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THE FIRST MODERNISERS

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“My aim was to convert the Tory Party,” said the late Keith Joseph of his objectives in founding the Centre for Policy Studies 25 years ago. Thanks to his vision and the courage of his deputy chairman Margaret Thatcher, this conversion was triumphantly achieved in the measures of the Conservative Governments after 1979: in monetary policy, privatisation, the reining-in of the trade unions, and education reform. But the Centre’s influence in its first quarter century has been felt far beyond the frontiers of the Conservative Party. Tony Blair was only 21 when the CPS held its first meeting in Interview Room G at the House of Commons on 12 June 1974. Determined as they were, the Centre’s founders could not have guessed that, 25 years later, a Labour Government would be espousing – at least in its rhetoric – the doctrines of monetarism, privatisation and global free trade.

The CPS was born of disillusionment within and outside Tory ranks with the failures of the post-war Keynesian consensus. In his pioneering speech at Upminster in 1974, Keith Joseph attacked “thirty years of Socialistic fashion... thirty years of interventions; thirty years of good intentions; thirty years of disappointment.” Other organisations, notably the Institute of Economic Affairs, had already championed free-market policies and attacked the limp technocracy and pragmatism of post-war governments. The CPS, however, sought direct involvement with the political process. Its aim was not only to think, but to convince practising politicians that it was right. In the words of Alfred

Sherman, who was appointed Director of Studies in 1975, the CPS became a “free-standing participant in the Conservative campaign of re-assessment and opinion-forming;” it would “think the unthinkable.” But its mission was not only cerebral. Through its publications and the activities of a sympathetic cohort of politicians, academics and journalists, the CPS wanted to force the political class to save the country from economic ruin and to prepare for the future. It wanted to set aside the woolly thinking of the past and make Britain fit for the modern world. The founders of the CPS were, in fact, the first modernisers.

Keith Joseph’s own work was seminal in the Centre’s first years, and its influence clearly detectable in the policies of the Thatcher Governments. His 1976 pamphlet *Monetarism is Not Enough* argued that control of the money supply had to be accompanied by the rolling back of the State, the encouragement of entrepreneurialism and reductions in taxation. Two years later, his *Conditions for Fuller Employment* made a radical plea for a more flexible labour market and support for free enterprise. Where Keith Joseph had led, others followed, and were no less influential. In 1982, the Centre’s Education Study Group published its ground-breaking tract, *The Right to Learn: A Conservative Approach to Education* which called for a fresh concentration on standards, parental choice, devolution of power to schools and student loans. These ideas are now considered orthodox even by Labour ministers. But 17 years ago, they were still deeply heretical, and scorned accordingly by the education establishment and its apologists.

The Centre’s strategy, throughout its first 25 years, has been to march one step, if not several steps, ahead of accepted thinking; to demand greater radicalism than seems immediately feasible; to be, in Sherman’s apt phrase, an “animator, agent of change and political enzyme.” The CPS called for the privatisation of Britain’s steel industry as long ago as 1981, of its telecommunications in 1982, of the coal industry in 1985, and of the Post Office in 1987. Today, as John Moore’s pamphlet *Privatisation Everywhere* noted in

1992, the de-nationalisation of utilities is commonplace around the world. Policies which were first hatched at CPS seminars and lunches, and initially derided as maverick or unworkable, have now been exported to many other nations – and, as Gordon Brown can attest, to other political parties.

Anniversaries are by definition moments to celebrate what has been achieved. But the focus of the CPS today, under the directorship of Tessa Keswick, is very much upon the challenges ahead. Since the 1997 election, the Centre has naturally tried to analyse this and past Conservative defeats – as in the recent pamphlet *After the Landslide* by David Willetts and Richard Forsdyke, which looked at the lessons of the 1906 and 1945 elections. But it has also set about developing a forward-looking response to the Blairite “Third Way”, addressing the areas of policy and strategy in which contemporary Conservatism must adapt if it is to offer a plausible alternative to Blairism.

John O’Sullivan set the tone magnificently in his 1999 Keith Joseph Memorial Lecture, *Conservatism, Democracy and National Identity*; also this year, Maurice Saatchi and Peter Warburton identified the problems of the unwieldy and over-complicated tax and benefit system in their paper *The War of Independence*; last year Conrad Black assessed the unavoidable decisions facing the nation in *Britain’s Final Choice: Europe or America?*; in *A Federal Britain*, John Barnes asked whether Tories had to shift their ground on constitutional policy, now that Labour had devolved power to Scotland, Wales and Ulster. The range of voices encouraged by the CPS, furthermore, remains as broad as ever: David Selbourne and Melanie Phillips, neither of whom have ever described themselves as Tories, have both published recently under the Centre’s banner, exploring the shortcomings of New Labour and contemporary liberalism. Alongside these many publications, a series of study groups has spent the last two years returning to the foundations of specific policy areas and the fruits of their work will be published in the next year. The Centre’s network for younger professional people, Agenda 2002, continues to expand.

Twenty five years ago, the priority of the CPS was to drag Britain back from the economic precipice. Today, of necessity, its agenda is much broader. The constitution is undergoing revolutionary change; the relationship between the family and the State grows ever more complicated; New Labour has made cultural issues and the relentless pursuit of “modernity” a central political theme; pensions policy has never been more important; new thinking is required on the problems of “social exclusion”; the NHS created by Bevan still needs to be dragged into the modern world; and the issue of Britain’s relationship with the EU becomes more pressing every day. The CPS has plans to address all these issues, and more besides.

Looking back at the success of its first 25 years has only inspired the Centre to do more in its second. As Mrs Thatcher wrote to Alfred Sherman after the 1979 election: “We are over the first hurdle; now for the real battle.”

POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

CONSERVATIVE WOMEN

Tessa Keswick, Rosemary Pockley & Angela Guillaume

Women, once among the Conservative Party's strongest supporters, are deserting the Conservative Party. The authors show that the culture and public face of the Party is predominantly male. This culture must change; so too must the profile of candidates and senior Party managers.

Publication Date: 1999

Price: £7.50

HAPPINESS CAN'T BUY MONEY

Lord Saatchi

Conservatives seem unsure of their identity, of their *raison d'être* following the 1997 defeat. They fear that economics has lost its potency at the ballot box. But they should concentrate on economic *perceptions*. This is what changed in 1997. The Party must return to its historic mission to "elevate the condition of the people."

Publication Date: 1999

Price: £5.00

AFTER THE LANDSLIDE: learning the lessons from 1906 & 1945

David Willetts MP and Richard Forsdyke

Analysis of previous landslide defeats this century suggests that the Conservative Party needs to recognise the need for change – not just in terms of party organisation, but also in terms of policy. Ideas and principles matter. And they must be grounded in the needs and aspirations of the voters.

Publication Date: 1999

Price: £7.50

MORAL EVASION

David Selbourne

Many protagonists and participants in the ongoing moral debates in Britain seek, through the media, to misrepresent the issues before us or evade the real questions. Some of the evasions are intended to paralyse the debate altogether. David Selbourne examines how language is used and misused by the protagonists in the debate.

Publication Date: 1998

Price: £7.50

CONSERVATISM, DEMOCRACY & NATIONAL IDENTITY

John O'Sullivan

The full text of the third Keith Joseph Memorial Lecture. Conservatism flourishes when existing institutions and beliefs are under threat. Although it appears that no such threat exists at the moment, the Tory Party can find fertile ground in the defence of democracy and our parliamentary institutions.

Publication Date: 1999

Price: £5.00

ONE YEAR ON

David Selbourne

David Selbourne shows that New Labour is a party of contradictory principles (and too often of no principles at all). Selbourne concludes that the Conservative Party is now faced with a historic opportunity to recapture their faith in civic traditions and institutions.

Publication Date: 1998

Price: £7.50

WHO DO WE THINK WE ARE?

David Willetts MP

Conservatism is the embodiment of instincts and emotions which have characterised our nation. Conservatives would be right to appeal to the intrinsically British disposition, founded in history, in favour of enterprise, in favour of a mobile and open society, and in favour of local, not regional communities.

Publication Date: 1998

Price: £5.00

BLUE SKIES AHEAD

James Bethell, Simon Brocklebank Fowler, Andrew Honor & Andrew Reid

By the time of the next general election, the Conservative Party will, on current trends, have ceased to exist. Its membership is declining; is ageing; and is out of touch with the sympathies of the majority of the British population. The authors call for practical steps to be taken so that the Party can be elected to govern again.

Publication Date: 1997

Price: £7.50

CLASS ON THE BRAIN

Peter Bauer

It remains part of contemporary folklore that a restrictive and divisive class system is the bane of this country. Professor Bauer concludes that, while class *distinctions* may exist, class *barriers* are illusory. And preoccupation with class disguises the fact that British society is open and mobile. Moreover, obsession with ‘the class system’ can obstruct achievement and engender resentment.

Publication Date: 1997

Price: £7.50

THE CORRUPTION OF LIBERALISM

Melanie Phillips

The author demonstrates the dangers of the new permissiveness and shows how our definition of “liberal” has corrupted. It has fallen victim to a mindset which says that the individual is paramount, that “values” are subjective and there is no such thing as objective right and wrong. This ignores the great paradox: that freedom can only be protected within a structure of constraints.

Publication Date: 1997

Price: £5.00

THE GHOST OF TORYISM PAST, THE SPIRIT OF CONSERVATIVE FUTURE

Michael Portillo

The full text of Michael Portillo’s ground-breaking speech to the CPS at the Conservative Party Conference in Blackpool, 1997.

Publication Date: 1997

Price: £6.00

LIBERTY AND LIMITED GOVERNMENT

The Rt Hon The Baroness Thatcher LG OM FRS

This pamphlet contains the complete text of the speech given by Baroness Thatcher at the Keith Joseph Memorial Lecture held by the CPS in January 1996. The Conservative Party has radically reformed Britain, and has offered individuals opportunities which were previously unthinkable. While the Labour Party seems to have changed its clothes, at heart it remains a party committed to interfering in people's lives.

Publication Date: 1996

Price: £5.00

A CONSERVATIVE AGENDA

Tessa Keswick and Edward Heathcoat Amory

On the eve of the 1997 General Election, Britain faces ever more complex and increasingly subtle challenges. The authors detail vigorous policies designed to appeal to a jaded electorate and, more importantly, to secure the future well-being of the country.

Publication Date: 1996

Price: £7.50

CONSERVATIVE REALISM

Edited by Kenneth Minogue, with a foreword by Baroness Thatcher

In the 1980s, Conservatism experienced a historic intellectual revival. Today, however, the problems which Conservatives now face are more subtle and complex than before. This collection of essays, published in association with HarperCollins, explores the Conservative response to the most problematic political questions facing us today.

Publication Date: 1996

Price: £14.99

CONSERVATIVE BRITAIN IN THE 21ST CENTURY

Malcolm Rifkind QC MP

The speech given to the 1996 Conservative Party Conference. He surveys the conservative approach to Britain's place in the world, its place in Europe, as well as domestic and constitutional issues.

Publication Date: 1996

Price: £5.00

BLAIR'S GURUS

David Willetts MP

David Willetts undertakes the first systematic analysis of the ideas behind Blairism and finds that while they may be creating the conventional wisdom, they are far from wise.

Publication Date: 1996

Price: £7.50

WHAT IS A CONSERVATIVE?

Paul Johnson

Paul Johnson surveys the beliefs of the great figures of the Conservative Party – and finds a central paradox: many of them were not Conservatives. Indeed the very indefinability of the terms “Conservative” is one of the greatest strengths of the Party.

Publication Date: 1996

Price: £5.00

HOW TO BE BRITISH

Charles Moore

Charles Moore elegantly and forcefully argues that British institutions and laws reflect the character of the British people, and offer the best hope for their future.

Publication Date 1995

Cost £5.00

THE BLUE HORIZON

Michael Portillo

What carried the day in the restoration of sound finances in the 80s was *fixity of purpose*. Steady, sensible policies backed by sound arguments of principle are what people want from their leaders. This paper gives the text of Michael Portillo's key CPS lecture.

Publication Date: 1993

Price: £5.00

POLICIES OF THATCHERISM

Edited by Richard Haas and Oliver Knox

A compilation of some of the best writing for the CPS in the 1980s. Including work by Nicholas Ridley, Sir James Goldsmith, John Redwood, and Oliver Letwin.

Publication Date: 1992

Price: £15.00

HUBRIS: the tempting of modern Conservatives

Edited by Digby Anderson and Gerald Frost

In this collection of essays, the authors warn against promising things which it is beyond the power of government to perform. Politicians cannot override the judgement of the market. Nor can they force the country into a tightly-integrated Europe. Nor engineer “the nation’s health”. Traditional wisdom is worth more than that of lobbies and ideologues.

Publication Date: 1992

Price: £10.00

A CONSERVATIVE DISPOSITION

John Gray

The author criticises the Utopianism of so much neo-liberalism that masquerades as conservative thought. Conservatives must remember the imperfectability of all institutions – including the market itself; and try to palliate, rather than cure, their shortcomings.

Publication Date 1990

Price: £4.95

THE CONSERVATIVE COMMUNITY: the roots of Thatcherism and its future

Robin Harris

The author argues that the proper aim of conservatism is the creation of a community with traditions, values and sense of purpose. The ties of community at every level need to be reinforced. And success can only be won by challenging the assumptions of liberalism as vigorously as those of socialism.

Publication Date: 1989

Price: £4.95

THATCHERISM: the next generation

Peter Lilley MP

The successes of the Thatcher years have been founded as much on principles of morality as on principles of economics. Peter Lilley sets out how the principles of Thatcherism can be applied to other areas of policy such as the environment, social services, education and Europe.

Publication Date: 1989

Price: £5.00

THE EGALITARIAN CONCEIT: true and false inequalities

Kenneth Minogue

The only fruits of egalitarian sentiment are the breeding of resentment in the poor and guilt in the rich. It is simply not true that the rich have acquired their advantages at the expense of the poor. Professor Minogue suggests that egalitarians must spell out the inevitable social and economic costs of their views, in terms of increased regulation and loss of liberties.

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Price: £4.95

THE POLITICS OF MANNERS: the uses of inequality

Peregrine Worsthorne

The Thatcherite economic miracle must be accompanied by a comparable social miracle. The habits of social authority must be relearned, the arts of custodianship encouraged, the transmission of civility nurtured.

Publication Date: 1988

Cost £5.00

THE NEW BRITAIN: the tide of ideas from Atlee to Thatcher

Nigel Lawson

Nigel Lawson explains the moral basis of capitalism: a society is inherently healthier if it is based on freedom not state coercion. Thatcherism, based on self-reliance and self-improvement, works with the grain of human nature. The capture of the moral high ground and the power of ideas must drive forward the Conservative Party.

Publication Date: 1988

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NATURAL PARTNERS: co-operation and competition

Michael Ivens

Competition is only one side of the Conservative coin. Man thrives on co-operations too. The left must not be allowed to steal these values and dress them in bogus corporatist clothes.

Publication Date: 1988

Price: £5.00

VICTORIAN VALUES: and twentieth century condescension

Gertrude Himmelfarb

Modest virtues such as hard work, thrift and self-control were never a middle-class device to subjugate the working classes. They were the virtues which ordinary people themselves aspired to. The villains of the piece were the Edwardian intellectuals and recent historians who doubt the genuineness of their efforts.

Publication Date: 1987

Price: £5.00

MORALITY AND MARKETS: gospel of an economist

Lord Harris of High Cross

The moral case for markets is clear: to give every individual the opportunity to pursue his self-chosen purposes. Human weakness and wickedness is not remedied by extending the coercive power of the state. The best way to keep evil in check is by the voluntary pressures of the marketplace rather than the power of the state.

Publication Date: 1986

Price: £5.00

THE UNFINISHED TASK: the Conservative record in perspective

Ronald Butt

The long post-war consensus was shattered as much by the anti-democratic actions of the far left as by the policies of Margaret Thatcher. A new consensus must now be implanted by better targeting and provision of social services.

Publication Date: 1986

Price: £5.00

THE NEW CAPITALISM: personal ownership & social responsibility

David Howell

David Howell challenges the bloated hypertrophy of financial institutions and economic theory. The more that *individuals* share in the responsibility and rewards associated with ownership of capital and cease to depend solely on wages, the sooner a genuinely competitive labour market can be created. Even more important, the sense of belonging which ownership confers will bring social benefits of huge value.

Publication Date: 1986

Price: £5.00

GENTRIFICATION OR GROWTH

Sir James Goldsmith

Sir James Goldsmith asks why so many have been willing to see their prosperity destroyed and their freedom bartered to support socialism. One answer may be found in the gentrification of the middle classes. Sir James calls for a ruthless dismantling of the class structure and proposes an agenda which would include the replacement of the House of Lords with a British Senate.

Publication Date: 1985

Price: £5.00

MORALITY, POLITICS & LAW: reflections of a Conservative

Lord Hailsham

The Lord Chancellor sets out his understanding of conservatism and the role of the law. He shows that there can be no complete divorce between the rules of morality, politics or law. However, politicians must bear in mind the crudeness of the instruments at their disposal: coercion should be exercised with the utmost restraint.

Publication Date: 1985

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PROPERTY AND POVERTY – an agenda for the mid-80s

Ferdinand Mount

The author sets out to rescue the idea of property from its neglect by politicians and philosophers. Looking to the 1990s, he offers some thoughtful suggestions on how to turn the vision of a property-owning democracy into a reality – and how to relieve poverty at the same time.

Publication Date: 1984

Price: £5.00

THE CHALLENGE OF A RADICAL REACTIONARY

Lord Harris of High Cross

Only the market system can be relied upon to benefit all; the mixed economy and the cosy consensus of the 1960s and 70s have been exposed as failures. Conservatives must be brave in seeking radical economic reform while reinforcing valued structures which are needed by society.

Publication Date: 1980

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THE CONSERVATIVE TRADITION AND THE 1980s: three gifts of insight restored

David Howell

As the failure of the 1970s becomes ever clearer, David Howell suggests that a platform for future success can be built only on three “pillars of wisdom”: national self-confidence, political optimism and an understanding of the importance of personal ownership to every family.

Publication Date: 1980

Price: £5.00

BIBLIOGRAPHY OF FREEDOM

Chris Tame

An invaluable aid for those wishing to investigate the core ideas at the root of our free society. With sections on economics, philosophy, political thought, psychology, sociology, history and critiques on socialism, this volume covers the widest possible spectrum, cataloguing all the major thinkers in these fields.

Publication Date: 1980

Price: £5.00

THE NEW CONSERVATISM

Nigel Lawson

In rejecting the false trails of Keynesianism, the Conservatives have returned to the traditional wisdom of Hume, Burke and Adam Smith. The new application of these old values has led to an agenda which proposes a rejection of statism, the abandonment of wages policies, and the embrace of monetarism.

Publication Date: 1980

Price: £5.00

HISTORY, CAPITALISM AND FREEDOM

Hugh Thomas

Hugh Thomas makes a powerful plea for a restored pride in our past, based on a reunderstanding of its greatness and unique nature. Such greatness was the fruit of our freedom, particularly our economic freedom. A rediscovery of the importance of such freedoms will enable Britain to become great again.

Publication Date: 1979

Price: £5.00

CLASS ON THE BRAIN: the cost of a British obsession

Peter Bauer

In a searching analysis of the British class system, Peter Bauer concludes that it is the British obsession with class rather than any actual class barriers which are doing damage. If we woke up to the fact that such barriers are nowadays illusory, we could build a more open and less resentful society.

Publication Date: 1978

Price: £5.00

LET OUR CHILDREN GROW TALL: selected Speeches 1975-77

Margaret Thatcher

This collection of some of Margaret Thatcher's earliest speeches is a remarkable record of the germination of the ideas that came to dominate British politics. Dealing with Europe, foreign affairs, economics and conservatism, she sketches out the map which the government was to use in the 1980s.

Publication Date: 1977

Price: £10.00

POLITICAL OFFICE OR POLITICAL POWER

John Biffen MP

A collection of speeches from a man who made a major contribution to the genesis of Thatcherism. Ranging from Europe through devolution to economics, he provides a wealth of interesting insights.

Publication Date: 1977

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THE NEW ACQUISITIVE SOCIETY

Ferdynand Zweig

In a remarkably far-sighted analysis of trends in British society, Ferdynand Zweig sees the end of the old working class, the growth of home ownership, the decline of statism, the rise of a consumer society. But with these changes come new problems which require new solutions.

Publication Date: 1976

Price: £5.00

STRANDED ON THE MIDDLE GROUND

Keith Joseph

This collection of some of the key speeches by the CPS's co-founder, Keith Joseph, is an invaluable guide to his thinking in the crucial years prior to the Conservative victory of 1979. This volume includes fascinating speeches such as "The Humanity of Capitalism", "The Moral and Material Benefits of the Market Order" and "Equality: An Argument Against".

Publication Date: 1976

Price: £5.00

ECONOMIC AND TRADE POLICY

THE WAR OF INDEPENDENCE

Lord Saatchi and Peter Warburton

Why is it that taxes are always going up and yet the government never seems to have enough money to spend on good things like health and education? The authors propose an overhaul of the tax and benefits system: a clearing up of the overlap between taxes and benefits and exchanging the complex web of reliefs, allowances, credits and tax breaks for lower rates for all.

Publication Date: 1999

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SERIOUS DAMAGE: the withholding tax & the City of London

Richard Baron

The withholding tax would drive the London bond market offshore. In addition, the Government's failure to veto the tax has sent a clear message to City institutions: their interests are negotiable. City institutions can and will move their London operations if they feel that their interests are better understood elsewhere.

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HANDICAP, NOT TRUMP CARD: the Franco-German model isn't working

Keith Marsden

The French and German Finance Ministers recently declared their confidence in the European model: it was a "trump card, not a handicap". Why then, asks Keith Marsden, is unemployment so much higher in France and Germany than in Britain or the US?

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MIRACLE OR MIRAGE? Britain's economy seen from abroad

Keith Marsden

Britain's economy, in 1997, is flourishing. That is the only conclusion that can be drawn from an impartial analysis of the international data. Yet the achievements of recent Conservative administrations are under attack both from the Labour Party and from Brussels.

Publication Date: 1997

Price: £7.50

TRADE POLICY REVIEW 1996-97

Edited by Brian Hindley

Patrick Messerlin on European Film Policy; Tim Josling on a new agricultural trade policy; Brian Hindley on the problems of the EU anti-dumping rules; and Richard Rosencrance on the rise of the virtual state.

Publication Date: 1997

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THE KEY TO HIGHER LIVING STANDARDS

Walter Ellis

Economic policies since 1979 have led to a higher increase in living standards in the UK than in any of our European competitors. Such growth can only be maintained if government expenditure as a proportion of GDP is, at the very minimum, contained.

Publication Date: 1996

Price: £7.50

PENSIONS IN THE 21ST CENTURY

John MacGregor MP

The author demonstrates that the success of pension reform in the last 15 years is threatened by an over-regulated supervisory regime. A new code, designed to encourage appropriate investment, should replace the present one at the earliest opportunity.

Publication Date: 1996

Price: £5.95

PUBLIC SPENDING: a 20 year plan for reform

Patrick Minford and Paul Ashton

Patrick Minford and Paul Ashton insist that only by bringing about a sea change in our cultural attitudes towards welfare will we be able to cope with the demographic and economic changes to come.

Publication Date: 1995

Price: £5.00

TRADE POLICY REVIEW 1995

Brian Hindley and Deepak Lal

This collection of essays analyses the state of global free trade in 1995 with particular reference to EU Trade Policy, the dangers of US regionalism and the growth of Free Trade Areas.

Publication Date: 1995

Price: £6.95

THE MYSTERY OF JAPANESE GROWTH

Ranesh Ponnuru

Japan's economic success is not due to government intervention, but the light regulatory environment, low taxes on individuals and dividends, fierce competition, high savings and strong education.

Publication Date: 1995

Price: £5.95

OUT OF SIGHT, OUT OF MIND: the dangerous neglect of Britain's "invisibles"

Bill Jamieson

The DTI should be recast to take into account the changing balance in the domestic economy. There is an urgent need to ease the burden of regulatory compliance – if cost-sensitive exchange, equity market and investment management business is not to be driven away.

Publication Date: 1994

Price: £5.95

TRADE POLICY REVIEW 1994

Brian Hindley, Deepak Lal and Patrick Messerlin

Members of the EU must move GATT from the periphery to the centre of its trade policies. And recent anti-dumping negotiations show that GATT can be misused for protectionist measures.

Publication Date: 1994

Price: £6.95

THE GOLDSMITH FALLACY

Brian Hindley

Abandoning the goal of global free trade and abolishing GATT would depress European living standards, and create chaos in international economic relations. There are problems caused by the rapid growth of emerging economies, but protectionism will not solve them.

Publication Date: 1994

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THE UNHELPING HAND

Diana Rowan

Government should confine itself to providing the “level playing field”, nurturing a well-educated population, ensuring open trade, enforcing anti-trust laws and (only when market forces are inadequate) funding basic research. This is the background to Japanese industrial strength.

Publication Date: 1992

Price: £4.95

THE SOCIAL MARKET: some ideas from Germany

Lord Joseph

It was the policy of letting the market work, subject to law and competition, that brought the shambles of defeated, hungry, bombed West Germany back to life. Her post-war history – with its successes and now its problems – has much to teach us.

Publication Date: 1992

Price: £5.95

FOR A STABLE POUND

Tim Congdon

It is not good enough to accept a “fairly low” inflation rate. An independent central bank would help to attain really stable prices. Under such a scheme, the Governor should be selected by and responsible to Parliament, and be obliged to achieve price stability by a specific date.

Publication Date: 1991

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WHAT'S WRONG WITH CAPITAL GAINS TAX

Tom Griffin

CGT is almost wholly a political tax, levied for appearance's sake. It does mischief, since it reduces the rewards for enterprise and risk-taking. At the very least, it should be ameliorated: for example, reducing the rate to 15% and granting extensive rollover reliefs.

Publication Date: 1991

Price: £4.95

EXPLODING WEALTH FOR ALL: towards a better understanding of tax neutrality

George Copeman

The Deputy Chairman of the Wider Share Ownership Council makes recommendations for encouraging all companies to set up one of many Revenue-approved schemes for employee share ownership.

Publication Date: 1990

Price: £5.00

MONETARISM LOST – and why it must be regained

Tim Congdon

In the mid-1980s targeting with broad money fell into disuse, and the cycle of stop-go returned. Tim Congdon recommends salvaging the policy equipment – broad money targets, overfunding, close attention to lending by banks and building societies – which had until recently helped to steer the country on such a steady course.

Publication Date: 1989

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PENSIONS AND PRIVILEGE: how to end the scandal, simplify taxes and widen ownership

Philip Chappell

The Government must: acknowledge that pension funds belong to their members; treat future pension contributions as taxable benefits; integrate national insurance and tax contributions; eliminate higher rate tax and consolidate capital taxes; reduce income tax to 15%, plus 7.5% social tax on all income; and end all income tax allowances and reliefs.

Publication Date: 1988

Price: £5.50

PERSONAL TAXES FOR THE NINETIES

Jonathon Bond

All our interests would be better served by a system of wider and fewer tax bands. He proposes 25p, 35p, 45p and 50p – and estimates that the cost to the revenue would be unlikely to exceed £3 billion.

Publication Date 1988

Price: £5.00

BRITAIN RESURGENT: return to a wealth creating economy

Lord Young of Graffham

Lord Young shows how the Government is giving individuals a foundation of confidence on which to calculate their risks. It is motivating young people to create wealth. It is reforming the tax structure to promote incentives. It is promoting efficiency by opening up competitive market places.

Publication Date: 1987

Price: £5.00

TO SPUR NOT TO MOULD: government and industry in the late 1980s

Leon Brittan

While rejecting interventionist schemes, government should nonetheless have a *policy* for industry. Government must promote competition and protect consumers. In the public sector it must foster efficiency and spur innovation. And government should not shirk the problem of the poorer regions.

Publication Date: 1986

Price: £5.00

EVERY ADULT A SHARE OWNER: the case for universal share ownership

Shirley Robin Letwin and William Letwin

The authors argue that the government should give every adult in the country the opportunity to own shares by offering them £100 worth of the remaining government stock in British Telecom for £10. Thereafter it should from time to time offer “investment vouchers” of a like value.

Publication Date: 1986

Price: £5.00

SHARES FOR ALL: steps towards a share-owning society

Sir Nicholas Goodison

The Chairman of the Stock Exchange argues that the Government should pursue even more vigorously its plans to denationalise, put into practice personal pension reforms, abolish stamp duty, simplify or abolish CGT and promote the new PEPs. The free gift of shares in nationalised industries to the entire adult population must be studied closely.

Publication Date: 1986

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BUSINESS STILL BURDENED: more regulations for the scrapheap

Teresa Gorman

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Philip Chappell and Nigel Vinson

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Brian Griffiths

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CPS Personal Capital Formation Study Group

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Tim Congdon

At a time when a number of public figures were calling for the imposition of import controls, the author attacks the idea that shielding a nation's economy in this manner is beneficial. Drawing on evidence from around the world, he argues that protectionism is a form of anti-economics, a philosophy based on populism rather than hard fact.

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THE ROLE OF AN ECONOMIC ADVISER

Alan Walters

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Graham Hallett

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Robert Miller

The money supply is not like the solid phenomena of the natural sciences as is sometimes suggested by orthodox monetarists. It depends on evaluation and expectation. Much better tools are needed in order to gauge it.

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Tim Congdon

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Barry Bracewell-Milnes

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A response to J.K. Galbraith's Reith Lectures. The author argues that Galbraith's views on economics, notoriously critical of market forces, are built on sand. Galbraith's grand simplicities and sweeping denunciations have little basis in economic fact.

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MONETARISM IS NOT ENOUGH

Sir Keith Joseph

Sir Keith Joseph argues that expansion of public expenditure to avoid unemployment is actually at the expense of small and medium-sized businesses and unsubsidised large firms which are the major source of employment in Britain. For every job artificially maintained, several are sacrificed as the private sector is squeezed harder.

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Konrad Zweig

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Barry Bracewell-Milnes

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Jock Bruce-Gardyne

This analysis of public expenditure, inflation and the balance of payment in Britain in the mid-1970s was part of the vanguard of the monetarist movement. Its attack on Keynesianism and its focus on controlling inflation pointed the way to later government policy.

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Tom Burkard

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Nick Seaton

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PLANS, PLANS, PLANS

Andrew Povey

Despite manifesto promises not to intervene in successful schools, the government's approach to raising educational standards has had the opposite effect. LEAs and schools are now burdened with the production of vast numbers of centrally-dictated plans (over 2600 across the country). The result is an increase in red tape, resources diverted from the classroom and a lessening of choice and diversity.

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VALUE FOR MONEY IN LEA SCHOOLS

John Marks

Research by Dr Marks shows that higher standards and in primary and secondary schools are associated with lower spending per pupil and higher class sizes. His counter-intuitive results are a thought-provoking contribution to an ongoing debate. The elusive formula for success is not quite so simple as this government seems to think.

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The 1998 School Standards and Framework Bill is immensely centralising. It will reduce diversity in education and restrict parental choice. Its impact will not be to raise standards but to lower them.

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Anthony O'Hear

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Edited by Sheila Lawlor

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The inclusion of Spoken English for separate assessment in the National Curriculum is a mistake. Verification and effective moderation are simply not possible. While continuing to be taught, Spoken English should no longer be an examined part of the GCSE.

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OPTING FOR FREEDOM

Brian Sherratt

The headmaster of a GM school explains how interest groups have exploited the Government's hesitancy over promoting grant-maintained status. The author argues that the Government should loosen the constraints placed on GM schools so as to make diversity and choice in education a reality.

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INSPECTING THE SCHOOL INSPECTORS

Sheila Lawlor

Schools should be allowed to choose their own independent inspectors from a registered list; this would introduce an element of competition into the measurement of 'the first and central task of a school – its academic standards and record'.

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AN ENTITLEMENT TO KNOWLEDGE

Anthony O'Hear

A principal duty of the new School Curriculum and Assessment Authority must be to guarantee the *entitlement to knowledge* of every pupil. This need in no way derogate from the creation of diversity and choice, on which the success of the educational reforms must also be judged.

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TESTING TIME: the future of the National Curriculum

John Marenbon

The Curriculum needs thorough, not piecemeal, reform. It should be minimal, setting out only fundamental areas of knowledge which everyone agrees that schoolchildren should master basic reading and writing, basic numeracy, elementary science and one foreign language.

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LEAS OLD AND NEW: a view from Wandsworth

Edward Lister

The present surplus of school places creates market conditions which can lead to more variety. All schools should be given self-governing status. Schools should be given more opportunity to open, close or change character. Local authorities should only be educators of the last resort.

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INSPECTING SCHOOLS: breaking the monopoly

John Burchill

No one LEA or HMI inspectorate should enjoy a monopoly. Not every LEA need maintain an inspectorate in the present way; nor may some of today's inspectors be suitable in the future. Competing inspectorates should operate as consultants, licensed to inspect schools under clear criteria.

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FATHER OF CHILD-CENTREDNESS: John Dewey and the ideology of modern education

Anthony O'Hear

A century ago in the US, teaching began to be about the present and the future, not the past: about problem-solving, not perspective. Professor O'Hear calls for a radical review of such mischievous theories and shows why and how education should become more didactic, less child-centred, more authoritative, less Deweyesque.

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READING, LEARNING AND THE NATIONAL CURRICULUM

Martin Turner

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OF UNIVERSITIES AND POLYTECHNICS

Enoch Powell

Enoch Powell regrets that the distinction between the two has ended. 'It is a grave national misfortune to be governed by those who do not know what a university is.' Polytechnics are meant to cater for activities which follow and obey market forces, the workings of the market; none the worse for that, but they are not universities.

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Canon Peter Pilkington

We lack a single vocational/technical qualification commanding a respect equivalent to A-levels. We should develop one, and brave the wrath of those who oppose any separation of vocational/technical and academic. This would also safeguard against dilution of our academic standards.

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TEACHERS MISTAUGHT

Sheila Lawlor

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RAISING EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS

Sir Cyril Taylor

This pamphlet suggests that (i) GM schools should be allowed without delay to become grammar schools or city technology colleges; (ii) schools should increase the hours of secondary school lessons per hour per week to thirty; (iii) attainment standards should be related to real norms and real ages; (iv) transfers of academic credits between higher education institutions should be made easier; (vii) to fund the reforms, central discretionary spending by LEAs should not exceed 15% of their schools' budget.

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NATIONALISED UNIVERSITIES: paradox of a privatisation age

Deepak Lal

Government control over universities – so contrary to the principles it embraces in other fields – should be ended forthwith. Its role should henceforth be limited to the financing of students. Universities should be free to charge genuinely full cost fees to all students.

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MATHS PROBLEMS: can more pupils reach higher standards?

Geoffrey Howson

England lags behind other countries both in the attainment of mathematical targets and in the numbers of pupils who pursue the subject beyond 16. Professor Howson shows how the plans for curricular design, assessment and testing add to the problems rather than solve them.

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AWAY WITH LEAS: ILEA abolition as a pilot

Sheila Lawlor

Abolition of the ILEA provides the occasion to review the principles and functions not just of its successors in Inner London but of *all* LEAs. Too many of their functions divert resources and attention to social aims, away from education proper. Many of the services they presently provide should be put out to tender and funded for each school on a per capita basis. The role of the LEAs should be limited to the distribution of monies to schools, the provision of an information service and ensuring that every pupil is found a place.

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COULD DO BETTER: interim report on the transfer of education in London

Eric Ollerenshaw

The battle to improve education in London must not end with the abolition of the ILEA. Ingrained attitudes are still holding schools back. Schools should be encouraged to seek grant maintained status.

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ERRORS AND EVILS OF THE NEW HISTORY

Helen Kedourie

Basic fallacies lie at the base of the new GCSE history syllabus. That children from the age of 13 are taught history in terms of “concepts”, of “source evaluation” and “empathy” has led to many pupils leaving school with no awareness even of such famous names as Nelson and Henry VII. No sense of time and historical context are imparted.

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AIMS OF SCHOOLING: the importance of grounding

Oliver Letwin

The grandiose aims of the educational establishment have led to significantly diminished standards. The author argues that for most schools, even to hope to turn out large numbers of “educated people” is illusory. The serious, practical aim to which all our resources must now be directed is to give every child a basic grounding which will stand him or her in good stead to face adult life.

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CORRECT CORE: simple curricula for English, maths and science

Sheila Lawlor

A national curriculum confined to the three subjects of the title, if it restricts itself to a simple minimum of content and technique may ensure that children leave school literate, numerate, and with a grounding of knowledge. But confined and simple it must be. Beyond this, schools should have freedom what to teach.

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CHOICE IN ROTTEN APPLES: bias in examining groups

Mervyn Hiskett

The author exposes the use of slanted questions in GCSE religious studies, social studies and history. Each of the English examining groups deserves criticism. The choice is thus between rotten apples. New boards should be set up, offering new exams stricter in their academic content and simpler in their means of assessment.

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OPTING OUT: a guide to why and how

Sheila Lawlor

A practical guide which shows how much schools which opt out have to gain and how little they have to lose. Heads have both the responsibility and the power to run their schools in accordance with the wishes of parents and the needs of children.

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DIAMONDS INTO GLASS: universities and the government

Elie Kedourie

Ministers call for neat calculations of universities' contribution to society and pay less regard to their duties to transmit traditions of civility and expand boundaries of knowledge, letting the paths of discovery run where they will. The entire financing system requires reappraisal.

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ENGLISH OUR ENGLISH: the new orthodoxy examined

John Marenbon

A new orthodoxy in English teaching is sweeping away many of the traditional landmarks, replacing concepts of accuracy with those of appropriateness, proclaiming the doctrine of linguistic equality, preaching the relegation of grammar; and neglecting our heritage in favour of pupil response. All pupils should be given an introduction to the masterpieces of the English language.

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HISTORY AND GSCE HISTORY

Stewart Deuchar

The quality of history teaching in schools continues to decline. A new philosophy holds that since nothing is ultimately knowable and records are inevitably biased, the evaluation of sources is more important than any learning of facts. Our national heritage is no longer being taught.

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HISTORY IN PERIL

Alan Beattie

The use of history as a social tool or as a means of reading the future is an abuse. History is a painstaking reconstruction of the past for its own sake. The subject can best be invigorated not by government or educationalists but by parents given greater freedom to choose the schools their children attend.

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ALARM OVER A-LEVELS

Fred Naylor

The introduction of the GCSE system is leading to a debasing of A-levels. The egalitarian philosophy of the GCSE should not be allowed to infiltrate the gold standard of English education.

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TECHNICAL SCHOOLS: a tale of four countries

Fred Naylor

This comparative study suggests that Britain should learn from the success of technical schools in Germany. Indeed this principle of diversity in education should be extended: specialisation and parental choice should become the hallmarks of our education system.

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Andrew Brown

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Anthony Flew

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John McIntosh, Fred Naylor and Laurence Norcross

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POWER TO THE PEOPLE

Anthony Flew

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THE RIGHT TO LEARN: a Conservative approach to education

CPS Education Study Group

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ILEA: A case for reform

Fred Naylor and Laurence Norcross

The authors expose the ILEA as inefficient, wasteful, unaccountable, interventionist and doctrinaire. Radical reforms are suggested.

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CRISIS IN THE SIXTH FORM

Fred Naylor

The advent of comprehensivisation is shown to have created a crisis in the nation's sixth forms, too small to be viable or to maximise opportunities. Diversity in education is the only way to ensure a system that meets everyone's needs.

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Max Wilkinson

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Peter Vansittart

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Tom King MP

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Crispin Blunt MP

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Walter Ellis

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Michael Howard QC MP

In order to accommodate different aspirations, economies and customs of Member States, the EU must develop a flexible approach, an approach which will allow each nation state to decide for itself those areas in which to co-operate. Variable geometry must mean that countries are allowed to repatriate control of domestic matters.

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Martin Howe and Michael Welsh

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Martin Wolf

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Nevil Johnson

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Martin Howe

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A CAUTIONARY TALE OF EMU

Andrew Tyrie

Politics are the key. The trade-off is between French desire to gain influence over the Bundesbank, and German hopes of greater political union. Britain should concentrate on pragmatic arguments, stressing that the economic pros and cons of EMU are much exaggerated.

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A MAASTRICHT PHRASEBOOK

Charles Moore

Euroterminology creates euromuddle. Phrases such as ‘qualified majority voting’, ‘*communautaire*’, ‘subsidiarity’ and so on, are glib disguises and excuses for not thinking. We must guard simple English with greater vigilance, if we wish to guard our independence.

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MONETARY UNION: issues and impact

Sir Leon Brittan

The principal objective of EMU should be to benefit business, which must be allowed to operate within the most competitive environment possible. Price stability is the key – to work towards this aim, a flexible central bank should be set up as soon as possible.

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Tim Congdon

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Conrad Black

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Hugh Thomas

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Christopher Culp and Harold James

Harold James argues that joining the Exchange Rate Mechanism would confer some exchange rate stability, help to lower British interest rates and curb inflationary expectations. Against him, Christopher Culp maintains that the economies of Europe might perform better with flexible exchange rates.

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Oliver Letwin

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John Redwood

The Single Market was a British initiative of which we should be proud. It offers huge opportunities for British firms which they must be forward-looking enough to take. However, we should resist the siren voices who say that the next logical steps are common taxation and the EMS: these are policies which can only damage Britain.

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Michael Heseltine MP

MPs and MEPs should form closer and more formal links, with the latter sitting on scrutiny committees in Westminster. Once a year each national parliament and the European Parliament should debate priorities for the next year. Eventually, a second chamber of senators should be established, with members drawn from national parliaments.

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THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY AND THE TASK FOR THE BRITISH PRESIDENCY IN 1986

Simon May

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THE BOGUS STATE OF BRIGADOON

Bill Jamieson

Scotland is at a crossroads. Either it can choose the economics of redistribution as proposed by the SNP and the Labour Party. Or it can resist the siren calls of separatism and adopt an agenda which accepts devolution and which advocates competition in tax policy with the benefits of economy of scale which the Union can offer.

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LORDS A' LEAPING

Edward Heathcoat Amory

The Conservatives need to put forward bold plans of their own for the House of Lords. It should be replaced by a Senate, elected by a system of proportional representation, and with powers to delay the passage of legislation for two years. Such a chamber would enjoy the legitimacy to hold a government properly to account.

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A FEDERAL BRITAIN: no longer unthinkable

John Barnes

Labour's devolution proposals are fundamentally unstable. Yet the Union must be preserved. John Barnes argues that the best way of ensuring the survival of the Union is to embrace a coherent codified structure which will enable a proper dispersal of powers to provincial parliaments.

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Nevil Johnson

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Philip Norton

The constitutional framework of the United Kingdom is fundamentally healthy. But there is a crisis in the way that government works. New pressures on ministers need to be countered. Government must learn to look ahead not to the next press release, but to the next five years.

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Simon Heffer

The purpose of any reform of the House of Lords should be the better government of Britain – and proposals to abolish the voting rights of the hereditary peerage would not fulfil such a purpose. The House of Lords should not be undermined in the name of ideological purity.

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Nevil Johnson

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Noel Malcolm

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MAKING UNIONISM POSITIVE

Liam Fox, Mark Mayall and Alistair B. Cooke

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Stephen Glaister and Tony Travers

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Michael Schabas

Banded charges should be applied to the entire road network, not just to motorways – even extended onto urban and local roads. Properly targeted, it would encourage road users to make fewer road journeys and consider the alternatives. This would reduce both road congestion and an undue expansion of the network.

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Christopher Frazer

The system of bringing accused people to trial must undergo major reform. This should involve the appointment of high street solicitors as local Crown prosecutors operating under clear national standards.

THE DISEASE OF DIRECT LABOUR: better buying for the public

Michael Ivens

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PRIVATISATION EVERYWHERE: the world's adoption of the British experience

John Moore

State ownership of industry is necessarily inefficient – the priorities of politicians being different from those of business managers; nationalised industries have neither the stick of failure, nor the carrot of self-interest. And the benefits of privatisation spread beyond economic efficiency. It is unsurprising that the model pioneered by the Thatcher Government is now a blueprint for other countries.

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FREEING THE PHONES: the case for more liberalisation

William Letwin

Competitive entry into the telecom networks should be made easier. But while BT remains the dominant supplier the regulatory regime should not be relaxed; on the other hand, like benevolent despots, regulators should leave the scene as soon as circumstances permit.

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Peter Warry

Competition should be brought into the Royal Mail by franchising the services of its 64 districts. A Director General of Posts should ensure an integrated service from pillar-box to doormat, and a uniform stamp price. The aim is to open the way to management buyouts of the districts.

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COMPETITIVE COAL

Colin Robinson and Alan Sykes

Once privatised, coal must compete with imports, not rely on protection. Government should sell pits by tender, region by region. Restrictions on private mines should be lifted. British Coal should ask the private sector to bid for any pit which it contemplates closing.

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Robert Rickman

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Keith Boyfield

British Waterways should be split into three: a Trust charged with conservation and improvement of amenities; a development company with a commercial remit; and a regulatory body. The Trust would own 49% of the development company, be represented on its board, and share in its profits.

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SET FOOD MARKETS FREE: repeal the Agricultural Marketing Acts

Richard Pool and Andrew Threipland

The Agricultural Marketing Acts confer a monopoly on the Milk, Wool and Potatoes Boards which lowers the rewards to the farmer and raises the price for the consumer. They sit unhappily with the more liberal competition-based European regimes. They should be repealed forthwith.

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SIGNALS FROM A RAILWAY CONFERENCE

John Redwood MP

British Rail must better exploit its huge assets. Privatisation should follow along hybrid lines, with segregation and sale of the freight side using the other companies' track; London and the South-East kept as an integrated network; and experimentation with regional companies elsewhere.

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REVIVING THE RAILWAYS: a Victorian future?

Andrew Gritten

BR should be broken into manageable independent companies, building on the pre-1923 structure. If these were allowed to raise private money, freed of Treasury restraint and allowed commercial freedom, they could exploit the opportunities open to them.

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The authors recommend an option which will inject genuine competition, introduce new management, establish simple but effective regulation and open the path to complete privatisation.

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PRIVATISE COAL: achieving international competitiveness

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The present artificial monopoly must be ended. Privatisation would introduce competition, and involve the international mining industry. The first step is to lift restrictions on the small private sector and then to proceed to area by area privatisation.

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PRIVATISE POWER: restructuring the electricity supply industry

Alex Henney

Electricity tariffs are a fifth higher than they should be. Competition must be introduced and the CEB be split up. A new company should maintain and develop the grid and act as common carrier.

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PRIVATISE THE POST: steps towards a competitive service

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The demonopolising of the Post Office is a *sine qua non* of privatisation. Letters and counter services must be opened up to competition. The author sets an ambitious timetable for change.

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PITS INTO PROFIT: an alternative plan for coal

Keith Boyfield

Successive governments' approach to the coal industry has been deeply flawed. As a prelude to privatisation, open cast operations should be denationalised and new management introduced.

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Trevor Morse

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Keith Boyfield

In a follow up to the previous study on British Leyland, the author investigates exactly how the state-owned car manufacturer could be broken up and returned to the private sector.

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AIRPORTS UK

Graham Bright MP, Michael Colvin MP and Christopher Thompson

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS IN BRITAIN: switching direction

The Government has acted wisely in its gradual liberalisation of the telecommunications market. But more needs to be done: the privatisation of British Telecom and the introduction of competition are recommended.

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BRITISH LEYLAND: a viable future?

Elizabeth Cottrell and Keith Boyfield

As long as BL exists as a single state-owned entity, subject to cross-subsidisation, the weaknesses which has made it a burden on the economy and a focus of political contention will remain irremediable. While it should not be liquidated, it does demand radical restructuring and integration into the mainstream economy.

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THE GIANT WITH FEET OF CLAY: the British steel industry 1945-1981

Elizabeth Cottrell

A comprehensive study of one of the great failures of nationalisation. Elizabeth Cottrell documents the downfall of British Steel, letting the facts speak for themselves. Nationalisation and government control are shown to bear most of the blame for the industry's decline.

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VALUE FOR MONEY AUDITS

John Hatch and John Redwood

It is essential that a greater degree of accountability is injected into the nationalised industries. Value for money audits are a crucial first step towards this. Ultimately, privatisation is the way to achieve better performance.

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THE £200,000 JOB: a study of government intervention in aluminium smelting

Colin Jones

The failure of government intervention in the aluminium industry is meticulously analysed by Colin Jones. Despite the fact that private firms were interested in getting involved in the business, the government's insistence on maintaining the state monopoly has held the industry back. Major change is desperately needed.

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UPPER CLYDE SHIPBUILDERS

Frank Broadway

This dissection of the failure of subsidies was part of the sea change in Conservative thinking on industrial policy. It is argued that the assumption of perpetual state support is destructive of efficiency, commercial judgement and proper financial control. Lessons, says the author, must be learned.

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HEALTH

MANAGED HEALTH CARE: a new system for a better health service

Dr Michael Goldsmith and David Willetts

The government should set up new publicly funded financing bodies which would purchase, manage and distribute all health care – on line similar to Health Maintenance Organisations in the US. As financing organisations they would replace DHAs. But they would not own or run hospitals, only buy in their services.

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IN SICKNESS AND IN HEALTH: managing change in the NHS

John Redwood MP

The author recommends that: Regions be abolished, and Districts report directly to the Management Board; partnership ventures between public and private sectors be encouraged; extra resources should be found by expanding privately financed care via a contracting-out insurance scheme; money should move with the patient and reflect the actual cost of treatment. The prime aim should be top quality patient care, with reduction in waiting times.

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A MIXED ECONOMY IN HEALTH CARE

David Willetts and Dr Michael Goldsmith

Tax relief for private health insurance is unsatisfactory. But the NHS can and should sell more services privately – in particular by expanding the provision of paybeds and amenity paybeds. Companies should also be encouraged to spend more on employees' health care.

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BRITAIN'S BIGGEST ENTERPRISE: ideas for radical reform of the NHS

Oliver Letwin and John Redwood MP

The authors urge that any thoroughgoing review of the NHS should include in its considerations establishment of the NHS as a separate trust; increased use of joint ventures with the private sector; extending the principles of charging; introducing a system of health credits; and setting up a real national health insurance scheme.

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HEALTHY COMPETITION: how to improve the NHS

John Peet

Competition in the NHS is lagging behind in areas such as surgery, primary care services, community care and hospital building. Poor cost accounting, unimaginative management and political prejudice are to blame.

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NHS: THE ROAD TO RECOVERY

Hugh Ewell

Hugh Ewell's proposals include: the gathering together under the roofs of the 190 DHAs of all health care; a corresponding reduction of the role of Regional Health Authorities; more freedom for patients to choose and change GPs, and payment for visits; setting up by all NHS hospitals of fundraising friends, and charging of insurable "hotel" costs; and encouragement of private insurance schemes.

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THE LITMUS PAPERS: a National Health dis-service

Edited by Arthur Seldon

A collection of 22 essays on reform of the NHS by doctors, specialists, economists, sociologists and insurance experts. The studies reveal the long suppressed defects of the NHS and set out various schemes to deal with some of them.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

A BETTER DEAL FOR LONDON

Jeffrey Archer

Only 75% of what Londoners pay in taxes is returned to the capital in the form of government spending. Yet not all Londoners are rich – the capital is over-represented in many of the key indicators of deprivation. So should London subsidise the rest of the country to the extent that it suffers itself.

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LOCAL LIMITS: cutting the costs of good councils

Edward Lister

Radical policies in Wandsworth have cut costs, improved standards and brought electoral success. Competitive tendering should be the rule in every council. DLOs should be disbanded. The split between provider and purchaser should be compulsory.

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OF DUKES AND DUSTMEN: cautionary rhymes for the community charge

Oliver Knox

Ten Bellocian rhymes illustrate some of the less well known aspects of the Community Charge: the top 10% of people by income will still pay about 25 times as much towards local government as the bottom 10%; that every voter will be able to see how his council differs from the average; that rebates of up to 80% are available for some categories.

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THE LOCAL RIGHT: enabling not providing

Nicholas Ridley

The Government's two overriding objectives are to restrict any further growth of local authority expenditure and to enhance the quality of their services. The circle can be squared only if local authorities concentrate on what people need and want, avoid waste and encourage competition amongst suppliers. Local authorities have duties as stimulators but do not need themselves to provide many services or to own property on a large scale.

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THE LOCAL LEFT: and its national pretensions

David Regan

Professor Regan disentangles the twisted threads of Labour's historical attitude to local government tracing how the Marxist left, trying to turn local government into a springboard for national upheaval, until recently had the upper hand. Government has a duty to understand the roots of the doctrine of local "take-over"; not be afraid to legislate against abuse of convention; and above all to introduce greater financial and political accountability.

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GOOD COUNCIL GUIDE: Wandsworth 1978-87

Paul Beresford

The Leader of Conservative Wandsworth Council shows how his council has both improved public services and moderated its demands on ratepayers. Strict specification for contracted-out services, reduction of direct labour and slimming down of staff have gone hand in hand with swift re-use of the proceeds of the sale of properties to assist the needy and enhance amenities.

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QUALGOS JUST GROW

Teresa Gorman et al

The authors chart the apparently uncontrollable growth of the monsters known as QUALGOs (quasi-autonomous local government organisations). These bodies are mostly funded and controlled by local authorities – often with political aims – and staffed by full-time workers at the rate-payers’ expense. Legislation must be introduced to end the abuse of rate-payers’ money.

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COMMENTS ON THE CITY OF LONDON DRAFT LOCAL PLAN

CPS Local Government Working Party

The CPS Local Government Working Party comments on plans for the City of London, stressing the need to cater for the needs of the firms resident there.

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BRINGING ACCOUNTABILITY TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Cyril Taylor

A powerful argument by the former deputy leader of the Conservative group on the GLC in favour of reforming the way in which councillors are elected; cutting income tax through the phasing out of block grants; introducing alternative local taxes such as resident’s tax; and reforming the welfare system.

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TRUST THE TENANT

Alex Henney

The author examines the sometimes scandalous history of municipal housing and suggests devolving stock to entirely new statutory bodies called Housing Management Trusts. He shows how these could be organised to give tenants effective control over allocation of housing, setting of rents, management and maintenance, etc.

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THE NEW CORRUPTION

Charles Goodson-Wickes

Dr Goodson-Wickes exposes the growing number of abuses in local government – the manipulation of standing orders, the scandal of councillors' cross-employment, the use of rates to support industrial disputes and political advertising, the threats to the impartiality of permanent officers – and suggests the setting up of a public enquiry to examine the conduct of councils and review legislation which is too lax.

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EMPLOYMENT POLICY

THE PRICE OF FAIRNESS

Patrick Minford and Andrew Haldenby

The costs of the Government's labour market reforms will impose additional costs of up to £2.7 billion per year on business and will put 860,000 out of work. Moreover the climate of business retrenchment and caution which will be caused will mean that the damage is lasting.

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FOUR FAILURES OF THE NEW DEAL

Damien Green MP

Damien Green argues that the New Deal is bad for the young, for business, for other unemployed groups and for the taxpayer. There is no evidence that it is proving any more effective in finding jobs than previous schemes. And it is more expensive than these schemes in terms of cost per job.

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RETURN TO WORK

Anthea Zeman

Reforms should be made in order to make matters clearer for claimants. Anthea Zeman suggests a pilot scheme should try out a "small earnings option" – to encourage more claimants to return to work via part-time employment. This might enable many to end their dependency on benefit.

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TOWARDS AN EMPLOYEES' CHARTER

Nicholas Finney and Graham Brady

The European Social Chapter should be resisted if only because it imposes collectivism. It is important to strengthen individual employment contracts and never to fall into the trap of legally-enforceable collective bargaining.

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THE POWER OF THE PENDULUM: reducing strikes by “final offer” arbitration

David Davis MP

As a means of ending strikes more swiftly, David Davis MP proposes that if discussions become intractable, an arbitrator *must* choose between the workers' or the employers' final offer. An examination of the history of pendulum arbitration in the USA suggests that it leads to fewer strikes and more moderate claims.

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CLEAR THE DECKS: abolish the National Dock Labour Scheme

David Davis MP

The National Dock Labour Scheme has led to the disastrous decline of some of the finest national ports of Britain. The government excuses for inaction will not do. Any strike could be easily dealt with.

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EMPLOYMENT EXAMINED: the right approach to more jobs

Cyril Taylor

The tax structure removes from many the incentive to work and should be reformed; rent control which impedes the mobility of labour should be repealed; regulations which stunt the creation of wealth should be abolished; public participation which slows down planning applications should be reviewed; special investment companies providing capital for small businesses should be encouraged; above all, direct grant technical schools, centrally funded by government, should be set up.

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WAGES NEED NO COUNCILS

Russell Lewis

A government which has set its face against incomes policies has left untouched one striking anomaly: wages councils, which regulate the wages of about three million workers. Their concrete result is to harm the poor and economically weak sections of the community, pricing all too many out of a job. Abolition is the only option.

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ESSENTIAL SERVICES: whose rights?

Sir Leonard Neal, Lionel Bloch and Cyril Grunfeld

Building on their conclusions in *The Right to Strike in a Free Society*, the authors argue that the law must be used to ensure the maintenance of certain essential services. The right of people to receive these services is greater than the right to strike.

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THE RIGHT TO STRIKE IN A FREE SOCIETY

Sir Leonard Neal and Lionel Bloch

The circumstances in which the “right to strike” was conceived are quite different from those which apply today. In a world where people may die because of the withdrawal of labour from electricity, water and fire stations, we need to reconsider the nature of the right to strike in our free society. Just as the power of employers had once to be restrained, today the power of the unions has to be restrained.

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LIBERTIES & LIABILITIES: the case for trade union reform

CPS Trade Union Reform Committee

Trade Union legislation in the 1970s succeeded only in increasing the troubles stemming from the trade unions. These laws have created a wide imbalance between privileges of trade unions and the liberties of ordinary people. The Committee sets out a range of proposals for reform.

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GIVE THE PICKETING CODE THE SANCTION OF LAW

A CPS submission in response to the Secretary of State's consultation on the Code of Practice on Picketing. The pamphlet suggests the creation of an offence of unlawful picketing, and would prevent intimidation and threatening behaviour, and secondary picketing. Civil sanctions are also contemplated in certain circumstances.

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THE JOB SUPPORT MACHINE: a critique of the subsidy morass

John Burton

Beneath the obvious intervention in industry through nationalisation and price controls, government in the 1970s was also meddling through a web of subsidies in the hope of preserving jobs in unprofitable industries. This study considers the supposed rationale for this action and analyses its consequences for the economy and for society.

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CONDITIONS FOR FULLER EMPLOYMENT

Sir Keith Joseph

The old approaches to job creation have failed. At a time of high unemployment plus high concealed unemployment through overmanning, the scorning of entrepreneurs – the true job creators – is a national scandal. Entrepreneurship should be encouraged by policy-makers in order to solve our employment problems.

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SECOND THOUGHTS ON FULL EMPLOYMENT POLICY

Samuel Brittan

The CPS's first pamphlet argues that the quest for full employment by government fiat is a flawed policy. Conventional full employment policies pursued through monetary expansion and deficit finance damage rather than help job creation. The old ways have run their course.

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KOSOVO: law and diplomacy

Mark Littman QC

The British Government claimed throughout the Kosovo war that its actions were in accordance with international law. Mark Littman QC demonstrates that this is simply not the case. Moreover, the NATO action was also unnecessary and unsuccessful in achieving its stated humanitarian objectives.

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FIFTY YEARS OF FAILURE

Peter Bauer and Cranley Onslow with a reply by Clare Short MP

The Jubilee 2000 campaign for Third World debt cancellation is misguided: it favours the incompetent and the dishonest. A radical revision of aid policy is required. Instead of being linked to per capita income, aid should be given to those governments which pursue domestic and foreign policies likely to promote the welfare of their people.

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AMERICA AND BRITAIN: is the relationship still special?

Anthony Hartley

The durability of the special relationship is due to the many levels on which it operates. It can survive occasional disputes. Britain's European and American ambitions should be looked on as a source of strength.

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AN AWFUL WARNING: the war in ex-Yugoslavia

Christopher Cviic

Instead of recognising that the war in ex-Yugoslavia stemmed from Serbian expansionism, Western policy-makers have treated it as a civil war, excusing themselves from serious military intervention. UN sanctions have helped the aggressors to seize and to hold territorial spoils.

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Mart Laar, with a preface by Baroness Thatcher

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Canon Michael Bordeaux

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James Sherr

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President Tudjman

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John Redwood MP

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Julian Brazier MP

Defence expenditure must not be further whittled down. But a reduction in tanks might allow for more Apache helicopters. An MoD co-ordinating body should decide about other trade-offs; excellence must be given priority, for which sake conditions of service should be urgently improved.

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Hugh Thomas

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Tensions between our Atlantic and European interests, illusion about Soviet ideology and strategy, recrudescence of Islamic fundamentalism, the shift of global power towards the Pacific – without greater discussion and understanding of these phenomena, the conduct of our foreign relations remains essentially reactive.

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Professor R.V. Jones

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CPS Soviet Relations Group

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David Willetts MP

The working families tax credit is fundamentally flawed. It puts women at a disadvantage and increases administrative burdens on business. The tax and benefit systems work on quite different principles. Just as Wilson and Heath failed to integrate them, so will Gordon Brown.

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Patricia Morgan

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Patricia Morgan

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David Coleman

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Ruth Deech

The 1993 Green Paper threatened several counter-productive changes: more divorces at higher cost, and more children suffering the traumatic effects of broken marriages. The Government should review recent legislation in order to strengthen marriage.

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Michael Novak

Close attention to personal responsibility and civil society should take centre stage. If social justice is a virtue, it must be practised only by individuals as a virtue. Every citizen must think for himself.

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Lord Joseph

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David Willetts

Benefits for under-fives should be improved: paid for by not uprating child benefit for older children. Child tax allowances should also be brought back in preference to cutting income tax. Regulatory and tax burdens should be lightened on private child care.

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REWARDS OF PARENTHOOD

Lord Joseph

We should re-examine the disadvantages suffered by mothers who choose to stay at home when their children are young. Governments should encourage voluntary bodies which provide help to parents in raising their children; and make modest contributions towards some of the overheads.

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Andreas Gledhill et al

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Andrew Ashworth

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BEVERIDGE REVISITED: new foundations for tomorrow's welfare

Stephen Davies

This paper recommends a Social Dividend that gives a basic middling income to all adults, and replaces all existing benefits. Additional needs would be met by the voluntary sector. This policy implies the privatisation of SERPS, with all pensions becoming personal and portable; reduction in numbers of benefits; encouragement of private insurance and mutual aid schemes by grants and fiscal means.

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THE WEALTHY WELFAIRS

Oliver Knox

The author of this satire asks how long it is to be tolerated that a welfare system, one of whose original objectives was the “abolition of want” should provide greater benefits to those who can afford to pay than to those who cannot. Tinkering with the ramshackle edifice may provide some remedy in the short term. But perhaps it is time to rebuild from new foundations.

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Robert Flach, John Wheeler MP and John Croft

The Conservatives must find a distinctive and firm way of approaching the problem of crime. They must reinforce the idea of citizenship and try to reduce opportunities for crime through neighbourliness and a decent quality of environment in urban areas. Without increasing present spending, a real difference could be made.

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Frank Furedi

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Tim Hames and Nick Sparrow

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John Redwood

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Damien Green

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Richard Ehrman

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Nicholas True

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Nicholas Ridley

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Terence Kealey

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Richard Ehrman

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Keith Boyfield

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Martin Ricketts

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T.E. Utley

Liberals who make terrorism a special case, who complain about the use of "excessive force", and who are disposed to make concessions to the terrorists have hijacked the debate. Terrorism is itself an insult to our liberal principles, and we must take all necessary measures to wipe it out.

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Michael Colvin MP and Jonathan Marks

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Hugh Thomas

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Angus Dalgleish

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Donald Denman

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Kingsley Amis

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