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Chuck

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My DVD player is looking rather quaint.

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Mobile or web, this is the problem right now: Content is so ubiquitous & so easily obtainable, that it's becoming worthless - whether it's a movie or a TV show or a song or an album... I don't see how a business model where the producers of the content (Google is essentially robbing every source of content, when you think about it) don't get paid for it can be sustainable.

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I don't think that model is sustainable. But even so, the only real protection artists and content producers have is self sacrifice - e.g. no one produces if no one will be paying for it.

Of course that's a catch 22 for us, and no big loss for the Googles of the world.

But it still costs money to produce quality content and that won't change much as long as the buying public wants quality.

Basically the advantage, if there is one, that artists have, is independent organization. The downside is that if Google controls the bandwidth, as some analyst predicted of AT&T and other large companies, they could shut out independent content all together with exorbitant fees, even forcing artists to pay to have their content sold by a content provider (with no return but name recognition) - in essence blackmailing the human desire to be "famous" or successful. Only large studios and record labels (after this balances out once again) would have the resources to promote artists and movies (i.e. pay Google), so the indie world will once again become a desert of guitar playing street corner musicians, and home movie producers hawking their art anywhere but the net. And this internet, once an information superhighway and free exchange of ideas, would turn into a corporate broadcast monopoly sold only to the highest bidder. At that point, we might not even have 3 major networks to choose from anymore.

Maybe that's wildly pessimistic, but any other model would require an altruistic mentality in the leadership at Google, at many levels, and for many many years to come. I have yet to see a corporate CEO with that mentality in any industry outside of Habitat for Humanity. We have become a country of bottom lines and profit margins, regardless of the longterm, or even midterm cost - make a quick buck and get out rich enough that your customers' or even your country's future is irrelevant to you.

It would take a miracle, or something on the other/bad end of the spectrum to change that now. Gee, I'm mister optimistic tonight.

Dedric

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All the same I guess it's still just speculation. AT&T is still bigger than Google, and they actually own a large portion of network fiber and cable, and have threatened to start charging users per email, and for bandwidth (via charging their leasees).

Google's market value (Forbes) is still only a paltry \$107B compared to Exxon at \$362B, GE at \$348B and Microsoft at \$279B. Profits vary



differently, but as a general idea, they aren't much of an influence yet, other than finding keyword searches.

Worth watching I guess - I don't want any single company to claim ownership over the network we use to access the internet - eventually that may happen, and it could only result in us paying just to have this conversation (more than a monthly access fee).

Regards,  
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