## **Connecting Dots**

### by Alfred Adask

If the strategy outlined in the previous two articles (denying the existence of government entities) seems strange, you ain't seen nothin' yet.

In this article I present some anecdotal evidence and a lot of conjecture to suggest that maybe the denial of existence strategy is more valid than anyone imagines. Maybe, the corporate government no longer exists.

've studied legal reform is sues for over ten years and talked to thousands of patriots, constitutionalists and legal reform advocates who were trying to make sense of the allegedly "best legal system in the world". During that decade, I've learned that most of what passes for "research" in the patriot community is, at best, incomplete. While a handful disciplined researchers do outstanding work and carry the entire legal reform movement on their shoulders, most constitutionalists are content to base their arguments on conjecture more than facts.

I fall into the second classification. I'm not only guilty of conjecture, I'm guilty of speculation, intuition and, at times, willful guessing. Can't help myself. As Robert Duval said in the movie

Apocalypse Now, "God help me, but I love it!"

See, I understand that the truth is always based on facts, and facts depend on research. But if you retain all of your opinions until there are sufficient facts to absolutely prove your position, you'll never have much to say. Inevitably, we must rely on conjecture, speculation and personal belief to provide a framework on which we hang and "make sense" of our facts. Although conjecture routinely leads us down some false rabbit trails, those trails are always intriguing and, most importantly, make us think.

Sure, facts are essential, but without a conjectural framework, a mere collection of facts is boring. Conjecture adds the element of danger that makes ideas both personal and exciting. The danger, of course, is that those of us who rely on conjecture to "leap" to our conclusions, risk taking a very serious fall and publicly exposing our own poor judgment. Ahh, but when you're right . . . when your conjecture turns out to be (substantially) correct, you feel as if you can fly.

What follows is a handful of a facts tied together in a fantastic loom of conjecture. Take it all with salt.

#### **Puzzlements**

- 1) In 1995, Ohio Congressman James Traficant was widely quoted as saying, "We [Congress] are presiding over the biggest bankruptcy in the history of the world."
- 2) In 1997, the entire federal government shut down for 31 days.
- 3) Since 1997, a new form of Federal Reserves Notes has been printed and more recently, a new form of coins (including the coveted "golden dollars") is being minted.
- 4) In 1998, the IRS announced that income tax checks should be made out to the U.S. Treasury rather than the I.R.S..
- 5) In February, 2000, President Clinton announced that National debt will be completely repaid within five years.
- 6) The term "United States" is missing from the 7<sup>th</sup> edition (1999) of Black's Law Dictionary.

Although these "dots" may seem unrelated, a number of clever people suspect their "connection" is not only real, but explosive. Collectively, these facts suggest to some that the corporate "United States" has gone bankrupt and no longer exists.

If the idea that the corporate United States is gone sounds

nuts, it's also intriguing. It's kinda like Uncle John's stories about UFOs. You know the old coot is nuts, but you can't resist hearing his stories.

#### Dots in depth

To understand how the corporate United States might've ceased to exist, you'll need a few "interpretations" of the relevant "dots".

1) In 1995, when Congressman Traficant admitted that Congress was "presiding over the largest reorganization [bankruptcy] in history," patriots cheered his confirmation that the United States was technically bankrupt. Nevertheless, everyone assumed the corporate U.S. would continue to function despite the legal disability of bankruptcy. But looking back, some people now believe Traficant's admission accurately warned that an official bankruptcy was imminent and would soon be final.

2) In 1997, President Clinton and the Congress couldn't agree on a budget, so much of government was closed for 31 days. At the time, constitutionalists chuckled at government's predicament but no one dreamed the shut-down indicated anything more profound than the Republicans' inability to get along with Democrats.

However, David Merrill later made some extraordinary allegations concerning the 31-day government shut-down:

"The first default ever of the United States of America was announced by Associated Press release on January 23, 1996 in an article titled: Rubin predicts default date. The default date was to occur on February 29, 1996. Because it was an election year, arrangements were made for China to pledge a \$600 billion note to raise the debt ceiling from \$4.9 trillion to \$5.5 trillion just in time to keep Bill Clinton from appearing to be the President who lost the nation to international bankers and therefore losing the election." [This incredible allegation is generally consistent with the scandal involving Clinton the administration's campaign contributions from Red China.]

"China's \$600 billion note postponed the foreclosure action until early 1997 when the corporate process of changing principals was executed. This was done during the 31-Day Government Shutdown when the United States Corporation shut its doors to all non-essential personnel. This is general and common foreclosure practice in bankruptcy and insolvency."

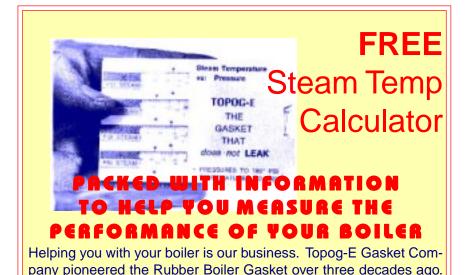
In other words, Mr. Merrill believes that government's 31day shut-down in 1997 resembled standard bankruptcy procedure so closely that the "budget feud" between Congress and Clinton was contrived to conceal the fact that the corporate

"United States" had gone bankrupt and ceased to exist.

3) Since 1997, we've been treated to a new form of Federal Reserve Notes (FRNs) which include embedded plastic threads, micro-printing and ink that changes color depending on angle at which it's viewed. Although the new FRNs look like monopoly money, the change in appearance was justified as a necessary to thwart counterfeiting. Could be.

But curiously, about the same time we're also getting new coins (quarters to commemorate each State and shiny "golden dollars"). Why new coins? Surely, not to defeat counterfeiters since no one is making phony quarters (except the National government, of course).

Is it merely coincidental that we're simultaneously receiving new paper currency and new coins? Or does the change in the appearance of our paper money and coins signal an important change in our government?



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The U.S. Attorneys' Manual offers a clue. Section "9-64.111 Counterfeiting - 18 USC Sect. 489 - Prosecution Policy" reads, "Sections 489 and 475 of Title 18 are in essence copyright statutes." If counterfeiting is a copyright violation, some entity must own the copyright to Federal Reserve Notes. But if the corporate "United States" owned the FRN copyright and went bankrupt, would the old copyright be forfeit to creditors or invalidated? Would a new copyright - perhaps for an unmistakably new form of currency - be necessary? If so, then the real purpose for the new FRNs and coins might not be to prevent counterfeiters, but to reflect the U.S. corporate bankruptcy and re-establish a new FRN copyright for a new owner.

4) In 1998, the IRS announced that we should stop making our income tax checks to the IRS and instead write them to the Department of Treasury. For most Americans, the change seemed unimportant. But suppose IBM suddenly told its customers to stop writing their checks to IBM and instead make them out to Alfred Adask. I guarantee that everyone would understand that something important had happened to the IBM corporation.

Similarly, after decades of writing checks made out to the IRS, it's hard to imagine that changing to the Department of

Treasury doesn't signal an important changes in government structure. Some people suspect the changing from IRS to Department of Treasury reflects the bankruptcy of the corporate "United States".

President Clinton's February announcement that the National debt will be repaid this decade struck me as shocking. For thirty years, it's been gospel among conservatives and constitutionalists that the National debt could never be repaid because 1) foreign banker-creditors make an endless stream of interest on that debt; 2) the debt will be used to ultimately "enslave" the American people; or 3) the entire debt-based monetary system would collapse if the National debt were repaid.

Apparently, the conservatives and constitutionalists were wrong. The "eternal" National debt may now have a shelf-life of about five years.

As a result of Clinton's stunning announcement, some people suspect that the real reason the National debt is being suddenly repaid is that corporate United States' creditors want to get their assets out *now* – before the corporate U.S. sinks completely into bankruptcy and takes all those assets to the bottom of the Red (ink) Sea.

6) Finally, there's *Black's Law Dictionary*. Published since

1891, Black's is our judicial system's "bible". As you'd expect, Black's 4<sup>th</sup> (1968) through 6<sup>th</sup> (1990) editions have consistently defined the term "United States" as per the 1945 *Hooven & Allison Co. v. Evatt* case as having several definitions: sovereign among nations, a territory, or the collective name of the states united under the Constituion. Curiously, those same editions of Blacks' did not define "United States of America".

However, in Black's 7<sup>th</sup> edition (published in 1999) the term "United States" is *missing* and no longer defined — but "United States of America" has suddenly appeared as a "federal republic".

I suppose it's possible that "United States" is no longer defined due to a clerical oversight. Perhaps some lexicographer is smacking himself on the head, moaning, "Damn! How could I forget to include the definition for 'United States'?!" Could be.

But Black's is not compiled

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by amateurs from a stack of alphabetized note cards. All of the text from it's most recent editions must be computerized, and given its legal importance, it's unlikely that proofreaders were in short supply. So it's hard to understand how "United States" could be missing from the most current edition – unless it were deleted intentionally.

If the idea that Black's would intentionally delete "United States" seems incredible, it seems even less likely that "United States of America" – missing for decades – would "accidentally" reappear in Blacks 7<sup>th</sup> edition at the same time "United States" accidentally disappeared. Instead, it seems more likely that if "United States of America" was intentionally added, then "United States" must've been intentionally deleted.

But why? Some people believe Black's deleted "United States" because that corporate entity died in bankruptcy during the 1997 31-day government shut-down — and Black's can't define an entity that no longer exists.

#### Ripley wouldn't believe it

Believe me, the idea that the corporate United States has expired in bankruptcy makes my eyes roll, too. It's too bizarre to be believed or even considered.

I mean, who thinks of these crazy ideas, and what kind of drugs are they doing? It's just not possible. The Post Office is still losing mail, the FBI is still concealing evidence, the military-industrial complex still sells defective weapon systems to the government, and the President is probably in some office, somewhere, entertaining some intern. How could any of this continue if the corporate "United States" had died in bankruptcy? It doesn't make sense.

True.

But new forms of currency, a 31-day government shut-down,

IRS refusals to accept checks made out to the IRS, suddenly paying off the National debt, and missing definitions from the nation's principle law dictionary don't make sense, either.

On balance, the National government's business-as-usual operation is so massive and seemingly unchanged, that the few "dots" connected in this article seem truly trivial. Still, these few "dots" carry surprising weight since they are strange and almost unprecedented.

I don't know what — if anything — has happened to the corporate United States. But I'm increasingly suspicious that "something" — maybe "something big" — has occurred. I'm about 80% confident that the corporate "United States" experienced a substantial but unpublicized reorganization between 1997 and 2000. I'm about 20% confident that maybe — just maybe — the corporate "United States" has silently ceased to exist.

If so, what's this mean?

I don't know - but it at least means we live in "interesting times". And at most, it might mean a change has already taken place in our government that's every bit as revolutionary and yet as invisible to the public as that of FDR's 1933 "New Deal".

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