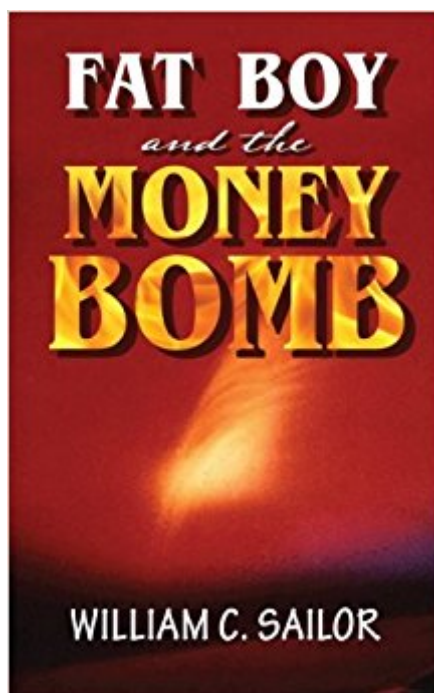


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# Fat Boy And The Money Bomb



## Synopsis

A nice suburban community in the San Francisco Bay area can't hide a broken family and the misery at home that pushes young Stanley Hall into gang life. The crazy and colorful cast of fellow gangsters, also from fatherless homes, wreak havoc with juvenile crime and needless suffering but sometimes hilarity! Later, after Stan attends UC Berkeley and begins a career as a Chemical Engineer, he's astounded to find that corruption in the nuclear weapons business at the Fairfield National Laboratory is so out of control as to make any crime he's committed seem literally like child's play. Does he dare object when virtually every person in Fairfield is involved in one way or another? Should he report what he sees at all? Can he risk becoming a whistleblower? Get ready for a wild ride that mirrors society in more ways than you'd think with a thrilling surprise ending! Curl up by the fire and savor every page as you experience Stanley's development, laugh at his adventures, and gain insight to a professional dilemma that may resonate with you. And...the ending might just contribute to your own liberation!

It's the story of a young whistleblower, Stanley Hall, who ends up changing "business as usual" at a nuclear weapons laboratory. His story, prior to being in the bomb business, includes periods of euphoria and recklessness followed by extreme grief and remorse. In his darkest hours he becomes concerned with greater moral good. At the Fairfield National Laboratory, he can either "play nice" or risk his career by reporting the fraud and abuse that is in front of him. His dilemma is further complicated by the close personal relationships that he has with some of the people he works with, whom he considers to be his friends!

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"A perfect plot for an HBO, Showtime or Netflix movie!" - TJU "I WANT MORE!" - tjfarish "Buy it now!" - Daniel Weeks "Brilliant first work from a brilliant mind." - dreamBuilderDestinations "I read the book last night -- I couldn't stop once I started! I truly enjoyed the read" - Brendalyn Batchelor, Former Los Alamos National Laboratory employee and DoD IG fraud, waste and abuse investigator.

Exerpt from "The Experiment, pg. 57" The detonation was incredible--it truly scared us. I have never in my life seen Bart in such a panic either before or after. Not only was there an explosion at the location of the experiment--there was a second, small explosion in the air above the first one. It was not clear exactly what the second explosion was, so we just stood there staring, while all the lights in the Mountain View and Palo Alto area went out. It was complete blackness. The debris from the refrigerator had landed in the high-tension wires off to the side of the parking lot. The parking lot was at least the size of a football field, and we had not considered that this could have happened. But it did. A few more moments of shock passed. We heard alarms going off, and then sirens. It was time to go home. At the Kozy house, I remember talking for a minute about the blast, and then each of us going our own separate ways very quickly. We had to get home--we had school the next day.

Exerpt from "Fairfield", pg. 123 Mark's group had dissolved and there were several PhDs looking for jobs. At the same time, P division, and the advanced warhead group in particular, were growing in size and in budget. They had apparently landed a new project that was reported in the Fairfield newspapers as the W911. It was also known by its nickname, ATUM, the "Advanced Tunneling Underground Munition." To me, it simply seemed beyond belief that a new warhead would be designed so many years after the Cold War had ended, but lo and behold, there was a new nuke. The local townsfolk were chattering and the Oakland TV station carried a story on it. It seemed that there was a postulated threat of biological weapons facilities buried deeply underground in "rogue" nations. This ATUM could penetrate the earth nearby and actually tunnel its way down 100, even 200 or 300 feet underground before detonation. The blast yield on this item was tiny by nuclear standards, only 10 tons, with a correspondingly low release of radiation. The claim was that the yield

was so small and the penetration so deep it would not release any radiation from the underground cavity where it detonated. It would be a nuke we could actually use if we had to. I read the article over again and again and was bewildered and amazed by this thing. It seemed to me to be too good to be true. Why, we could knock out everything they had stored underground in North Korea without any fallout on South Korea or Japan. It also worried me somewhat in ways that I could not really put into words at that time. It was probably the idea of actually using nuclear weapons. From "Quarks," pg 140 My ears cannot believe what they are hearing. There are sixty-five people attending a quark conference in Switzerland while charging their time to the NW 227 budget. That was the budget code for the ATUM penetrator calculations. The next topic comes up. "What about your fucking buddy?" says Getz. "We cannot fire someone for having their own scientific opinion," Bruce said in a firm voice. "You hired that bastard," says Getz and there is a tense chuckle. "We'll see what we can do," says Bruce. It sounded like the conversation was ending and I had a strong impulse to run away quickly. My fat body bounced down the stairs to the first floor and to the nearest exit. As I trudged across the parking lot, the old irony of the ATUM building changed to a new irony. They knew that the warhead would not even function as advertised, and they did not care in the slightest.

A quick read full of action and science. I can see the producers of Breaking Bad picking up this book for a movie vehicle. It has science, action, an evil villain and someone who broke out of bad. .

I was in the same circle of friends in high school in the mid 70's as the author. I learned about his book yesterday while at a celebration of life for a mutual friend. I got a copy of the book and read it later that night. It was a delightful read. I couldn't stop reading it once I started. I am not a big reader of fiction, but this was a first for me, reading a fictional book where much of the early part of the book is loosely based upon wild and crazy coming of age experiences some of which I shared in. The latter part of the book related to experiences of ethical dilemmas often encountered in a professional career and were insightful with just the right amount of detail. I think I will read this book again because it gives a lot of things to ponder over, even including some religious and moral questions. I am not sure if the author has already done this, but if he is willing he should be interviewed on an internet radio show or podcast. I look forward to reading more books by this author.

This book has all the right makings for a great film. I went on a wild adventure of blowing things up

and getting into trouble with a very precocious and young Stanley Hall. He took me through joy, naughty laughter and deep grief - to an acceptance of life on life's terms. It was a great read. A deep read. I highly recommend this novel and would love to see it made in to a film.

If I care what happens to the characters (both good guys and baddies), I know I liked a book. I cared what happened to the characters in this book. I want to know more about how the bad guys went bad. What happened to the members of "the gang". What happened to his first love. What the crazy lady is up to. I WANT MORE! Definitely enjoyed this story.

This is a delightful book. The reader is invited into the inner world of its main character and sees him through his childhood into young adulthood. Stan's childhood experiences are ones that many of us will relate to. Throughout this process, we come to know and love him.

This is a fantastic story that, although fiction, exemplifies realities in our governmental defense laboratories. With Sailor's interesting and hilarious development of the main character, you will see how a person who holds the scientific method and human integrity as his core value makes a significant difference for humanity by confronting evil and motivating positive change in an institution that is funded by your tax dollars. Buy it now. Curl up by the fire and savor every page as you experience Stanley's development, laugh at his adventures, and gain insight to a professional dilemma that may resonate with you. And...the ending might just contribute to your own liberation.

Brilliant first work from a brilliant mind. A narration of the struggles of youth into adulthood seeking meaning in life, and justice in the corporate world. Looking forward to the sequel!

Stan is like a lot of us, he just wants to fit in. He goes out of his way to be liked but when he has to do the right thing he isn't influenced by those he so wanted to like him in the past. He does the right thing and nobody cares! He's a true Hero.

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