police to respond.

16,000 police are now occupying London, if it got bigger, the army could be called in, and then what? If

**MORE:**

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Racist Brutality And Poverty”**

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**“It’s Not Just This Country, There’s  
Uprisings Everywhere. It’s The  
Whole World. Everyone’s Fed Up, No  
One Has Anything”**

# **“We’re All Going Through Hard Times And All The Politicians Are On Holiday. They Think We’re All Shit”**

9 Aug 2011 Thanks to Tash Shifrin, Jonny Jones, Ali Alizadeh, Steve Henshall and Sam Bogg for reports, Socialist Worker [UK]

Riots of the poor and dispossessed spread through Britain this week.

The police struggled to crush an uprising against their own racist brutality and poverty.

The riots reveal the deep-seated social tensions at the heart of Tory Britain.

The streets weren’t the police’s any more—they belonged to the angry, disenfranchised and the poor.

A young African-Caribbean man pointing to the police told Socialist Worker, “These people are supposed to protect us—when I see them at night I run the other way. How can any of us feel safe when they’re shooting people?”

The spark that ignited the flames was the gunning down of Mark Duggan by police in Tottenham on Thursday of last week.

A peaceful protest vigil had marched to the police station on Saturday evening. People were furious that the police hadn’t even contacted the parents of the dead man.

Later, at a standoff, a 16-year old girl was beaten by a number of police officers. That’s when the rioting started.

One Tottenham resident said, “Police need to stop shooting first and asking questions later.

“This is not the first time something like this has happened. There was Cynthia Jarrett back in the 1980s and Jean Charles de Menezes, now this guy in a cab.

“If those situations hadn’t happened then my high street wouldn’t be mashed up like it is now. These buildings can be rebuilt. That man’s life has gone and he’s not coming back.”

Then on Sunday night Enfield, Brixton and Chingford Mount in Waltham Forest rose up. The next night running battles continued for hours across London and other inner cities.

This is the biggest urban uprising in Britain for decades. Years of burning anger poured out.

The police surrendered the streets across London. When they advanced they were met with missiles.



Adam, a college student, said, "This isn't about race, it's about class."

One teenager in the riots added, "I'm black and I have loads of white friends. But we are all the same colour."

"We are fed up with the police. They think they are higher than us, but they should be lower."

A white man, around 50, said, "The government don't give a fuck about us. Look around — it's not just black people taking part, but everyone."

In Hackney the riot lasted for hours on Monday. Hundreds of young people were running from the police but a bus was blocking their way. They surrounded it and suddenly realised the driver was still inside.

Two young rioters knocked on the door and beckoned for her to get off.

When she left the bus everyone clapped. Only then did they trash it.

Two African-Caribbean pensioners were watching from the street. One said, "It's not just this country, there's uprisings everywhere. It's the whole world. Everyone's fed up, no one has anything."

The media and the political establishment have responded with blatant class prejudice.

Every riot contains contradictory elements, precisely because it is spontaneous.

They emerge suddenly—but they are part of a wider revolt against an arrogant elite who live a life of privilege and have disdain for the poor.

People did steal. In some cases they stole necessities, in others luxuries—the ones we are bombarded with the idea that we will be unfulfilled unless we own.

One witness said, "This is about as empowered as many of these lads will ever feel. That's the real tragedy."

The summer was supposed to be politics-free — a time for us all to forget about phone hacking, police corruption and the government's attacks on the poor. But instead the riots have plunged the government into yet another crisis.

**It has terrified the establishment, who have come scuttling back from holiday villas in order to condemn thuggery.**

"We're all going through hard times and all the politicians are on holiday," said one onlooker. "They think we're all shit. The Tories mugged us to get in."

**There were signs that this was coming.**

**The removal of the EMA education allowance led to the militancy of the student protests last year.**

**The cuts are biting and the rhetoric of “we’re all into together” sounds hollow by the day.**

**Even Nick Clegg predicted “Greek style unrest” if there were attacks on this scale.**

One man told Socialist Worker, “We tried to stop this government with the student riots and they beat them up.

“I wouldn’t be surprised if they brought in the army and imposed martial law.”

At the time of writing the police have not gained control. When they do they will want their retribution.

And they tried during the disturbances. One worker told Socialist Worker, “I’m surprised it’s taken this long to happen. The police think they can get away with anything.

“A dozen of them caught one young guy coming out of a smashed shop. They handcuffed him and they battered him, they were bouncing off him. We need to do something about the system.”

**It is only when people have fought back against police racism and inequality that anyone in power has been forced to acknowledge it.**

**This was a revolt of the poor.**

As a bus burned in Peckham in south London, Primark, Iceland and Clarks were looted. In Walworth Road, south London, the pawnshops and Argos were gutted.

One bus driver told Socialist Worker, “It’s not just the police, it’s Cameron. No one has anything, no one has pensions or anything to look forward to.

“They shouldn’t just be fighting the police. They should be fighting the government.”

**MORE:**

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# Where The Police Station Was Set On Fire”

9 Aug 2011 Socialist Worker [UK]

By Monday evening the rioting had spread outside London.

Geoff Dexter was in the Bullring shopping centre in Birmingham before the riot started. He told Socialist Worker the police caused it:

“There were more police there than I’ve ever seen. They created an atmosphere of trouble and tension.

“I watched police stopping and searching black and Asian young people—I didn’t see a single white person stopped.

“At about 5.30pm police arrested a young black man who had done nothing wrong. They dragged him through the shopping centre, humiliating him in front of everyone.

“We were pushed out into the street. The police corralled about 1,000 people. Then they kettle a group of young people who started to get angry because they hadn’t done anything wrong.

“Then they charged into the crowd and people started running through the city. The police had started a riot.

“There were black, white and Asian young people together, furious at the way they were being treated.”

The riot spread to other parts of Birmingham, including Handsworth, where the police station was set on fire.

In Liverpool hundreds took to the streets and there were skirmishes with police in the Leeds Chapeltown area.

Over 200 rioters clashed with police in Bristol. The running battles started in the outlying areas of St Pauls, St Werburghs and Stokes Croft before heading into the city centre. Rioters smashed the windows of the new Tesco store in Stokes Croft. The store was the scene of protests in April.

A police station in the St Ann’s area of Nottingham was also set on fire as people showed their anger at the police.

And the riots also spread to areas like Medway, Chatham, Rainham and Gillingham in Kent and Hatfield.

**A revolution is always distinguished by impoliteness, probably because the ruling classes did not take the trouble in good season to teach the people fine manners.**

**-- Leon Trotsky, History Of The Russian Revolution**

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**IRAQ WAR REPORTS**

**Resistance Action**



(Graphic: London Financial Times)

Reuters 10 Aug 2011 & Reuters 11 Aug 2011

KIRKUK - Two roadside bombs wounded one policeman in southeastern Kirkuk, 250 km (155 miles) north of Baghdad, on Wednesday.

MOSUL - A roadside bomb targeting an Iraqi police patrol wounded one policeman on Wednesday in western Mosul, a police source in Nineveh said.

FALLUJA - A roadside bomb targeting an Iraqi army patrol wounded one soldier, on Wednesday, in Falluja, 50 km (32 miles) west of Baghdad, a police source in Falluja said.

BAGHDAD - Two policemen and two soldiers were wounded when a roadside bomb went off near joint police and Iraqi army patrols in northern Baghdad on Tuesday night, an interior ministry source said.

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## **BEEN ON THE JOB TOO LONG: HOME, NOW**



ISKANDARIYA, IRAQ - JULY 14: Soldiers with the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment participate in a patrol on July 14, 2011 in Iskandariya, Babil Province, Iraq. Violence against foreign troops has recently picked up, with June being the worst month in combat-related deaths for the military in Iraq in more than two years. (Photo by Spencer Platt/Getty Images)

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## **AFGHANISTAN WAR REPORTS**

### **Five U. Soldiers Killed Somewhere Or Other In Afghanistan**

Aug. 11, 2011 AP

KABUL, Afghanistan – Five U.S. soldiers died following an improvised explosive device attack in southern Afghanistan today.

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## **Foreign Occupation “Servicemember” Killed Somewhere Or Other In Afghanistan: Nationality Not Announced**

August 11, 2011 Reuters

A foreign servicemember died following an improvised explosive device attack in southern Afghanistan yesterday.

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## **Taylorville Sailor Also Among Those Killed In Afghanistan Chopper Crash**

Aug. 10, 2011 By Benjamin Wood, Deseret News

TAYLORSVILLE — A Navy specialist from Taylorville was among those killed in the helicopter crash in Afghanistan on Saturday that killed members of SEAL Team Six.

**He was the sixth Utahn killed in Afghanistan in six weeks.**

Jared Williams Day and other members of his team were killed in Afghanistan when their helicopter was shot down in Wardak Province.

Day was a member of the Naval Special Warfare Development Group and enlisted in the Navy in 2002.

His family released a statement describing their son and brother as one of the “bravest men the world has ever known” and “determined with a fierce sense of humor.” “(He) was killed doing what he loved,” the statement reads. “He died alongside his friends, some of the bravest men this world has ever known.”

Day’s family met his body at Dover Air Force Base where President Barack Obama personally met with them along with other members of the Department of Defense.

Day was an Information Systems Technician First Class working with the Navy SEALs. Day served multiple missions in Africa, Asia and the Middle East. He was one of 22

servicemembers killed after their helicopter tried to land in the Tangi Valley, a dangerous region in Wardak Province of eastern Afghanistan, during a firefight with insurgents.

Jason Workman of Blanding was also killed in the helicopter crash. Workman, 32, was a petty officer first class and had dreamed of being a Navy SEAL since he was a young boy. "We are so proud of someone like Jason being from a small town to become an elite special forces soldier," Workman's childhood friend Tate Bennett told the Deseret News Sunday.

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## Lowell Soldier Killed In Afghanistan



Augustus "Augy" Vicari, 22, of Lowell, was killed Friday, July 29, 2011, in Afghanistan.  
Photo provided

July 31, 2011 By Bob Kostanczuk, Sun-Times

Augustus "Augy" Vicari is warmly remembered for his humor.

"He always had a good one-liner," said his mother, Evelyn Vicari, of Lowell. "He just could make you laugh. He was just a good kid."

Augustus Vicari, a 2008 graduate of Lowell High School, was killed Friday while serving in Afghanistan.

He was killed by an improvised explosive device, according to his wife and family.

Vicari, 22, was in the U.S. Army National Guard, according to his wife, 21-year-old Holly Vicari.

She said her husband was headed back to base when the bomb detonation occurred. "He was walking back from patrol," Holly Vicari said Saturday.

She said her husband was a specialist in the Oklahoma National Guard, and that they lived in Broken Arrow, Okla.

"His personality could light up any room," she said, calling her husband "an amazing guy."

They were married Sept. 25, 2010.

Evelyn Vicari said her late son grew up in Lowell.

“He was a wonderful son,” she said. “He actually was in Afghanistan for a month, and he was at his base for only three weeks. He was a brave soldier.”

Holly Vicari said the explosion killed her husband and another soldier, while also injuring three other people.

Lowell VFW Post 6841 flew its flag at half-staff once word of Vicari’s death rippled through the small, close-knit community.

Teresa Hill was tending bar at the post Saturday. Last September, Vicari had his wedding reception there. Hill said she knew the Vicari family from her work at the post: Vicari’s father often would come by.

“I’m sure people will support the family 100 percent,” Hill said.

Kim Mitchell learned of the town’s loss on Saturday. The Lowell resident said she knew the family through mutual friends.

“He was a nice kid,” Mitchell said. “(Lowell) is a very supportive community, no matter what goes on, but especially when we lose one of our own.”

In a prepared statement, U.S. Rep. Pete Visclosky, D-Merrillville, said he was “deeply saddened” to learn of Vicari’s death in Afghanistan. “Words cannot express the gratitude we have for Augy and all those who serve us in uniform and have sacrificed everything,” Visclosky said. “We owe to them our freedom and democracy.”

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## **Family And Friends Remember Sapulpa Soldier Killed In Afghanistan**





8/04 by: Danica Lawrence, Newport Television LLC

Staff Sgt. Kirk Owen of Sapulpa was killed Tuesday by a roadside bomb in Afghanistan.

**Sgt. Owen one of four Oklahomans killed in Afghanistan, within the past week.**

He was escorting a bomb squad inside a vehicle designed to protect them on but was killed when he drove over a bomb.

37-year-old Owen was killed while on his third deployment, this time in Afghanistan.

"Kirk is one of those guys who had a natural sense of duty and honor," says Owen's local pastor at First Baptist Church, Doyle Pryor.

He leaves behind two girls and his wife. His 15-year-old daughter sent a message about her father:

"...My dad was a fantastic leader. All of his guys looked up to him. My nickname for him was Ironman. There was nothing to me that he couldn't do. He loved Jesus with all his heart and that's where my peace is coming from. I can just see him up in heaven following Jesus around wanting to know everything. A few weeks before we left we were at the grocery store and my dad and little sister were walking down the marshmallow isle and he turned to her and said "Kayci, I think heaven will smell like marshmallows." I hope it does. The memory of my dad will live on forever and his good looks will too."

Pryor says heaven is lucky to have him now. "He really believed his military service was a calling from God," says Pryor.

Owen's daughters attend the youth ministry of the First Baptist Church in Sapulpa, the family asks any donations are either sent there or to the Blue Star Mom's organization.

A captain with the guard says, four other Oklahoma National Guard soldiers were hurt in the same bomb attack as Owen, their families have also been notified.

This is Owen's daughters entire message about her father.

"My dad was a fantastic leader. ALL of his guys looked up to him. I'm a total daddy's girl. He always played basketball with me; he always tried to teach me new things about it too. He was also always the loudest person at my games :) He loved it when we won. It was so funny beacuse he played baseball as a teenager and he didn't know a whole lot about basketball so he would watch games on tv and come tell me hey Kylie try this-- I saw Shaq do it last night. :D haha. He would give somebody the shirt off his back he was just such a loving person. It was just a huge shock to us because he was just the closest thing I could think of to being a perfect solider. He always wanted to do more. He died doing what he loved. It made him so happy.

"As I would say, my dad was a BEAST! :) haha My nickname for him was Ironman. I bought him a shirt and everything. There was nothing to me that he couldn't do. Now that he's gone I just want people to celebrate his life and not be sad about it forever. He wouldn't want that. He LOVED Jesus with all his heart and that's where my peace is

coming from. I know exactly where he is at. I can just see him up in heaven following Jesus around wanting to know everything. A few weeks before we left we were at the grocery store and my dad and little sister were walking down the marshmallow aisle and he turned to her and said "Kayci I think heaven will smell like marshmallows." :) I hope it does. The memory of my dad will live on forever and his good looks will too. ;) Everybody says I got his looks and sarcastic abilities and my sister got his attitude and humor. He was so funny. Always made people smile... Always. Everyone will miss him but we'll see him again."

**POLITICIANS CAN'T BE COUNTED  
ON TO HALT THE BLOODSHED  
THE TROOPS HAVE THE POWER  
TO STOP THE WARS**

## **Resistance Action**

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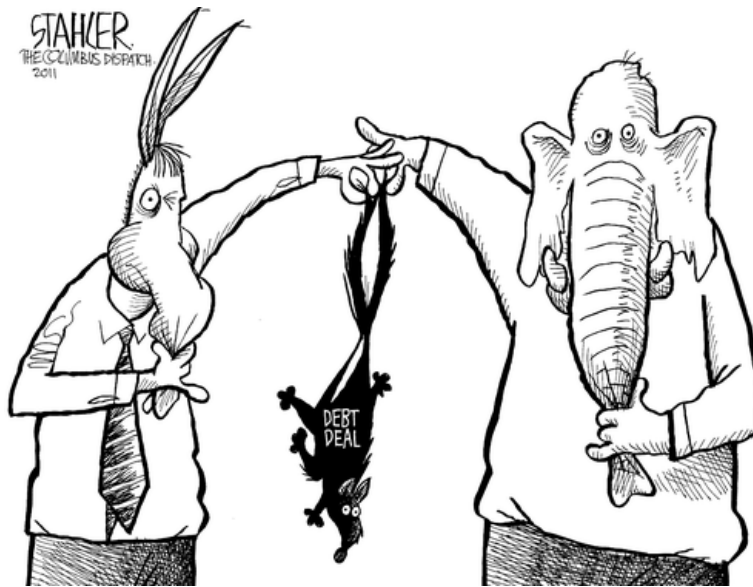
A bomb attack killed an Afghan intelligence agent in the country's north on Thursday. Payenda Mohammad, a junior official in the Kunduz branch of Afghanistan's National Directorate of Security (NDS), died when the blast destroyed his car near his home. The Taliban said in a text message that the bombing was aimed at senior security officials.

FARAH - Insurgents killed four civilians, linked to the Afghan government, who had been captured in the Bala Bulok district of western Farah province on Monday, Farah police chief Sayed Mohammad Roshandel said. Roshandel said the men were captured on Saturday and their bodies sent back to their families two days later. Bala Bulok residents said the men had been beheaded but police said they were unable to confirm that because the area is controlled by insurgents.

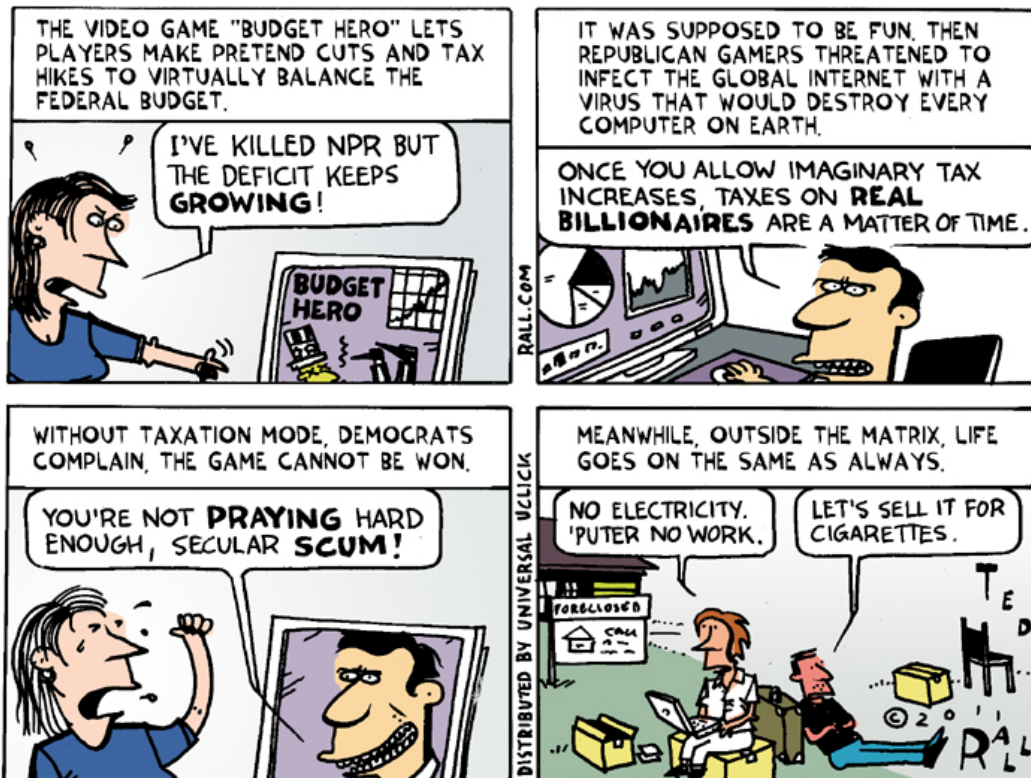
URUZGAN - A bomb killed a policeman in a crowded market in the Dehrawod district of southern Uruzgan province on Tuesday, said Uruzgan police detective Mohammad Gulab. Another policeman was wounded.

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# DANGER: POLITICIANS AT WORK



# CLASS WAR REPORTS



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### **Afghanistan:**

**“All My Guys Are Hurt. No One Cares”**

<http://www.traveling-soldier.org/7.11.afghanistan.php>

### **Americans Don't Support The War On Afghanistan:**

**“Lopsided Majority” Says Get Out**

<http://www.traveling-soldier.org/7.11.americans.php>

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Telling the truth - about the occupations or the criminals running the government in Washington - is the first reason for Traveling Soldier. But we want to do more than tell the truth; we want to report on the resistance to Imperial wars inside the armed forces.

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# Vietnam GI: Reprints Available



## Vietnam: They Stopped An Imperial War

Edited by Vietnam Veteran Jeff Sharlet from 1968 until his death, this newspaper rocked the world, attracting attention even from Time Magazine, and extremely hostile attention from the chain of command.

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