

Mob Rule

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The basic definition of a *Mob* is the rabble, the lowest class of people, generally out in the streets doing awful, bestial things. Mobs, as we think of them, go about burning, and looting, and murdering. Mob Rule is to be avoided at all costs. Anarchy – people running around out of the control of Leaders – doing things not sanctioned by the Laws written by that minority in the Upper Classes.

There is a word which describes the same actions but shows them in a better light. When the same guys who defined those violent actions of the low class – when they, the upper class go about burning, looting and murdering, they call it by a much more respectable word – *War*. Ah, yes... the glories of War! War – well prepared for, well marketed, led by the Upper Classes (and fought by those same witless lower classes) – that is a subject about which to write grand stories of heroism.

Where a good Mob can off maybe 200 innocent folks in a satisfying rampage, a War can do in thousands, if not millions... So, let's look at this distinction again. When one Group, the Lower Classes (the vast majority of the people) escape the control of the tiny Group of the upper Classes, and do violence – that is unlawful Mob Rule and bad; but when the tiny minority orchestrates similar violence on a grand scale, that is lawful War and good.

Maybe what we need is a little more Mob Rule!