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The Freedom Trap: Digital Nomads and the Use of Disciplining Practices To Manage Work/Leisure Boundaries

Dave Cook | Information Technology & Tourism

"...digital nomads often overlook the role of disciplining practices when first starting out, and do not foresee how working in sites of leisure and tourism might make managing a balance between work and non-work problematic..."

Rediscovering the Cash Nexus, Again: Subsumption and the Labour-Capital Relation in Platform Work

Simon Joyce | Capital & Class

"[Platform work's] under-theorisation leads to over-estimation of [its] novelty...platform work is best understood in terms of...a cash nexus between platform and worker as a result of a process of subsumption..."

The Speculative Turn in IVF: Egg Freezing and the Financialization of Fertility

Lucy V. D. Wiel | New Genetics and Society

"...the role of financial products in shaping both the stories and the streamlining of fertility treatments...signal a shift from reproduction to...the proactive management of a more speculative fertility throughout the life course."

The Portfolio Ideal Worker: Insecurity and Inequality in the New Economy

Megan T. Neely | Qualitative Sociology

"...As portfolio workers, hedge fund workers identify as independent workers, value a passion for the work, take risks to get ahead, and invest in social capital..."

Financial Globalization As Positive Integration: Monetary Technocrats and the Eurodollar Market in the 1970s

Benjamin Braun | Review of International Political Economy

"...By ensuring that the Eurodollar market did not interfere with domestic monetary governability...technocrats helped establish the institutional infrastructure for the expansion and globalization of the offshore US dollar system."

Building Socialism: From 'Scientific' To 'Active' Marxism

David Lane | Third World Quarterly

"...[post-Marxists] adopt a 'scientific' position emphasising [capitalism's] inherent contradictions...without appropriate political praxis, the resolution of such contradictions is unlikely to transcend capitalism."

Rethinking Care As Alternate Infrastructure

Ashrafal Alam, Donna Houston | Cities

"...a care-full infrastructural 'turn' in geographical and urban studies is...a necessary step to establish public care for participatory urban flourishing."

BOOKS

The Political Economy of Money and Banking in Imperial Brazil, 1850-1889

André A. Villela | Palgrave

"This book uncovers the extent to which government policy in mid nineteenth-century Brazil followed the interests of the all-powerful coffee growing class."

The Corporate State: Technopoly, Privatization and Corporate Predation

Robert M. Orrange | Routledge

"This book critically examines key features of the contemporary organizational landscape by focusing on major beneficiaries of recent historical politicalcultural transformations involving the embrace of market fundamentalism and a market society..."

Reinventing the Economic History of Industrialisation

Kristine Bruland | McGill-Queen's University Press

"This book argues for an interpretation of the industrial revolution based on global interactions that made technological innovation and the spread of knowledge possible. Through this lens, it becomes clear that industrialising processes started earlier and lasted longer than previously understood."

JOURNALISM & ESSAYS

"The Invisible Hand of the Market": Friedrich Hayek's Neoliberal Faith

Jessica Whyte | ABC Religion & Ethics

"The most dangerous state in the growth of civilization may well be that in which man has come to regard all these beliefs as superstitions and refuses to accept or submit to anything which he does not rationally understand."

Emancipation in the Neoliberal Era: Rethinking Transition With Karl Polanyi

Dirk Holemans | Green European Journal

"Just as in 18th-and 19th-century England, today's neoliberal disembedding of the economy disrupts societies and ecosystems alike."

All Too Relevant: Marx's Critique of Rights and Neoliberal Human Rights

Eva Nanopoulos | Legal Form

"...any theory of human rights-whether the rights of eighteenth-century bourgeois revolutions or those superimposed on the state more recently-necessarily entails picking up the unfinished project of Marx's understanding, and critique, of capital."

REPORTS, DISSERTATIONS, & MISCELLANEOUS

Global Transformations and the British Working Class, 1997-2010

William Harvey | University of Manchester

"The research offers fresh empirical insights into capital and the state's attempts to improve the productivity of labour through the promotion of different skills and technologies, and the transformation of the organisation and means of production and the reproduction of labour-power."

The Frail Bonds of Liberalism: Pensions, Schools, and the Unraveling of Fiscal Mutualism in Midcentury New York

Michael Glass | Princeton University

"As school budgets, and the property taxes supporting them, became freighted with expensive interest payments, tax revolts became a permanent response to liberalism's fiscal volatility. These transformations, we argue, stemmed from postwar liberalism's dependence on financial markets to deliver retirement security, public education, and other social benefits."

Contagion of Fear

Kris J. Mitchener, Gary Richardson | NBER

"...between 1929-32 banking panics reduced lending by 13%, relative to its 1929 value, and the money multiplier and money supply by 36%. The banking panics, in other words, caused about 41% of the decline in bank lending and about nine-tenths of the decline in the money multiplier during the Great Depression."

VIDEOS

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?"

How the Law Creates Wealth and Inequality (on The Code of Capital)

Katharina Pistor | Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies

"The law selectively codes certain assets, endowing them with the capacity to protect and produce private wealth. With the right legal coding, any object, claim, or idea can be turned into capital - and lawyers are the keepers of the code."

Corona, the Economy and Deglobalization

Peter V. Bergeijk | International Institute of Social Studies

"This talk discusses the economic context in which the corona virus is hitting the world economy - a phase of deepening deglobalization that started during the financial crisis in 2008/9 - and concludes that the economic impact of this pandemic is severe, but not catastrophic."

PODCASTS

The Iron Lady's Legacy on Development: Thatcherism, Neoliberalism, and Austerity

George Lovell | The Global Development Primer

"From deep austerity, to re-imagining what the nation state is, this episode discusses the Iron Lady's long legacy (intentional or otherwise) in international development. It's Thatcherism revisited."

The Economics of Financial Cooperatives

Amr Khafagy | New Books Network

"What is the influence of financial cooperatives on wealth and income distribution? What institutional factors determine the development of financial cooperatives? Why do financial cooperatives grow in some emerging economies and not in other similar ones?"

How China's Regulators Dismantled a Financial Empire

Nandini Venkata, Wu Xiaohui | Caixin Global Podcasts

"China's Anbang Insurance triggered concerns that its debt-fueled expansion could pose a threat to the stability of the financial system. This episode describes China's first big corporate turn-around. Will it serve as a template for other 'too big to fail' companies, or was this case a one-off?"

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