BACK GOOD GRIEF !

"There's class warfare, all right, but it's my class, the rich class, that's making war, and we're winning." - Warren Buffett

It is the duty of government to prevent "an immoderate, and especially unmerited, accumulation of riches." -James Madison

"The good we secure for ourselves is precarious and uncertain until it is secured for all of us and incorporated into our common life." - Jane Addams

The Koch brothers, alone, have already pledged \$1 BILLION for the 2016 election. Who among us, voters and politicians, is strong enough to resist the influence of that kind of money?

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FRONT The SUPER-RICH GET RICHER AND EVERYONE ELSE GETS POORER.

The wealth of the richest 0.01% of Americans is growing much faster than the total wealth of the U.S. If there is no change in policy, the Super-Rich (11,500 families) will own every-thing that matters in about 50 years. We'll all be renting our house or car from them.

We see it happening now. Retirees get reverse mortgages, and when they die their homes are turned into rental property. The recovery of the housing market was not the result of increased home ownership. It was driven by corporations turning homes into rentals.



From the end of WWII to the 1970s everyone kept their share of the wealth thanks to political leaders who remembered the lessons of the Great Depression.

WHAT DID THEY KNOW THAT WE'VE FORGOTTEN?

When people have incomes of hundreds of thousands of dollars *per day* they don't go down to the mall to spend it. They reinvest it getting still richer.

Republicans and Democrats both knew there is only one truly way government effective can prevent all the wealth from going to the Super-Rich: taxes. In the 1950s and 60s, Republicans taxed the Super-Rich even more than Democrats. They used that money to build the Interstate Highway system. We could use it to pay off the national debt.

A modern version of those tax policies would have high taxes only on that part of your income greater than \$1 million per year. So, their first \$2740 per day (including Sundays) stays at a low tax rate.

The Super-Rich have not been creating jobs. Jobs are created by demand for products.

If a corporation needs to increase production, it gets any money it needs through the banks from the Federal Reserve at low interest rates.

HIGH TAXES ON THE SUPER-RICH ARE MORALLY RIGHT

We have invested in their corporations. We pay for the roads, the water, the sewers, the police and fire departments that their corporations depend on. We pay for the university research they use to create new products. And all too often, we go to war, and some of us die in defense of capitalism. We've earned a share of the wealth.

DEMOCRACY CANNOT SURVIVE THIS WEALTH INEQUALITY

Since the Supreme Court decision in Citizens United, the Super-Rich can spend as much money as they want on elections! Money buys influence - with Congress, and with the voters.

