

Another Impossible Dream



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The current urge for 'equity' reminds me that when Eva Perón first realized how great was the disparity of wealth in Argentina, she was surprised to find that what upset her most was not that so many people were very poor as that some were very rich.

I have observed something similar, that activists for equity are animated not so much by a love for all mankind as antipathy toward one portion of it.

PS: So, instead of cutting all billionaires down to size, wouldn't we be better off with policies aimed at making us all billionaires?

Preposterous, you might say.

But what if, not all that long ago, you'd told someone that by the 21st century even the average person in the developed world would be able to fly (!) to just about anywhere in the world in a day, drive in their own vehicle more or less anywhere, live in a house at a temperature they chose, be able to find any fact or piece of wisdom that has ever been recorded while reclining in bed with a plate of food piled as high as they wanted etc. etc., they'd have said,

"Not even the King has a life like that. Preposterous."