

'The Definitive UNABOM Page' & 'CRITICAL THINKING about TECHNOLOGY'

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Thanks for your patience as I move my website.

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Resume

UNABOM case

Critical Thinking About Technology Weblog

MBTA.net

Portalz.org - a Portal Search Engine

Sentient Machine Therapist - Jeanine Salla

The Definitive UNABOM Page

Source: <web.archive.org/.../cs.umass.edu/~ehaugsjaa/unabom>

Over the course of 18 years (1978-1995), "the Unabomber" (generally accepted to be Ted Kaczynski acting alone) placed or mailed 23 package bombs. These bombs killed 3 and wounded 16. As the first targets were UN-iversities and A-irlines, the FBI gave the case the name UNABOM. The FBI was finally able to apprehend Kaczynski thanks to his brother David and David's wife Linda who recognized the writing in "Industrial Society and Its Future" (aka "The Manifesto") which the FBI finally decided to have the Washington Post publish. His federal trial resulted in the sentence of multiple life terms in the SuperMax prison in Colorado. Currently, Kaczynski has appealed and hopes to get a re-trial in which he is able to defend himself. He has decided he would rather risk receiving a death-sentence than live out his days in prison diagnosed as insane (he insists he is not mentally ill, only that he had a very difficult time with social adjustment as a kid). His book has been postponed, but his allegory was published.

Critical Thinking About Technology

"If you do psychology in an industrial society, the one thing you need most to hide or suppress is the damage we do to the natural environment. If you took that seriously as factor in personal sanity, you would probably have to call off industrial progress."

– Theodore Roszak

Quick Links

- "Industrial Society And Its Future"
- "Ship of Fools"
- "Truth vs Lies"
- 1971 Essay
- Affidavit
- Psych Report
- Ted Kaczynski
- alt.fan.unabomber
- Analysis
- Articles
- Photos
- Other Sites

Magazine articles about TK and/or the UNABOM case

- Recent
- Recently posted to alt.fan.unabomber
- Long articles good for an overview

Photos

- Cabin Exhibit

Recently in the USENET discussion group, alt.fan.unabomber

- University of Michigan makes Kaczynski letters public
By The Associated Press, June 5, 2000
- TK is still a mystery (13 Jun 2000)
- TK selling Montana Property (AP & Reuters, 6/16/00)

The Appeal

- Where things stand now (and VERY short appeal argument overview) (18 April 2000)
- Summary of latest briefs by each side (TK & gov't - 16 April 2000)
- A shorter version
- An opinion
- Any more recent news?

Current News

- The real current news is the status of the appeal. See above.
- Related News (UNABOM WebLog from 11/10/99 on)
- (Slightly Older News)
- From the Sacramento Bee
- Last two weeks from the AP
- Last two weeks from TotalNews.com (ABC/NBC/CBS/CNN/Fox)
- alt.fan.unabomber forum
- More...

Trial

- **The "47-page" Sally Johnson Psychiatric Report** - news articles w/ some quotes
- Synopsis and opinion rendered by the 9th circuit regarding the release of the psych report
- Docket
- Transcripts or here
- Court Documents - Psychologist reports, etc.
- * Government's Sentencing Memorandum (54k)
Exhibits to the Memorandum - Journals Entries, Letters, etc.
- Jury (in the news...)

- Sentencing & Victims wishing to speak - May 4, 1998
- Courtroom sketches

UNABOM Case

- **Books**
 - * Affidavit Supporting Arrest (164k)
 - Attachment 3: The 1971 essay
 - Attachment 4: A TEXT COMPARISON OF THE 'T' (TED) DOCUMENTS AND THE 'U' (UNABOM) DOCUMENTS
- Arrest Warrant
- * Articles
- * Analysis
- More... SacBee, The Truth is Redacted, Rob Exeter's Composite Sketches

Victim Responses

- Articles
- **Books**
- Trial-end statements
- More... SacBee, * Definitive UNABOM

TK's Writing

- * **UNABOM Manifesto "Industrial Society and Its Future"** (Translations)
- * TK's 1971 essay
- Ship of Fools. A parable by TK. 8/99
- 3/99 - The Waits book has some unseen journal entries.
- The Refutation "Truth vs. Lies"
- Journal excerpts ... More and More
- Quotes... from exhibits to Sent. Memo. (see above) from FBI Analysis comparing TK & FC

Letters

- TK Letter to "Live Wild or Die" (1998)
- UNABOM letters to Gelernter, etc. (1995)
- TK letters to media (1970's) and to his friend in Mexico (1994)
- TK letters to psychiatrists (1988-1993)
- TK letters to family (1991)

Useful sites

- Commerical news sites, gov't trial pages, discussion pages...

More (The old page)

- Pre-trial (1996 & 1997) analysis & opinion
- Background... the better news & analysis articles, FAQs

Hits since 8/14/99

"My motive for doing what I am going to do is simply personal revenge. I do not expect to accomplish anything by it. Of course, if my crime (and my reasons for committing it) gets any public attention, it may help to stimulate public interest in **the technology question** and thereby improve the chances of stopping technology before it is too late; but on the other hand most people will probably be repelled by my crime, and the opponents of freedom may use it as a weapon to support their arguments for control over human behavior. I have no way of knowing whether my action will do more good than harm. I certainly don't claim to be an altruist or to be acting for the 'good' (whatever that is) of the human race. I act merely from a desire for revenge."

– Ted Kaczynski's Journal, April 1971 (from the sentencing memorandum)

"My statement will be very brief. A few days ago the government filed a sentencing memorandum, the purpose of which was clearly political. By discrediting me personally, they hope to discredit the ideas expressed by the Unabomber. In reality, the government has discredited itself. The sentencing memorandum contains false statements, distorted statements and statements that mislead by omitting important facts. At a later time I expect to **respond at length** to the sentencing memorandum and also the

many other falsehoods that have been propagated about me. Meanwhile, I only ask that people reserve their judgment about me and about the Unabom case until all the facts have been made public.”

– Ted Kaczynski, May 4, 1998, in court (from trial transcript)

CRITICAL THINKING about TECHNOLOGY

Source: <web.archive.org/web/20000818200626/http://www.cs.umass.edu/~ehaugsja/tech2.html>

Ecopsychology an interview with Theodore Roszak (AdBusters, Jun/Jul 2000)
We are out of touch with nature and, according to the premises of ecopsychology, it is making us sick. (see also Mary Pipher’s book: The Shelter of Each Other

Blow up the Internet! (Salon, 24 Jul 2000)

As earnest lefties at a panel wring their hands over the fate of the Internet, three weird characters out of ”The Matrix” steal the show. Their website - artactivist.com

Cancer peril of animal organ transplants

The Observer (UK) 23 July 2000

Transplanting animal organs into humans could trigger a global pandemic of a deadly new disease. A new study by British scientists has found that cancer-causing retro-viruses are spread relatively easily between different creatures in the wild.

Moletronics Countdown (Wired Jul 2000) - ”molecular electronics”

”[W]hen millions of molecular devices take up the space occupied by one transistor, the sheer computing power will be millions of times that of silicon, revolutionizing current notions of processor speed.”

...

”Semiconductor technology was patented in 1928, long before anyone really knew what to do with it. It wasn’t until 1947 that the first crystal transistor was invented at Bell Labs. ”The time it took from the first transistor to the demonstration of an integrated circuit was 11 years. We’ve just built the first molecular transistor,” Reed says with a smirk, ”so now we’ve got 11 years.”

Yahoo: Home > Social Science > Science, Technology, and Society Studies

CPSR (Computer Professionals for Social Responsibility): Ethics in Technology

Why The Future Doesn’t Need Us. (April 2000, WIRED Magazine)

By Bill Joy (bio), co-founder and Chief Scientist of Sun Microsystems

Our most powerful 21st-century technologies - robotics, genetic engineering, and nanotech - are threatening to make humans an endangered species.

Life in the Fourth MillenniumBy Steven Pinker (MIT TechReview, May/June 2000)

Science and technology could transform our world if it weren't for human nature

Union of Concerned Scientists

An independent nonprofit alliance of 50,000 concerned citizens and scientists across the US. UCS was founded in 1969 at MIT by faculty members and students who were concerned about the misuse of science and technology in society. Their statement called for the redirection of scientific research to pressing environmental and social problems.

SLOW DOWN

International Center for Technology Assessment - a non-profit, bi-partisan organization committed to providing the public with full assessments and analyses of technological impacts on society.

The Loka Institute - a non-profit research and advocacy organization concerned with the social, political, and environmental repercussions of research, science and technology.

Campaign for Responsible Technology

University Programs on Science, Technology, & Society (from North Carolina State University, USA)

Articles

- 76 Reasonable Questions to Ask About Any Technology - by the Jacques Ellul Society
- TekWatch - Technology and the Quality of Life

Commercial Alert

Use of Psychology to Exploit Children, Commercialism in schools and education, etc.

Mary Pipher's books are excellent. _The Shelter of Each Other_ for instance.

USEful Technology

From New Scientist mag. About tech in 3rd world.

Confronting Technology

A mountain of books and articles to read

NetFuture - Technology and Human Responsibility

A weekly newsletter. Excellent stuff. Maybe even more useful than the above link to books. Look at the extensive topical index for articles on EDUCATION and COMPUTERS, HUMAN FREEDOM, TECHNOLOGICAL INEVITABILITY, and COMPUTERS vs. PEOPLE

For Teachers

The Computer Delusion

(The Atlantic Monthly; July 1997; The Computer Delusion; Volume 280, No. 1; pages 45-62.) My favorite article about education and computers.

"There is no good evidence that most uses of computers significantly improve teaching

and learning, yet school districts are cutting programs – music, art, physical education – that enrich children’s lives to make room for this dubious nostrum, and the Clinton Administration has embraced the goal of “computers in every classroom” with credulous and costly enthusiasm.”

Sudbury Valley Schools - A much better way to do things...

The Internet and Gutenberg

In history’s sweep, it may also rank behind the car, the plane and antibiotics among others, Newsweek, 1/24/00

Hang on lads, I’ve got an idea

Writing at the beginning of the 17th century, Francis Bacon, an English philosopher of science, maintained that the three most important inventions were gunpowder, the magnetic compass and printing. We agree, and add another seven made after Bacon died. The Economist Millenium Special, 12/25/99

Some easy reads that will probably be in your local library:

- Technopoly - The Surrender of Culture to Technology (excerpts), by Neil Postman
- Absence of the Sacred - The Failure of Technology and the Survival of the Indian Nations (excerpt), by Jerry Mander

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Old archives & reading lists.

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