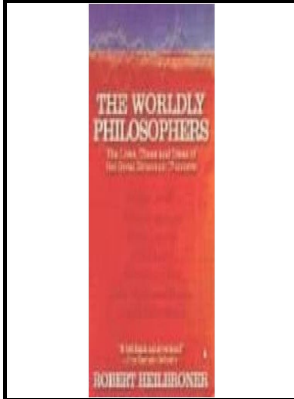


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Along with the common people, local lords and ladies frequent the stalls, eager to relieve the tedium of their boring, draughty, manorial lives; along with the strange goods from Araby they are eagerly acquiring new words from that in- credibly distant land: divan, syrup, tariff, artichoke, spinach, jar.

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The precapitalist era saw the birth of the print- ing press, the paper mill, the windmill, the mechanical clock, the map, and a host of other inventions. To the Bullionists, as the sixteenth- and seventeenth-century philoso- phers called themselves, it was quite self-evident that gold was the natural mainspring and the proper object of all mundane affairs.

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But there was an even more fundamental difference. Otherwise, safe to say that this text is in some ways the gold standard for non-fiction writing: lively in style, manifestly popularizing many thousands of economics pages into a slim, readable volume, witty, committed.

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When the economists were done, what had been only a humdrum or a chaotic world became an ordered society with a meaningful life history of its

own. Heilbroner actually wrote the book as a free lance writer in the early 1950s, while he was in graduate school studying economics, of course. But markets, whether they be exchanges between primitive tribes where objects are casually dropped on the ground or the exciting traveling fairs of the Middle Ages, are not the same as the market system.

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