Narnia Gives the Word "Truthseeker" a Whole New Meaning

Aviso: This has **no** redeeming qualities whatsoever (with the *singular* and significant exception of the **** material below, which was added since this was first written), and it will be of even minimal interest to only the most avid and rabid of net gossip lovers, mongers and other varieties of people whose entertainment needs are not filled by the television reality shows. I would not even be typing it except for the fact that that it is inspired by Narnia's keeper, Anthony Liversidge, a person that I have known a very long time, and who is an "AIDS dissident" because of introductions I made for him and things I said to him back in 1987, and who over the years has abused my one-time friendship in so many ways that those of you still reading this will now understand why an earlier Bad Manners (20-21.04.07) was written. So what could he have possibly done since *then* to provoke *this*?

Here is the short version. Today (May 7, 2007) NAR published (or as the "truthseeker" prefers to write) "posted" a piece by YBYL's "From the Edge" contributor, Marcel Girodian. The exact circumstances through which it came into Narnia's province are not relevant. I will say only that when "irreconcilable confusions" arose Saturday over its intended publication on Sunday along with a modified headline and the "Osama Obama", Marcel declined for us to publish it and even though I warned him what would happen, sent it to Narnia.

****I have been asked several times, so -- See here:

http://barnesworld.blogs.com/barnes_world/2007/04/us_senator_obam.html

for the version that was scheduled for publication on Sunday, 12:00 AM, CST. [The April 1, date at the top is merely a placeholder for the proof page.] The "irreconcilable confusion" arose concerning the "Continued" link at the bottom of the web layout, which as you can see is unadorned of superfluous, intrusive, misleading and argumentative (with but one outcome to any argument someone might be foolish enough to engage) horrid flourishes by the self-styled "expert of experts on all and

When I saw the Narnia-mangled version this morning, I did not experience any pleasure at being right in my warning to Monsieur Girodian, and felt in fact very badly for him. So badly, I am writing this now.

everything" who spends his life in inflated masturbatory dreams on the internet.****

Apart from the obvious mutilations, I also saw the peculiar one near the footer that goes like this:

Interestingly, in a breathtaking coincidence, "You Bet Your Life" has put up a little cartoon today on the same theme, Obama with Bin Laden's face, concocted expertly by Harvey Bialy, the editor, but with a tactful appeal to Obama from Lee Evans, the Olympic athlete and black who, like us, is kindly disposed towards Barack Obama

So I wrote him in lc and CAPS that he was a day late with the date and few dollars short in content, and that "coincidence" was an outright lie, and "Olympic and black" were

not evidence of extraordinary truthseeking brain power as ways to describe Lee Evans, and that there was neither any need to "belittle" my cartoon, even though he could only guess it was done (expertly or not, and how would he know in any case what degree of Photoshop expertise was required to make the collage) by me, since it is unattributed on the site. And lastly that it was typical of him to try and make Lee's opinion his, and to do it in such a way as to make it appear that Lee was agreeing with him rather than have the simple tact to phrase it, "We agree with Mr. Evans" [even though, in point of fact (truth) the idiotic and naïve opinion of Mr. Obama expressed endlessly by Livesidge is NOT shared by Mr. Evans]. I closed by pointing out that that was a lot of mistakes for a truth-seeker of his stature in so short a space.

This is what he wrote me in reply, reproduced exactly:

"dont be dumb I just wrote into the am

havent found out how to change the dates yet

L. dumped me after getting me into it barely wih much to fix

said Labused him

I explained he was confusing me with you

big little big little

alright big

sheez

actually the tone was to tease you

seems it worked

better descriptors please

I looked at his interview

but where is the solid biography"

I wrote him back he was very, very stoopid and lazy. As of this typing the text at Narnia remains as above.

I know, compared to what he did to Marcel it is trivial, but Marcel was warned, and I am a nasty SOB at times.

11:30 PM, CST

I sent this url to Mr. Liversidge. He wrote back:

"Take it down Harvey. It is boring, inaccurate and will only defeat your reputation totally as anyone to take seriously, since it is so obviously wrong.

Otherwise I shall have to deconstruct it and you in public.

Take it down."

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