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A conversation with the great Ben Katchor.

"The thing is, wealth doesn’t corrupt you just criminally, it also corrupts your tastes. You don’t look at things, you don’t study things, you become, you know, an

On America's 'Data-Driven Defeat in Afghanistan'

"They mistook war as a matter of process, when its nature is ruled by paradox."
https://t.co/ColMD35yFf

On Our collective Deathwish.

"The true defining characteristic of American political society at present isn’t widespread violence from either the left or the right, but a propensity for dramatic overreach combined with utter toothlessness."
https://t.co/RaBQsrKHTj

On The New Truth.

"And so the new argument proceeds, burying contrary evidence in unmarked graves while erecting new religious monuments and shrines at which the growing number of the faithful pay obeisance."
https://t.co/FotGnphMqX

On the deadly new regime of total information control.

"Perhaps the most messed-up thing about the case of the purged Google doc is that no one seems to care that it happened, aside from those publications that celebrated the monopolist’s censorship."
https://t.co/lCPGd6Csvd

On Our Superdense Foreign Policy Black Hole.

"Russiagate merging with the war in Afghanistan was inevitable because both wield America’s world-powerful military & intelligence apparatus against domestic political foes, dressed up as foreign adversaries."
https://t.co/KfBGVzJkB8

On Left Heretics and the New Media Collective.

"The secret motive driving people in the news business is the fear of standing alone. Most journalists look around to see what the journalists they imagine are important are doing, and they copy that."
https://t.co/Vj5p2qENz8

On Joe Rogan, Aleph.

"Joe Rogan's prominent cranium and bulging physiognomy are physical manifestations of a fluctuating aperture through which one glimpses the cultural mood that is, at that moment, most popular and most repressed."
https://t.co/lKABT6oHzG

And closing out the year, my first piece for @unherd On the Iron Law of the Elite: as long as everyone fails together, everyone fails upwards.

"For the American ruling class, expertise is a ceremonial costume conferring power through mystifying rituals."
https://t.co/zwWXqQ1DXx