today's leftovers

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- **Computer Science was always supposed to be taught to everyone, and it wasn’t about getting a job: A historical perspective** [2]

  C.P. Snow’s chapter (with Norbert Wiener of Cybernetics as discussant) predicted a world where software would rule our lives, but the people who wrote the software would be outside the democratic process. He wrote, “A handful of people, having no relation to the will of society, having no communication with the rest of society, will be making decisions in secret which are going to affect our lives in the deepest sense.” He argued that everyone needed to learn about computer science, in order to have democratic control of these processes.

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  I completely buy the necessity part and the basic skill part, and it’s true that CS can provide economic opportunity and social mobility. But that’s not what Perlis, Simon, Newell, Snow, and Forsythe were arguing for. They were proposing “CS for All” decades before Silicon Valley. There is value in learning computer science that is older and more broadly applicable than the economic benefits.

- **Open LMS Launches Pro-Bono Partnership With Pancare Foundation** [3]

  As part of the partnership, Open LMS will provide Pancare with its open-source learning platform for Pancare’s volunteer training program, helping the foundation enable, engage, and mobilize a growing volunteer workforce while providing additional support for those suffering from GI cancers.

- **Waterfox G4.0.3.1 update released with fix for bootstrapped extensions, menu bar issues** [4] [Ed: It's irresponsible to promote...]
Waterfox has been updated to version G4.0.3.1. This release fixes some issues that users had reported in the previous build.

Version G.4.0.2 of the web browser, which shipped at the beginning of this month, had a bug that prevented the installation of bootstrap add-ons. Waterfox would throw out an "addon is corrupt" error message, when users tried to install the legacy extensions. Waterfox G4.0.3.1 update resolves the issue. The latest version also patches a bug that was preventing previously installed bootstrap add-ons, from loading upon the next restart, they were getting disabled by the application.

You may have come across an issue in Waterfox G 4.0.2, that caused the menu bar to be displayed partially off the screen, in maximized mode. It also resulted in tabs listed on the menu bar. Both of these issues have been fixed in Waterfox G4.0.3.1. Users who wish to use bootstrap extensions, can find forked versions of some popular add-ons at this page. The update introduces a patch for a problem that was preventing the Copy Tab Link option from working. There is still no option to toggle the menu bar icons.

- **Trends That Defined Open Source This Year**[5]

- **GNU World Order 436**[6]

  **Slacktrack** and **SCons** from the **d** software series.

- **This Week in Linux 177: Steam Autumn Sale, NVIDIA, carbonOS, Stargate, Arch Linux, Amazon Linux | TuxDigital**[7]

  On this episode of This Week in Linux, Steam Autumn Sale 2021 & Steam Awards, NVIDIA Image Scaling SDK 1.0, Godot Engine Plus AMD?S FSR, German State Switch To LibreOffice & Linux, carbonOS 2021.1 Alpha, Venus: Virtual Vulkan Driver On QEMU, Stargate Digital Audio Workstation, Wireshark 3.6, Archinstall 2.3, Amazon Linux Rebased on Fedora Linux, Alpine Linux 3.15, Endless OS 4.0, and Deepin Linux 20.3. All that and much more on Your Weekly Source for Linux GNews!