

Re: Great Spells of Civilization

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off her "safety hat" and
put on her "management hat". She did. She's a good ol' boy.

My apolitical reasons for saying Janet Reno's decision to move against
Waco the way they did was reckless endangerment of life, entirely from
C-SPAN testimony:

o pumped in CS tear gas, which the US has signed a chemical weapons
treaty not to use against countries we go to war against. They were
aware of the indoor lethal capabilities of C.S. gas, because these
were spelled out in the manual.

o pumped in an extra heavy amount of it due to OUTSIDE winds.

o Reno had NO reliable data from her FBI-referred military
expert on the affects of the gas on children or the elderly,
yet proceeded.

o turned off the electricity, and knew they were using candles
as a result. The F.B.I. and the A.T.F. were fully aware that
the Davidians were using kerosene lanterns inside the compound
both day and night. They knew this because they had infrared
surveillance equipment in the air and on the ground at the complex,
and because of microphones they embedded in the building.

o pumped the highly flammable CS gas for five freakin' hours.

o expert testimony said if the candles ignited the
CS gas: "The air would catch fire".

o Janet Reno testified they COULD NOT FIGURE OUT a way to pump in
fire-retardant gas, even though they worked hard at it. They even
considered an armored fire truck that apparently exists somewhere.

The highly flammable situation became reckless endangerment of life
when Reno, after trying "very hard" to