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Is a healthy profit compatible with a healthy population?

Honest Doubt showcases the workings of a questing intellect, unafraid to pose hard questions and unroll barbed wire in the path of society's sacred cows.-Tom Flynn, Editor, Free Inquiry and The New Encyclopedia of Unbelief; Author, Nothing Sacred Despite the prevalence of religious belief in the United States (nearly 200 million Americans belong to 350,000 congregations), a growing minority (14 percent) of U.S. adults identify with no religion whatsoever. Journalist James A. Haught addresses the secular segment of American society in this interesting collection of incisive essays that give voice to honest doubts about religious beliefs. Taken together, Haught's essays endorse the idea that freedom of religion must include freedom to doubt as well as to believe. Individually, the articles present many different reasons to doubt: 'Intellectual integrity demands that we express doubts about beliefs for which there is no scientific evidence.' 'The historical record, past and present, shows that religion is often the cause of evils, from the Inquisition and the burning of witches to current terrorist violence committed in the name of religion.' 'Natural evils, such as the 2004 Asian tsunami and devastating diseases, should make any thoughtful person question whether an all-powerful and all-merciful God governs the universe.' 'The sheer number and diversity of often-conflicting belief systems, including many ancient creeds that long ago died out, raise serious doubts about the philosophical soundness and coherence of religion as an approach to finding the truth.' 'Scandals among the clergy undermine the credibility of religion as a sound basis for morality.' Written in a straightforward conversational style that makes clear the many scientific, philosophical, and ethical difficulties that plague religion, Haught's thought-provoking essays will appeal to atheists, agnostics, and anyone with questions about religion. James A. Haught (Charleston, WV) is the editor of the Charleston Gazette, West Virginia's largest newspaper. He is the author of 2000 Years of Disbelief: Famous People with the Courage to Doubt and four other books.

The Depression had already begun in West Virginia before the stock market crash of November 1929 and lasted until the coming of war in 1941. In tracing the responses of the people and government of West Virginia during the Depression, historian Jerry Thomas not only deals with politics and institutions but also tells about ordinary people during the worst conditions in the state's history. 18 photos.

In 2000, Governor George Ryan of Illinois, a Republican and a supporter of the death penalty, declared a moratorium on executions in his state. In 2003 he commuted the death sentences of all Illinois prisoners on death row. Ryan contended that the application of the death penalty in Illinois had been arbitrary and unfair, and he ignited a new round of debate over the appropriateness of execution.

Nationwide surveys indicate that the number of Americans who favor the death penalty is declining. As the struggle over capital punishment

rages on, twelve states and the District of Columbia have taken bold measures to eliminate the practice. This landmark study is the first to examine the history and motivations of those jurisdictions that abolished capital punishment and have resisted the move to reinstate death penalty statutes.

Contextualizing Disaster

A History, 1865-2000

Southern West Virginia and the Struggle for Modernity

Wild, Wonderful Episodes -- and Some Not Wonderful -- from the Longtime Editor of the Mountain State's Largest Newspaper, the Charleston Gazette

A Look Inside Small-college Basketball in West Virginia

Charleston Newspapers' news Library

Fugitive Slave Advertisements in The City Gazette

A firsthand account of how public officials and other well-connected individuals have been compromised or blackmailed by their sexual improprieties, Confessions of a D.C. Madame relates the author's time running the largest gay escort service in Washington, DC, and his interactions with VIPs from government, business, and the media who solicited the escorts he employed. The book details the federal government's pernicious campaign waged against the author to ensure his silence and how he withstood relentless, fabricated attacks by the government, which included incarceration rooted in trumped up charges and outright lies. This fascinating and shocking facet of government malfeasance reveals the integral role blackmail plays in American politics and the unbelievable lengths the government perpetrates to silence those in the know.

Prudence Velcray has known only rejection on Valentine's Day. Vowing this year will be different, she ends the romance with her boyfriend before she is dealt another crushing blow. Determined to boycott the romantic holiday, she retreats to Snowline Mountain Resort. Here, she accidentally meets Dr. Sebastian Stone, the brother of her third-grade Valentine, and the culprit of her Valentine's Day downhill spiral. To wrench matters, cupid's misguided arrow ensnares her in a hopeless attraction that she neither wants nor can deny. Sebastian Stone has devoted his life to medicine scarred by his brother Nicholas's battle with leukemia when they were children. He has avoided long-term involvements and shuns Valentine's Day entrapments. Yet he is captivated by Prudence Velcray when circumstances throw them together, and they share a kiss that Sebastian can't forget. As he rebels against his feelings for Prudence, he can't help himself from falling in love with her. When he almost loses her trust, and a childhood secret is revealed, he must prove to Prudence he is worthy of her love.

For most of the twentieth century, West Virginia was a college basketball hotbed. Its major programs were a success, but perhaps even more successful was the West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, composed of fifteen schools that rarely earned headlines but set many records and became an identifiable part of small town culture and a source of state pride. This ethos exists today in small town Kentucky and Indiana but struggles to

survive in West Virginia. Part of the reason is the state's population decline since the 1950s. That, author Bob Kuska argues, along with the rise of cabl.

An ethnography of coal country in southern West Virginia.

Dying to Work

Anatomy of a Public Health Disaster

Freedom of Information File

Last Appalachian Wolf

U.S. Prison Riots, 1971-1986

The Political Language of Food

My Husband of a Thousand Joys and Sorrows

Fugitive Slave Advertisements in The City Gazette: Charleston, South Carolina, 1787-1797 is a collection of more than one thousand transcribed advertisements from Charleston's daily newspaper. Each advertisement portrays, in miniature, a human drama of courage and resistance to unjust authority.

In March 1913, labor agitator Mary Harris "Mother" Jones and forty-seven other civilians were tried by a military court on charges of murder and conspiracy to murder—charges stemming from violence that erupted during the long coal miners' strike in the Paint Creek and Cabin Creek areas of Kanawha County, West Virginia. Immediately after the trial, some of the convicted defendants received conditional pardons, but Mother Jones and eleven others remained in custody until early May. This arrest and conviction came in the latter years of Mother Jones's long career as a labor agitator. Eighty-one and feisty as ever, she was able to focus national attention on the miners' cause and on the governor's tactics for handling the dispute. Over the course of seven months, more than two hundred civilians were tried by courts-martial. Only during the Civil War and Reconstruction had the courts been used so extensively against private citizens, and the trial raised a number of civil rights issues. The national outcry over Mother Jones's imprisonment led the United States Senate to appoint a subcommittee to examine mining conditions in West Virginia—the first Senate subcommittee ever appointed to investigate a labor controversy. Public sentiment eventually forced a release of the prisoners and brought about a settlement of the strike. In the face of this overwhelmingly adverse publicity, the governor suppressed publication of the trial transcript, and it was long thought to have been destroyed. Edward M. Steel Jr., an authority on Mother Jones, uncovered the trial proceedings while searching for Jones's manuscripts amid private papers at the West Virginia and Regional Collection. This volume makes available for the first time the transcript of this landmark case in labor and legal history, including an introduction that provides background on the issues involved.

West Virginia Politics and Government offers the only recent study of politics in the Mountain State. Combining new empirical information about political behavior with a close examination of the capacity of the state's government, this second edition is a comprehensive and pointed study of the ability of the state's government to respond to the needs of a largely rural and relatively low-income population. The authors discuss public demands on state government, the shaping of the political agenda by interest groups, elections and the role of political parties, and the influence of the federal.

In the definitive history of a twentieth-century public health disaster, Alan Derickson recounts how, for decades after methods of prevention were known, hundreds of thousands of American miners suffered and died from black lung, a respiratory illness caused by the inhalation of coal mine dust. The combined failure of government, medicine, and industry to halt the spread of this disease—and even to acknowledge its existence—resulted in a national tragedy, the effects of which are still being felt. The book begins in the late nineteenth century, when the disorders brought on by exposure to coal mine dust were first identified as components of a debilitating and distinctive illness. For several decades thereafter, coal miners' dust disease was accepted, in both lay and professional circles, as a major industrial disease. Derickson describes how after the turn of the century medical professionals and industry representatives worked to discredit and supplant knowledge about black lung, with such success that this disease ceased to be recognized. Many authorities maintained that breathing coal mine dust was actually beneficial to

health. Derickson shows that activists ultimately forced society to overcome its complacency about this deadly and preventable disease. He chronicles the growth of an unprecedented movement—from the turn-of-the-century miners' union, to the social medicine activists in the mid-twentieth century, and the black lung insurgents of the late sixties—which eventually won landmark protections and compensation with the enactment of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act in 1969. An extraordinary work of scholarship, Black Lung exposes the enormous human cost of producing the energy source responsible for making the United States the world's preeminent industrial nation.

The Black Athlete in West Virginia

States Leading the Way

Cumulative List of Organizations Described in Section 170 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954

West Virginia in the Great Depression

Congressional Record

The Charleston gazette [electronic journal].

America's New Preacher

Surface coal mining has had a dramatic impact on the Appalachian economy and ecology since World War II, exacerbating the region's chronic unemployment and destroying much of its natural environment.

Here, Chad Montrie examines the twentieth-century movem

Join the search to examine reports of unidentified and misplaced creatures -- known as "cryptids" -- throughout the Mountain State, from its earliest history to present day. Included are such famous unknowns as Bigfoot; Mothman, harbinger of disaster; giant birds and snakes unrecognized by modern science; anomalous huge human remains unearthed state-wide since the 19th century; "extinct" cougars that refuse to die; animals alien to North America, including lions, tigers, black panthers, kangaroos, and piranha; the ferocious "Dogman" and woolly, horned "Sheepsquatch"; freshwater cephalopods; and other creatures that defy classification.

Wherever you reside or visit in West Virginia, phantom cryptids have been seen near your location -- terrifying witnesses, baffling investigators, and monsters sometimes leave evidence behind to mark their passing through our world. Happy hunting!

This chronicle of sports at West Virginia's 40 black high schools and three black colleges illuminates many issues in race relations and the struggle for social justice within the state and nation. Despite having inadequate resources, the black schools' sports teams thrived during segregation and helped tie the state's scattered black communities together. West Virginia hosted the nation's first state-wide black high school basketball tournament, which flourished for 33 years, and both Bluefield State and West Virginia State won athletic championships in the prestigious Colored Intercollegiate Athletic Association (now Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association). Black schools were gradually closed after the 1954 Brown v. Board of Education decision, and the desegregation of schools in West Virginia was an important step toward equality. For black athletes and their communities, the path to inclusion came with many costs.

Contextualizing Disaster offers a comparative analysis of six recent "highly visible" disasters and several slow-burning, "hidden," crises that include typhoons, tsunamis, earthquakes, chemical spills, and the unfolding consequences of rising seas and climate change. The book argues that, while disasters are increasingly represented by the media as unique, exceptional, newsworthy events, it is a mistake to think of disasters as isolated or discrete occurrences. Rather, building on insights developed by political ecologists, this book makes a compelling argument for understanding disasters as transnational and global phenomena.

A History of the West Virginia Capitol: The House of State

From Innocence to Reality

The Cowboy's Texas Rose

Memoir of an Indian-American Chemist

To Save the Land and People

Honest Doubt

America Without the Death Penalty

They've found exactly what they weren't looking for... Archaeologist Rosalinda Morales is focused more on what's in the soil and caves of the famed Legacy Ranch, rather than

what's on it—the sexy and charismatic cowboy heir. As a single mom to her special needs son, she knows what it's like to struggle, so even though Toby Dixon has charm pulsing through his veins, she's determined to resist. Despite trying to mend bridges, Toby Dixon's brothers have no interest in coming home, so he's taken the reins of his family's historic cattle ranch. Having vowed to his dying mother to settle down, he's still considering how to move the company forward when Dr. Morales, armed with a sense of humor, a keen intellect and love for adventure, arrives with her team of students. Suddenly Toby begins to see more possibilities for his family's ancient land and his future. Toby can't flirt his way into Rose's life. He'll need to up his game and earn the trust of the woman who isn't just excavating his soil, but digging into his heart.

In *Dying to Work*, Jonathan Karmel raises our awareness of unsafe working conditions with accounts of workers who were needlessly injured or killed on the job. Based on heart-wrenching interviews Karmel conducted with injured workers and surviving family members across the country, the stories in this book are introduced in a way that helps place them in a historical and political context and represent a wide survey of the American workplace, including, among others, warehouse workers, grocery store clerks, hotel housekeepers, and river dredgers. Karmel's examples are portraits of the lives and dreams cut short and reports of the workplace incidents that tragically changed the lives of everyone around them. *Dying to Work* includes incidents from industries and jobs that we do not commonly associate with injuries and fatalities and highlights the risks faced by workers who are hidden in plain view all around us. While exposing the failure of safety laws that leave millions of workers without compensation and employers without any meaningful incentive to protect their workers, Karmel offers the reader some hope in the form of policy suggestions that may make American workers safer and employers more accountable. This is a book for anyone interested in issues of worker health and safety, and it will also serve as the cornerstone for courses in public policy, community health, labor studies, business ethics, regulation and safety, and occupational and environmental health policy.

This book examines case studies of recent prison riots in five states, including the 1971 radical uprising in Attica, New York, and the infamous 1981 bloodbath at the New Mexico Penitentiary. The most extensive and

detailed work yet written on US prison riots, the authors explain the occurrence and variations of riots as a reflection of the administrative breakdown of the prison system within a changing ideological context. A theoretical appendix helps make this work an ideal introduction to sociological theories of collective action.

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Public Health in the Market  
Proceedings and Debates of the ... Congress  
T.D. Jakes  
Confessions of a D.C. Madam

The Pen Pal  
High School and College Sports from 1900  
Through the End of Segregation  
Removing Mountains

This work addresses how southern West Virginia's complex and often chaotic history still impacts key aspects of modern-day life for mountaineers. At its center are fundamental elements of late 19th and early 20th century Appalachian existence such as the predominance of subsistence farming, the coming of the Industrial Revolution, the rise of company towns, growing coal company influence, and the resultant expansion of political corruption. It examines how the region's Appalachian culture and identity have adapted to and been affected by these factors as well as how stereotypical perceptions held by those outside the region have created both opportunities and barriers to modernization for southern West Virginians.

The *Political Language of Food* addresses why the language used in the production, marketing, selling, and consumption of food is inherently political. Food language is rarely neutral and is often strategically vague, which tends to serve the interests of powerful entities. Boerboom and his contributors critique the language of food-based messages and examine how such language—including idioms, tropes, euphemisms, invented terms, etc.—serves to both mislead and obscure relationships between food and the resulting community, health, labor, and environmental impacts. Employing diverse methodologies, the contributors examine on a micro-level the textual and rhetorical elements of food-based language itself. The *Political Language of Food* is both timely and

important and will appeal to scholars of media studies, political communication, and rhetoric.

One woman's heartbreaking story of a marriage destroyed by her husband's addiction to alcohol. The dynamics of codependency are illuminated in this gripping tale. Author and widow Frances Simone describes her husband's attempts at treatment and subsequent relapse, his suicide, and her own recovery through a twelve-step program for families. Frances Simone, PhD, is a recently retired professor emeritus from the graduate college of Marshall University in South Charleston, West Virginia. Her essays have appeared in *The Voice* and *The Quarterly* of the National Writing Project, the *Charleston Gazette*, *Writers Digest*, and *The Forum*.

Even though the West Virginia Capitol deviated from the design of legendary architect Cass Gilbert, the iconic building is still considered a masterpiece. The full story of the Capitol is filled with twists and turns, from the fortunate fire that burned its predecessor to the tug of war between Wheeling and Charleston for the designation of state capital. Revisit the to-gild-or-not-to-gild debate that raged around the construction of the Capitol's signature crown, which once was in danger of collapsing on itself or toppling in heavy winds. Join Charleston author Jim Wallace for this captivating account of West Virginia's architectural jewel.

It Happened in West Virginia

Finding Boots

An Appalachian New Deal

Essays on Atheism in a Believing Society  
Cupid's Strings

A History of Opposition to Surface Coal Mining in Appalachia

Black Lung

The Congressional Record is the official record of the proceedings and debates of the United States Congress. It is published daily when Congress is in session. The Congressional Record began publication in 1873. Debates for sessions prior to 1873 are recorded in *The Debates and Proceedings in the Congress of the United States* (1789-1824), the *Register of Debates in Congress* (1824-1837), and the *Congressional Globe* (1833-1873)

Laugh your way through the pages of *West Virginia Curiosities*, your round-trip ticket to the wildest, wackiest, most outrageous people, places, and things the Mountain State has to offer!

A New York Times Editor's Choice and Critic's Top Pick \* Edgar Allan Poe Award Finalist \* A Lit Hub Best Book of The Year

From a Pulitzer Prize-winning investigative reporter at the *Charleston Gazette-Mail*, a "powerful," (*The New York Times*) urgent, and heartbreaking account of the corporate greed that pumped millions of pain pills into small Appalachian towns, decimating communities. In a pharmacy in Kermit, West Virginia, 12 million opioid pain pills were distributed in just three years to a town with a population of 382 people. One woman, after losing her brother to overdose, was desperate for justice. Debbie Preece's fight for accountability for her brother's death took her well beyond the Sav-Rite Pharmacy in coal country, ultimately leading to three of the biggest drug wholesalers in the country. She was joined by a crusading lawyer and by local journalist, Eric Eyre, who uncovered a massive opioid pill-dumping scandal that shook the foundation of America's largest drug companies—and won him a Pulitzer Prize. Part *Erin Brockovich*, part *Spotlight*, *Death in Mud Lick* details the clandestine meetings with whistleblowers; a court fight to unseal filings that the drug distributors tried to keep hidden, a push to secure the DEA pill-shipment data, and the fallout after Eyre's local paper, the *Gazette-Mail*, the smallest newspaper ever to win a Pulitzer Prize for investigative reporting, broke the story. Eyre follows the opioid shipments into individual counties, pharmacies, and homes in West Virginia and explains how thousands of Appalachians got hooked on prescription drugs—resulting in the highest overdose rates in the country. But despite the tragedy, there is also hope as citizens banded together to create positive change—and won. "A product of one reporter's sustained outrage [and] a searing spotlight on the scope and human cost of corruption and negligence" (*The Washington Post*) Eric Eyre's intimate portrayal of a national public health crisis illuminates the shocking pattern of corporate greed and its repercussions for the citizens of West Virginia—and the nation—to this day. *The Pen Pal* follows the story of Shiloh Ray, who is a military wife, new mother, and college student. Shiloh also suffers from postpartum depression and overall loneliness from living in rural Alaska far away from any family or friends. Shiloh then breaks out of her comfort zone and signs up for a Pen Pal. Weeks pass and she is matched with Penelope Young, this is where her whole life will change. Shiloh and Penelope become the best of friends and write letters every week. Until one day the letters just stop. Penelope had vanished. Shiloh cannot handle the thought of losing her best friend, so she flies across the country to figure out

what she did wrong, or what happened to Penelope. Once she gets there, she finds out from Penelope's husband that she is missing. Shiloh takes matters into her own hands, finding out the truth of what happened to her friend. Shiloh will follow clues and figure out the truth no matter what the cost. She also meets a few unexpected friends along the way to help her. Shiloh and her friends will face many challenges and have to race against the clock to find out the truth before someone else covers it up. Trigger Warning! There is talk of suicidal thoughts and mental illness

The Court-Martial of Mother Jones  
Extracting Nature and Identity in the Appalachian Coalfields  
West Virginia Politics and Government  
The Politics of Sex, Lies, and Blackmail  
Journey of a Lifetime  
Dark Wine Waters

A Family Memoir  
Since the winter of 1971 when my father and my brothers sued Keith, resulting in their paying him \$91,839.60 for his stock, I have attempted to discover what would end the lasting conflict between the Harrison family and the Simms family. I have assumed, as do most Americans, that all problems have a solution, that the Harrisons and the Simmses would once again become one happy family. Yet, more than thirty years later, the solution has not been revealed. Therefore, as I am now nearing the last stage of my life, I have decided to adopt a different attitude. I shall settle for an examination of the past in order to determine the causes and to banish from my mind the achievement of a reunion between our families. Soon most of us who have been involved in the conflict will be with God in Heaven, and those left on earth will neither know, nor care. Thus, with the writing of this book, I shall hopefully gain peace, contentment and acceptance for life as it exists, rather than life as it were before the suit.

It Happened in West Virginia takes readers on a rollicking, behind-the-scenes look at some of the characters and episodes from the Mountain State's storied past. Including both famous tales, and famous names--and little-known heroes, heroines, and happenings.

There is no available information at this time.

"The author traces the history of minor league and independent league baseball in West Virginia. Baseball below the minor leagues has a rich and comparatively unexplored history, and West Virginia has made substantial contributions to this legacy. Chapter

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Death and Injury in the American Workplace  
A West Virginia Mystery  
Fascinating West Virginia  
A Valentine's Romance  
West Virginia Curiosities  
Death in Mud Lick

Finding Boots is a story about two girls discovering the world of art through a game of hide and seek. Follow Capable as she discovers new friends on her journey to find her elusive friend Red Boots.

T.D. Jakes has emerged as one of the most prolific spiritual leaders of our time. He is pastor of one of the largest churches in the country, CEO of a multimillion dollar empire, the host of a television program, author of a dozen bestsellers, and the producer of two Grammy Award-nominated CDs and three critically acclaimed plays. In 2001 Time magazine featured Jakes on the cover and asked: Is Jakes the next Billy Graham T.D. Jakes draws on extensive research, including interviews with numerous friends and colleagues of Jakes, to examine both Jakes's rise to prominence and proliferation of a faith industry bent on producing spiritual commodities for mass consumption. Lee frames Jakes and his success as a metaphor for changes in the Black Church and American Protestantism more broadly, looking at the ramifications of his rise--and the rise of similar preachers--for the way in which religion is practiced in this country, how social issues are confronted or ignored, and what is distinctly "American" about Jakes's emergence. While offering elements of biography, the work also seeks to shed light on important aspects of the contemporary American and African American religious experience. Lee contends that Jakes's widespread success symbolizes a religious realignment in which mainline churches nationwide are in decline, while innovative churches are experiencing phenomenal growth. He emphasizes the "Americanness" of Jakes's story and reveals how preachers like Jakes are drawing followers by delivering therapeutic and transformative messages and providing spiritual commodities that are more in tune with postmodern sensibilities. As the first work to critically examine Bishop Jakes's life and message, T.D. Jakes is an important contribution to contemporary American religion as well as popular culture.

A Coal Country Fight Against the Drug Companies That Delivered the Opioid Epidemic  
Quirky Characters, Roadside Oddities & Other Offbeat Stuff  
Strange West Virginia Monsters  
Cinderella Ball  
States of Siege : U.S. Prison Riots, 1971-1986  
West Virginia Baseball  
Facing Managed Care, Lean Government, and Health Disparities