

When Amerika Was America

Cole Younger. Cousin and cohort of Jesse James.

Arrested by a posse exactly two weeks after the James Gang's disastrous attempt to rob the First National Bank in Northfield, Minnesota on September 7th, 1876.

Charges: Bank robbery and murder. Plea: Guilty.
Sentence: Life.

Ultimate Denouement: Paroled in 1901. Pardoned by Minnesota's governor in 1903.

Can you imagine how many LWOP's a notorious outlaw like Cole would have been "saddled" (pun intended) with in Amerika's Modern Milieu?

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American Exceptionalism: The audacious concept — expressed for the first time in human history in 1776 — that a People were capable of governing themselves.

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I've recently been, ardently, studying the history of America's Wild West, and one thing leaps out at me: There were many acquittals in those days. Such remained a distinct possibility. The, freshly-minted, Americans of that era and milieu did, by all appearances, take righteousness seriously their duty, while sitting as jurors, not to condemn their fellow citizens to slavery in absence of genuine proof of their wrongdoings.

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Now, however, a whole different story. The Grand Concept — the precious, God-bestowed concept — of American Exceptionalism all but forgotten.

And, in a perverted, nationwide Lust for Power, prosecutors have learned to rig the game/system even more blatantly than the 2020 presidential election.

Jurors have been transmogrified from Proud Americans — who cherished freedom and, therefore, would not gratuitously take it from their fellow citizens — into an über-scared herd of We the Sheeple. (Who just want to "wrap things up" in time to get back for Dinner and a Movie on TBS.)

And America, the once-proud Land of the Free, now houses more per capita prisoners than any land on Earth....

It's all one HUGE Money Racket now.

"Attention: We have your loved ones. If you wish them to have adequate protein, health care, clothing, etc., then you must pour ducats into our coffers...."

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The most heinous crime? Judging from the amount of "added" time given, it must be this: Failure to Take a Plea Bargain.

Americans' supposedly Constitutionally-guaranteed right to a trial by a jury of peers has been corrupted out of existence. And which group will steadfastly refuse a plea bargain? Answer: The innocent.

I once knew a man who told me he'd been falsely accused of child-molesting — and, due to his outstanding character, I believed him. Their final offer: Five years (perhaps only two, my memory's fuzzy) of unsupervised

probation. I met him, of course, in prison. Eddie had been meted out his "just punishment" for "troubling" the Gestapo-like Monstrosity "justice system" now extant. (Or "Just Us," as we call it.) The outcome had been virtually guaranteed — *Guilty!!*

For exercising his right to a jury trial, Eddie was serving a class B Life Sentence.

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The courtrooms, in today's America, are but "feeder-belts" into the uber-corrupt Prison-Industrial Complex. That evil, blasphemous, Mammon-worshipping entity whose "product" — the source of a tainted income for many now — is a warm body in a cell.

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I've done three and a half decades for the death of a man I'd been led to believe had murdered, via abortion, a child which would have been my firstborn.

The P-I-C doesn't care. I am their "product."

For years and years, despite multiple misfortunes befalling, I prided myself on not blaspheming. I considered it an extremely gratuitous sin.

Now, however, G-D falls off my lips like snowflakes slighting on Mount McKinley. Yet, am I blaspheming? By now, after basically being, s-l-a-v-e-d, tortured to death, they are more like existential cries of anguish. I truly am pleading for God to damn a system that, endlessly and uber-cruelly, enslaves souls — solely for fun 'n' profit.

"Wild Bill" Barnes

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