

Petty squabbling

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I have struggled with the news agenda this morning.

I wanted to write something about the King's Speech, and its depressingly neoliberal, anti-human rights slant. Then I realised that the previous sentence was enough. And when we have no idea if any of this will be delivered, what is the point of discussing it?

After that, I wanted to discuss Wes Streeting's forecast Labour leadership challenge. Then I realised I had almost nothing to say about a man who is a true heir to Blair.

Streeting is a man possessed of almost no economic comprehension who, as a consequence, believes that markets are capable of almost everything and governments of nothing and who will, as a result, outsource every government service he can to private contractors. Again, there is nothing else to say.

We are living in a world full of crises, whether in Ukraine, Gaza, the West Bank, Lebanon, Sudan, Yemen, or elsewhere.

In the UK, 14 million people are living in poverty.

As a consequence of the actions of Trump, we face global economic meltdown, real food shortages and the prospect of starvation for some as a consequence of terrible human choices.

Amidst all of this, all the Labour Party has to offer is petty squabbling between people of limited ability whose combined talent is more than enough to prove that Ed Miliband might be the right choice for Labour leader after all.

What a depressing scenario.