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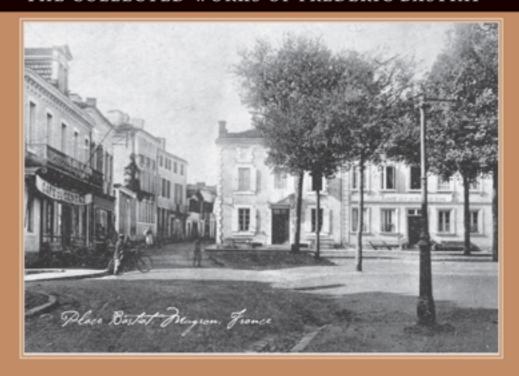


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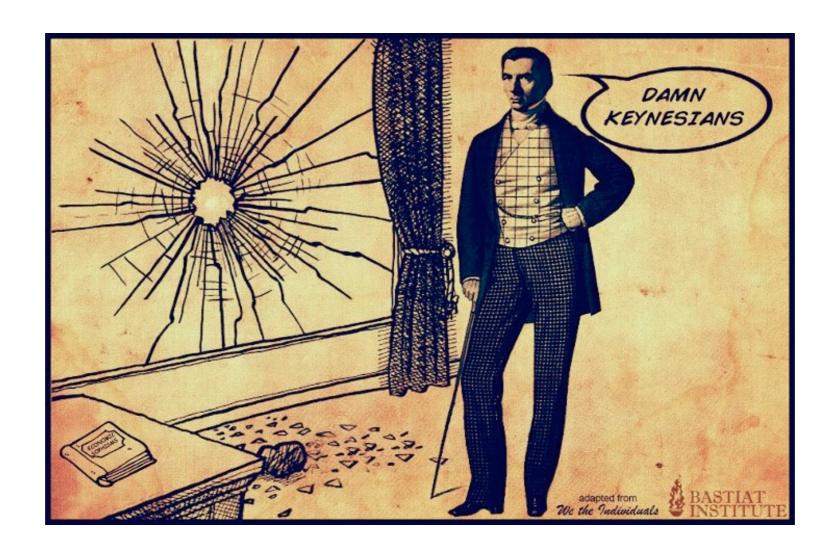
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  - The idea of "spontaneous" or "harmonious" order.
  - The interconnectedness of all economic activity.
  - His theory of the "economic sociology" of the State.
  - His "Public Choice" like theory of politics.
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[Frédéric Bastiat (1801-1850)]

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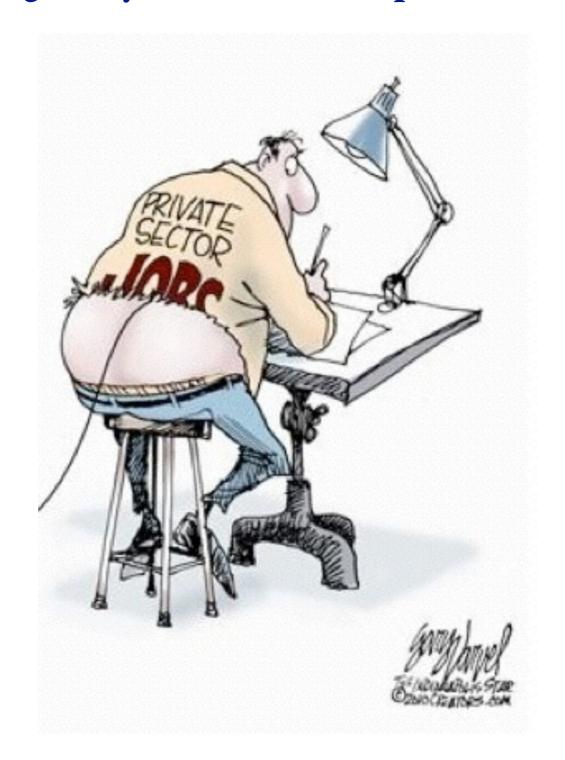
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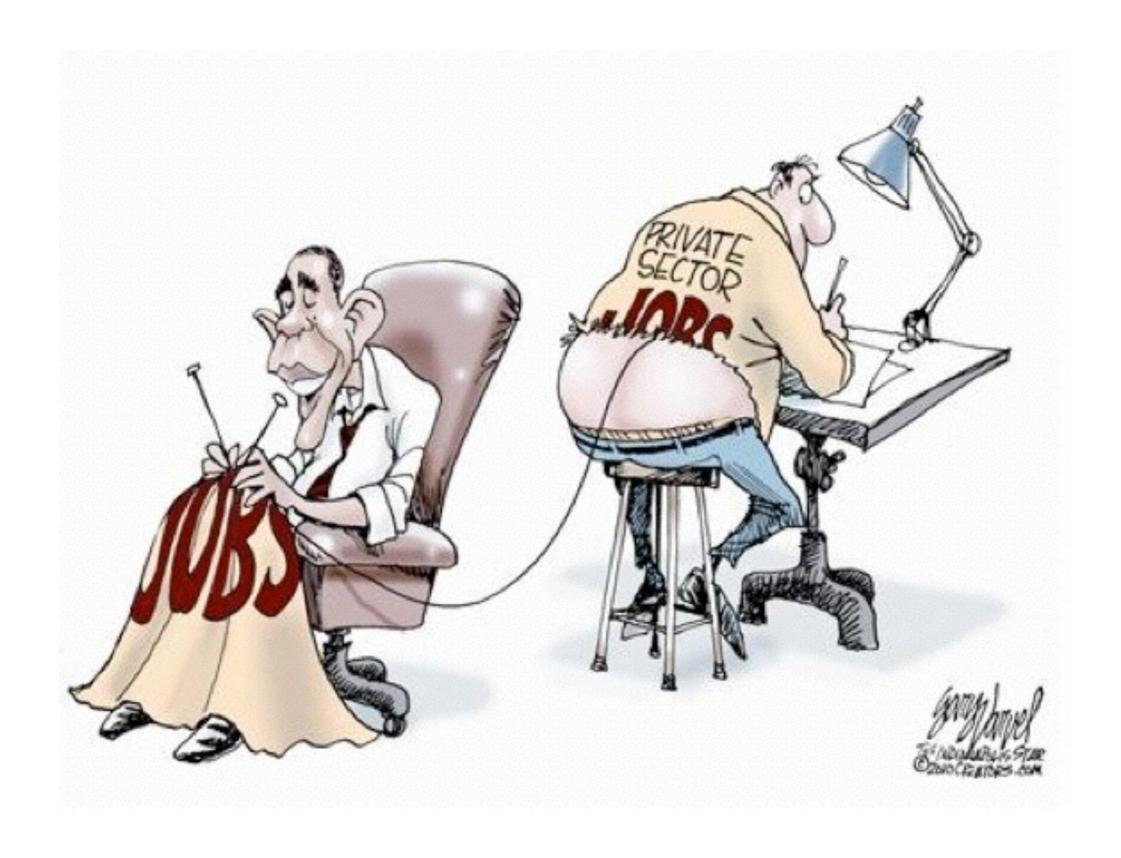
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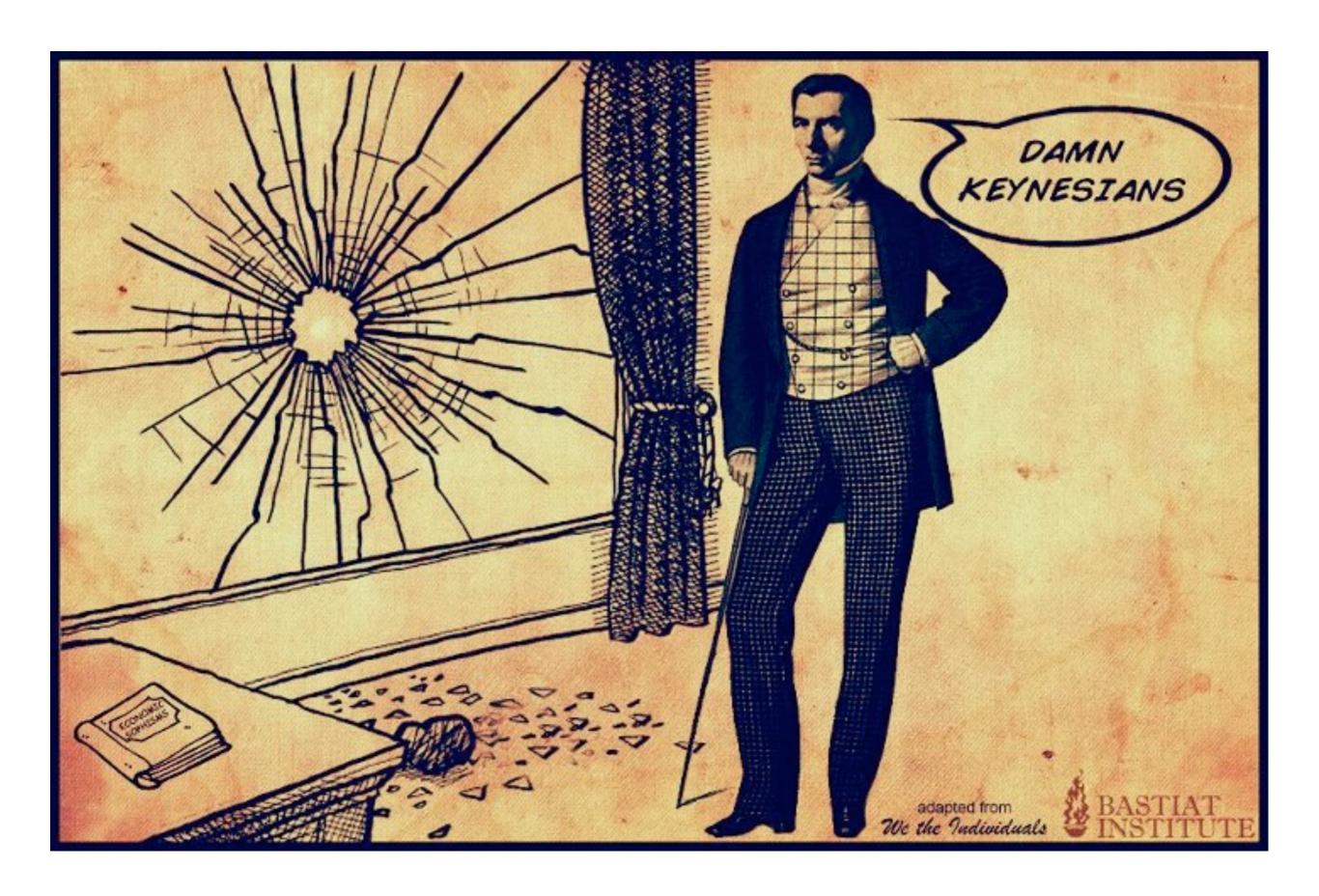
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