

Use It Or Lose It – An AnCap Perspective On Squatting

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Mikhail Bakunin warned that if you make plans for after the revolution, you are a reactionary. Therefore, the following is a speculation to better understand the conflict between anarchist practices and what in our society is held to be the sacred right of property, with the aim of shedding light on how we might agitate and organize to actualize our praxis immediately in our daily lives.

How does squatting – the occupation of disused land and property without legitimate consent – figure in an Anarcho-Capitalist society? And subsequently: can ownership continue in perpetuity despite neglect of the property, or can ownership be legitimately transferred by, as John Locke calls it, ‘the mixing of one’s labour’ with property or land?

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