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Everyone's hyping AI robots as the saviors of American manufacturing.

Here's what they're not telling you:

The robots are coming because the humans are broken.

A brutal truth thread:



The only way some manufacturing jobs will return stateside is if AI-em...

Now is the time to go all-in on AI-enabled robotics and automation.

<https://fortune.com/2025/04/16/ai-robots-manufacturing-jobs-tariffs/>

Fortune says AI robots are the only way manufacturing returns to America. They're right, but not for the reasons they think. This isn't about tech, tariffs, or China. It's about us, or more precisely, the wreckage of four decades of neoliberal rule. 1/9

The US has the collectively dumbest workforce in the developed world, undereducated, overconfident, and drowning in debt. You don't revive industry with a generation raised on TikTok and lies. You get exactly what we have: a workforce that can't work. 2/9

The ruling class calls it a "skills gap." What they mean is the system spent 40 years gutting public schools, glorifying financial engineering, and replacing vocational training with gender studies. And now they're shocked the factories won't run. 3/9

So here comes AI, not as liberation, but as cover. Not to replace Chinese labor, but to replace American dysfunction. Robots are plan B because plan A, humans with skills, pride, and purpose, was methodically destroyed by Wall Street. 4/9

You can't code your way out of a civilization collapse. No amount of GPT-whatever will reverse the loss of generational competence. You can't even get a Gen Z barista to unclog a sink. But sure, let's give them control over CNC machines. 5/9

America's elite doesn't want to fix the labor force. They want to automate around it. No need to confront the social decay if a robot can assemble your EV. Let the population rot, just make sure it can still buy iPhones. 6/9

But robots don't pay taxes. They don't vote. They don't build community. They're just a high-tech fig leaf for a nation that can no longer train its own. You can reshore factories, but you can't reshore competence. 7/9

America needs:

Free technical education

Universal healthcare

Industrial policy with teeth

Real investment in its people

Instead, it got stock buybacks, war budgets, and a billion-dollar AI startup every week. 8/9

The real offshoring wasn't just jobs. It was the idea of national purpose. While China built citizens, we built influencers. Now our best hope is a robot that never sleeps, because the American Dream does nothing but scroll. 9/9

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