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sinister wrote:

"robert j. kolker" <[nowhere@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:nowhere@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote in message  
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sinister wrote:

Right. Like, you don't want to pay tax on your land, you can't prevent other people from using it.

I and my gun say otherwise. Care to try me on this? In the Hobbsean primordial case the well armed land owner with a reasonably faithful army of goons can defend his land. He need not pay tax, but he will have to pay his army.

There you go again, conflating "descriptive" (or what economics call "positive") and "normative". One of your usual tricks.

Ah yes, my good friend Hume, who would never confuse "is" with "ought".

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