

Re: The irony, tragedy and morbid humor of Ayn Rand

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Clouseau2 wrote:

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> *Eric Gisin wrote:*

>> *"Clouseau2" <eric@webmethods.com> wrote in message*

>> *news:1104648707.802897.297110@c13g2000cwb.googlegroups.com...*

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>>> *The world oil industry is running at 99% capacity and demand just keeps*

>>> *growing. Discoveries peaked 40 years ago, and what new oil fields are*

>>> *being discovered each year are more and more miniscule. Coal, heavy*

>>> *oils, tar sands, shale, etc., can all be used to replace the oil, but*

>>> *are either 1) require way too much energy to exploit and are thus a*

>> *Nope. All fossil fuels require energy to extract and refine. Oil sand*

> *This is true.*

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> *extraction can use nuclear power.*

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> *It probably can. But will it? Building nuclear power plants is a huge undertaking and is politically loaded.*

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> *Do you have any idea of the scale of pollution in Alberta, where they are mining the tar sands? It is mind blowing.*

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> *You need to read up on EROEI. There are many articles on this on the internet...*

Including much that is true and alarming.

But the ones that are truthful are not much alarming,
and the ones that alarm are not true.

— Graham Cowan

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http://www.eagle.ca/~gcowan/Paper_for_11th_CHC.html ---

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