

The Tories are destroying the state by making working f...

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I noted these adjacent headlines on The Guardian homepage this morning:



Education

Only half of required number of trainee secondary teachers in England recruited

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NHS

Third of medical students plan to quit service within two years of graduating

The message could not be clearer. The NHS and state education cannot recruit or retain key new staff.

The trouble is, what this means is that the neoliberal ploy of destroying the state by starving it of resources is working, just as ministers want.

Once they tried to starve governments of money by launching assaults from tax

havens.

Now they deny the government the people it needs to recruit by making working for the state profoundly unattractive, or unaffordable.

The price of this is going to be enormous.