

Worth Reading¹

Uri Avnery, [How Many Divisions?](#) “War – every war – is the realm of lies. Whether called propaganda or psychological warfare, everybody accepts that it is right to lie for one’s country. Anyone who speaks the truth runs the risk of being branded a traitor. The trouble is that propaganda is most convincing for the propagandist himself. And after you convince yourself that a lie is the truth and falsification reality, you can no longer make rational decisions.”

Tatyana Tandanpolie, [“Expert: Analysis shows Trump tax plan "taking money" from bottom 95% and ‘giving it’ to richest 5%,”](#) *Salon*, “This is an enormously redistributive tax plan from low- and middle-income families to the wealthiest Americans. It's basically taking money from 19 out of 20 Americans and giving it to that last 20th . . . Because this whole thing brings in less revenue, that's gonna mean spending cuts down the line to programs people rely on like Medicaid and Social Security.

Amy B Wang and Azi Paybarah, [Trump granted clemency to Medicare fraudsters before vowing to cut entitlement program abuse,](#) *Washington Post*: “In his last year in office, Trump commuted the sentences of at least five people who collectively filed nearly \$1.6 billion in fraudulent claims . . . ”

¹ [The Delray Democrat](#), page 10.