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The Chronopolitics of Racial Time

Charles W. Mills | Time & Society

"...a call for the resetting of the Euro-chronometer, whose oppressive temporality has historically come in both left and right versions."

The Sociotechnical Roots of Smart Mobility: Bike Sharing Since 1965

Jan Ploeger, Ruth Oldenziel | The Journal of Transport History

"...the Dutch railroad's public transit bicycle (OV-fiets) has transformed [an] original anarchist idea of bike sharing into a sustainable public transit system..."

Cosmopolitan Encounters Provoke a Change in Habits: How Chinese Slot Machines Affect Rural Life in Ghana

Ann-Christin Hayk, Ulrike Sailer | Geoforum

"...cosmopolitan encounters foster ordinary cosmopolitan attitudes, such as openness to global scale societal networks, which are culturally different...(albeit imaginary) in rural areas of the Global South..."

A History of America's Aversion To Tie Games in Popular Team Sports

Zack Blumberg, Andrei Markovits, et al | International Journal of the Sociology of Leisure

"...America's winner-take-all playoff system [reflects] its aversion to ties... [and] uniquely high levels of intra-sport competition...in the larger American sport culture."

More Than Self-Interest: Why Different Classes Have Different Attitudes To Income Inequality

Peter E. Langsæther, Geoffrey Evans | The British Journal of Sociology

"The connection between social class and political preference...has rarely been tested empirically...autonomy is a better explanation of the right-wing preferences of the self-employed compared with the working class."

Why the South Prevailed: Civil Rights, Anticommunism, and the Origins of the "Liberal Media"

Mark Major | New Political Science

"...racism, white supremacy, and resentment toward Black liberation and civil rights in the development of conservative critiques of the press...illuminate the present state of partisan vitriol towards the media."

Settle and Rule: the Evolution of the Israeli National Project

Gabriel Schwake | Architecture and Culture

"...the Practical Zionism territorial strategy as a Settle and Rule mechanism that...transformed according to the changes in the modes of production and the interests of the ruling hegemony..."

The Global Political Economy of Right-Wing Populism: Deconstructing the Paradox

Ziya Öniş, Mustafa Kutlay | The International Spectator

"...right-wing populism...ought to be understood within the context of mutual interactions between: 1) an economy-identity nexus and 2) a domestic-foreign policy nexus..."

Landed Value Grabbing in the Terroir of Post-Socialist Specialty Wine

A. J. Brawner | Globalizations

"...the enclosed vineyard as an archetypical site of monopoly rent...illustrates the need for contextualizing 'land' and 'value' in land grab analyses... 'land' [is not] limited to material resources..."

Romes Without Empires: Urban Concentration, Political Competition, and Economic Development

Cem Karayalcin, Mehmet A. Ulubasoglu | European Journal of Political Economy

"...there is a strong and robust negative relationship between concentration of economic wealth and political power across urban nodes and long-run economic outcomes..."

BOOKS

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Mary Kaldor, Saskia Sassen | Columbia University Press

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The Corporate State: Technopoly, Privatization and Corporate Predation

Robert M. Orrange | Routledge

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Exit From Hegemony: the Unraveling of the American Global Order

Alexander Cooley, Daniel Nexon | Oxford University Press

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Machine Reveries and the Possibility of Thought Beyond the Human Body

Jack Booth | Strelka Mag

"Machine-machine vision-a parallel visual culture developed by machines, for machines-is testing the boundaries of what we consider thought."

Neuroliberalism: Welcome To Government in the 21st Century

Mark Whitehead | openDemocracy

"The use of psychological techniques to shape human behaviour is increasingly common. Should we be worried?"

Devil's Haircut: Dorkiness in the Service of Mind-Expansion

Ian Volner | n+1

"...design discourse will do as it has always done, attempting to atone for its recent sins by turning to some long-neglected element in its history. So did the early modernists, looking back to the austerity of the Greeks; so did the Brutalists after them... Rem, like his Countryside, belongs to the future."

REPORTS, DISSERTATIONS, & MISCELLANEOUS

Populism and War

Andrea Mattozzi | European University Institute

"...the consequences for civil war risk and inequality are largely negative, while interstate conflict risk increases for dyads with sufficient asymmetry in terms of trade openness and relative military power."

The Solutionist Ethic and the Spirit of Digital Capitalism

Oliver Nachtwey, Timo Seidl | University of Basel

"...solutionist ideas are indeed central to the worldview of tech elites, and that they are also gaining ground in the broader tech milieu, although not yet in the normative discourse of capitalism at large."

To Believe in Siri: a Critical Analysis of AI Voice Assistants

Simone Natale | Communicative Figurations

"AI voice assistants and other AI-based technologies demonstrate that... technologies incorporate deception in more nuanced and oblique ways than is usually acknowledged."

VIDEOS

The Human Search Engine: on Smashing the Googearchy and Other Millennial Pursuits

Gabriel S. Moses, Tsila Hassine | transmediale

"What defines the contemporary online search experience? Does it help you in your pursuit of genuine and unique fulfillment or have you traded this for the closest, most accurate, rank-based result?"

The Euro Crisis and Austerity

Bill Mitchell | Real Progress In Action

"Mainstream economists have managed to influence politicians and the public by pushing 'fiscal deficit mania', built on a series of destructive economic myths. How can we beat this mania?"

A Black Feminist Approach for Everyone

Minna Salami | KAAITHEATER

"In this book presentation, a new, sensuous, approach to knowledge is put forward: one grounded in a host of global perspectives - from Black Feminism to personal narrative, pop culture to high art, Western philosophy to African mythology - together comprising a vision of hope for a fragmented world riven by crisis."

PODCASTS

The Nature of PT Governments: a Variety of Neoliberalism?

Alexander Scott | SAGE Political Science & International Relations

"Understanding the PT governments and their achievements and limitations is essential not only for academic reasons or for coming to terms with history but also to help reorganise the progressive camp in Brazil, which can be said to have come to a paralysis."

America's War Culture Since 9/11

Patrick Deer | War and Representation

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Platform Cooperativism

Trebor Scholz | Another World is Podable

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