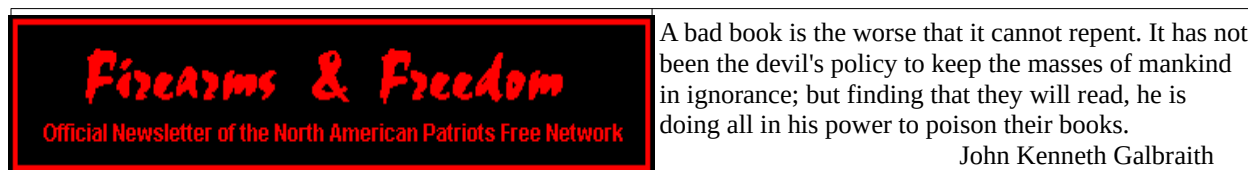


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Consequence of un-reliable and biased "mainstream" news :

The poor quality and biased, un-reliable nature of the mainstream news acts as fertilizer and fuel for alternate news sources -- and with that -- conspiracy theories.

The time has past when the "mainstream news" could publish whatever it liked -- and expect the public to accept it.

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the free internet has changed that -- although we should properly note that it is electronic communications that is the real innovation. This started with computer dial-up bulletin board services such as CompuServe and FidoNet but has now converted into the open internet service.

My dearly beloved mother, a professor emeritus of the English Language once remarked at dinner: "Oh! The Internet is awful: anyone can say anything he wants!"

Thank goodness.

Note that in this context the pronoun "he" refers to everyone. She was, after all, Professor Emeritus of the English Language.

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