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- Left-wing group loses major bid to have Mastercard create Orwellian commission designed to deny access to charge services for politically incorrect groups

By John Friend

A radical left-wing activist group was dealt a major blow by credit card company Mastercard on June 25 after a nearly unanimous majority of its independent shareholders voted to reject the establishment of an Orwellian “human rights” group within the company to monitor payments to conservative and right-wing groups and individuals.

The left-leaning non-profit activist organization SumOfUs had been lobbying Mastercard to set up the committee to keep track of right-wing groups and individuals utilizing the services of the company in an effort to shut down payment processing for those deemed to be “radical.” In today’s terms, anyone who is right of antifa is often called “racist,” “white supremacist,” or even “Nazi” by their insane standards.

SumOfUs and other radical leftist organizations, such as the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) and Southern



Radical left-wing activists are hysterical that under 5% of Mastercard shareholders voted to create a commission whose inevitable goal was to prevent any political group to the right of Chairman Mao the ability to accept Mastercard from its customers. This is not the end of the fight, however.

Poverty Law Center (SPLC), have previously been successful in lobbying online payment processors like PayPal and Stripe to shut down the accounts of conservatives, right-wing activists and politically incor-

rect organizations.

“White supremacist groups can raise money internationally like never before, and the media are starting to talk about it,” SumOfUs declared in its public petition to encourage Mastercard, PayPal, Visa, and other large financial services companies from doing business with groups they deem to be “far-right extremists” and “hate groups.” “But it’s not ‘the Internet’ or ‘social media’ that’s to blame—it’s a handful of wealthy corporations, including digital payment giants like Mastercard, PayPal, and Visa.”

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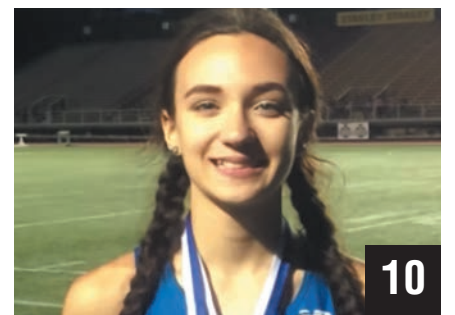
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MasterCard Decision a Major Victory for Free Speech

In a major win for free speech in the United States, credit card processor MasterCard rejected an Orwellian scheme pushed by radical far-left activists to force the financial services company to monitor speech and thought in the United States and ban anyone who doesn't conform to political correctness.

Whatever one may think about "hate speech" and bad words today, the fact is, it is still perfectly legal to hate anyone or anything in the United States for any reason. Whether you are of a particular sexual orientation or if you just love President Donald Trump, you can be the focus of someone's dislike and ire, and there is nothing anyone can do about it but be an adult and ignore them.

And that is what makes the U.S. the most free country in the world today. You, as an American citizen, for the most part, can talk or write extensively about your love or hate of whatever you want, and there is nothing anyone can do about it, except whine and complain. Unlike in many other first world countries, you cannot be arrested, prosecuted, or jailed for espousing beliefs that may run counter to the constantly evolving mainstream, so long as they don't violate any existing laws such as defamation.

Of late, we have seen radical activists try to make an end-run around the First Amendment by pressuring private companies to deny Americans their right to free expression. So far, they have successfully argued that First Amendment guarantees only apply to government and that private industry is free to do what it

wants. It is true that companies are technically not obligated to allow you to use their services. That is the letter—and not the spirit—of the law, after all. But leftists are being hypocritical here. God forbid someone refuses to do business with a person or group that violates his religious beliefs; then they scream discrimination.

Mastercard has always had the right to prevent individuals and groups the company doesn't like from using its financial services. We at AMERICAN FREE PRESS witnessed this firsthand when Wells Fargo decided to cancel our credit card processing overnight without even so much as an advanced warning.

The problem here is that the rules are applied arbitrarily and unfairly to select groups and individuals while others get a pass. For instance, it's perfectly fine for black, gay activists to lampoon straight, white males for their sexual orientation and race on the video sharing website YouTube, but when conservative comedian Steven Crowder mocks a popular gay commentator for billion-dollar news website "VICE News"—going so far as to even use the man's own words and characterizations against him—Crowder's advertising is pulled, costing him tens of thousands of dollars.

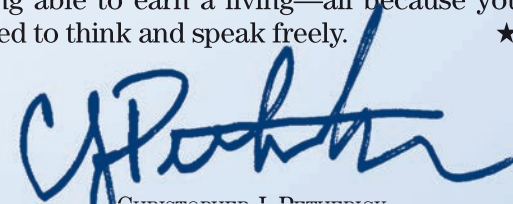
While YouTube is technically not censoring Crowder, the company is seeking to shut him down by denying his ability to make money and pay bills.

We at AMERICAN FREE PRESS never did anything illegal or even wrong. In fact, we never even violated Mastercard's terms of service, which lays out explicit rules barring criminal

activity and extreme pornography, among other things. We simply publish and sell books and newspapers that some on the left don't like. And, for that, we ended up being blackballed until we hired an attorney to try to get us reinstated. Unfortunately, not everyone has the resources or the support of a strong readership base like we do, so there is nothing they can do to stop banks and Internet platforms from being weaponized against them.

The good news is, most Americans are becoming fed up with the machinations of the far left and have begun to push back, evidenced by the June 25 Mastercard shareholders' meeting where less than 5% of the stockholders supported the Orwellian resolution to track the speech and thought of anyone who uses a Mastercard credit card. This makes sense, as polls show that less than 8% of the U.S. population agrees with the agenda of the radical left.

The left claims to want diversity, but, the truth is, that is only for show. What they really want is diversity on the outside but conformity in everything else including speech and thought. And woe be to the individual who steps out of line—even on the most obscure issue—for you will be hounded down, threatened, intimidated, and prevented from even being able to earn a living—all because you dared to think and speak freely. ★



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Terrorists Among Illegals

Nicaraguan law enforcement officials say they have arrested four radical Islamic terror suspects—two from Iraq and two from Egypt—who entered the country with Costa Rican travel documents as part of a migrant group that was headed north to the U.S.-Mexico border. On June 26, reporters from news and commentary website “Breitbart” detailed how U.S. intelligence officials tipped off Central American authorities that three Islamic radicals had entered Nicaragua and were planning on connecting up with a migrant caravan that was headed north.

Good Start, But Not Far Enough

Sen. Marsha Blackburn (R-Tenn.) introduced a resolution earlier in June in support of free speech on American college campuses. While a good start, her resolution, which was co-sponsored by several conservative GOP senators, doesn't change the law to protect free expression. It only urges the Department of Educa-



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tion to enact policies that would protect free speech and underlines the Senate's support of students' constitutional rights. The resolution comes just months after the Trump administration announced its intentions to tie federal research dollars to First Amendment protections on college campuses. Conservatives have increasingly faced censorship and even violence on college campuses in the U.S. simply because they seek to express their views.

Reparations Not a Good Idea

On June 18, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.) said he does not support reparations for descendants of slaves. “I don't think reparations for something that happened 150 years ago for whom none us currently living are responsible is a good idea,” McConnell said.

“We've tried to deal with our original sin of slavery by fighting a civil war, by passing landmark civil rights legislation. We elected an African-American president.”

Election Meddling

James O'Keefe's Project Veritas recently released new undercover video, leaked documents, and testimony from a Google insider exposing the tech giant's plans to meddle in U.S. politics and “prevent a Trump situation in 2020.” Google Head of Responsible Innovation Jen Gennai can be seen in the video saying that Google has been working to “prevent” the results of the 2016 election from repeating in 2020, meaning they are engaging in election meddling and working to elect someone from the Democratic Party.

Infanticide, Plain and Simple

Rhode Island Democratic Gov. Gina Raimondo (D) signed pro-abortion bill H.B. 5125 after it passed through the state House and Senate, calling it an “important, consequential bill,” reports the Associated Press. The bill passed the Senate 21-17 and passed the House 45-29. The Reproductive Privacy Act says that Rhode Island will not restrict a mother's right to obtain an abortion before the baby is able to survive outside of the womb. The bill goes further, though, saying Rhode Island will allow abortions after fetal viability if the mother's health is at risk, effectively allowing abortion up until birth.

Democratic Aide Gets Four Years

A federal judge on June 19 sentenced former Democratic congressional aide Jackson Cosko to four years in prison for hacking Senate computers, using spy devices, and “doxxing” Republicans. Cosko stole the entire contents of Democratic New Hampshire Sen. Maggie Hassan's computer systems in October 2018 and published on the Internet the private information of Republicans, including home addresses and cell phones. He had hoped to intimidate Republicans over Justice Brett Kavanaugh's Supreme Court nomination in order to change the outcome of a Supreme Court nomination proceeding. Now, however, he will not be able to do so much as cast a ballot in a general election. We're surprised the Democrats didn't blame the Russians, as they did for the “hack” of the Democratic National Committee back in 2016.

Biometric Database Expanded

The Homeland Security Department is upgrading the database it uses to store and analyze biometric data of hundreds of millions of people around the world, and it plans to store that information on computer servers owned by tech giant Amazon. The agency's Office of Biometric

Identity Management will replace its old system, called the Automated Biometric Identification System, or IDENT, with a new system hosted by Amazon Web Services. IDENT serves as a clearinghouse for huge amounts of biometric and biographic data collected by the Transportation Security Administration, Customs and Border Protection, the Secret Service, and other Homeland Security components. The system links fingerprints, irises, and faces to biographic information, allowing officials to quickly identify suspected terrorists, immigration violators, criminals, and anyone else caught up in their databases.

A Pain in the Neck

A new study in Australia finds that young people are developing spikey bone spurs at the back of their necks due to constantly tilting their heads forward. Researchers at the University of the Sunshine Coast in Queensland believe that the bone growths in younger adults come as a result of shifting body posture due to the overuse of smartphones and other handheld devices, which require users to bend their heads forward to view the miniature screens.

Fight Cancer with Beagles

A new study finds that beagles are capable of detecting cancer by scent with 97% accuracy, a major breakthrough in identifying the specific biomarkers of the disease. The beagles were chosen for their enhanced sense of smell, even compared to other dog breeds. They were able to differentiate almost flawlessly between blood serum samples taken from patients suffering from malignant lung cancer and those who were healthy.

UFO Briefing

Senators on the intelligence committee were recently given a detailed briefing by the U.S. Navy on a series of encounters between Navy planes and unidentified aircraft, or UFOs. A spokeswoman for Sen. Mark Warner (D-Va.), the vice chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, confirmed the briefing to reporters, saying, “If naval pilots are running into unexplained interference in the air, that's a safety concern Sen. Warner believes we need to get to the bottom of.” Earlier this year, the Navy revealed there have been reported sightings of UFOs hovering above top-secret military bases and flying near aircraft. The sightings came over the course of 2014 and 2015 and were reported to the Pentagon and Congress. What these objects are, we have no idea, but, since there are 200 billion stars in the Milky Way Galaxy—many with Earth-sized planets—we would find it hard to believe that there is not life somewhere in the entire universe. The technology to make inter-stellar flights is as yet, however, well beyond human ability.

Deep State Keeps Trump in Dark

• U.S. military didn't tell president about extent of cyberwar waged against Russia

By S.T. Patrick

We may already be in the midst of a New Cold War with Russia, and it may be one that has critical observers questioning how much power the military-industrial complex has already seized within President Donald Trump's administration.

The New York Times recently published an anonymously sourced report that described New Cold War-level cyberwarfare being conducted by the U.S. against Russia's infrastructure. The article, entitled "U.S. Escalates Attacks on Russia's Power Grid" described the "placement of potentially crippling malware inside the Russian system at a depth and with an aggressiveness that had never been tried before." Malware is a computer super-virus that can destroy systems completely. That may just be its purpose, as the *Times* described that the malware could "plunge Russia into darkness or cripple its military."

The American cyber-forces have stepped up their operations as of late, with one official quoted as saying, "We are doing things at a scale that we never contemplated a few years ago." Is this an act of war against Russia? Columnist Caitlin Johnstone made an apt analogy in a recent column.

"Had a report been leaked to Russian media from anonymous Kremlin officials that Moscow was escalating its cyber-aggressions against America's energy grid," Johnstone wrote, "this



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According to reports, it is legal for the U.S. military to launch cyber-attacks against foreign nations without informing the president or Congress, though these kinds of aggressions are clearly acts of war.

would doubtless be labeled an act of war by the political/media class of the U.S. and its allies with demands for immediate retaliation."

There was no news of a Trump announcement

or response. Worse, the president wasn't informed that implants—software code used for surveillance or attack—were used against the Russian grid.

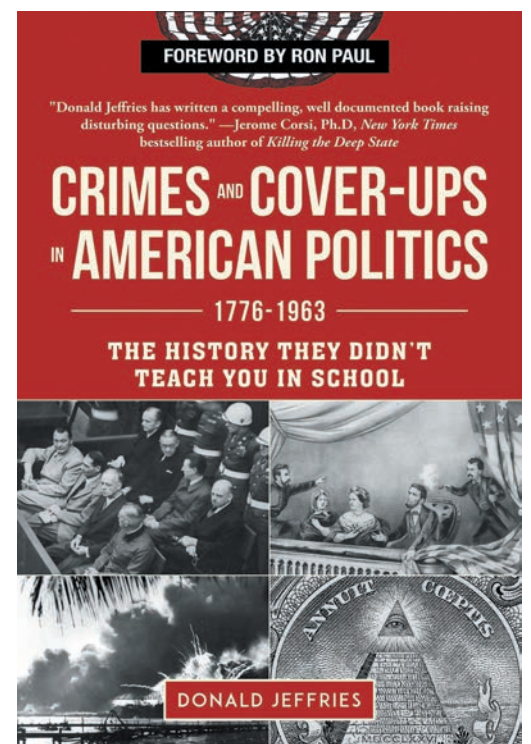
As journalists David E. Sanger and Nicole Perleth described: "Two administration officials said they believed Mr. Trump had not been briefed in any detail about the steps to place 'implants' . . . inside the Russian grid. . . . Pentagon and intelligence officials described broad hesitation to go into detail with Mr. Trump about operations against Russia for concern over his reaction—and the possibility that he might countermand it or discuss it with foreign officials, as he did in 2017 when he mentioned a sensitive operation in Syria to the Russian foreign minister. . . . Because the new law defines the actions in cyberspace as akin to traditional military activity on the ground, in the air or at sea, no such briefing would be necessary, they added."

Trump wasn't informed that cyberwarfare had been undertaken against Russia because it was too common; it was "traditional military activity." Since 2018, this has been perfectly, although scarily, legal. Last year, Congress passed a law which determined that clandestine military activity in cyberspace may proceed without presidential approval. In basic terms, the military-industrial complex and the national security establishment can conduct cyberwarfare not only without congressional approval, but also without presidential approval.

Trump finds himself in an impossible situation. If he supports the effort, Russia could see it as an act of war and could respond in-kind. If

Crimes & Cover-Ups in American Politics 1776-1963: The History They Didn't Teach You in School

By Donald Jeffries. Foreword by Dr. Ron Paul. For far too long, American history has been left in the unreliable hands of those who author Donald Jeffries refers to as the court historians. *Crimes and Cover-ups in American Politics: 1776-1963* fights back by scrutinizing the accepted history of everything from the American War of Independence to the establishment defamation of Thomas Jefferson and the other Founding Fathers, the Civil War, the Lincoln assassination, both World Wars, U.S. government experimentation on prisoners, mental patients, innocent children and whole populated areas, the Lindbergh baby kidnapping and much, much more. Secular saints like Abraham Lincoln, Theodore Roosevelt, and Franklin D. Roosevelt are examined in a critical way they seldom have been. Jeffries spares no one and nothing in this explosive new book. The atrocities of Union troops during the Civil War, and Allied troops during World War II, are documented in great detail. The Nuremberg Trials are presented as the antithesis of justice. In the follow-up to his previous, bestselling book *Hidden History: An Expose of Modern Crimes, Conspiracies, and Cover-Ups in American Politics*, Jeffries demonstrates that crimes, corruption, and conspiracies didn't start with the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. Hardback, 406 pages, \$25 plus \$4 S&H inside the U.S. from AMERICAN FREE PRESS, 117 La Grange Avenue, La Plata, MD 20646. Call AFP toll free at 1-888-699-6397 to charge, Mon.-Thu. 9-5 ET or visit us online at www.AmericanFreePress.net.





According to an article in *The New York Times*, cyber-warriors at the Pentagon have been waging clandestine electronic attacks against Russia's power grid and have not bothered to brief the president on the extent of these attacks. Additionally, the U.S. has been implanting computer viruses that could disable Russia's ability to supply energy to her people.

Trump scales back the cyberattacks against Russia, then he remains open to attacks that he is no more than a water boy for the Kremlin. Last year, the *Times* reported that the Pentagon pushed for the U.S. Nuclear Posture Review to include the potential for using nuclear weapons as a valid response against cyberattacks. Thus, this becomes all the more dangerous.

For now, Trump is doing the only thing he can do without currently seeming trapped by his own administration: He is claiming the story isn't true. Of course, he could also be in the dark even

further and could believe that it isn't true when it is. But when the president is in the dark on information millions of Americans now know to be true, this is an even more dangerous country.

There are precedents, though not as overt. After President George W. Bush boarded the plane in Sarasota, Fla. shortly after the attacks of 9/11, the secure communications on Air Force One went dead for hours. For Bush to make a phone call, Air Force One had to ground and Bush had to use the regular means of communications. During that time, the entirety of post-attack for-

eign policy was being helmed at the White House by Vice President Dick Cheney. Bush reported the communications malfunctions on "60 Minutes" a year later, with no discussion of ulterior motives by anything or anyone that would now be called a Deep State.

If the president continues to deny the war-like actions attributed to the American military solely to save face and defend himself against embarrassment and charges of ineptitude, he is in a dangerous position of accepting the actions of which he is uninformed. Trump zoomed into office railing against a Deep State, a swamp he was going to drain. Yet, appointment by appointment, he has put himself in danger. Now we wait to see if Trump has an exit strategy for a personnel situation that he has caused, or if he will continue to drown. ★

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Watchdog Keeps Hounding Trump

• William Gheen and ALIPAC want the president to own up to his campaign promises

By Donald Jeffries

While many conservative groups have ignored Donald Trump's continuing flip-flops and broken promises on the issue of immigration, William Gheen, head of the Americans for Legal Immigration Political Action Committee (ALIPAC), is taking him to task. Gheen compiled a list of examples of Trump's broken promises on this crucial issue, posted at the "ALIPAC" website in December 2018.

Here's a list of Gheen's grievances with Trump:

- Trump promised a wall . . . no wall.
- Trump promised to end Obama's DACA Amnesty on his first day, . . . DACA is continued by Trump.
- Trump promised to end birthright citizenship by executive order. . . . He did not do it.
- Trump said illegals had to go home. . . . Now he says they can stay and he supports amnesty bills.
- Trump said he would build a new deportation force to send illegals home. . . . That has not happened.
- Trump said he would clean up our elections, including illegal alien voters, but folded and shut down the Elections Integrity Commission headed by Kris Kobach at the first sign of resistance.
- Then Trump said he ordered DHS to clean up our elections' fraud problems . . . [but it] hasn't happened.
- Trump has packed his administration with pro-Amnesty Bush faction operatives while leaving most anti-illegal immigration



Citizens in San Francisco protest their town's status as a "sanctuary city."

fighters out of his staff pool.

- Trump promised to end sanctuary cities for illegal aliens but has not.
- Trump said he was sending the U.S. military to the border and ordering DHS to repel the illegal alien caravans. He said there would be no more catch and release and that the caravans would not be let in nor would be kept in tent detention facilities near the borders. But instead he is letting the

caravan illegals in, and most of them are roaming free here inside the U.S. at this time with government assistance.

This writer interviewed Gheen in May of this year on the weekly radio show "I Protest."

"Trump attained office pretty much by co-opting our movement," Gheen declared during the interview. Gheen used an analogy comparing a scene from the end of the movie "Animal House," wherein a character knocks others out of the

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way and takes over the parade, charging Trump with pushing aside sincere activists on this issue and making it his own.

Gheen was skeptical from the beginning. He points out, "Trump had no prior history on this issue. . . . He had no real record on immigration when he started spouting this stuff out." Gheen noted that Trump garnered the attention of many simply because "he said something about immigration when you're not supposed to say anything about it." Despite his skepticism, Gheen was impressed with Trump breaking the mainstream media blackout on any references to "the victims of illegal immigration."

Gheen, formerly a campaign consultant, was very cognizant of polling data that revealed more than 90% of Americans favored English as an official language, 80-90% want all immigration reduced, and 81% reject the absurd policy of in-state tuition benefits for illegal immigrant students. He realized that Trump had astutely grasped a winning issue. Gheen and ALIPAC had, years before, been the first to tabulate the incredible cost of illegal immigrants on our medical, court, legal, infrastructure, and social welfare systems.

Gheen declared, "I truly believe that the United States is being overthrown through immigration-vectorized weaponry, designed to take the republic out of the hands of the center-right, populist character of the country for the last 200-plus years and put it in the hands of totalitarian socialists that are very likely to kill a lot of us before this is all said and done."

Gheen attended Trump's inauguration and was "so hopeful," as he listened to the wonderful address. "It would have been great if he had truly meant any of the things he was saying," Gheen told this writer. Moreover, "he did something no one had ever done before; he put the victims of illegal immigrant crime on stage with him."

Despite this, with Trump's history, "He didn't have a lot of credibility," said Gheen, but the endorsements of Jeff Sessions, Sheriff Joe Arpaio, and Kris Kobach made his decision to endorse the New York billionaire an easy one. Still, Gheen said, "When I endorsed Donald Trump, I lost probably 25% of my backers."

Trump "broke his first promise on his first day, when he didn't end Obama's unconstitutional DACA amnesty," Gheen said. He also blasted Trump for abiding by the rulings of lower-court judges, when he was under no constitutional mandate to do so.

Gheen and ALIPAC dropped their endorsement of Trump in May 2017.

"We all wanted to believe that someone was going to represent us who wasn't a globalist. Trump campaigned like a populist, and governed like a globalist," Gheen recounted. He noted that more illegal aliens than ever are in this country, and the situation has grown worse under Trump.

"He is not listening to us," Gheen said. "The illegal immigration buck stops with Donald Trump. . . . Article Four of the Constitution requires the president to protect all states from invasion." By any measure, this country has long been under a hostile invasion. ★

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In January 2008, in Lima, Ohio, a black prostitute named Tarika Wilson was shot by police during a raid on her crackhouse. The Lima NAACP swung into action, organizing protests against the police for shooting back at the crack dealers who had opened fire on them. Already, the FBI's Domestic Terrorism Operations Unit ("DTOU") and, the DOJ's Civil Rights Division were deep into what they called the National Initiative Targeting Bill White, FBI file #44A-RH-53908, and they saw an opportunity. An informant for the FBI-DTOU called White wanting to organize a counter-protest. White suggested that Boyer distribute fliers. But, for the FBI-DTOU and the Civil Rights Division, this wasn't enough. As one DTOU informant phoned in death threats to the Lima, Ohio, NAACP chairman, the informant, who called White, had another man, Daniel Jones, tie a noose for him, which he then hand-delivered to the Lima NAACP chairman's home. The DTOU agents and DOJ Civil Rights Division prosecutors, who documents indicate had ordered the crime, then spent 18 months trying to find a way to pin it on Bill White and, when they failed, they arrested and convicted Jones for "mailing" the noose which their own informant had hand delivered.

The facts of this incident have been released to us by the Trump administration because of Bill White's victories in a FOIA action that concerned AFP readers have been generous enough to support. And, these are not the only crimes that we know were committed by the FBI's DTOU and the DOJ's Civil Rights Division during the directorship of Robert Mueller, and the presidencies of George W. Bush and Barack Obama. Others include:

- The initiation of a 2002 race riot in York, Pennsylvania blamed on the "World Church of the Creator";
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- A 2005 hate crime attack on a Toledo, Ohio maintenance man, blamed on "neo-Nazis";
- The 2006 murder of a Filipino man in Kentucky, blamed on "the KKK";
- A 2006 hate crime attack on 15 Hispanic laborers in Morrisville, Alabama, blamed on "skinheads";
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- The 2008 attempted murder of an advocate for North Korea in Lexington, South Carolina, blamed on "the Aryan Nations";
- 2008 death threats sent to a Norfolk, Virginia, attorney, blamed on "neo-Nazis";
- The 2010 attempted bombing of an Idaho woman, for which an FBI informant received 18 months imprisonment;



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- The 2010 attempted murder of a Roanoke, Virginia woman and her daughter, for which an FBI informant received five years probation;
- 2011 death threats to an Islamic activist in New Jersey, blamed on "skinheads";
- The 2011 murder of a Sacramento, California, white nationalist, blamed on "skinheads";

And more, including the crimes for which Bill White is currently in prison. All of these were committed by federal informants acting at the direction of the FBI-DTOU and the DOJ Civil Rights Division for the purpose of controlling "white supremacist extremism," and making it appear as if "white supremacist extremists" posed a "terrorist threat" which these government bureaucrats needed more money to "fight."

Bill White is on the trail of false arrests, torture, lies and death, left by the FBI-DTOU, and the DOJ's Civil Rights "death squads." He has brought more than a score of legal actions against the Department of Justice and its minions in local and state law enforcement demanding to know the truth and demanding that these out-of-control globalist extremists be held accountable for their crimes. And, just last month, White won again in the 11th Circuit in an action demanding damages for acts of torture committed by the Seminole County, Florida, Sheriff's Department. These actions, however, are expensive, and your support is needed to help offset the costs.

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Local Schools Forced to Submit?

- Activists want radical gender-confused curriculum standardized for children



The National Education Association is having its annual conference in Houston this year. Conservatives are watching carefully as one of the issues to be discussed will assuredly be how kids from kindergarten to 12th grade can be mandatorily indoctrinated into the new gender confusion campaign being waged against children and parents.

By Mark Anderson

Boosted by generous foundation funding and ultra-biased media propaganda, the homosexual movement—or LGBTQ as the acronym is known today—is on the march like never before and is allied with the nation’s largest teacher’s union to embed the entire LGBTQ “gospel” into America’s public schools—with an emphasis on no-holds-barred transgenderism.

To illustrate the seriousness of this issue, Jane Eden of the Idaho Eagle Forum told AFP for this exclusive that the National Education Association (NEA) is holding its annual national conference July 4-7 at Houston’s George Brown Convention Center. Its clear intention is enabling this Marxist-style revolution to stealthily enter the schools by prepping teachers and administrators, even while most parents are unaware of what’s happening.

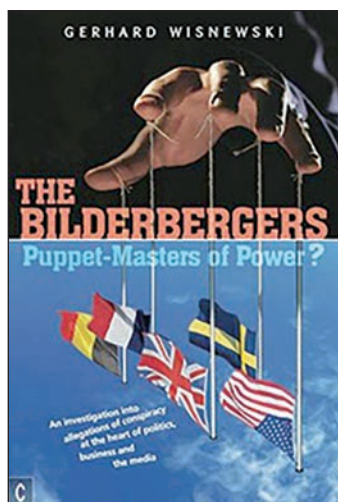
She said that children from as young as three years old up through grade 12 could be exposed to what would apparently be mandatory homosexual-transgender indoctrination with no allowance for opting out. So, there’s a growing call for parents and the greater public to get informed and get involved right away before the next school year begins.

AFP obtained a copy of the 40-page agenda for the NEA’s Houston summit. Page seven, section 11 reads:

Gender Inclusive Schools: NEA shall, using existing digital media, have all state and local affiliates encourage K-12 teachers to view a series of films called “Creating Gender Inclusive Schools” and use the accompanying study

The Bilderbergers: Puppet-Masters of Power?

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guides of the Youth and Gender Media Project (youthandgendermediaproject.org) to create inclusive communities for all youth, regardless of where they fall on the spectrum of gender identity and expression. . . .

The Youth and Gender Media Project (YGMP) is a nonprofit that works in conjunction with a nonprofit called Gender Spectrum. Meanwhile, the Arcus Foundation, with offices in Kalamazoo, Mich., New York City, and Cambridge, UK, provides funding for YGMP films, books etc. Gender Spectrum publishes materials such as books, study guides, and training manuals.

Notably, Jon Stryker, an openly gay licensed architect and billionaire, whose family is of Stryker hospital-equipment fame, heads the Arcus Foundation. And Gender Spectrum's long list of clients and partners includes Girl Scouts USA and the Michigan Department of Education, as well as the Anti-Defamation League and the American Civil Liberties Union.

YGMP's website revealingly explains two of its films:

Our films introduce profoundly new concepts, like the idea that even a young child can be transgender, and the new and still rare use of hormone blockers to delay puberty. Universal themes like family acceptance, being true to one's self, coming of age, the power of community, and the importance of tolerance and love make these films accessible and deeply moving. . . . "Becoming Johanna" tells the story of a 16-year-old transgender Latina living in Los Angeles, who is taken into foster care when her religious, immigrant mother refuses to accept her transition to a young woman. "Creating Gender Inclusive Schools" provides a behind-the-scenes look at a public elementary school that trains their entire school community—students, teachers, parents, and staff—about gender, inclusion, stereotyping, and bullying.

Notice the assumption that it's perfectly acceptable to remove the teen from the custody of the "religious, immigrant [presumably Catholic] mother" just because the mother, who's dismissed as narrow-minded with no apparent say in her child's future, refuses to permit her son to become a woman—all so an obviously impressionable, vulnerable teen can be placed in the notoriously risky foster-care system. Notice, too, the suggestion, as is widely accepted in LGBTQ cir-

cles, that using hormone blockers to delay puberty—which carries considerable health risks—is something to be embraced as a means of giving teens extra time to decide their gender and possibly have their genitals altered in irreversible, highly risky sex-change surgery.

Yet, the NEA's agenda (page 22, section 121) specifically opposes "conversion therapy" and calls it harmful to the LGBTQ community—conversion therapy, sometimes called reparative therapy, being a process where trained counselors help homosexuals and transgenders return to heterosexuality and their original, natural biological gender. Ironically, it's the LGBTQ movement that obsesses with deceptively converting people and is willing to promote surgery that some would call a desecration to attempt the conversion.

Add that to the following evidence of the movement targeting preschoolers and a recipe for major social upheaval becomes readily apparent.

"The book *Who Are You? A Kid's Guide to Gender Identity* by Brook Pessin-Whedbee . . . is for three-year-olds," Mrs. Eden informed AFP. "Kids [three years old] are told that gender is not

just what you are born with, but that there is another meaning for gender, what you feel and like (dancing, nail polish, making things . . .), and that can change from day to day. There is an interactive wheel in the back cover of the book for the teacher to guide the child in finding their newly discovered gender: gender-queer, non-binary, gender-fluid, trans, transgender, agender, gender neutral, bigender, two-spirit, girl, boy, both, neither, and more."

California Eagle Forum director Orlean Koehle told AFP that some reporters with whom she and fellow activists have had contact did not reduce their pro-LGBTQ bias until they were shown explicit sexual "educational" materials that included "fisting" and sadomasochism. She said the homeschooling movement in California and beyond is bound to see brisk growth, even while some California families have organized to stop sending their kids to schools for several consecutive days to reduce average daily enrollment, which, in turn, reduces school revenues. ★

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Boys Will Be Girls?

• Democrats support gender identity madness

By Donald Jeffries

In June, every Democrat in the House of Representatives, as well as eight Republicans, voted for the misnamed Equality Act, which requires schools to permit biological males who identify as “transgender females” to participate in organized athletics as females. The legislation was sponsored by openly gay Rep. David Cicilline (D-R.I.).

“People need to wake up. This radical bill is going to totally eliminate women’s and girls’ sports,” declared Republican Rep. Debbie Lesko (R-Ariz.). “Congress enacted Title IX to provide equal opportunities for women in education and sports. All this is erased under H.R. 5.”

Tennis legend Martina Navratilova was among those who condemned this confusing new policy.

“The legislation would make it unlawful to differentiate among girls and women in sports on the basis of sex for any purpose. For example, a



Selina Soule was an award-winning Connecticut runner in the girls’ division until two boys decided they were girls. Suddenly, these boys were winning all of the track meets and Selina’s dreams were crushed. She and two other real girls have filed a Title IX complaint. Soule says, “Fair is no longer the norm. The chance to advance, the chance to win, is all over for us that are just girls. . . . The media has been even worse, attacking us and portraying girls as sore losers. And that we should try harder.”

sports team couldn’t treat a transgender woman differently from a woman who is not transgender on the grounds that the former is male-bodied,” Navratilova, in conjunction with two other prominent female athletes, stated. “Yet the reality is that putting male- and female-bodied athletes together is co-ed or open sport. And in open sport, females lose.”

House Judiciary Chairman Jerry Nadler (D-N.Y.) absurdly argued that, “Many states have sexual orientation and gender identity nondiscrimination laws, and all of them still have women’s sports. Arguments about transgender athletes participating in sports in accordance with their gender identity having competitive advantages have not been borne out.”

Connecticut, one of the states Nadler referred to, has seen two biological male runners dominate girls’ high school track. One female competitor called the male runners’ advantage “demoralizing.”

Just recently, some female students in Connecticut have begun fighting back. Selina Soule lost a spot in the girl’s track championship to two biological males, who were allowed to compete as females under state transgender policies.

“When I was in the indoor season I was in the eighth place of the state open and only the top six qualify for the New England regional meet—because there were two transgender athletes, that put me into eighth place,” Soule explained. “If they weren’t there I would have been in sixth, and I would have made it into the finals and I would have qualified for the New England meet—instead of watching my own event from the sidelines.”

Soule is being represented by attorney Christiana Holcomb of the Alliance Defending Freedom. They filed a Title IX complaint on behalf of Soule and two other female athletes who were adversely impacted by transgender policies.

The so-called Equality Act seems to contradict the spirit of Title IX, which was part of the Education Amendments Act of 1972. It stipulated that, “No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.” Title IX was promoted by women’s groups seeking to put female athletics on a par with male athletics. The group Girls for Gender Equity has been protesting the lack of Title IX officers in schools.

The Equality Act would essentially open up girls’ locker rooms to boys who identify as girls. It doesn’t take a psychologist to determine that allowing hormone-charged teenage boys to be in the presence of partially dressed or undressed teenage girls is a recipe for disaster. In the largely nonsensical words of Sara Warbelow of the Human Rights Campaign, boys can’t be banned from girls’ locker rooms because “policies that bar



Famous lesbian tennis player Martina Navratilova believes it is “insane” for athletes who are biologically men to compete against women in sporting events. For her comments, she has been dropped as a sponsor by the LGBTQ nonprofit Athlete Ally, which believes that fully developed men who think they are women should be allowed to compete against real women, who are naturally smaller, lighter and less muscled.

transgender students from locker rooms that match their gender compound discrimination experienced by transgender students who participate in school athletics . . . exclusion from the locker room does more than force transgender athletes to use facilities that do not correspond to their gender, it isolates them from their teammates. Other members of their team will have spent additional time together in the locker room, forming and cultivating important relationships.”

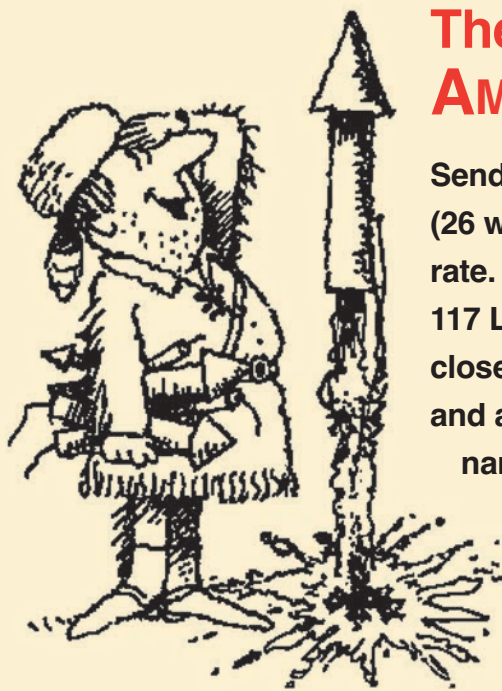
Despite Warbelow’s contention that, “There is no data to suggest that girls who are transgender are dominating athletics or posing a harm to their cisgender [those who identify with the gender on their birth certificate] counterparts,” the evidence suggests otherwise. A transgender boy has won a girls’ state wrestling title two years in a row. Biological males are dominating women’s cycling, weightlifting, and track at both the high school and college levels.

As Navratilova commented, “I am happy to address a transgender woman in whatever form she prefers, but I would not be happy to compete against her. It would not be fair.”

Julia Beck, of the Women’s Liberation Front, warned that such foolhardy policies will inevitably lead to a situation where “male rapists go to women’s prisons.” As The Kinks noted in “Lola,” an early transgender anthem, “It’s a mixed-up, muddled-up, shook-up world.” ★

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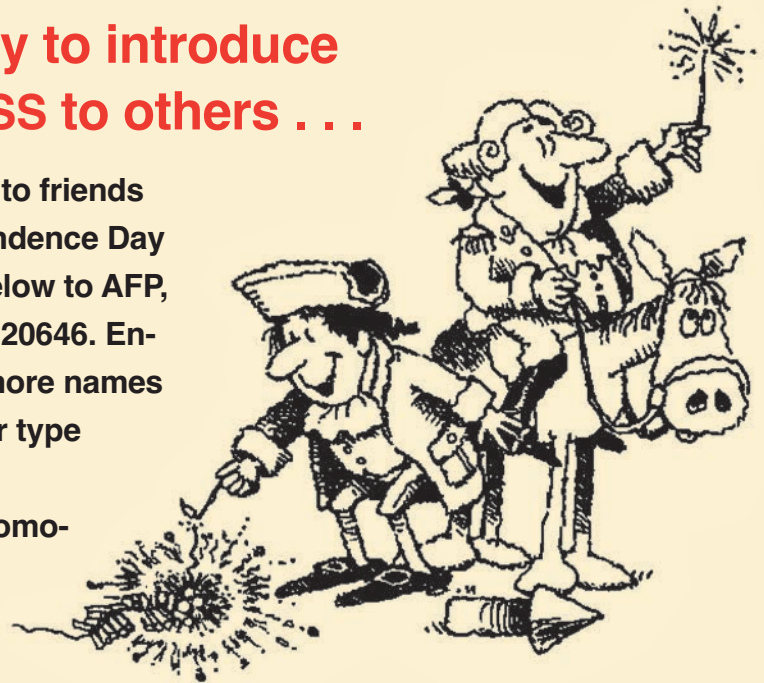
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Abortion Issue Threatens to Fracture Democrats

By S.T. Patrick

Democrats old and new are vociferously and forcefully uniting the party around one issue for 2020—and it is not the defeat of President Donald Trump. The “you’re either with us or against us” mentality of the modern Democratic Party allows for no religious, regional, generational, or political differentiation on what appears to be the key litmus test for Democratic incumbents and challengers. Either you are onboard with abortion on demand or you risk being banished from the party.

Rep. Dan Lipinski (Ill.), a pro-life Democrat, was the first to learn an increasingly disturbing lesson when Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (DCCC) chair Cheri Bustos (D-Ill.), a friend of Lipinski’s and a fellow Illinoisan, decided against hosting a fundraiser for the incumbent Lipinski solely because of his views on abortion.

Bustos said in a statement, “I’m proud to have a 100% pro-choice voting record and I’m deeply alarmed by the rapidly escalating attacks on women’s access to reproductive care in several states.”

Lipinski has been opposed by a pro-choice primary challenger and by Planned Parenthood. Kelley Robinson, the executive director for Planned

Parenthood Action Fund has been very public about the group’s intentions.

“Being able to have control over your own body is a human right,” Robinson said. “And the Democratic platform is crystal clear about supporting people’s ability to access full sexual and reproductive healthcare, including abortion.”

MSNBC talk show host Rachel Maddow has become the Alex Jones of the Democratic Party, replete with a prime-time megaphone, an irrational fan base, and a bag full of hopes and dreams that Russiagate will still be proven true. To Maddow, continuing access to abortion on demand in Missouri is now akin to Harriet Tubman’s Underground Railroad, a loose organization of activists that took slaves from the antebellum South to northern freedom. On the May 31 episode of her show, Maddow told a Planned Parenthood representative from Missouri that “there needs to be a railroad effort in Missouri to try to help women get out of state to get to places where they can access abortion care because they can’t get it anywhere in the state.” Maddow was unclear as to whether the women wanting to rid themselves of their fetuses would have to hide in farmhouses while escaping Confederate militias.

Louisiana’s Democratic Gov. John Bel Edwards ran into the DNC “Abortion Militia” himself, when he signed into law one of the strictest anti-abortion bills in the nation. Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.) called the law “dangerous,” while House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) deemed it “heart-breaking.” Sen. Kamala Harris (D-Calif.) termed it “outrageous,” while Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) used “draconian” in his description. The chair of Edwards’s own Louisiana Democratic Party even called it “egregious and offensive” before apologizing to all Louisiana women, an act that seemed disrespectfully presumptuous in its assumption that all Louisiana women either want or need access to abortions.

Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand (D-N.Y.) recently said of her party and the abortion issue, “We should be 100% pro-choice, and it should be non-negotiable.” James Carville, a Louisiana Democrat and former strategist for President Bill Clinton, disagrees.

“I don’t think we need to drum anybody out of the party,” Carville said. “There’s not many statewide elected Democrats in the South. Thank God, we got one in Louisiana.”

The fact of the matter, however, is that almost all incumbent pro-life Democrats are facing primary challenges from pro-choice challengers. The groups and candidates who are willing to go to the wall on this one issue will campaign for the likeminded (on abortion) challenger, even at the risk of defeating an effective incumbent. For Republicans and Independents, this is advantageous. Every dollar spent on defeating a pro-life Democrat in the primaries is a dollar not spent in



Rep. Dan Lipinski, a pro-life Democrat, was told by Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee chair Cheri Bustos that there would be no fundraiser for Lipinski solely because of his disapproval of abortion.

a campaign against a Republican or an Independent.

When asked about the litmus test in 2017, Pelosi said, “I grew up Nancy D’Alessandro, in Baltimore, Md.; in Little Italy; in a very devout Catholic family. Most of those people—my family, extended family—are not pro-choice. You think I’m kicking them out of the Democratic Party?”

The Democratic Party hasn’t openly harassed pro-life Democratic voters, yet, but the answer to Pelosi’s 2017 question for pro-life Democratic incumbents in 2020 seems to be a strong “yes.”

There was a time when the Democratic Party prided itself on being The Big Tent. Even on abortion, the party argued against mass bans on abortion by pleading that something must be available for victims of rape and incest. They told America that they weren’t at the top of a slippery slope that would lead to abortion-on-demand or abortion as birth control. That was then. What now looks like is literally NOW, the National Organization for Women, at whose rallies women and men gather to describe why they support “abortion on demand and without apology.”

As the trains begin to steam en route to the 2020 campaign season, Republican strategists cast a wide smile, knowing they have now become the party of tolerance, at least on abortion. ★

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Assange, Free Speech in Peril

By Dr. Ron Paul

More than seven years ago, WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange was granted asylum by the government of Ecuador over fears that espionage charges were being prepared against him by Washington. He spent those years in a small room in the Ecuadorian embassy in London without sunlight. Without fresh air. Without exercise. Without medical treatment.

Assange's critics mocked him for entering the embassy, saying his fear that the U.S. government would indict him was paranoia. Then the U.S.-controlled International Monetary Fund dangled a \$4 billion loan in front of Ecuadorian president Lenin Moreno (elected in 2017, replacing the president who granted Assange asylum), and Moreno eagerly handed Assange over to British authorities who the same day hauled him before the court to answer for skipping bail. No medical examination after what was seven years of house arrest. Straight to court. He was sentenced to 50 weeks—the maximum sentence.

And what happened while he was serving time in the notorious Belmarsh prison? The Trump administration decided to go where the Obama Administration before him did not dare to tread: He was indicted on 17 counts under the U.S. Espionage Act and now faces 170 years in prison—or worse—once the formality of his extradition hearing is over. He faces life in prison for acting as a journalist—publishing information about the U.S. government that is clearly in the public interest.

But do they really want to put him up on trial?

When U.S. citizen Otto Warmbier died in a wretched North Korean prison cell after being

denied proper medical treatment, the Western world was disgusted by Pyongyang's disregard for basic human rights. Now we have Julian Assange reportedly too sick to even appear by video at his own court hearings. UN Special Rapporteur on Torture Nils Melzer has investigated the treatment of Assange over the past nine years and has determined that the journalist has been the “victim of brutal psychological torture.”

Melzer concluded, “In 20 years of work with victims of war, violence, and political persecution I have never seen a group of democratic states ganging up to deliberately isolate, demonize, and abuse a single individual for such a long time and with so little regard for . . . the rule of law.”

Governments hate it when the truth is told about them. They prefer to kill the messenger than face the message.

Judge Andrew Napolitano wrote last week that, “the whole purpose of the First Amendment . . . is to promote and provoke open, wide, robust political debate about the policies of the government.”

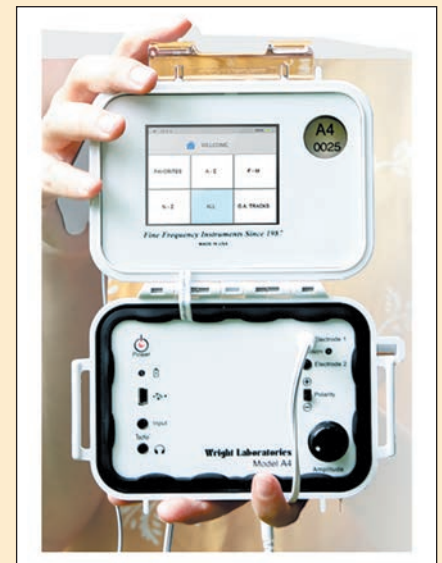
We need to understand that it is our First Amendment that is on trial right there along with Assange. The Obama administration—no defenders of civil liberties—wanted to prosecute Assange but determined that his “crime” was the same kind of journalism that the U.S. mainstream media engages in every day.

Let's hope President Donald Trump recovers from his amnesia—on the campaign trail he praised WikiLeaks more than 100 times but now claims to know nothing about them—and orders his attorney general to stand down. Assange deserves our gratitude, not a lifetime in prison. ★

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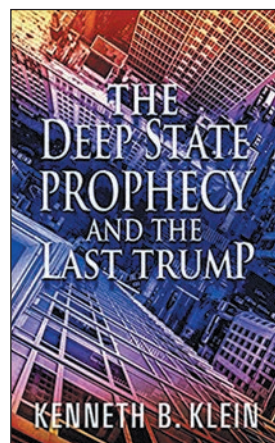
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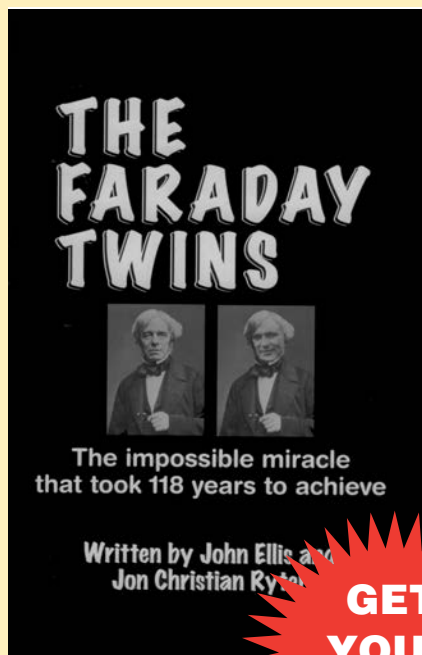


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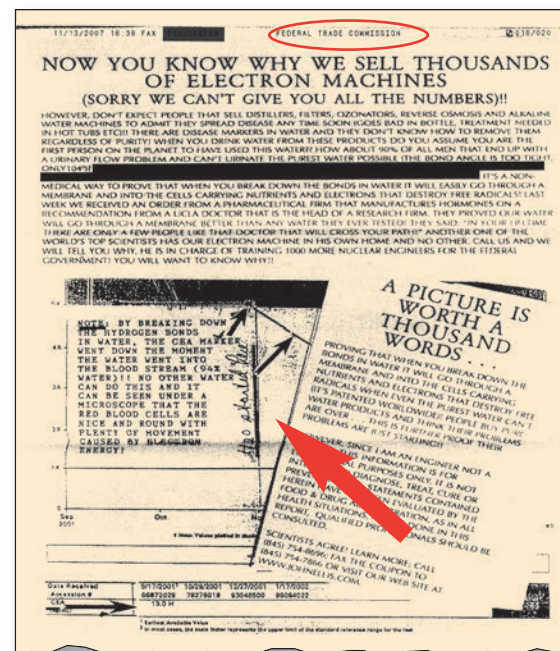
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A Secret Meeting to Plot War?

• Who is representing the American people in conclave with pro-Israel groups?

By Philip Giraldi

On June 5, 16 heads of Jewish organizations joined 25 Democratic senators in a private meeting, which, according to the *Times of Israel*, is an annual event. All of the Jewish organizations but one were openly declared advocates for Israel and are supportive of its policies. Key groups present included the Council of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations, the Anti-Defamation League, and the American Israel Public Affairs Committee. A number of the groups have lobbied Congress and the White House in support of the use of force against Iran, a position that is basically identical to the demands being made by the government of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

The senatorial delegation was headed by Sen. Chuck Schumer (D-N.Y.), currently Senate minority leader who has described himself as the “shomer” or guardian of Israel in the Senate. The 25 senators in attendance constitute one-quarter of the entire deliberative body and more than half of all Democrats serving in it. Sen. Amy Klobuchar (D-Minn.), who has emphatically linked her campaign to become the Democratic presidential nominee in 2020 to Jewish and Israeli interests, chaired the gathering.

After the meeting, *Jewish Insider* provided a complete list of the participants and also a diagram of how they were positioned in the Capitol Hill conference room. The senators were placed on one side of a rectangle with the Jewish leaders in front of them filling the seats on the other three sides. Who exactly provided the agenda that Klobuchar was presumably following is not known, but one suspects that it may have been a joint effort by Schumer and several of the more prominent Jewish organization participants.

The meeting was by design not a public event, and, to a certain extent, it was a secret. Its time, place, and participants were not announced, and



CHUCK SCHUMER

Sen. Chuck Schumer of New York headed a senatorial delegation that met in semi-secret with a gaggle of powerful pro-Israel groups. Topics believed covered were how to mute the pro-Palestinian sentiment of new-breed Democrats and also how to make sure the “Iran threat” is neutralized.

it was only reported at all in the Israeli and Jewish media. According to after-the-fact coverage of the event by Alison Weir of the “If Americans Knew” website, even staffers in the congressional offices were not aware that the meeting was taking place. No statement was issued afterwards, but it is believed that the principal topic under

discussion was how to contain and reverse pro-Palestinian sentiment among progressive Democratic voters, who, to the horror of the participants, actually have been embracing the possibility that Palestinians are human beings with plausibly the same rights as Israelis. A particular focus would have been the nonviolent Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions movement (BDS), which has become a growing force on college campuses and in progressive circles.

Other issues raised were mentioned in passing afterwards on the email service “The Tell” by Ron Kampeas of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency (JTA) news service. They included supporting Israel and also more federal-level legislation to combat “anti-Semitism.” And, of course, there was the issue of money. Several groups want funding from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) increased to pay for more security at Jewish facilities. Current legislation is considering allocating \$70 million per year and there were demands that it be increased to \$90 million. A 2014 article in the *Jewish Forward* reported that Jewish institutions received 94% of DHS discretionary funding.

One might reasonably argue that the private meeting with the Democratic senators reflects a singular urgency in that the party base is becoming notably less pro-Israel, suggesting that something had to be done to stop the rot. That may be true enough, but the reality is that the federal government’s pandering to Israel is both bi-partisan and global in its reach. The United States uniquely has a special envoy to combat anti-Semitism, and his writ extends to proposing sanctions against countries that are critics of Israel.

And even as the Democrats were meeting with Jewish leaders, the Republicans were doing much the same thing. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo met with probably some of those very same leaders as the Democrats and expressed concern about the possibility that British Labour Leader Jeremy Corbyn might become prime minister. Corbyn has been targeted by British Jews because he is the first UK senior politician to speak sympa-

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If Jeremy Corbyn is elected as Britain's prime minister, he can expect powerful British Jewish organizations and their counterparts from across the Atlantic to unite against him simply because Corbyn has expressed sympathy for the plight of Palestinians in the Holy Land.

thetically about the plight of the Palestinians.

Pompeo was asked if Corbyn "is elected, would you be willing to work with us to take action if life becomes very difficult for Jews in the UK?" He replied: "It could be that Mr. Corbyn manages to run the gauntlet and get elected. It's possible. You should know, we won't wait for him to do those things to begin to push back. We will do our level best. It's too risky and too important and too hard once it's already happened."

So American Jews want to join with their British counterparts to either bring down or contain a top-level elected politician just because he recognizes the suffering of the Palestinians. The American secretary of state meets with those same activists and agrees with them that something must be done, to include quite possibly taking steps to ensure that he does not become prime minister in the first place. Recall for the moment that Britain is America's closest ally and is what passes for a democracy these days.

Jews obviously occupy a rather special space, politically speaking, in the United States. One might reasonably ask, where are the private meetings with representatives of Italian, German, Irish, or Polish organizations, each of which represents a far greater portion of America's ethnic mix than do Jews? The obvious answer is that those groups do not operate in a cohesive, tribal fashion and they do not possess the financial resources that the 600 or so Jewish groups that advocate for Israel have. In America, unfortunately, money buys access to power and, if there is enough money on the table, it can also buy politicians.

Nor are America's other white ethnic groups as grievance-driven.

And there is one other significant difference: While other ethnic groups in the United States are protective of their respective cultures and languages, there is no sense that any of them actually seek to advocate policies damaging to the United States to benefit the foreign nations that they

identify with. The Jewish advocacy for Israel is something quite different, costing the American taxpayer billions of dollars every year and involving Washington in a sequence of wars of choice driven by Israel itself aided by its powerful domestic lobby.

Israel also comes with a price tag in terms of the constitutional rights enjoyed by Americans. Before too long, legislation currently working its way through Congress will criminalize any criticism of Israel. No other national or ethnic group in the United States seeks to dismantle the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States in quite that fashion.

Israel is no friend and never has been. Recent media reports detail how Jewish-American oligarch Paul Singer has been working with the Israeli government to transfer thousands of high-paying American IT jobs to Israel. Is he guilty of dual loyalty? No, he is only really loyal to Israel, as are many of the Jewish leaders who met with Pompeo and the senators. It is a disgrace.

And it is also a disgrace that Pompeo and 25 Democratic Party senators should be meeting privately with Jewish organizations to do things for Israel and the Jewish community that do not serve the interests of all Americans, up to and including meddling in the politics of a genuine close ally to respond to the paranoia of British Jews.

Yes, there is a Jewish international conspiracy in place directed by some Jews like those who met with the senators and Pompeo, and it has no off switch. Never before in history has a great power been so dominated by a puny client state and its domestic fifth column, and it is time that the private meetings whereby a government "of the people, by the people and for the people" panders to one group alone should end forever. ★

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Benjamin Netanyahu Elevated to Dictator

By Paul Craig Roberts

We hear every day that "Israel is the only democracy in the Middle East," but is Israel a democracy or a dictatorship? In a democracy, even the highest members of the government are accountable to law, but this isn't the case with Netanyahu. After a two-year investigation the Israeli attorney general announced his intention to indict Prime Minister Netanyahu on charges of bribery, fraud, and breach of trust.

This is like special counsel Robert Mueller indicting President Donald Trump for colluding with Vladimir Putin to steal the U.S. presidential election. All would be over for Trump,

To avoid prosecution for bribery and fraud, Netanyahu simply made himself justice minister, immunizing himself from legal action.

but not for Netanyahu. Netanyahu simply removed the Israeli justice minister, Avichai Mandelblit, and appointed himself to the post, thus immunizing himself from prosecution.

As prime minister, Netanyahu had already assigned himself the ministries of Defense, Health, and Education, and now he is justice minister as well. How much of a government can be in the hands of one person before that person becomes a dictator? Think about it this way: If Trump were also secretary of defense, attorney general, secretary of the treasury, and secretary of homeland security, would he be a president or a dictator?

Trump has none of these posts, but some Democrats accuse him of being a dictator. What then does that make Netanyahu? ★

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Trump's Demise: Iran War

By Dr. Kevin Barrett

According to numerous reports, President Donald Trump does not want to go to war with Iran. Trump has called Bush's invasion of Iraq "the worst single mistake in U.S. history." A war on Iran would be even more disastrous.

Yet Trump has appointed war-on-Iran cheerleaders John Bolton and Mike Pompeo as his national security advisor and secretary of state. Those two rogues are relentlessly dragging the U.S. into a war on behalf of Israeli extremist Prime Minister Bibi Netanyahu and Saudi terrorist dictator Mohammad bin Salman (MBS), also known as Mr. Bone Saw.

Reports suggest the U.S. may launch some sort of "limited tactical strike" on an Iranian nuclear facility. Any such attack might really be the worst single mistake in U.S. history, vastly worse than Bush's Iraq debacle. It would certainly doom Trump's presidency. That might be exactly what the neocons want; they may hope to take out two enemies, Trump and Iran, at once.

The same neocons who said the Iraq invasion would be a cakewalk, with Iraqis greeting U.S. soldiers with flowers and candy, are now saying similar things about Iran. They are underestimating the Iranians even more than they underestimated the Iraqis.

Iran is three times as big as Iraq and more resilient and determined. Iran has legions of first-rate scientists, many of them working on cutting-edge military technologies. It's no accident that antigravity scientist Mehran Keshe is from Iran. They have built impressive homegrown air defense systems capable of capturing the most sophisticated \$100 million U.S. drones. And they have built very large numbers of missiles capable of raining death and destruction on American bases in the region.

Iranian attitudes are formed by Shia Islam,

which teaches its followers to rejoice if they get the chance to die for a just cause. And what cause could be more just than defending your country from a foreign invader?

Alongside Shia Islam is Iranian nationalism. These proud people are heirs to a 3,000-year-old civilization. Even if millions of them died under U.S. nuclear bombs, God forbid, their nation will likely be around hundreds, perhaps thousands of years from now, long after the U.S. has disappeared—possibly at the hands of angry Iranians decades or even centuries after the U.S. attack that provoked the anger.

Iranians, far more than Iraqis or even Afghans, will just keep on coming at you day after day, year after year, decade after decade. They will all fight to the last man. Tens of millions of them will be eager to sacrifice their lives in a defensive war against criminal invaders of their homeland, as happened during Saddam Hussein's U.S.-instigated invasion of Iran during the 1980s. During that war, thousands of young Iranian soldiers cleared minefields by walking through them reciting the Qur'an and embracing martyrdom. They will always find ways to kill large numbers of invaders without any concern for their own lives.

Even U.S. nuclear weapons cannot faze a nation that believes the highest possible honor is to be martyred in a just cause. The Iranians will never back down when they know they are in the right. Winning a war against such a nation is impossible, even if you have them outnumbered and outgunned.

I know Iran fairly well. I have visited the country on an almost annual basis since 2013. I have talked to hundreds of Iranians from all walks of life, from those who strongly support the current government to those who strongly oppose it. All of them are going to unite if their country is attacked.

Trump's advisors may be deceiving him. They may be telling him that Iran won't respond to a major U.S. attack by sinking every U.S. ship and every oil tanker within its reach, shutting down



President Trump and his family have a real affinity for Israel and Prime Minister Netanyahu. You can bet that Netanyahu isn't worried about anything but Israel. If he can, the Israeli leader will maneuver Trump and the U.S. into a disastrous war on Iran. Hopefully, Trump will resist.

the Gulf to oil traffic with mines, raining down missiles on U.S. bases and the Green Zone in Baghdad, and possibly attacking the Israeli nuclear facility at Dimona with an overwhelming barrage of rocket fire.

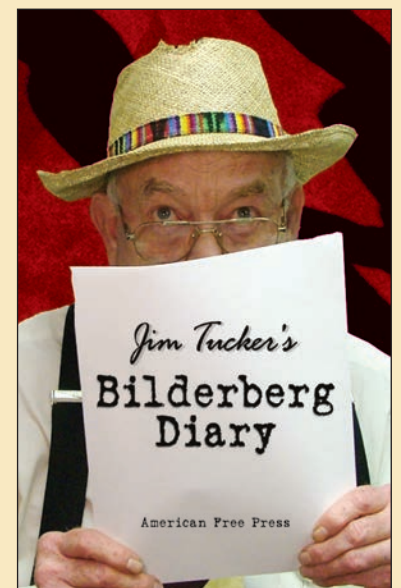
Maybe Iran would mount a more restrained response, but don't bet on it. They know that if they wait, the U.S. will quickly and relentlessly degrade their capabilities. They'll face a "use it or lose it" choice, and because they have no fear of martyrdom, but welcome the prospect, they will almost certainly "use it." Get ready for thousands of dead Americans, and maybe thousands of dead Israelis, all in just a day or two.

Poking Iran is like poking an angry hornets' nest. Invade Iran, and get ready for the equivalent of a thousand Afghanistans multiplied by a thousand Iraqs. Trillions will be squandered, the economy will collapse, and Trump will go down in flames, reviled as a madman and a butcher. Let's hope and pray he understands this and steps away from the precipice. ★

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Presidents Exceed Executive Powers

By S.T. Patrick

In the wake of the Mueller report, Congress has continued its debate on the definitions and limitations of “executive privilege.” The national security establishment, a powerful arm of the executive branch, has pushed further toward a military conflict with Iraq, and America’s armed forces continue to be stretched worldwide for purposes that become less clear by the day. The role of the nation’s chief executive has moved further down the rabbit hole that historian Arthur Schlesinger Jr. once called “The Imperial Presidency.”

Schlesinger wrote the monumental work in 1973 to analyze the transformation of the presidency over its first two centuries. Schlesinger’s premise was two-fold: first, that the presidency, then in Nixon’s final year, was out of control, and second, that the presidency had far surpassed its constitutional limitations. The book was often updated, and its final version continued through George W. Bush. Today, historians and political scientists are rightly wondering what the presidential limitations are and when a presidency has propelled itself over a constitutional cliff.

In a June 8, 2019 memo to the Justice Department, Attorney General William Barr proposed his interpretation that a president’s power over the executive branch can only be limited in two very distinct, constitutional ways: The voters can limit a president by voting him from office, and Congress can limit the executive authority held by a president through impeachment power. Thus, theoretically, a president who wins re-election and escapes impeachment could still have acted improperly but would still be above the law.

This idea of a nearly omnipotent presidency—academically called the “Unitary Executive Theory”—is not directly stated in the Constitution itself. Article 2 does vest the executive power of the country in the hands of the president, but it does not specifically state the limitations thereof. The term was first used by Reagan Attorney General Ed Meese. Attorney General John Yoo later adopted it as a constitutional basis for the more sketchy aspects of Bush’s torture program.

Presidents have certainly taken questionable, unitary steps for much of the 20th century. President Harry Truman bypassed the congressional power to declare war by entering the U.S. into a “police action” in Korea. The precedent extended to conflicts in Vietnam, Nicaragua, Grenada, Panama, Kuwait, Iraq, Afghanistan, Libya, and Syria. President Trump may soon extend the precedent into Iran. President Nixon set up a secret national security establishment that would report only to him and only in private, thus bypassing congressional committees along with the State and Defense Departments.

In more recent years, President Barack Obama used drones to take the lives of U.S. citizens abroad without the policy going through a public congressional inquiry process. The current means

The presidency has far surpassed its constitutional limitations. This has led to undeclared, unnecessary and unwinnable wars.

by which presidents have assumed power has been via executive order. President Clinton signed 254 executive orders, Bush signed 291, Obama signed 276, and, thus far, Trump has issued 111.

While Alexander Hamilton was the first founder to argue for a strong executive, debate about an executive council (rather than one, single executive) continued throughout the Constitutional Convention in 1787. There was fear that having a single executive, a president of the United States, would over time resemble a monarch. When looking at the growing power of the late executives, before and through Trump, it is difficult to say the founders weren’t prescient.

When a president extends his power beyond that which was allowed for by the Constitution or

envisioned by the founders, questions of morality and legality inevitably exist. Schlesinger questioned the growing imperial presidency and argued that it was faulty when the president lacked a Washingtonian sense of virtue. This idea of being “above the law” was never explained more coherently and directly as when Nixon, in the aftermath of Watergate, told famed interviewer David Frost that “when the president does it, that means it’s not illegal.”

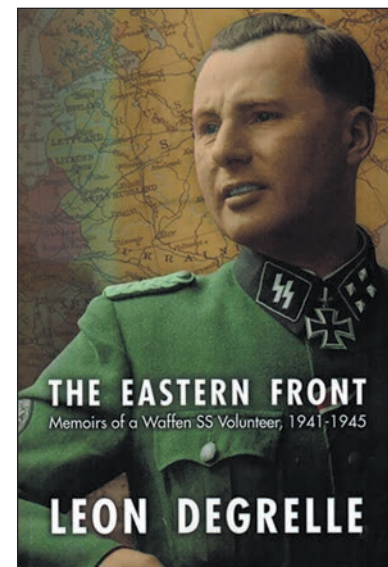
A problem also exists within the executive branch itself. As we approach a time when the branch and its offices are more powerful than the Oval Office, an all-powerful executive branch, absent from the media scrutiny that befalls a president, becomes its own uncontrollable Beltway behemoth.

AMERICAN FREE PRESS has long argued that presidents and their executive branch appointees are not above the law, regardless of party affiliation. Trump’s incessant revolving door of hawkish appointees and neoconservative advisors already has an appearance of an executive who is fishing the swamp rather than draining it. But that’s tame compared to what a limitless executive can enact in the cause of war. In saying a collective rosary for a Mueller prosecution, Congress was always looking away. There is a structural problem that has continued to grow at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue for over a century. ★

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Cabal Pushes for Iran War

• Trump resists intervention but pressure mounts from war-crazed cohorts

By Richard Walker

After Iran recently shot down a U.S. naval drone, President Donald Trump rescinded an order he had given to launch retaliatory attacks against selected Iranian military targets, yet those hoping to goad him into an all-out conflict with Iran remain a potent clique with powerful allies in Washington.

The clique is comprised mostly of Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, the impetuous Saudi leader Mohammed bin Salman, Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, National Security Adviser John Bolton, and their neocon and pro-Zionist allies in Congress. None has been shy of making it clear that they wish to see the might of the United States military directed at Iran. It has been a neocon dream for decades, going back to the Reagan and Bush-Cheney era, but it has been boosted lately by the bizarre alliance of Israel and the Saudis, an alliance forged purely on a desire to crush Iran. Such an outcome would leave Israel free to impose a so-called Kushner plan for Middle East peace on the Palestinians and allow Netanyahu to launch a war aimed at destroying Hezbollah in Lebanon.

For the Saudis, who are already slaughtering women and children in Yemen, it would be a dream come true. The Saudi Royals are a sectarian bunch by any standard, who financed the 9/11 attacks. They despise Christians and Jews as much as they do Iranians for their alternative form of Shia Islam.



BIN SALMAN

Mohammed bin Salman is unlike any Saudi leader before him. Unconcerned about negative global sentiment over his genocidal war against Yemen, bin Salman will do anything to wipe out any perceived Shiite threat.

The danger of a war with Iran remains real, even though Trump personally has shown no appetite for one. He has consistently opposed foreign wars. Vladimir Putin has publicly warned against it, too, and has stridently opposed sanctions against Iran. Putin's voice and similar appeals from other world leaders have no doubt reached the ears of Trump but, as history has shown us, wars often begin with false-flag operations and lies. The recent attacks on two tankers, one Japanese and the other from the Netherlands, in the Gulf, elevated the Iran crisis to a critical stage.

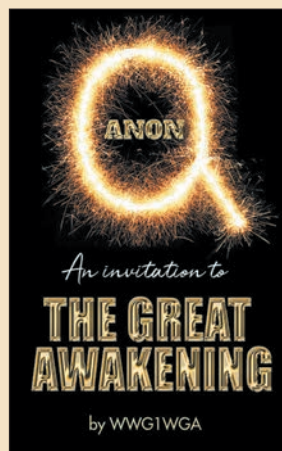
Pompeo almost immediately declared that the Japanese tanker attack was an Iranian operation. It occurred as the Japanese prime minister was arriving in Tehran for talks to calm the situation in the region. One has to ask why Iran would carry out such an attack to mark his arrival. Pompeo's claim, coming as it did so quickly and with questionable evidence, had the smell of conspiracy about it.

Pompeo declared that Iran was the only nation in the region with the military capability to launch attacks on tankers. That was a lie, and Pompeo is not opposed to lying, as he recently admitted. The truth is that Israel and Saudi Arabia both possess the skills to launch such attacks from above and below the waterline, raising the possibility it was a false-flag operation. After all, Iran has no desire to go up against the might of the U.S. military, so the likelihood of it being the aggressor is difficult to countenance.

The mainstream media, always ready to believe "official" sources, speculated that perhaps Iran was testing U.S. resolve, but the same media implied the U.S. drone that was shot down was in

QAnon: An Invitation to the Great Awakening

You may only be vaguely aware of QAnon or "Q," if at all. If you value the truth, you will want to learn about the QAnon movement and the battle that is being waged to protect us all from the Deep State. The war between Good and Evil is no longer merely symbolic. Evil is being tried and brought to justice in federal courts and military tribunals today. Criminally corrupt government leaders, celebrities, religious leaders, media figures, and corporate heads will be tried and punished for crimes involving treason, human trafficking, ritual sacrifice and unspeakable perversions. *QAnon: An Invitation to the Great Awakening* tells the history of an anonymous poster on free speech websites and how he (or perhaps they) built a following of millions. With an insider's knowledge of the battle plan and "Q"-level military intelligence clearance, QAnon's communications are often cryptic and coded. This book was written by 12 "Anons," anonymous "Q" followers, decoders and citizen journalists. They each know a great deal about QAnon, each bringing their own unique perspective and



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An Iranian soldier holds the body of one of the Iranian children killed on Flight 655.

international airspace, even though Iran recovered parts of it in their territory and had the tracking details to prove its case.

In light of this present crisis, it is worth recalling that, 31 years ago, the USS *Vincennes* shot down Iran Air Flight 655, killing 290 passengers during the Iran-Iraq War, a war in which the U.S. supplied Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein with materials to build chemical weapons he used against Iranians and also against his own people. Writer Jeremy Hammond, who argues that governments lie consistently about major issues and are helped by the mainstream media, believes lies told by the Reagan administration about the downing of the passenger plane in 1988 defined U.S.-Iran relations. The plane was rising through Iranian airspace and was at 12,000 feet when it was downed.

Vice President H.W. Bush lied that it was flying outside the commercial air route. Another falsehood was that the *Vincennes* was in international waters. It was in fact in Iranian waters, firing at small Iranian gunboats that did not pose a threat.

President Ronald Reagan called the shooting down of the plane “a proper defensive action.”

Jeremy Hammond reached this conclusion: “U.S. warships entered Iranian waters and initiated hostilities with Iranian vessels. The consoles of the radar operators aboard the USS *Vincennes* unambiguously showed an aircraft ascending within a commercial corridor in Iranian airspace, with the plane’s transponder signaling its identity as a commercial aircraft.”

The captain and crew of the USS *Vincennes* were subsequently awarded medals for bravery.

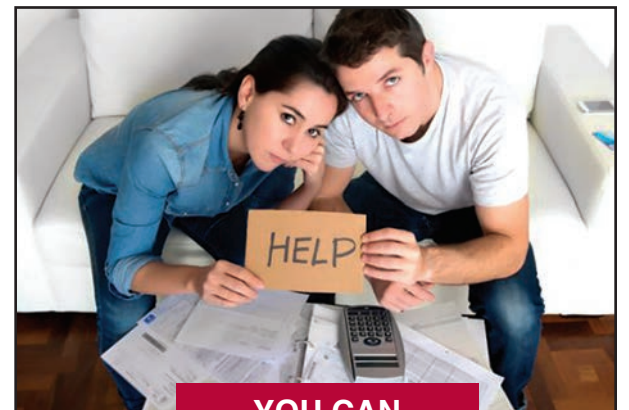
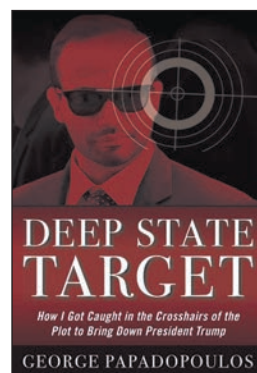
The episode is a salutary lesson of the falsehoods that often shape the so-called fog of war. It only takes a mistake of this kind or a false-flag operation to start a war. Unfortunately, those conspiring to create a war with Iran are not going away, and they have powerful friends in Washington who share their eagerness for Iran’s destruction. ★

Richard Walker is the pen name of a former N.Y. news producer.

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Small Meat Processors May Get Break

• New PRIME Act proposal would allow states to decide proper regulations for meat processing

By Mark Anderson

Rep. Thomas Massie (R-Ky.), along with Maine's Rep. Chellie Pingree (D) and Sen. Angus King Jr. (I), have reintroduced the Processing Revival and Interstate Meat Exemption Act—or PRIME Act—to empower the states to determine appropriate regulations for meat processing within their borders. The legislation (H.R. 2859 and S. 1620) was introduced in both houses of Congress in late May and immediately referred to the Agriculture committees. As of this writing, both bills remain in committee and no further action has been taken. The bipartisan bills concern a topic that fosters party unity, rather than division. Five Democrats have joined 12 Republicans, including Michigan's Justin Amash (R), to cosponsor the bill on the House side. In the Senate, King was joined by Republican senators Rand Paul (Ky.) and Lamar Alexander (Texas).

"The PRIME Act," a Weston A. Price Foundation press release explained, "would give states the option of passing laws to allow the sale of custom-slaughtered and processed meat in intrastate commerce direct to the consumer and to venues such as restaurants, hotels, grocery stores. . . ."

The Weston A. Price Foundation is a Washington, D.C.-based watchdog that provides accurate information on nutrition and health. For more information, write the foundation at PMB 106-380, 4200 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20016.

Federal law currently prohibits the general sale of custom-processed meat. Custom-facility meat can only go to those who own the animal at slaughter time, which causes small farmers to



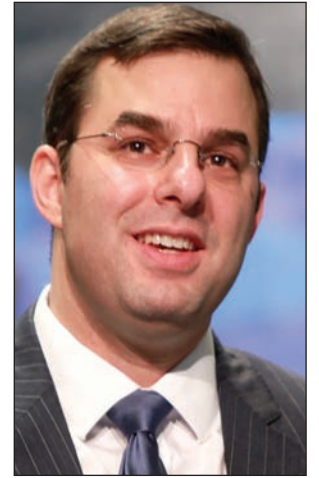
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Four of the legislators who want individual states—not the feds—to decide meat processing regulations.

Custom-facility meat can only go to those who own the animal at slaughter time, which causes small farmers to lose a substantial amount of business.

lose a substantial amount of business. Many potential customers cannot afford to buy a whole animal, or they lack the freezer space to store that quantity of meat.

The Wholesome Meat Act of 1967 gave the fed-

eral government invasive jurisdiction over meat processing and sales in intrastate commerce—within individual states, not just between the states.

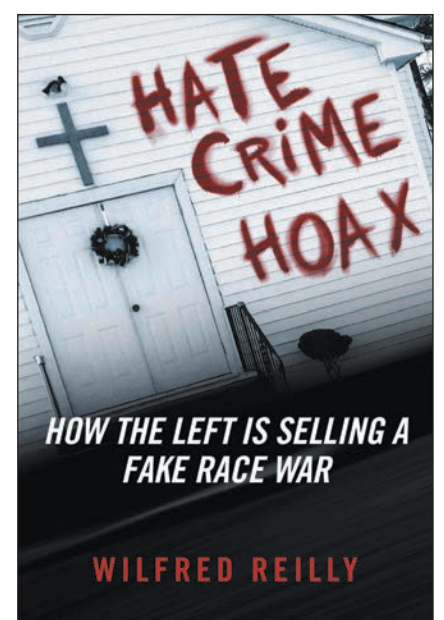
When the act was passed, there were nearly 10,000 slaughterhouses in the U.S., but as of Jan. 1, there were only 2,766. Farmers wanting to sell meat "by the cut" can by law only use the slaughterhouses that have government inspectors on-site during the slaughtering process. Thus, small meat producers often must haul their livestock to distant facilities, driving up production costs while stressing the animals. Sometimes the farmer must book a slaughterhouse a year in advance.

And with only four companies controlling more than 80% of U.S. beef processing—combined with the shrinking number of inspected slaughterhouses and the mandate that small producers wanting access to the general meat mar-

HATE CRIME HOAX

How the Left Is Selling a Fake Race War

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Custom slaughterhouses have a much better food-safety record than the corporate mega-processors.

ket must use those facilities and endure the high costs—the remaining slaughterhouses are reportedly stretched to capacity. Consequently, the meat industry has in recent years had more than 100 recalls per year, involving over 20 million pounds of meat and poultry products.

Custom slaughterhouses typically are small facilities where relatively few animals are slaughtered daily. However, at the USDA plants, 300-400 cattle are slaughtered per hour. And even without an inspector on-site, the custom houses have a much better food-safety record.

Because small farmers urgently need greater access to slaughterhouses to be able to compete on a more level playing field against large entrenched agribusinesses, the PRIME Act's advocates feel the bill is vitally important. Small, local American farmers could be meeting the growing demand for healthier grass-fed beef, but they're missing out on much of that business as imported grass-fed beef gains dominant market share.

Rep. Massie remarked: "Consumers want to know where their food comes from, what it contains, and how it's processed," while adding that federal inspection requirements serve as an obstacle, a kind of internal tariff, against purchasing food in the general marketplace from trusted local farmers.

"It is time to open our markets to give producers the freedom to succeed and consumers the freedom to choose," Massie summarized.

But here's what no one will talk about: Globalist free-traders want open markets and low regulations between nations and shriek at the mere mention of the word "tariff," but they're fine with internal regulations and domestic "tariffs" that add major costs and limit markets, especially for small farmers.

Thus, the globalists' unspoken mantra is free trade between nations but not within nations. They treat the 50 states like they're separate nations but treat the real nations like members of a super-large federation whose borders are mere doodles on a map. ★

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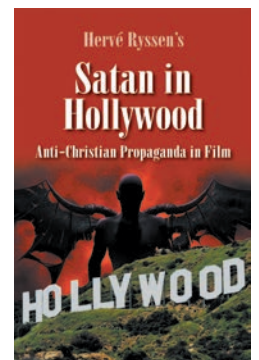


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House Tackles Slippery Issue of Reparations for Slavery

By John Friend

In late June, the House Judiciary Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties held a hearing focusing on the legacy of slavery and potential reparations for descendants of black slaves, sparking controversy in an already heated political environment.

Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee (D-Texas), who described slavery as “the original sin of this nation,” introduced a bill in the House that would form a national commission to study the issue of reparations, which has been backed by leading congressional Democrats including House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) and Judiciary Committee Chairman Jerrold Nadler (D-N.Y.).

Jackson Lee’s bill, H.R. 40, is entitled the *Commission to Study and Develop Reparation Proposals for African-Americans Act* and was praised by Nadler, who argued that the proposal and subsequent House hearing “gives us the opportunity to reflect on the shameful legacy of slavery and Jim Crow in this country, and to examine how we can best move forward as a nation.”

In the Senate, Democratic presidential hopeful and current Sen. Corey Booker (N.J.) has put forth a similar bill designed to study reparations. All Senate Democrats currently running for president in addition to Booker—Senators Kirsten Gillibrand (D-N.Y.), Kamala Harris (D-Calif.), Amy Klobuchar (D-Minn.), and Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.)—and Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) have co-sponsored Booker’s Senate bill, demonstrating their support for the controversial proposal.

Booker testified at the House hearing, as did the left-leaning actor Danny Glover and political pundit and author Ta-Nehisi Coates, both advo-

cating for some form of reparations for descendants of slaves in America. Booker argued that America still has not faced up to its past and acknowledged the legacy and impact of slavery, and that the hearing gives us the “historic opportunity to break the silence, to speak to the ugly past, and talking constructively about how we will move this nation forward.”

“It’s about time we find the common ground and the common purpose to deal with the ugly past and make sure that generations ahead do not have to continue to mark disparities,” Booker declared before arguing that blacks are still dealing with the oppressive legacy of slavery today.

Not all those testifying at the House hearing supported the bill and concept of reparations for descendants of slaves.

Coleman Hughes, a black writer for the free-thinking publication *Quillette*, argued that reparations should have been paid out to former slaves following the Civil War and their emancipation, and that the U.S. government’s failure to do so was “shameful.” However, he went on to argue, that does not justify reparations today, over 150 years after the end of slavery.

“In 2008, the House of Representatives formally apologized for slavery and Jim Crow,” Hughes stated during his testimony. “In 2009, the Senate did the same. Black people don’t need another apology. We need safer neighborhoods and better schools,” Hughes argued. “We need a less punitive criminal justice system, we need affordable healthcare, and none of these things can be achieved through reparations for slavery,” he concluded.

Hughes’s frank testimony unsurprisingly drew some grumblings and boos from those in attendance, many of whom supported the bill to study reparations. He argued that enacting reparations would make blacks victims once again, and that



JACKSON LEE

Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee (no relation to Andrew or Stonewall Jackson or Robert E. Lee) has introduced a House bill that would examine the feasibility of giving African Americans money for “the sin of slavery.”

Rep. Jackson Lee’s bill was a “moral and political mistake.”

It is unlikely that the bill will gain much traction, particularly during the lead-up to the 2020 presidential election. Jackson Lee and Booker’s controversial bills, which are largely endorsed and supported by the Democratic establishment, demonstrate once again the propensity of the left to engage in identity politics, pitting one faction against another in an attempt to divide the nation even further. ★

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Mastercard Shareholders Resist Pressure

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The petition, which has received over 127,000 signatures as AFP goes to press, goes on to argue that companies like Mastercard “have made supporting hate groups and violence easier than ever through online donations,” and that the large financial services companies “are refusing to take responsibility.”

Despite their hysterical rhetoric, violence is at an historic low in the United States, even though groups like the ADL and SPLC want Americans to believe otherwise. In fact, even “hate crimes” are at all-time lows, leaving far-left groups to resort to creating new categories such as “hate incidents” that are not even crimes. For example, when someone calls someone else a bad name, that can be reported to the SPLC, which would log the tip as a “hate incident,” despite the fact that it is not a crime and law enforcement would not investigate that.

The group successfully lobbied Mastercard to bring their proposal—to set up an internal “human rights committee” to work to shut down payment processing for individuals and organizations determined to be “far-right”—to a vote at the annual Mastercard shareholders meeting, which took place on June 25. However, just 4.8% of shareholders voting at the meeting supported the SumOfUs resolution.

Mastercard had previously voiced skepticism of the proposal, with the board of the company telling shareholders that the company does “not believe that establishing a separate human rights committee is necessary to properly exercise its oversight of this important area,” according to reports.



Despite the setback for SumOfUs, large financial services companies as well as social media giants have already banned or censored conservative and right-wing organizations and activists from utilizing their platforms to spread their message and raise funds online. Even more mainstream independent journalists and broadcasters, such as Alex Jones and Paul Joseph Watson, as well as conservative-leaning organizations including the Proud Boys, have been subjected to this tyrannical agenda to shut down free speech and deplatform those deviating from the politically correct narrative promoted by the dishonest po-

litical and media establishment. AFP has not been immune from attacks, as our readers know.

Others such as conservative comedian Steven Crowder, commentator Milo Yiannopoulos, and Canadian psychologist Jordan Peterson—who spoke recently at the Trilateral Commission’s European Regional Meeting—have been censored and demonetized. Central to that agenda is the deplatforming of demonized individuals and organizations deemed to be “far-right” by groups such as SumOfUs, the ADL, and the SPLC and the restriction of their ability to utilize online payment platforms. ★

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Claims of Concentration Camps for Illegal Aliens Are Debunked

By Mark Anderson

Wild, widespread claims that federal facilities for detaining illegal immigrants are literal “concentration camps” for “torturing kids” are actually based on online photos taken when Barack Obama was in his second term as president.

American actress Nancy Lee Grahn noted on Twitter that the “Trump administration is forcing children [to] sleep on [a] cement floor with an aluminum blanket and lights on all night”—a comment accompanied by a tightly cropped photo of this alleged scenario. But, it turns out, the un-cropped original online photo was date-stamped Aug. 9, 2015. Ms. Grahn spuriously added that unnamed “companies” are “making 750 [dollars] a kid to torture them.”

The caption under the original photo reads: “Images taken from U.S. Customs and Border Protection surveillance video show men wrapped in Mylar thermal blankets in a cell at a Border Patrol holding facility in Tucson, Ariz. in August 2015,” meaning the people in the photo were not children and the blankets were not made of “aluminum.”

A note for Ms. Grahn and any others of her ilk: Human traffickers are making up to \$20,000 a person—men, women, and children—considerably more than they make trafficking drugs, as 30-year Border Patrol veteran Hector Escamilla

confirmed in a speech covered by this AFP writer in April in McAllen, Texas. And the porous U.S. border incentivizes that profiteering, as CBS reporter Sheryl Attkisson acknowledged in a refreshingly candid mainstream report this spring on her Sunday show “Full Measure,” although outlets like AMERICAN FREE PRESS have been saying such things for decades.

This writer, having spent about 12 years reporting near the Texas southern border, can attest to the daunting task faced by the Border Patrol in dealing with often massive onslaughts of people from Central America and about 50 other nations illegally entering the U.S. The border authorities go to great pains to deal with the situation ethically and systematically.

In the Rio Grande Valley sector of Texas alone, thousands of newly apprehended people per day are taken to Catholic respite centers for immediate aid. Then they’re housed and fed in “tent cities” in Donna, Texas and at several other newly installed “cities.” A Central American asylum-seeker near the McAllen respite center claimed to AFP recently that his government encourages people to head to the U.S.

To be sure, individual U.S. border agents at times subject some illegal aliens in their custody to strict treatment, but the record number of people crossing the border—combined with the MS-13 gang members and other dangerous elements that mix in with the caravans—breeds an unpredictable situation that’s bordering on total chaos, even while the Border Patrol waits for more money, manpower, and equipment to prop-



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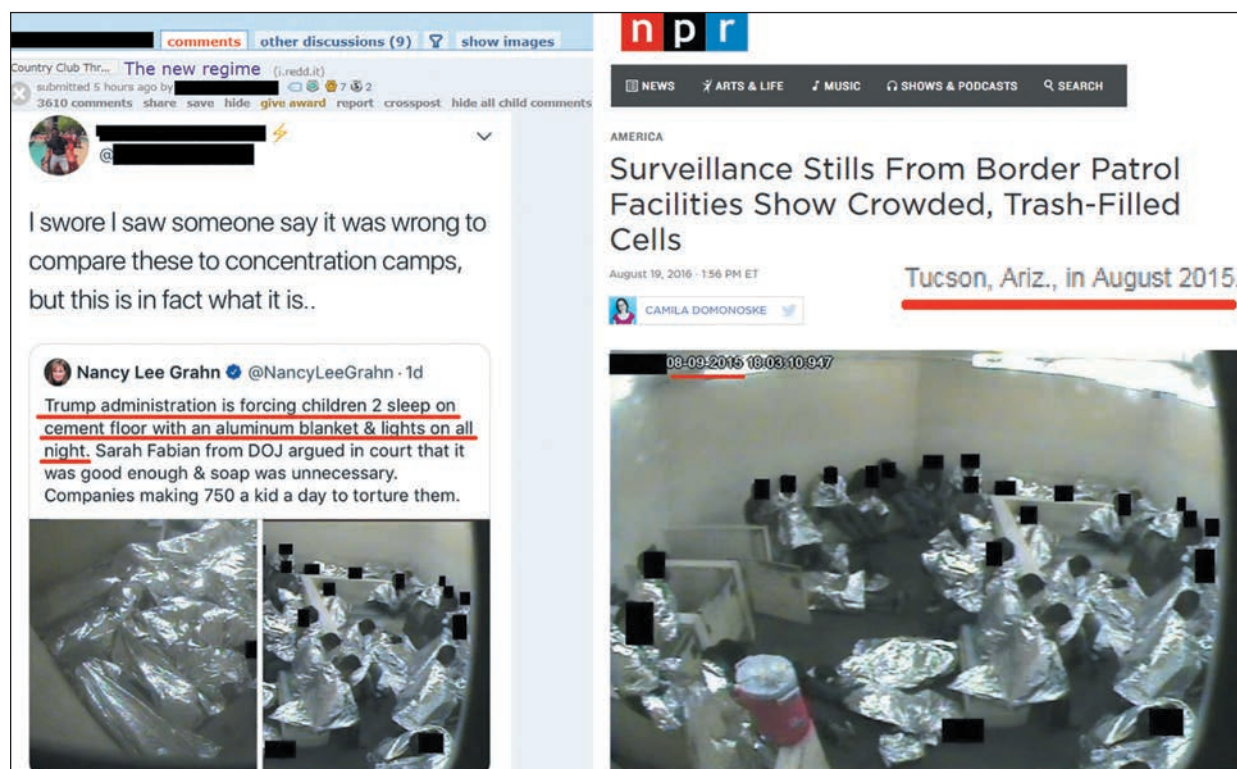
And that job should include empowering border agents to help process asylum claims, as Escamilla suggested. That efficiency measure, combined with assigning more immigration judges to the border, would ease the huge detainment “bottleneck,” increase deportations and reduce the incentive to bus detainees to distant locales in hopes of them returning for their asylum hearings.

President Donald Trump’s threat to place tariffs on imports from Mexico evidently had the desired effect of prodding Mexico to better secure its own southern border to help stem the exodus from Central America, although time will soon testify as to Mexico’s sincerity and whether the Trump administration’s overtures to Central American officials to assist in improving the lives of their own citizens will bear fruit.

Meanwhile, Vice President Mike Pence noted on CBS’s “Face the Nation” June 23 that, besides the fact that the border crisis could be alleviated relatively quickly if congressional Democrats would take constructive action, Trump has “set into motion an internal enforcement effort” to deport those who “have been given due process of law” but are evading authorities.

The *Chicago Tribune*, however, reported on this enforcement effort with the apparent intent of warning immigrants that Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) raids are imminent in 10 cities, including Chicago. Alderman Carlos Ramirez-Rosa and other immigration advocates met with newly elected Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot on June 21 to concoct a scheme to “ask the Chicago Police Department to refuse to work with ICE” and even to “contact local community groups and aldermen if they were notified of any impending enforcement from ICE,” the *Tribune* noted.

But amid the “concentration camp” distraction and the naïve assumption that all asylum-seekers have clean backgrounds and innocent intentions, the big picture emerges. Chicago Mayor Lightfoot, like Rahm Emmanuel before her, just attended the 2019 Forum on Global Cities sponsored by the subversive Chicago Council on Global Affairs—a clear indication that our major cities are part of an ongoing globalist movement that seeks to openly disobey the border laws of the nations they inhabit, *en route* to a world state where borders are mere relics. ★



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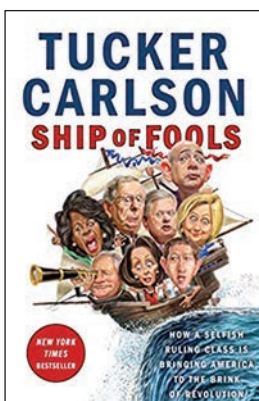
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China Rigs the Game

• Chinese government uses many methods to kill competition

By Rick Manning

All of those who get worked up over negligible increases in U.S. tariffs on Chinese-made goods, please remember this basic fact: China rigs the game by cheating.

China manipulates its currency by artificially pegging it well below the dollar, and devaluing it further to offset tariff impacts, because the Chinese desperately need to maintain their U.S. market share to keep their economy running.

China also steals the intellectual property of U.S. companies and then sells that innovation around the world for pennies on the dollar.

China then dumps products onto the U.S. market with the intent of driving out of business U.S. manufacturers, who are the innovators, so they can be the sole source providers of critical component parts. They not only do this directly from China but also utilize other countries as pass-throughs for Chinese originating goods, as well as steel and aluminum products. This is a big problem for the world.

Sean Keogh, the operations manager of AmTex Machine Products, the largest independent U.S. coupling manufacturer, testified before a congressional committee in May that his company is operating at 35% capacity strictly due to Chinese policies designed to create a pricing disadvantage for his company.

Keough clearly states that the Chinese flooding of the markets with cheap, government subsidized alternatives is not the only threat, as he testified that China also reverse engineers proprietary threads created by his company's heavy investments in research and development.

In his testimony, Keough explained: "The pipe mills and oil and gas engineers invest heavily in research and development to bring these new technologies to challenging drilling and extraction environments. We invest to obtain licenses for those patented designs to produce these semi-premium and premium couplings. Once we obtain the license, we should have the opportunities to sell these couplings globally, but the Chinese have flooded the South American and Middle Eastern markets with their reverse-engineered couplings. As a result, the Chinese government programs are not just impacting their U.S. sales, they are also taking away export markets and our ability to help reduce the U.S. trade deficit."

In clear, unambiguous terms, Keough has made it clear that China cheats, both by flooding markets around the world to create market dominance for their companies and drive competitors out of business, but also by stealing technological innovations from U.S. companies that would allow our nation's manufacturers to win based upon technological superiority.

The Office of the U.S. Trade Representative should use its authority to include pipe couplings in with the steel tariffs, but they also should seek



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all other remedies at their disposal using the international trade court.

Most importantly, as President Donald Trump met his Chinese counterpart at the G-20 meeting in late June, hopefully his team remembered that China continually seeks to interject itself into America's critical industries including our energy extraction sector. This is not friendly competition with an ally, but rather a planned attack designed to create leverage and potentially cripple critical sectors of our economy.

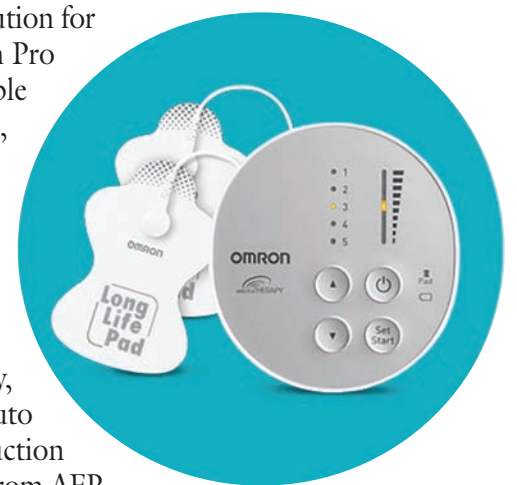
The president is right to insist that China stop manipulating its currency and move to protect intellectual property rights, but it is equally important that he remember President Ronald Reagan's credo when dealing with the former Soviet Union, to "trust but verify." ★

— Rick Manning is the president of Americans for Limited Government.

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Leading UFO Expert Dies at 84

• Stanton Friedman was highly respected believer in extraterrestrial visitors

By S.T. Patrick

Santon Friedman, one of the foremost UFOlogists in the world, died in Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada on May 13. Friedman was a giant in the field of UFOlogy and entered the field as a working nuclear physicist, having graduated with bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Chicago. As an academician and scientist in a field known for eccentrics, Friedman worked to bring legitimacy to the study of unidentified flying objects.

Friedman's rise in national popularity coincided with that of Art Bell's radio program "Coast to Coast AM." Friedman was a frequent guest of Bell and quickly became a listener favorite. There was a wave of attention being paid to UFOs in the mid- to late-1990s. Friedman rode that wave by publishing what are now considered two of the seminal books in the field: *Top Secret/MAJIC* (1996) and *Crash at Corona: The Definitive Story of the Roswell Incident* (1997). Friedman was the leading civilian investigator on the 1947 UFO crash near Roswell, N.M. and spent a career studying the case, unearthing supporting documentation and interviewing key witnesses.

Top Secret/MAJIC concerns Friedman's experience with and the history of the Majestic-12 documents, which Friedman and fellow UFOlogists Jaime Shandera and Bill Moore first received in 1984. The eight pages of documents purported to show how the government covered up the Roswell investigation. To do so and to deal with similar future events, President Harry Truman had authorized the creation of a top-secret committee of 12. Debate over the validity of the documents and the existence of Majestic-12 has raged since the story was made public.

Like Art Bell, former CNN host Larry King had a keen interest in UFOs. When King would or-



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ganize his highly rated UFO specials, Friedman was one of the first calls King's staff made.

While Friedman had a calm, pleasant demeanor that made him a favorite of conference organizers worldwide, he was not above dissenting against some of the most consequential stories and personalities in the field. Along with KLAS-TV reporter George Knapp, Bob Lazar is the man most responsible for making "Area 51" a household name. Lazar claims to have back-engineered alien craft during a brief stint at the even-more-secret S-4 facility outside Area 51. While Knapp has always garnered a well-earned degree of credibility, Friedman believed Lazar

was a "fraud," and said so often. Friedman intensely questioned Lazar's reported educational and scientific backgrounds as the basis of his critique, and he wasn't alone. Lazar's story remains one of the lightning rods in UFOlogy, a notoriously fractured community.

Friedman was also very critical of SETI, an organization that monitors electromagnetic radiation for transmissions from outer space. SETI's position is that extraterrestrials do exist, but that they are "out there" and have not been to Earth. Friedman termed SETI the "Silly Effort To Investigate."

According to a 20th Century Fox survey, 47% of Americans believe in aliens and 39% believe they have visited Earth. A similar poll taken in 2015 by Ipsos reported that 45% of Americans believed in UFOs. Friedman was a leading proponent of the idea that nearly half of Americans believe is a reality.

Friend and co-author Kathleen Marden said of Friedman: "He went further than most researchers in that he did on-site investigations. He went to actual physical archives to do his research. He was an outstanding researcher, highly intelligent, and had a great sense of humor."

As reported in the first issue of *Deep Truth Journal*, Friedman officially retired last year. Yet, his daughter told newspapers that he kept taking engagements because "he loved talking about UFOs." Friedman has appeared more than any speaker at the conferences of the Mutual UFO Network. Fittingly, he died of a heart attack at Toronto Pearson Airport, returning home from a speaking engagement in Ohio.

Friedman was 84. ★

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Claims 'Russiagate' Is Watergate Are Bunk

- President Trump has committed no impeachable crimes

By Patrick J. Buchanan

“History is repeating itself, and with a vengeance,” John Dean told the judiciary committee, drawing a parallel between Watergate, which brought down Richard Nixon, and “Russiagate,” which has bedeviled Donald Trump. But what strikes this veteran of Nixon’s White House is not the similarities but the stark differences.

Watergate began with an actual crime, a midnight break-in at the offices of the DNC in June 1972 to wiretap phones and filch files, followed by a cover-up that spread into the inner circles of the White House.

Three years after FBI Director James Comey began the investigation of Trump, however, the final report of his successor, Robert Mueller, found there had been no conspiracy, no collusion, and no underlying crime.

How can Trump be guilty of covering up a crime the special counsel says he did not commit?

And the balance of power today in D.C. is not as lopsided as it was in 1973-1974.

During Watergate, Nixon had little support in a city where the elites, the press, the Democratic Congress, and the liberal bureaucracy labored in earnest to destroy him. Nixon had few of what Pat Moynihan called “second and third echelons of advocacy.”

Contrast this with Trump, a massive presence on social media, whose tweets, daily interactions with the national press, and rallies keep his enemies constantly responding to his attacks rather than making their case.

Trump interrupts their storytelling. And behind Trump is a host of defenders at Fox News

and some of the top radio talk show hosts operating in the United States.

There are pro-Trump websites that did not exist in Nixon’s time, home to populist and conservative columnists and commentators full of fight.

Leftists may still dominate mainstream media, but their unconcealed hatred of Trump and the one-sided character of their coverage has cost them much of the credibility they had half a century ago. The media are seen as militant partisans masquerading as journalists.

Consider the respective calendars.

Two years after the Watergate break-in, Nixon was near the end, about to be impeached by the House with conviction possible in the Senate.

Three years into Russiagate, three in four House Democrats do not want their caucus to take up impeachment. Many of these Democrats, especially moderates from swing districts, do not want to cast a vote to either bring down or exonerate the president.

Assume the House did take up impeachment. Would all the Democrats vote aye? Does anyone think a Republican Senate would deliver the needed 20 votes to provide a two-thirds majority to convict and remove him?

For a Republican Senate to split asunder and vote to expel its own Republican president who is supported by the vast majority of the party would be suicidal. It could cost the GOP both houses of Congress and the White House in 2020. Why would Republicans not prefer to unite and fight to the end, just as Senate Democrats did during the Clinton impeachment?

Trump’s support in the Republican caucus in the Senate today is rock solid. Speaker Nancy Pelosi is herself opposed to impeachment hearings in the House, considering them ruinous to her party’s hopes of maintaining control in 2020.

When Dean went before the Watergate com-



JOHN DEAN

mittee of Sen. Sam Ervin in 1973, all five days of his testimony were carried live on ABC, CBS, and NBC.

When Dean appeared Monday, the three cable news networks swiftly dropped coverage of the judiciary committee hearings to report on a helicopter crash in mid-Manhattan. Dean’s testimony could be seen on C-SPAN3.

Much of America is bored by the repetitive, nonstop media attacks on Trump, and look on the back-and-forth between left and right not as a “constitutional crisis” but as a savage battle between parties and partisans.

The impeachers who seek to bring down Trump face other problems.

Now that Mueller has spent two years and found no evidence of a Trump-Putin conspiracy to hack the emails of the DNC and Clinton campaign, questions have arisen as to what the evidence was that caused the FBI to launch its unprecedented investigation of a presidential campaign and a newly elected president.

Did an anti-Trump cabal at the apex of the FBI and U.S. security agencies work with foreign intelligence, including former British spy Christopher Steele, to destroy Trump?

The political dynamic of Trump’s taunts and defiance of the demands of committee chairs in a Democratic House, and the clamor for impeachment from the Democratic and media left are certain to produce more calls for hearings.

But if the impeachment hearings come, they will be seen for what they are: An attempted coup to overthrow a president by the losers of 2016 who are fearful they could lose again in 2020 and be out of power for four more years.

Russiagate is not Watergate, but there is this similarity: Nixon and Trump are both the objects of a truly great hatred. ★

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If Trump Can't Do It, I'll Vote for Someone Who Can

It seems that President Donald Trump has been unwilling to do what must be done to stop illegal immigration. On the campaign trail, he promised that he would build a wall and make Mexico pay for it by taxing the money immigrants send back to their native countries. Obviously, this has yet to happen, as Congress recently passed a bill to fund, among other things, portions of the wall on our southern border. Why should U.S. taxpayers have to pay for this? That's not what Trump told voters. More and more, it seems like Trump is doing what he did in real estate: oversell and then underperform. The problem is, that won't work with voters. We want results, or we want a new candidate who actually has the strength and resolve to carry out his promises to the American people.

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Of all the multi-billionaire technology founders, Bill Gates stands in a class by himself as demonstrating responsible and mature action. He has made it clear that most of his colossal fortune will be donated not to his children but to his foundation. He is interested in the history of ideas and science, and he is using his foundation's money not for nonsensical goals, such as establishing a colony on Mars, but rather to improve life on Earth. Gates represents the very best that enlightened modern capitalism has to offer.

Gates has also accurately predicted that the Western world faces the possibility of a total economic collapse in the near future unless massive economic reforms are

made. It is unlikely that any of the two-dozen nincompoops presently running in the Democratic primary are capable of getting elected or, if elected, of getting correct legislation passed into law.

Joe Biden, while strong today, will probably be forced to drop out of the race when the mainstream media finally decides to focus attention on the incredible events that occurred in Beijing in December 2013, which have thus far been hushed up by the mainstream media. As eminent investigative journalist Peter Schweizer proved, Biden devised an implicit *quid pro quo* in which he solicited a bribe from the politburo-controlled Bank of China, made payable to his son Hunter Biden's firm, in exchange for official action—and Biden double-crossed the Pentagoners, giving the Chinese military the green light to go full speed ahead in building up and militarizing seven coral reefs by the Spratly Islands. If Schweizer is hired by *Time* magazine as a senior editor, this will all be exposed, and Biden will be gone.

Letters

Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.) has some decent ideas but has a strident, unlikable personality that turns many men and women off. If she receives the nomination, she would lose the general election in Hillary Clinton fashion. As for Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Va.), there is no way a politician who describes himself as a "socialist" can ever be elected to the presidency.

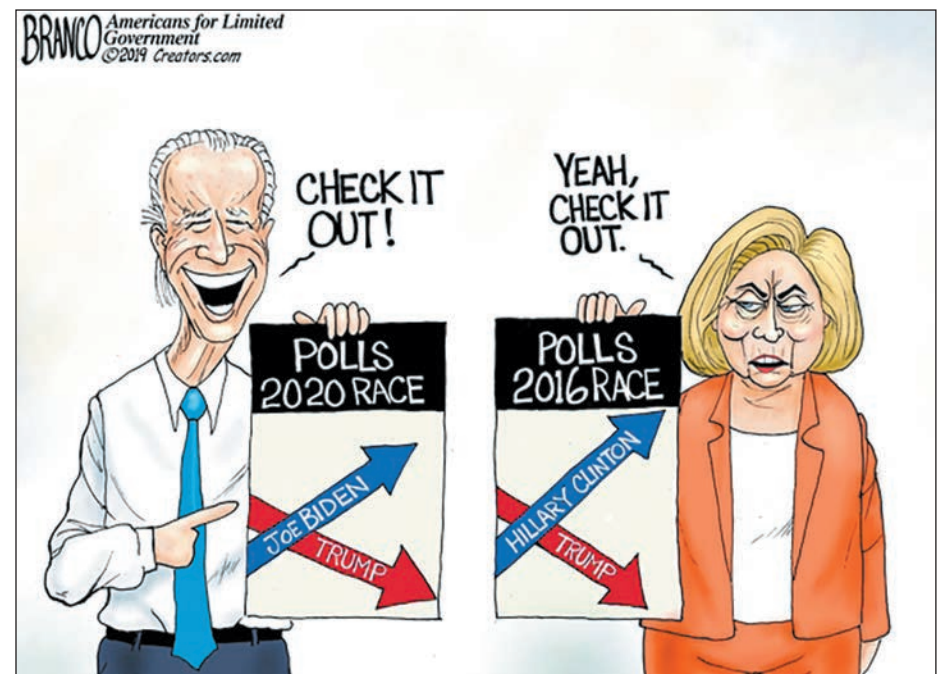
The only candidate who can defeat Donald Trump in the general election is someone who is 1) a male, 2) white, 3) "normal" sexually—that is, straight—and 4) not from the coastal elites. He has to be either a southerner or from the heartland, and there are only two Democrats who have those characteristics.

Al Gore, from the great southern state of Tennessee, is one. A winner of the Nobel prize, Gore is six years younger than Biden.

The other contender is political economist and law professor William K. Black, based in Harry Truman's Kansas City. Born and raised in America's heartland, Detroit, Mich., he has emphasized the necessity of retaining and expanding America's industrial base. During the 1980s, as a federal prosecutor, he singlehandedly masterminded the successful prosecution of almost 1,000 savings and loan swindlers. Black, who is eight years younger than Biden, will also have some appeal to followers of Sanders.

We write to suggest to Gates that, if he desires that Trump be defeated in 2020 and replaced, he ought to consider sponsoring either Gore or Black in the primaries. We suggest that Gates contact both Gore and Black and arrange a meeting with all three men together. If Gore has absolutely decided that he has retired from politics for good, then perhaps Black can be persuaded, kicking and screaming, to run for the highest office. How about it?

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