

"Some very depressing thoughts  
~~Getting older is all about time~~

BY PAT/SALTY

They SAY "Time FLYS when your HAVING FUN"  
SURE DOES.

ALSO, WHEN YOUR NOT HAVING FUN —  
LIKE, JUST LIVING YOUR LIFE.  
A FEWS QUICK SEASONS AND WERR  
ALL KAPUT — A HUMAN LIFETIME; OVER.  
IT SUCKS — THE WHOLE THING IS DEPRESSING.  
WHAT FOOLS PEOPLE ARE THE ENDLESS  
DAYS OF CLOCKWATCHING IN SCHOOL.  
THE HOURS + DAYS SEEM TO DRAG  
SO AWFULLY SLOW THAT — WHEN  
SCHOOLING ENDS AND ADULT LIFE  
BEGINS — EVERYBODY GETS FOOLED  
INTO BELIEVING THAT THE REST OF  
THEIR LIFETIMES WILL PASS JUST  
AS SLOWLY — WILL DRAG ALONG LIKE  
ALL THOSE SCHOOLCLOCKS + SCHOOLDAYS.  
WRONG AGAIN, BUNKY.

THAT WAS JUST FATHER TIME PLAYING  
WITH YOUR ASS, OR GOD — WHO PLAYS  
WITH FATHER TIME'S ASS, + EVERYONE ELSE'S,  
YOU GO FROM "I'M FINALLY OUT OF  
SCHOOL AND I'M FINALLY AN ADULT"  
MODE RIGHT STRAIGHT DIRECTLY INTO



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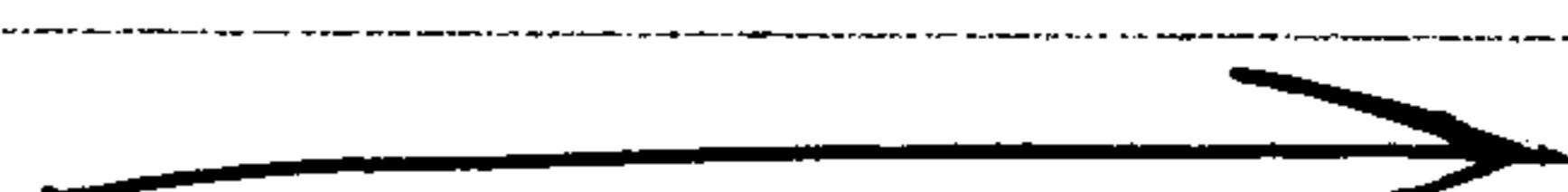
"Oh, DAMN! my FIRST GRAY HAIR!" mode - AND PLUCKING IT. AND PLUCKING THE SECOND ONE YOU SPOT. AND THE THIRD, SOON AFTER THAT; see, THERE AIN'T NO LONG PERIOD IN BETWEEN TO HAVE + LIVE SOME "PERFECT IN BETWEEN AGE" - OR IT PASSES SO GODAMNEE QUICK ITS OVER BEFORE you EVEN KNEW IT STARTED; ITS BAM - BANG - ZOOM; RIGHT FROM "YOUR TOO YOUNG TO GET IN HERE" mode TO "PLUCKING YOUR VERY FIRST GRAY HAIR" mode - IN NOTHING FLAT!

ITS SOON AFTER THAT WHEN WE ALL COME TO THE PISSED OFF PERPLEXED REALIZATION - THE UNEASY FEELING - LIKE WE GOT SCAMMED.

SOLD A FALSE BILL OF GOODS.

AND EVERYONE - AT THAT POINT - FINDS THEMSELVES CUT OFF AND CAUGHT BETWEEN A ROCK AND A HARD PLACE; WITH THE WHOLE FRIGGIN' WORLD DEVISED INTO TWO GROUPS;

- A) THE YOUNG WHO NOW THINK YOUR TOO OLD, AND,
- B) THE OLD WHO STILL THINK YOUR TOO YOUNG.  
YOU ARE, IN A WORD, SCREWED.



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AND, OF COURSE, FROM THEN ON YOU  
KNOW - WE ALL KNOW - THAT IT ONLY  
GETS WORSE AS THE SEASONS FLY BY.  
YOU KNOW DAMNED WELL THAT THEIRS  
NO "DO OVERS", NO EVER GOING BACK.  
YOU KNOW THAT OLD BASTARD FATHER  
TIME HAS HIS BONY FINGER UP YOUR  
FAST AGING ASS - OR IS IT THE GRIM REAPER  
HIMSELF? - AND THAT YOUR DAYS AND  
NIGHTS ON THIS EARTH ARE NUMBERED.

THAT FATHER TIME, OR THE GRIM REAPER,  
OR GOD - WHATEVER - HAS HIS COSMIC  
FINGER SO FAR UP YOUR HELPLESS  
ASS THAT ITS PLAYING MIND GAMES WITH  
YOUR BRAIN;

"WELL, I STILL HAVE X AMOUNT OF YEARS  
TO" - WHATEVER, FILL IN THE BLANK.

This is what everybody tells themselves,  
in order to keep their sanity.

AFTER WAITING YOUR WHOLE GODAMMED  
LIFE FOR EVERYTHING; WAITING ~~FOR~~

④ TO START SCHOOL, WAITING TILL  
SCHOOL IS OVER, WAITING TO TURN

OLD ENOUGH TO DRIVE AND TO ORDER

- LEGALLY - YOUR FIRST DRINK IN A BAR,  
AFTER WAITING TO "MEET THE RIGHT PERSON"  
AND WAITING ALL YOUR FUCKING →

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LIFE TO FINALLY ~~can't~~ ENJOY LIFE  
- AFTER ENDLESS CHASING OF DREAMS -  
YOU FIND YOURSELF WAITING IN THE  
BIGGEST LINE ~~of~~ OF ALL;

THE LINE OF PEOPLE WAITING TILL  
THE DAY THEY RETIRE ("PLAN AHEAD!")  
JUST LOOK HOW MANY OF THESE POOR  
BASTARDS THERE ARE WHO NOW GET  
TOLD, AFTER WORKING THEIR WHOLE LIVES  
AWAY, THAT THEY CANT RETIRE!!  
THAT THE MONEY JUST ISN'T THERE OR  
WON'T BE THERE!

SO THEY HAVE TO GO RIGHT ON SLAVING  
AWAY AND WORKING UNTIL THEY DIE!  
UNTILL WE ALL DIE.

SOME FUCKING LIFE, THIS.  
A LIFE SPENT WAITING - TO FUCKING DIE!  
IS THIS JUST ANOTHER ILLUSION IN  
A LIFELONG ENDLESS SERIES OF ILLUSIONS  
THAT WE ARE ALL FORCED TO ONCE AGAIN  
HOPE FOR AND WAIT FOR UNTILL THE  
"MAGIC" MOMENT FINALLY ARRIVES?  
OUR "GOLDEN YEARS" OF RETIREMENT  
TURN OUT TO BE JUST ANOTHER BIG  
LETDOWN? THAT "THE ~~GOLDEN~~ GOLDEN  
YEARS" JUST LOCK GOLDEN FROM A  
DISTANCE; THAT THE PROMISED →

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GOLD in the much hyped "GOLDEN years" is REALLY JUST cheap COMMON COPPER, STAINED IN PISS?  
AND Their "GOLDEN years" MEANS WORKING AWAY in some FAST FOOD PLACE OR SOME WALMART UNTILL They KEEL OVER AND END up WAITING TO DIE IN some CROWDED OLD AGE home?

BINGO NIGHT in some NURSING Home WAITING TO DIE ~~is~~ CAN NOT BE CALLED ANYONES "GOLDEN years".

HAVING BLACK ATTENDANTS in some INSTITUTION pushing wheelers Beds INTO some BIG depressing BINGO NIGHT ROOM so The poor OLD BASTARDS who WORKED ALL THEIR Lives CAN have A CHANCE TO WIN some NEW SHEETS + PILLOWCASE SET TO REPLACE The piss STAINED ONES

They're ALREADY IN — ISN'T MY IDEA OF "GOLDEN years", FOLKS!  
AND UNLESS you happen TO Be A ROTCHICK OR A ROCKAFELLER (AND YOU'RE NOT)  
OR UNLESS you HIT THE MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR LOTTERY (AND you HAVEN'T) — Then This is EXACTLY WHAT AWAITS you — Depressing, huh?

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UNLESS, OF COURSE, YOU END IT ALL  
AND KILL YOURSELF FIRST - OR YOU  
GET KILLED BEFORE THAT HAPPENS.

BY CANCER OR A FIRE OR BY SOME  
TERRORIST ASSHOLE OR BY SOME  
DRUNK DRIVING ASSHOLE - WHATEVER;  
"THE POSSIBILITIES ARE ENDLESS"~~ARE~~ ALRIGHT.  
AND EVERY POSSIBILITY ENDS IN YOUR DEATH.  
ALL THOSE "YOUR POSSIBILITIES ARE ENDLESS"  
PEOPLE ~~NEVER~~ NEVER TOLD YOU THAT, DID THEY?

BECAUSE THEY WERE BLIND & IGNORANT.  
"THE POSSIBILITIES ARE ENDLESS"! MY ASS!  
I'LL TELL YOU THE REAL TRUTH THEY  
NEVER DID AND NEVER WILL;  
YOU ARE GOING TO DIE.

MAYBE PAINFULLY, MAYBE (IF YOU'RE  
"LUCKY") QUICK - BUT YOU WILL DIE!  
IN FACT, YOU ARE ALL DYING RIGHT AT  
THIS VERY MOMENT! SLOWLY AND  
GRADUALLY (LIKE A CREEPING CANCER).  
YOU WILL DIE ALONE.

NOTHING YOU HAVE WILL GO WITH YOU.  
OTHERS WILL GET IT.

ALL OF IT - NO MATTER HOW MUCH OR HOW LITTLE.  
AND IN LESS THAN 100 SUMMERS, EVERY  
PERSON THAT EVER TALKED TO YOU OR  
KNEW YOU WILL ALSO ~~EVER~~ BE DEAD, TOO.

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SO NO BODY WILL EVEN REMEMBER YOU,  
YOU WILL BE ONLY A FORGOTTEN NAME  
ETCHED ON AN OLD GRAVESTONE.  
JUST TAKE A LOOK AT ANY OF THE OLD  
CEMETARIES, THE ONES WHERE THE  
PEOPLE DIED 150 OR 200 YEARS AGO.  
THEY ARE FORGOTTEN, OVERGROWN,  
UNTENDED — BECAUSE NOT ONE  
HUMAN ON EARTH TODAY EVER KNEW EVEN  
ONE OF THEM. BECAUSE EVERYONE WHO KNEW  
THEM ONCE IS ALSO LONG SENSE DEAD.  
SO WHAT HAPPENS?

THEIR GRAVES GET CRACKED, WEATHERED,  
OVERGROWN, VANDALIZED.

VANDALIZED BECAUSE NO BODY CARES!  
SOME UNBORN PUNKS WILL ONE DAY  
— IF YOUR "LUCKY" — USE YOUR  
GRAVESTONE AND "FINAL RESTING PLACE"  
AS A PLATFORM TO DRINK BEER ON!  
TO PISS ON AND KICK OVER AND HAVE  
A GOOD LAUGH AT YOUR "FUNNY NAME".  
"THE POSSIBILITIES ARE ENDLESS", ALRIGHT,  
SOME ENDING, huh?

YOU SLAVE AWAY AND WORK YOUR ASS OFF  
YOUR WHOLE LIFE AND FOR WHAT?  
TO FIND OUT THAT ALL THOSE YEARS



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OF SchoolING you put in ARE JUST  
ENOUGH TO KEEP YOU WORKING UNTILL  
YOUR OLD ENOUGH TO BE PUT IN  
SOME NURSING HOME WITH PISS STAINED  
SHEETS WAITING TO DIE?

BEING "CARED FOR" BY OVERWEIGHT  
BLACK NURSING HOME ATTENDANTS OUT  
ON PAROLE FROM ATTICA AFTER HAVING  
DONE 2 TO 4 YEARS FOR STEALING  
THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS FROM THE  
OLD people They PREVIOUSLY RIPPED  
OFF WHILE WORKING AS "HOME HEALTH  
CARE AIDS"?

WAITING AROUND WITH ALL THE OTHER  
"RESIDENTS" (PATIENTS WAITING TO DIE)

EVERY SUNDAY SO THAT MAYBE  
- IF YOUR "LUCKY" - ONE OR TWO OF YOU  
MIGHT GET A QUICK ONE OR TWO HOUR  
SUNDAY VISIT FROM SOME SELFISH  
GUILT RIDDEN SON OR DAUGHTER OR  
GRANDKID? (AND THOSE THAT DIDN'T  
GET ANY SUNDAY VISITS - AGAIN - CAN  
~~BORE~~ ENVY YOU THAT YOU DID  
AN) SECRETLY WISH YOU WOULD ~~BORE~~  
~~DEP~~ DIE) - THATS "LIVING" ?!?  
NO, FRIENDS; THATS WORSE THEN DEATH!  
AND I'D KILL MYSELF BEFORE ALLOWING THAT TO HAPPEN.  
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