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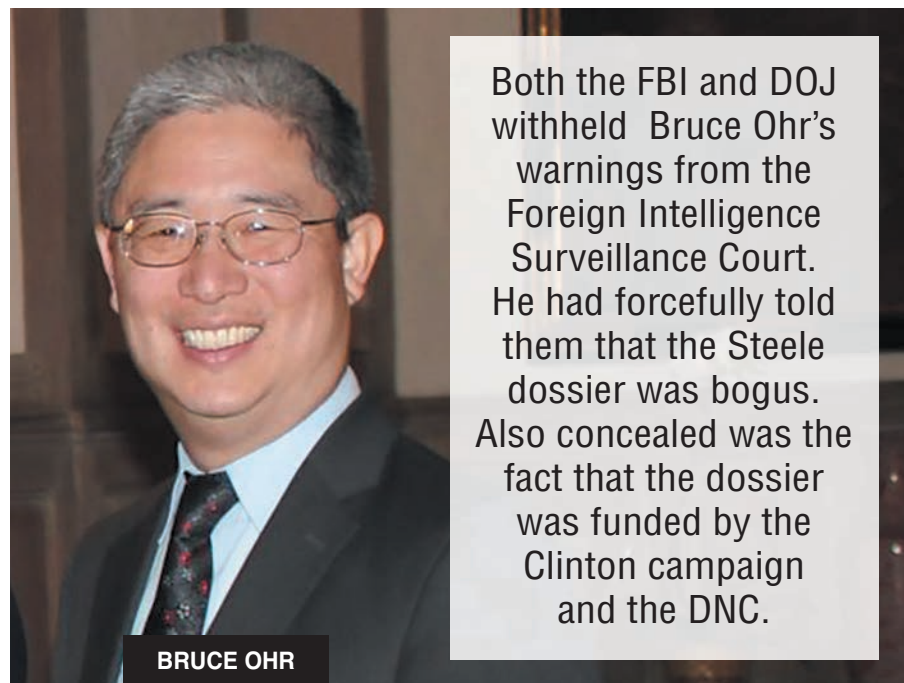
DOCUMENTS EXPOSE FBI WITCH-HUNT

- Judge finally gets DOJ, FBI to release “302 reports”
- Comey was running illegal op against Trump

By Donald Jeffries

Newly released FBI and Department of Justice (DOJ) documents reveal that James Comey’s FBI was running a secret counterintelligence effort against the Trump presidential campaign in the summer of 2016 while repeatedly deceiving the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court (FISC) by wiretapping a Trump campaign associate.

FBI Director Christopher Wray’s efforts to obstruct and obfuscate for the past year, in the face of a federal lawsuit, ultimately failed. A federal court ordered the FBI and Justice Department to produce what are referred to as “302 reports,” summarizing FBI interviews conducted with former top DOJ official Bruce Ohr. The “302 reports” reveal, among other things, that Ohr had warned the FBI and DOJ repeatedly that ex-British spy Christopher Steele was extremely biased against



BRUCE OHR

Both the FBI and DOJ withheld Bruce Ohr’s warnings from the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court. He had forcefully told them that the Steele dossier was bogus. Also concealed was the fact that the dossier was funded by the Clinton campaign and the DNC.

Donald Trump, the target of their investigation.

The infamous Steele dossier, which included the lurid allegations that Trump had participated in perverted sexual activities, was the pri-

mary basis for the counterintelligence campaign against Trump, launched by Obama administration officials on July 31, 2016. Both the FBI and DOJ withheld from the FISC these warnings of bias and unverified information. Also concealed was the fact that the Steele dossier had been funded by the Hillary Clinton campaign and the Democratic National Committee. This highly unreliable dossier also triggered the surveillance warrant against former Trump campaign advisor Carter Page.

Although the FBI fired Steele for

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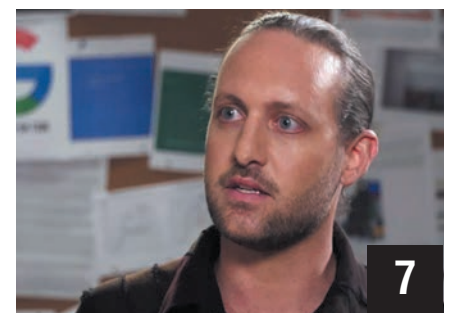
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Radical Leftists Commit Most Political Violence

Shortly before a demonstration promoting free speech kicked off in downtown Portland, Ore. on Aug. 17, President Donald Trump tweeted, “Major consideration is being given to naming antifa an ‘organization of terror.’ Portland is being watched very closely. Hopefully the mayor will be able to properly do his job!”

We at AMERICAN FREE PRESS have been following political violence on the part of the radical left very closely for a number of reasons, first and foremost being that the goal of antifa has always been to quash Americans’ right to free speech and assembly—a right we believe to be critical to our great country just as our Founding Fathers did.

A little background is important here. It actually has already been proven that antifa is a domestic terrorist organization, given its long history of violence for political purposes. What is standing in the way of that designation, however, is support from powerful groups and people on the left including the majority of the mainstream media, which continues to downplay, explain away, and even apologize for the violent acts committed by this group.

Individuals associated with antifa have carried out attacks on federal facilities. A mass murderer connected to antifa in Dayton, Ohio, killed multiple people including his transgender sibling. They have attacked journalists without cause, sending one prominent filmmaker—who happens to be gay and the son of Vietnamese immigrants—to the hospital with a brain bleed.

Meanwhile, far-left members of Congress like Reps. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-N.Y.), Rashida Tlaib (D-Mich.), Ayanna Pressley (D-

Mass.), and Ilhan Omar (D-Minn.) would never denounce them.

Rep. Maxine Waters (D-Calif) went so far as to entertain violent leftist Joseph Alcott. Alcott is currently in prison, facing felony charges after he and a cowardly group of about a dozen antifa-affiliated individuals attacked two Marines in Philadelphia, one of whom is Hispanic.

And one doesn’t have to look very hard to find examples of this from the likes of CNN, MSNBC, *The Washington Post*, and *The New York Times*. CNN hosts Chris Cuomo and Don Lemon have repeatedly defended antifa live on the air.

NBC host Chuck Todd went so far as to invite antifa apologist Mark Bray on his Sunday morning talk show “Meet the Press” to explain why antifa’s violence is “ethical.”

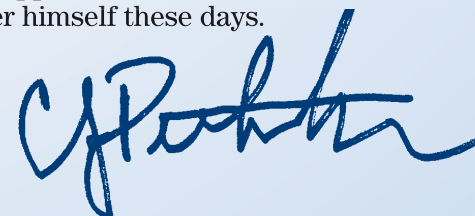
The *Post* and the *Times* have both editorialized that it’s “okay to punch Nazis,” even though they never tell you these so-called “Nazis” are actually conservatives who advocate free markets, free speech, and capitalism.

These useful idiots—to borrow a term, appropriately enough, coined by none other than Lenin—go so far as to blame the targets of antifa’s violence, claiming that conservatives like Ben Shapiro, Ann Coulter, and Milo Yiannopoulos deserve it because of their “racist,” “fascist” language. The irony is lost—or just ignored—that many of antifa’s main targets are actually members of otherwise protected classes in the United States. Shapiro is Jewish after all. Coulter is a woman and is currently dating a liberal Jewish New York Democrat. Yiannopoulos dresses up in women’s clothes, is gay, and is “married” to a

black man. In antifa’s twisted logic, the simple fact that they are all on the right of the political spectrum justifies antifa’s violent targeting.

Contrast that with the breathless reports about the threat posed by “right-wing” violence and terrorism. Groups like the ADL and the Southern Poverty Law Center have saturated the airwaves with the bogus assertion that “white supremacists” and “white nationalists” are the leading threat in the country today—a claim that AFP writer John Friend debunks in his article on pages 22-23 in this week’s issue.

The truth is, the left is behind much of the political violence in the country today, but you’d never know that if you only relied on the big media. Circling back to the protest in Portland on Aug. 17, were it not for the Internet—and AMERICAN FREE PRESS—the world would be clueless about the brutal attacks that went on there, all of which were carried out at the hands of radical leftists associated with antifa. According to multiple sources, including the mayor’s office in Portland—which had the audacity to claim the rally was peaceful—there were no reports of violence targeting innocent people by the conservative Proud Boys or Patriot Prayer—a shocking admission, given that we conservatives are supposed to be the reincarnation of Adolf Hitler himself these days. ★



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News You May Have Missed

Foreign Aid Handouts Chopped

President Donald Trump is taking a hatchet to foreign aid, cutting nearly 10% of taxpayer dollars that are handed out to foreign governments annually. Washington, D.C. daily *Politico* reports that the cuts will total more than \$4 billion and will include a \$2.3 billion cut to foreign grants and a \$2 billion cut to the State Department. It is nearly impossible to calculate all the handouts given by Washington, but estimates place the total around \$50 billion every year.

Tough Tariff Medicine

President Donald Trump continues to put the screws to foreign nations that have been taking advantage of the United States for decades thanks to the free traders in Washington, D.C. According to reports, manufacturing powerhouses Germany and China are both taking it on the chin, with the German economy heading toward recession and Chinese industry reporting a massive downturn. There is no doubt that U.S. farmers have been hurt by the current trade war, but economic nationalists remain hopeful that the U.S. will eventually come out stronger as a result of the tough medicine.

Debt Explosion

According to the non-partisan Congressional Budget Office (CBO), the federal government will rack up \$12.2 trillion in deficits through 2029. That is an \$809 billion increase from its projection in May. CBO made the announcement on Aug. 20, noting that the deficits would average 4.7% of GDP through the next decade, a significant increase from the 2.9% average over the past 50 years.

U.S. Debt Is Astronomical

AS AMERICAN FREE PRESS goes to press on Aug. 22, the U.S. national debt topped \$22.03 trillion. In 2018, the U.S. gross domestic product (GDP) stood at just over \$21 trillion.

Shelter for Battered Women Sued

A Christian women's shelter in Anchorage, Alaska won an initial victory in court recently after it had been targeted by activists for refusing admittance to a biological male, who said he was female. According to reports, the case rose to prominence in January 2018, when police brought a "trans-woman" identified as "Jessie Doe" to Hope Center women's shelter. Doe reportedly smelled of alcohol, behaved in an agitated manner, and had an open wound above one eye. The shelter's director declined to admit Doe, citing a rule that forbids the admission of individuals who are under the influence of alcohol. Doe was promptly sent to a local hospital where he received medical treatment. Doe then sued, accusing the women's

shelter of discriminating against him because he claimed to be a woman. "Downtown Hope Center serves everyone, but women deserve a safe place to stay overnight," said lawyer Kate Anderson, who defended the shelter. "No woman—particularly not an abuse survivor—should be forced to sleep or disrobe next to a man. The court's order will allow the center to continue in its duty to protect the vulnerable women it serves while this lawsuit moves forward."

Orphaned Baby Gets Hate Mail

The family of a two-month-old baby, who was pictured recently in the arms of First Lady Melania Trump, has reportedly been receiving death threats from unhinged left-wing activists. The baby, who lost both parents in the El Paso, Texas mass murder, was seen in the photo along with family members and President Donald



Trump. Tito Anchondo, who is Hispanic and is the infant's uncle, told the *Houston Chronicle*, "We should be coming together as a country at this time instead of threatening each other with hate messages."

Left Eats Its Own

Vulgar comedian Sarah Silverman admitted earlier in August that she was fired from a movie after an old picture of her in blackface surfaced on the Internet. To her credit, Silverman, who is a liberal, has complained about so-called "cancel culture," where activists on the Internet dredge up people's past indiscretions for the purpose of shaming them or getting them fired. "It's like, if you're not on board, if you say the wrong thing, if you had a tweet once, everyone is, like, throwing the first stone," Silverman said. "It's so odd. It's a perversion. It's really, 'Look how righteous I am and now I'm going to press refresh all day long to see how many likes I get in my righteousness.'"

Massive Support for Joke Petition

Conservative news and commentary website "Daily Wire" reports a spoof online petition has been circulating among college students in America to ban the iconic white stick figure in "walk" signals on busy streets, because it is "offensive" and "oppressive." The joke petition states, "As we

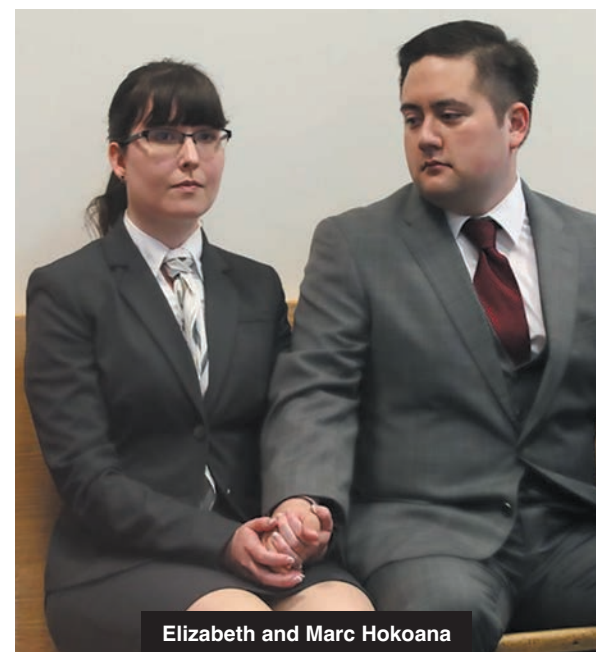
students cross the street, we are told by the symbol of a white man when it is okay to cross. . . . Many students from diverse backgrounds, including individuals of color, gender fluid individuals, and LGBTQA+ individuals, feel oppressed by this." The problem is, many students don't realize it's a joke and are now agitating to have the white stickman removed. So far, 54% of students support the petition with many commenting that they agree with it.

Unbelievable Dereliction of Duty

In a scathing letter to President Donald Trump obtained by Fox News, the Office of Special Counsel (OSC) announced that, for years, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has simply ignored the law and endangered the public by failing to comply with federal regulations that mandate the collection of DNA samples from detained immigrants. "Non-compliance with the law," added OSC, "has allowed subjects subsequently accused of violent crimes, including homicide and sexual assault, to elude detection even when detained multiple times by CBP or Immigration and Customs Enforcement."

Leftist Shot, Jury Hung

A trial in Seattle of a couple accused of assaulting anti-fascist protesters at a 2017 University of Washington event recently ended in deadlock as jury deliberations broke down, reported *The Seattle Times*. A liberal juror named "Luke" whined to the *Times* that other jurors had sympathized with Marc and Elizabeth Hokoana and favored acquittal. They believed that Elizabeth acted reasonably when she shot far-left antifa-affiliated Joshua Phelan Dukes in the abdomen as Dukes attacked her husband. The trial had already dragged on for five weeks and the jury had deliberated almost seven days before alerting the judge in mid-August that they were hopelessly deadlocked. Prosecutors have not decided whether they will retry the couple.



Elizabeth and Marc Hokoana

FBI Sees ‘Security Threat’ in Conspiracy Research

By S.T. Patrick

It was once said that the “slippery slope” argument—the idea that a small negative action will subsequently lead to larger, more significant actions—was a logical fallacy. Yet, in terms of labeling groups as “terrorists,” the post-9/11 fear factor that had citizens demanding closer scrutiny of other citizens has now led the FBI to consider “conspiracy theorists” to be potential domestic terror threats.

“Yahoo! News” uncovered the 15-page FBI document from the Phoenix field office (dated May 30, 2019) that linked “conspiracy-theory-driven domestic extremists” to a growing threat of violence. As stated in the report, “The FBI assesses these conspiracy theories very likely will emerge, spread, and evolve in the modern information marketplace, occasionally driving both groups and individual extremists to carry out criminal or violent acts.” The document boasts proudly that it is the first such report to make that link.

Verbosely titled “Anti-Government, Identity Based, and Fringe Political Conspiracy Theories Very Likely Motivate Some Domestic Extremists to Commit Criminal, Sometimes Violent Activity,” the report specifically mentions the QAnon and Pizzagate theories, both of which are followed most closely, though not exclusively, by the political right.

QAnon has been the low-hanging fruit of conspiracy criticism for close to three years. At times pushing ideas as titillating as mass arrests of pedo-criminals and as bizarre as John F. Kennedy Jr. faking his own death only to reemerge as Q, himself, the QAnon hoards are large, loud, and defensive. The mass arrests, prophesied as unfulfillingly as a pastor predicting the moment the world will end, have never come, and the defense has wavered from, “Just wait, just wait,” to,

“Americans couldn’t sleep at night if their government crumbled like that all at once.” Believers in QAnon are easy targets; Pizzagate has recently become trickier.

Pizzagate, according to the FBI report, is the theory that “high-ranking Democratic officials are or were involved in a child sex trafficking ring centered at the Comet Ping Pong pizza restaurant in Washington D.C.” The theory peaked in 2016 and its reach had lessened throughout conspiracy circles—at least until the recent arrest of the late Jeffrey Epstein. With news of high-powered politicians, attorneys, and entertainers being frequent visitors to Epstein’s private island, a child sex trafficking ring catering to elite clients doesn’t seem so far-fetched. The FBI report was written before Epstein was arrested.

AFP readers, however, knew decades ago, via the work of ex-FBI official Ted Gunderson, what so many others did not: that child sex trafficking—many times involving high-profile political figures—has been a real problem for a long time in America. The reporting on this subject done by AFP, and *The Spotlight* before it, was scoffed at by the mainstream media, just as they ridiculed Jim Tucker’s reporting on the Bilderberg group before the entire world finally caught on and now accepts these meetings as “conspiracy fact.”

It’s the classic *modus operandi* of the controlled press and the high-level criminals themselves to deny, deny, deny until mass public awareness forces the truth out into the light of day.

The FBI danced softly around the dangers of theories such as Russiagate, a left-leaning conspiracy theory—invented and promoted by Deep State officials in the U.S. government itself—that has been proven false. Part of the immediacy of the threat, the report said, is “the uncovering of real conspiracies or cover-ups involving illegal, harmful, or unconstitutional activities by government officials or leading political figures.”

Real conspiracies by government officials?



The QAnon conspiracy—that a high-level government insider is working against the Deep State—has generated so much attention that the FBI has become concerned.

Written in the heart of the Trump presidency and only specifically naming right-leaning conspiracy theories is a way for the FBI to say, “QAnon and Pizzagate are dangerous and crazy and cause criminal anger, but going after government officials on bogus theories such as Russiagate is valid. It causes outrage, yes, but it’s rightful outrage.”

For the FBI, violence committed by conspiracy theorists is a new category of domestic terrorism altogether. Who are the chief suspects? People who “attempt to explain events or circumstances as the result of a group of actors working in secret to benefit themselves at the expense of others” and who are “usually at odds with official or prevailing explanations of events.” They could be lumped in to the “anti-government/anti-authority extremism” category that does already exist, but this is faulty for the FBI. The Bureau wanted a category to exist alone, knowing that every theory isn’t anti-government. The FBI believes “conspiratorial extremism”—if there is such an animal—does not necessarily have to be anti-government.

The obvious problem is that of finding and proving a direct correlation. Is someone who believes FDR had foreknowledge about Pearl Harbor a dangerous person? Further, does a criminal act committed by a QAnon or Pizzagate devotee occur because of their belief in either theory? If they cite a theory as the impetus for their acts, then, yes, a correlation exists. But if they do not, the FBI appears willing to invent the correlation.

The FBI is protecting the precious narrative that Americans should believe in the systems that the elites have spent billions to build and have worked decades to protect. But those systems are crumbling under the weight of the elite’s own selfish, dishonest, criminal behaviors. Most conspiracy theories are honest searches for truth, leveled at times when the public has grown tired of the Orwellian propaganda that they are fed daily by the MSM and their government. In this report, the FBI has made potential criminals out of those who search for truth. ★

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Judge Forces FBI, DOJ to Reveal Truth

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leaking and lying to the media, both the FBI and the DOJ represented Steele as “reliable” to the judge. The court was also never informed that Ohr’s wife, an employee of Fusion GPS, had participated in the anti-Trump efforts. Ohr had revealed his wife’s employer to Congress, because, in his words, “I wanted the FBI to be aware of any possible bias.”

On July 5, 2016, Comey announced, during a nationally televised press conference, that Hillary Clinton had been exonerated of any crimes for her mishandling of thousands of classified documents. On the same day she was cleared by Comey, the campaign against Trump officially began.

At almost the same time as Comey made his announcement, a representative from Comey’s FBI, Agent Michal Gaeta, was meeting in London with Steele, who revealed the contents of his initial June 20, 2016 “dossier” memo to the agent. Gaeta was stunned by the dossier, and declared, “I have to report this to headquarters.” Later that month, on July 30, Ohr met with Steele at Washington, D.C.’s Mayflower Hotel, resulting in Ohr arranging a meeting with FBI Deputy Director Andrew McCabe and Lisa Page, a lawyer for the Bureau who worked directly with Gaeta.

The 302 reports corroborate Ohr’s secret congressional testimony, when he told lawmakers that he had specifically counseled both McCabe



Did the Clinton Campaign and the Democratic National Committee break any laws?

and Page that the information in the “dossier” was highly dubious and driven by Steele’s hatred for Trump. At one point during his testimony, the transcript reveals Ohr saying, “I told them that Steele was desperate that Donald Trump not get elected.” He also pointedly told the FBI duo to consider that it was the Clinton campaign that was financially underwriting the dossier, which should obviously undermine its credibility given the inherent political motives. Ohr testified that he cautioned them, “These guys were hired by somebody . . . who’s related to the Clinton campaign.”

After his July 30 meeting with Steele, Ohr

shared the same information with three DOJ prosecutors. Two of them, Andrew Weissmann and Zainab Ahmad, were later hired by Robert Mueller as part of his team that escalated the investigation of Trump beyond the FBI and DOJ. Instead of investigating Clinton and her confederates, the FBI used the Steele dossier to target Trump despite a lack of any credible evidence.

Ohr also shared his impressions of the dossier with Peter Strzok and Joe Pientka of the FBI. The 302 reports also show that Comey and his FBI kept using Steele as a confidential source even after he’d been fired by the Bureau. Steele fed the FBI his fanciful reports through May of 2017, months after the inauguration of Donald Trump. The FBI actually set up an “information laundering scheme,” whereby the bogus information would pass through a series of hands, in order to obscure Steele as the original source. While all this was going on, James Comey kept reassuring Trump that he wasn’t being investigated.

John Solomon of *The Hill* reported that the FBI had developed a “spread-sheet like document,” 90% of which lacked any proof. When James Comey was fired, he helped to spark the special counsel investigation headed by Robert Mueller, which certainly appears to have been the second part of a genuine witch hunt against Trump.

None of this Deep State chicanery appears to have anything to do with “Russia.” ★

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Charlottesville Named in Lawsuit for Violating First Amendment

By John Friend

Jason Kessler, a civil rights advocate and leading organizer of the Unite the Right rally, recently filed a federal lawsuit against several officials representing the City of Charlottesville and one Virginia State Police lieutenant for violating his First Amendment rights during the August 2017 rally.

The lawsuit names several leading officials from Charlottesville, including City Manager Tarron Richardson, former City Manager Maurice Jones, and former Police Chief Al Thomas, as well as the city itself, along with Virginia State Police Lt. Becky Cannis-Curl, as defendants, alleging these individuals engaged in or acquiesced to a “hecklers veto” when they allowed radical left-wing counter-protesters to disrupt the legally scheduled rally and prevent Kessler and others from exercising their free speech rights protected by the First Amendment.

On the day of the rally, Unite the Right organizers, speakers, and attendees were unable to carry out the pre-planned, legally sanctioned rally after state officials first declared a state of emergency followed by city officials declaring the event an unlawful assembly and shutting the rally down. State and local officials have been heavily criticized for not protecting the First Amendment rights of Unite the Right organizers and speakers and for allowing radical left-wing counter-protesters to attack attendees and disrupt the event.

The lawsuit also includes David Matthew Parrott, a former leading official with the now defunct Traditionalist Worker Party, as a plaintiff along with Kessler. Parrott’s organization played a leading role in helping organize the rally, and several of its members participated—or attempted to participate before it was disrupted and shut down—in the rally.

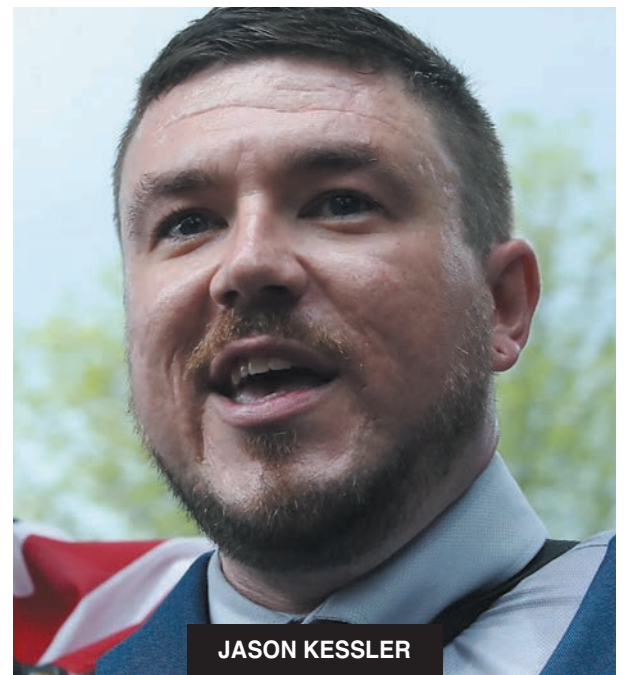
A previous federal lawsuit, also filed by Kessler and several other plaintiffs against key officials in

Charlottesville, was withdrawn earlier this year. The new federal lawsuit, which only names Kessler and Parrott as defendants, was filed on Aug. 12—the two-year anniversary of the rally.

“The purpose of the lawsuit is to cut through the media distortion and show objectively in a court of law that the majority of Unite the Right demonstrators were law-abiding citizens who came from around the country and around the world simply to have their rights violated by government oppression,” Kessler explained to this reporter in a recent interview.

Mainstream media reports, dishonest journalists, and left-wing activists have attempted to portray the Unite the Right organizers and attendees as the instigators of violence that fateful day, an allegation that simply does not stand up to scrutiny. State and local officials—including then-Chief Thomas—encouraged the chaos, mayhem, and violence that occurred by failing to separate the Unite the Right attendees and the radical left-wing counter-protesters. Chief Thomas and other officials were looking for a justification to declare the event an unlawful assembly and shut it down.

“As we were approaching Lee Park to attend the rally, we were funneled by the police down Market Street into a carefully set trap,” Brad Griffin, a leading activist who attended the rally, recently wrote in reflecting on the two-year anniversary of the sabotaged rally. “Antifa and other counter-protesters were allowed to block the entrance of the park. Instead of separating the Unite the Right protesters from antifa and clearing an entrance into the park so that anyone who wanted to attend the rally could have done so safely, the police barricaded themselves and stood by and watched as violence predictably broke out. After the first street fights began, they left the scene and returned in riot gear, declared a ‘state of emergency’ and pushed the protesters and counter-protesters together as they cleared Lee Park. The event was thrown into chaos and groups of protesters dispersed in all directions with small groups of antifa following them and fights breaking out as people were trying to re-



JASON KESSLER

turn to their cars.”

The lawsuit outlines a recent history of violence, political intimidation, and criminality carried out by antifa groups and other radical left-wing counter-protesters and details that local and state officials knew exactly what to expect from the left at the rally. Local officials had been briefed by regional law enforcement authorities prior to the rally on the threat antifa and the radical left posed, yet precautions were not made to prevent the violence from unfolding.

“This is a case that goes to the heart of the First Amendment,” Kessler noted. “With the ACLU declining to defend offensive speech going forward, that leaves a gaping hole in First Amendment law where precedent may be on the books but there are no attorneys willing to defend [free speech]. It is absolutely imperative that citizens, like myself, stand up to affirm our rights. Private citizens are now called upon to become the last line of defense against tyranny.”

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Former Congressman and current Fox News contributor Jason Chaffetz explains how we ended up with a politicized federal bureaucracy that actively works to promote the Democrat Party agenda and undermine Donald Trump. The liberal media loves to characterize the Obama years as free of scandal. They pretend this is true because virtually every office in the executive branch worked to withhold evidence of wrongdoing, silence witness testimony, destroy federal records, classify embarrassing information, and retaliate against truth tellers. Yet these same tight-lipped lifers leaked like a sieve once President Trump was sworn in, freely promoting the illusion that everything he does is the new Watergate. Hardback, 256 pages, \$29 plus \$6 S&H inside the U.S. from AFP, 117 La Grange Avenue, La Plata, MD 20646. Call 1-888-699-6397 toll free to charge, Mon.-Thu. 9-5 ET or purchase online at www.AmericanFreePress.net.

Yet Another Google Insider Says Tech Giant Censors Conservatives

By John Friend

Yet another employee of the tech giant Google has come forward exposing the company's political bias as public pressure mounts on large social media and Internet giants to ensure their platforms are free from partisan manipulation and bias.

Zach Vorhies, a senior software engineer at Google, personally collected hundreds of pages of internal documents from arguably the most powerful technology company in the world, it was recently revealed. Vorhies leaked the documents to Project Veritas, an independent non-profit investigative organization dedicated to exposing corruption and dishonesty in both the private and public sectors. In late July, Project Veritas worked with a separate Google software engineer named Greg Coppola to expose the left-wing political bias of the giant tech firm.

Both Vorhies and Coppola were publicly interviewed by Project Veritas, each expressing their grave concerns about the impact political bias was having not only in the tech world but throughout American society.

"I had been collecting the documents for over a year," Vorhies stated in his interview with James O'Keefe, the founder and president of Project Veritas. "And the reason why I collected these documents was because I saw something dark and nefarious going on with the company and I realized that [they] were going to not only tamper with the elections but use that tampering with the elections to essentially overthrow the United States."

Vorhies explained that the documents he collected and leaked were accessible to any Google employee.

"These documents were available to every single employee within the company that was full-

time," Vorhies told Project Veritas. "And so as a full-time employee at the company, I just searched for some keywords and these documents started to pop up. Once I started finding one document and started finding keywords for other documents, I would enter that in and continue this cycle until I had a treasure trove and archive of documents that clearly spelled out the system [and] what they're attempting to do in very clear language."

Vorhies also submitted roughly 950 pages of documents to the Department of Justice's Antitrust Division in an effort to expose Google's manipulation of its search platform through various algorithmic tricks. Top Google executives, including CEO Sundar Pichai, have repeatedly insisted, including during congressional testimony as recently as December 2018, that their search engine and platform is not politically biased or partisan.

Vorhies's testimony and leaked documents support many of the claims that Coppola made to Project Veritas several weeks ago. Coppola worked on artificial intelligence and helped Google develop various algorithms, which he claims are unfair and biased, particularly towards conservatives.

"I've been coding since I was 10," Coppola told Project Veritas in an exclusive interview. "I have a PhD, I have five years' experience at Google, and I just know how algorithms are. They don't write themselves. We write them to do what we want them to do."

Both Coppola and Vorhies are concerned that a private tech giant like Google can so profoundly influence and even manipulate the political system of any country, given the global reach of companies such as Google.

"I think we're just at a really important point in human history," Coppola explained. "I think for a while we had tech that was politically neutral. Now we have tech that really, first of all, is taking



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sides in a political contest. I think anytime you have big corporate power merging with political parties can be dangerous. And I think more generally we have to just decide—now that we kind of are seeing tech use [and] its power to manipulate people—it's time to decide, do we run the technology [or] does the technology run us?"

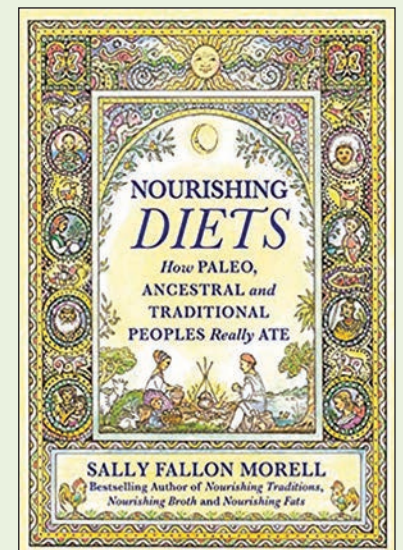
The bombshells exposed by Project Veritas come as other technology experts and researchers warn that giants like Google will attempt to influence and manipulate the 2020 election.

"Google will actively interfere in the 2020 elections," Dr. Robert Epstein, a researcher at the American Institute for Behavioral Research and Technology who has also testified before Congress, recently explained to *The Epoch Times*. "They'll actively interfere in their lobbying efforts, they'll actively interfere with their political donations, and they'll actively interfere using the online methods of manipulation that I've studied and probably other methods that I haven't yet discovered."

As this newspaper recently reported, antiwar and populist Democratic presidential candidate Rep. Tulsi Gabbard (D-Hawaii) is currently suing Google, as is media outlet PragerU, both alleging political bias. Gabbard's campaign ads were recently blocked by Google Ads and PragerU has been repeatedly censored by both Google and its video platform YouTube. President Donald Trump has also been quite vocal in criticizing some of the world's largest technology companies and media outlets for their blatant political bias. ★

Nourishing Diets: How Paleo, Ancestral and Traditional Peoples Really Ate

Sally Fallon Morell, bestselling author of *Nourishing Traditions*, debunks diet myths to explore what our ancestors from around the globe really ate—and what we can learn from them to be healthy, fit, and better nourished, today. The Paleo craze has taken over the world. It asks curious dieters to look back to their ancestors' eating habits to discover a "new" way to eat that shuns grains, most dairy, and processed foods. But, while diet books with Paleo in the title sell well, are they correct? Were paleolithic and ancestral diets really grain-free, low-carb, and based on all lean meat? This book explores the diets of our primitive ancestors from around the world—from pre-industrialized Europe to the inhabitants of "Blue Zones," where many people live to be 100 years or more. In looking to the recipes and foods of the past, Fallon Morell points readers to what they should actually be eating—the key principles of traditional diets from across cultures—and offers recipes to help translate these ideas to the modern cook. Softcover, 288 pages, \$26 plus \$6 S&H inside the U.S. from AFP BOOKSTORE, 117 La Grange Avenue, La Plata, MD 20646. Call 1-888-699-6397 toll free to charge, Mon.-Thu. 9-5 ET. See www.AmericanFreePress.net for more uncensored books and videos.



Should Congress Impeach Trump?

• If they do, it ought to be for what he has actually done, not imaginary crimes

By Philip Giraldi

The number of Democratic congressmen favoring initiating impeachment against President Donald Trump is growing and soon might be difficult for the party leadership to ignore. The constitutional authority for impeachment is that the president must have committed “high crimes and misdemeanors,” which is, of course, subjective. In reality, the grounds for impeachment of Trump that have surfaced somewhat depend on who is doing the explaining, but they come down to one major issue as well as several broad categories of alleged malfeasance.

Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee Jerry Nadler, who has called Trump “disgusting and racist,” foresees the House moving toward consideration of formal impeachment proceedings by the end of the year. He elaborated on the grounds for impeachment, saying in an interview: “The fact is, the president accepted help from the Russians to attack our election to work with his campaign to work with the Russians, that is undisputed. He worked hard to cover up those crimes and committed more crimes in order to cover them up by urging others to lie to investigators. So he just tried to change the subject which what he usually does. [sic]”

Nadler, who will be the key player in any impeachment attempt, cited repeatedly Trump’s “failure to defend the Constitution against continuing Russian attacks,” a claim that very much will depend on the reading and analysis of the full text of Robert Mueller’s report. Mueller and the Democrats, as well as many Republicans, clearly believe that there was some Russian interference in the election, though most would agree that it had no impact. As of right now, the allegation about collusion by Team Trump with the Rus-

Rep. Jerry Nadler, head of the House Judiciary Committee, wants badly to impeach President Donald Trump for Russian collusion and obstruction of justice. But there really isn’t much there worth impeaching the president for. However, according to Phil Giraldi, there are plenty of things the president has done that, in his opinion, warrant possible impeachment. These include stationing U.S. troops in a foreign nation without that nation’s permission, damaging relations with Sweden over an assault case, supporting war crimes against civilians, and more.

sians is just that, based on little in the way of solid evidence. Nor is there any actual evidence to suggest that Moscow has plans to interfere more decisively in 2020, a bit of fearmongering that is being circulated to continue to blame the Kremlin for Hillary Clinton’s defeat in 2016 while at the same time criticizing Trump’s alleged leniency toward Russian wrongdoing.

Perhaps recognizing the weakness of the “Russia-gate” case, Nadler has also cited the emoluments clause, which is the restriction on using one’s office for self-enrichment. It is being claimed that Trump has used his hotels and resorts to house visiting foreign dignitaries as well as government staff members, thereby generating profits for those entities. The emoluments clause is in some sense a curiosity that is rarely enforced since most congressmen benefit materially from their offices in one way or another, but it is a useful club to beat Trump with, as it can be reduced to numbers on paper, which are hard to deny.

Nadler concluded: “We are investigating whether to report or approve articles of impeachments. We have impeachment resolutions before the [House Judiciary] committee. We are conducting investi-

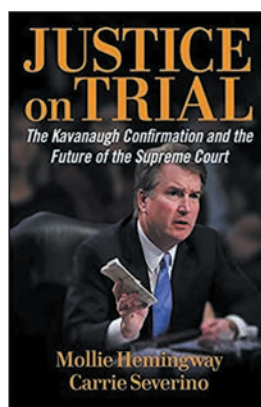


gations to determine whether we should report those to the House or whether we should draft our own and report them to the House.”

Another liberal congressman who also favors impeaching Trump has a somewhat different take on the issues, though he also raises the emoluments issue. Rep. Gerry Connolly of Virginia emphasizes: “First, the gravity of the revelations in the Special Counsel’s report and testimony before Congress should trouble all Americans. The report details at least 10 instances in which the president of the United States obstructed justice. Further, it chillingly warns, ‘The protection of the criminal justice system from corrupt acts by any person—including the president—accords with the fundamental principle of our government that “[n]o [person] in this country is so high that he is above the law.’”

JUSTICE ON TRIAL: THE KAVANAUGH CONFIRMATION AND THE FUTURE OF THE SUPREME COURT

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“Second, I have seen firsthand the Trump administration’s across-the-board defiance of Congress’s legitimate investigations and subpoenas on everything from adding a citizenship question to the census to this administration’s cruel and inhumane child separation policy. . . .

“Finally, I caution that we cannot allow ourselves to become so desensitized to the president’s behavior that there are no consequences. This is a man who continues to debase the office he holds. He has instilled fear and incited violence. He has called American communities infested, he has told members of Congress to go back to where they came from, he stoked the flames of white supremacy by repeatedly referring to an invasion of foreigners, and he has questioned the allegiance of our fellow Americans. At every moment, whether it was in the aftermath of Charlottesville or El Paso or Dayton, he has failed to heal our country and call us to our better angels. Instead, he has stained the Oval Office with his racism, xenophobia, and bigotry.”

Connolly’s language is extremely strong but most of the offenses he refers to are reflective of his own worldview and perception of the proper role of president, something that Trump and many American voters do not share.

I would not like to see Trump impeached because that would make hard-core Christian Zionist Mike Pence president, but if Trump were to be tried by the House of Representatives, I would prefer that it be for some of the things he has indisputably done:

- Trump has twice attacked Syria with cruise missiles based on flawed intelligence without a declaration of war and without Damascus representing an actual threat. That is a war crime, and the stationing of American soldiers in Syria without the consent of that country’s government is also illegal.

- The Trump administration’s “Justice” Department is seeking to extradite truth-teller Julian Assange so he can be locked up for life or killed in prison like Jeffrey Epstein.

- America’s secretary of state and national security advisors are implementing policies that impose punitive sanctions that have served to starve or otherwise kill thousands of Venezuelans, Iranians, and Yemenis.

- Far from being Russian President Vladimir Putin’s patsy, Trump has unnecessarily escalated tensions with Moscow more than any American

president since the end of the Cold War by moving NATO troops up to the Russian border and arming Ukraine, putting our nation and much of the world at risk of a nuclear exchange whether by accident or design.

- Trump has unnecessarily withdrawn from an Iranian nuclear agreement and from two arms treaties with Russia as well as from a climate agreement, all of which, in my opinion, were beneficial to the United States.

- The Trump administration has continued to support the Middle East’s two kleptocracies, Saudi Arabia and Israel, no matter what they do. The tilt toward Israel has been particularly depressing to witness, as it could lead to a major war in the region with the United States placed right in the middle.

- And last but not least, Trump has triumphed in the theater of the absurd by recently sending his official hostage negotiator Robert O’Brien to Stockholm to obtain freedom for an American rap musician, ASAP Rocky, who was in jail after having gotten into a fight with some local boys. The Trumpster did not actually know the lad, but he was vouched for by the likes of Kim Kardashian and Kanye West, both of whom have had nice things to say about the president. Trump also exercised his usual disregard for diplomatic conventions by tweeting furiously against Sweden’s prime minister, Stefan Lofven, over Rocky’s detention. The negotiator was instructed to threaten Sweden that if they did not release Rocky there would be “negative consequences” for the bilateral relationship.

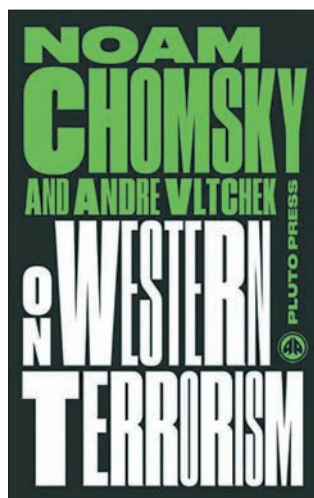
As the suffering U.S. taxpayer had to pay for the O’Brien trip and as the U.S. Embassy in Stockholm is fully equipped in its Citizens’ Services section to assist an American who is facing trial, I would consider impeaching Trump for the ASAP Rocky case alone.

Threatening Sweden, which has a judicial system that functions better and more fairly than that in the United States, is bad enough, but, worse still, the president of the United States should understand clearly that the money he is wasting on shoring up his political position with trash like the Kardashians is actually our money. If he doesn’t understand that he understands nothing. ★

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Was Epstein Really a Victim of the ‘Clinton Body Count’?

By Donald Jeffries

Multi-millionaire pedophile Jeffrey Epstein's recent alleged suicide revived stories about the Clinton Body Count, and many included him on the list. Fox News reported in 2016 that Bill Clinton had visited Epstein's private Little St. James Island, dubbed "Pedophile Island" and "Orgy Island," some 26 times. Even Donald Trump retweeted a reference to Epstein and the Clinton Body Count.

Many presidents, going back at least to Franklin D. Roosevelt, have had an inordinate number of suspicious deaths connected to them, but none approached the ever-continuing body count associated with Bill and Hillary Clinton.

The list of dead bodies left in the wake of the Clintons' rise to prominence began in earnest during Bill's tenure as governor of Arkansas. Many readers have heard of the two unfortunate teenagers, Kevin Ives and Don Henry, who died under very mysterious circumstances on the railroad tracks one summer night in 1987, when they randomly encountered one of the drug drops connected to the Mena Airport. Jerry Parks, the head of Gov. Clinton's security detail, was shot and killed from an unidentified passing car in 1993, shortly after exclaiming to his family, "I'm a dead man," upon learning of the "suicide" of White House counsel Vince Foster, perhaps the most famous name in the Clinton Body Count. Putting an exclamation point on Parks's death was the later murder of Dr. David Milstein, the man Parks's widow had married. Kathy Ferguson, ex-wife of Arkansas Trooper Danny Ferguson, a co-defendant with Clinton in the Paula Jones lawsuit, supposedly shot herself in the head on May 10, 1994. A month later, on June 12, her fiancé Bill Shelton

was found dead of an allegedly self-inflicted gunshot at Kathy's grave site.

On Nov. 29, 1996, the bruised, partially nude body of Barbara Wise was found in her Commerce Department office. Authorities laughably attributed the death to "natural causes." Wise worked closely with Commerce Secretary Ron Brown, who was under investigation for a variety of things when he died in a plane crash on April 3, 1996. James McDougal, a Clinton business partner connected to the Whitewater scandal, died of an alleged heart attack in a federal prison. "His death appears to reduce the legal risks to President Clinton and Hillary Rodham Clinton, and was a clear setback to Starr and his prosecutors," the *Baltimore Sun* reported. "I just got sick and tired of lying for the fellow," McDougal said in a 1997 TV interview. "Yes, I was trying to protect him." The man who'd developed the software for the underreported "Big Brother" database within the Clinton White House, Charles Miller, was found dead in a Little Rock pit with a gunshot to the head, on Nov. 17, 1999. On Nov. 20, 2000, noted attorney Charles Ruff, who'd defended Clinton during his impeachment trial, was found unconscious outside his shower. Reports claimed he died "after an accident at his Washington home."

MI6 spy Garth Williams's naked body was found padlocked in a duffel bag in his London bathtub, on Aug. 16, 2010. According to the *UK Sun*, Williams had illegally hacked secret data on Bill Clinton. According to the paper, "His death is still one of Britain's most mysterious unsolved cases." Sounding very much like American law enforcement does in these kinds of cases, Scotland Yard ludicrously declared the death a suicide.

During Hillary Clinton's 2016 presidential campaign, several new associated unnatural deaths occurred. Former President of the United Nations General Assembly John Ashe dropped a barbell on his throat during a June 22, 2016 workout, only



days before being scheduled to testify against Hillary. On July 25, 2016, Joe Montano, a close aide to Hillary's running mate, Tim Kaine, died of an alleged heart attack at just 47. Also in July, DNC staffer Seth Rich, all but named by Julian Assange as his source for the leaked party emails, was murdered in Washington, D.C. "There had been a struggle. His hands were bruised, his knees are bruised, his face is bruised, and he had two shots to his back, and yet they never took anything," his mother, Mary Rich, told NBC. Bernie Sanders's supporter Shawn Lucas officially served papers to the Democratic National Committee, informing them of a class-action lawsuit being filed over their overt attempt to rig the primaries. The 38-year-old Lucas was found dead on his bathroom floor on Aug. 2, 2016.

These are only a few of many, many examples. As even Rush Limbaugh asked years ago, "How many people do you know who have been murdered, died in a plane crash?" The answer for most people would be very few or none. For Bill and Hillary Clinton, it's quite a different story. ★

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Epstein 'Suicide' Proves Psychopaths Rule

By Dr. Kevin Barrett

When Jeffrey Epstein got suicided, the mainstream media went berserk. But their feigned outrage was not on behalf of truth and justice. Instead, they vented obligatory spleen at the “conspiracy theorists” who pointed out the obvious: Epstein was murdered to protect one or more of the rich and powerful targets of his blackmail ring and to protect the blackmail ring itself, which owns most of the U.S. government.

The worst conspiracy theorist, in the media's eyes, was President Donald J. Trump. As *The New Yorker's* John Cassidy put it, Trump “retweeted a video from a conservative comedian, Terrence Williams, in which Williams suggested that Bill Clinton and Hillary Clinton were responsible for Epstein's death What the 45th president appears to be intimating is that an assassin, working for the 42nd president, broke into one of the most secure jails in the country, hanged Epstein, and left without disturbing the guards or being caught on internal cameras.”

Does Cassidy really believe that any jails in America are secure from Deep State assassins? If so, I have some books he should read. One is the recent mainstream bestseller *CHAOS: Charles Manson, the CIA, and the Secret History of the Sixties* by Tom O'Neill. *CHAOS* shows that the notorious CIA mind-control specialist Dr. Louis Jolyon “Jolly” West had free run of American prisons. As I wrote in my online review of O'Neill's book, “Jolly West brainwashed a psychopathic

prisoner named Charles Manson, gave him a CIA get-out-of-jail-free card, set him up next door to Jolly's safe house in the Haight-Ashbury hippie district of San Francisco, and taught him how to control human minds using drugs and hypnosis.”

Jolly West also gained easy access to the imprisoned Jack Ruby, the alleged killer of Lee Harvey Oswald, the JFK assassination patsy. Again, quoting from my O'Neill review: “Prior to West's closed-door no-witnesses one-on-one with Ruby, the latter had been perfectly sane, though puzzled about being accused of a crime he had no memory of committing. From the moment West stepped out the door of Ruby's cell, Ruby was stark, raving nuts.”

Anyone not convinced that the corruption level of the U.S. Bureau of Prisons is off the charts should also read Christopher Fulton's *The Inheritance: Poisoned Fruit of JFK's Assassination*, published last Nov. 22. The author spent eight years in federal prison for the crime of getting JFK assassination evidence into the hands of JFK Jr., who was promptly killed before he could use it. Fulton describes Bureau of Prisons and other federal “justice” personnel as vastly worse criminals than the people they incarcerate. Among the many crimes he witnessed his guardians perpetrating, one stands out: the brutal murder of a federal prisoner named Jonathan, a.k.a. “Tech,” a brilliant hacker who had compromised government secrecy and gained advanced knowledge of 9/11.

The murder occurred in 1999 in Charles County Detention Center (CCDC) in La Plata, Md. Fulton describes how the guards sounded a loud emergency buzzer and ordered all prisoners to stand against the wall with hands over their heads. Fed-

eral thugs then entered the prison and beat Jonathan to death: “The goon squad had cracked his head open. The wound was gaping and massive; they had literally split his skull in half.”

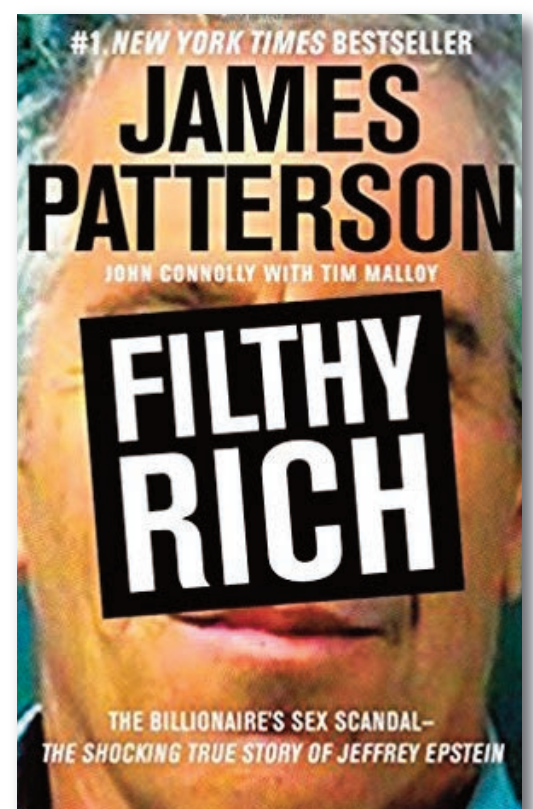
Another outrageous murder by prison authorities was the FBI's killing of Kenneth Michael Trentadue, who like Jeffrey Epstein was “found hanged in his cell” at a federal prison, in this case FTC Oklahoma, on August 21, 1995. Trentadue's body was riddled with horrific wounds, cuts, and bruises; he had suffered three massive blows to the head and his throat had been cut. James Ridgeway wrote that the authorities “would later put forth an elaborate scenario in which Kenney tried to hang himself but fell, bruising his head and body, and then tried to slit his throat with a toothpaste tube before succeeding in his second hanging attempt.” In fact, the FBI tortured him to death because they mistook him for someone who could have exposed the U.S. government's orchestration of the Oklahoma City bombing. No government personnel were ever prosecuted, or even charged, for Trentadue's murder.

The unpleasant truth is that we are governed not so much by organized crime, but by people who make garden-variety mobsters look like saints by comparison. Our highest levels of power are infested with child rapists and people who film other people raping and murdering children. These are the people who run our prisons and decide what happens inside them, who gets killed, who gets sneaked out for a facelift and a new identity in a witness protection program. Though high scorers on IQ and psychopathy tests, they are the last people on Earth who should be entrusted with power. ★

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Finally, the Media Is Starting to Fact-Check the Fact Checkers

By S.T. Patrick

A Roman expression from a treatise dating back to AD 100 asks a valid question that remains just as vital today: “Who watches the watchmen?” In an era when “fake news” has become a household expression to describe contrived media stories, the journalistic establishment has long relied on “Snopes.com” to serve as the go-to site for fact-checking. Now, as the culture has gotten more politically divided, so has Snopes. Because of that societal hard-left turn, many conservative media outlets are charging that Snopes should be the last entity tasked with demarcating truth from fiction.

Snopes was started in 1994 by David and Barbara Mikkelson. It began as the “Urban Legends Reference Pages,” digging into the truths and lies behind some of the most oft-told myths in American folklore. But what began as exposés on “Bloody Mary,” “Hookman,” and “The Spider Bite” turned into fact-checking current news items and alternative research the site labeled as “conspiracy theories.” Snopes became more popular and more widely used by news organizations as the site expanded. While its initial funding source is a mystery, as recently as 2016, its funding came solely from advertising revenue, yet in recent years it has taken gifts from the James Randi Educational Foundation (which serves to debunk paranormal research) and it has opened a GoFundMe campaign, which raised over \$500,000 in less than 24 hours.

As CBS news anchor Walter Cronkite was once “The Most Trusted Man in America,” Snopes was on its way to becoming “The Most Trusted Site in America.” Then the layers began to peel away, and the core seemed more and more rotten.

Snopes has always had a contentious relationship with those the mainstream media calls “conspiracy theorists.” The website rates most stories

“True,” “False,” or “Unproven.” By choosing which angle of a story is fact-checked, anything resembling a story not hand-stamped by the mainstream media will be assigned a “False” or “Unproven” rating. From the JFK assassination to 9/11 to the Roswell UFO crash to the death of Clinton aide Vince Foster, any research or idea deviating from the established narrative will be dismissed by Snopes.

Websites such as “Breitbart” and the UK’s *Daily Mail*, which have been victims of Snopes’s truth gavel, have decided it a worthy endeavor to look into just who these arbiters of truth actually are. What they did not find was a group of stuffy academics, selfishly protecting their grant money from cozy ivory towers. Instead, they found fraud, prostitutes, and escort-porn stars.

The Mikkelsons were embroiled in a nasty divorce that lasted over two years. In those proceedings, Barbara accused David of raiding the business accounts, embezzling \$98,000 “which he expended upon himself and the prostitutes he hired.” She also accused her ex-husband of spending tens of thousands of dollars to fly his “girlfriend” around the world. David’s attorneys said Barbara was a “loose cannon.”

David Mikkelson has run the day-to-day operations of Snopes since the divorce. One of his new hires has been administrative assistant Elyssa Young, 47. According to a “DailyMail.com” investigation, Young is “a long-time escort and porn star who has worked for decades under the name ‘Erin O’Bryn.’” Young is now Mikkelson’s wife. Young also ran for office in Hawaii in 2004, offering up campaign condoms that read “Don’t get screwed again” and making the statement “Let’s get less REAL boobs in office.”

Kim LaCapria was, until recently, a principal fact-checker for the Snopes website. She was a final word on deciding whether certain stories are “fact” or “fake news.” LaCapria was once a sex blogger, writing under the pseudonym “Vice Vixen” and offering advice on domination and sex toys. LaCapria once posted that on her day off



Snopes.com has become the *de facto* source for people who want to debunk so-called “conspiracy theories.” But, generally speaking Snopes stamps anything the mainstream media has not pre-approved as “fake news.” Now some new sources have actually started debunking the alleged debunkers.

from Snopes she “played Scrabble, smoked pot, and posted to Snopes.” To clarify, she then added, “That’s what I did on my day ‘on,’ too.”

Recently, Snopes has been embroiled in a war with a self-described “satirical evangelical Christian website,” the “Babylon Bee.” The Babylon Bee used satire to openly mock the fact that Snopes actually attempted to fact-check their satirical website—and did so often. To be clear, this is like fact-checking the accuracy of the equally satirical website “The Onion” or a timely joke from a stand-up comic.

In one now-famous case of overzealousness, Snopes fact-checked a post from the Babylon Bee’s Facebook page. It read, “CNN Purchases Industrial-Sized Washing Machine to Spin News Before Publication.” Facebook sent the Babylon Bee a warning letter, chiding them for posting something that had been declared “false” by the “independent fact-checker” Snopes.

Snopes’s efforts would be laughable and would resemble a parody of fact-checkers, themselves, if they weren’t used by such organizations as ABC News, the Associated Press, and Facebook (until February, when Snopes pulled out of the Facebook partnership after a few embarrassing mishaps, including the Babylon Bee tussle). It was prescient to ask who watches the watchmen. In a society where all sides of all debates are now in a death-struggle to define “truth,” it matters who holds the lanterns to the paths in the night. ★

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Gun Grabber Rhetoric Loaded With Myths About Gun Violence

By Donald Jeffries

The recent mass shootings in El Paso and Dayton have triggered an increasing barrage of anti-gun propaganda. Along with the persistent pleas of politicians, celebrities, and “journalists” that “we have to do something,” the myths of increasing gun violence continue to be perpetuated.

Lost in the shuffle over the emotion-driven coverage of shooting incidents in schools and other public places is the fact that gun homicides have actually been declining steadily for decades. Firearm deaths have plummeted from a high of seven per 100,000 people in 1993 to 3.6 per 100,000 in 2010, a decrease of 49%, according to the Pew Research Center. The Crime Prevention Research Center found that, contrary to the constant drumbeat in the press, the United States trails many other nations in the annual death rate per million people from mass shootings. Data from 2009-2015 revealed that Norway, by a wide margin, leads the world in this dubious category. America ranks 11th, behind countries like Serbia, Macedonia, Belgium, and the Czech Republic. In mass shooting frequency rates, the United States ranked even lower, at 12th. *Investor’s Business Daily* noted in response, “Yes, the U.S. rate is still high, and nothing to be proud of. But it’s not the highest in the developed world. Not by a long shot.”

The misinformation peddled by the mainstream media on this subject is contradicted by the facts, and largely due to the work of University of Alabama professor Adam Lankford. Lankford doesn’t hide his agenda, which is the same agenda nearly everyone in public life appears to have: to limit and eventually outlaw individual gun ownership.

“The difference between us and other countries, [which] explains why we have more of these attackers, was the firearm ownership rate,” Lankford has declared. “In other words: firearms per capita. We have almost double the firearm ownership rate of any other country.”

Lankford’s study purported to show that this country has produced more mass shooters than anywhere else since 1966. Economist John Lott’s research contradicted Lankford’s findings, which appeared not to have honestly tabulated mass shootings under his own criteria of “four or more people killed.” Lott told television reporter John Stossel that Lankford was guilty of “academic malpractice.” Lankford’s flawed, to put it kindly, research has been disseminated for years by a

state-controlled media anxious to peddle any anti-firearms news.

Second Amendment stalwarts have noted for years that gun control doesn’t work; violent criminals tend to buy their weapons illegally, and there has always been a thriving black market for them. Studies have shown that states with the strictest gun control laws do not have lowered rates of gun violence. The Crime Prevention Research Center concluded that, “Once one accounts for the average pre-existing differences in homicide and suicide rates across states and the average annual changes in those deaths from year-to-year, stricter gun laws are associated with more total deaths from homicides and suicides.”

Since at least 2013, Chicago has earned the embarrassing distinction of being the nation’s murder capital, according to FBI statistics. Once this became public knowledge, Chicago Police Superintendent Garry McCarthy—an avid gun-control advocate and opponent of Illinois’s concealed carry law—began holding regular press conferences in which he displayed guns seized by Chicago cops, which amounted to some 5,095 in the first 37 weeks of 2013, while lecturing the public about crime and gun control.

Not sensing the irony of him echoing the perspective of gun rights advocates, he also bemoaned the fact that while many guns were being seized, those possessing them were often released. “We seize nine guns for every one that the

NYPD seizes,” McCarthy declared. “That’s not success that we’re talking about. We’re talking about the fact that they shouldn’t be here in the first place and when we arrest those people—they don’t go to jail.”

Even Barack Obama was forced to grudgingly admit that his former home state was producing “the equivalent of a Newtown every four months.” Chicago has some of the most onerous gun laws in the country, like other high-crime-rate areas such as New York City and Washington, D.C.

Considering how tyrannical those leading our government have grown, it is more essential now than ever that we heed the words of founding fathers like Thomas Jefferson, who said, “The constitutions of most of our States assert that all power is inherent in the people; that . . . it is their right and duty to be at all times armed.” Our most maligned founder also declared, “The beauty of the Second Amendment is that it will not be needed until they try to take it.”

As Jerry Brown once noted, when he was far saner, the people must have the right to bear arms as long as the police and military have them. And that’s the essence of the Second Amendment. ★

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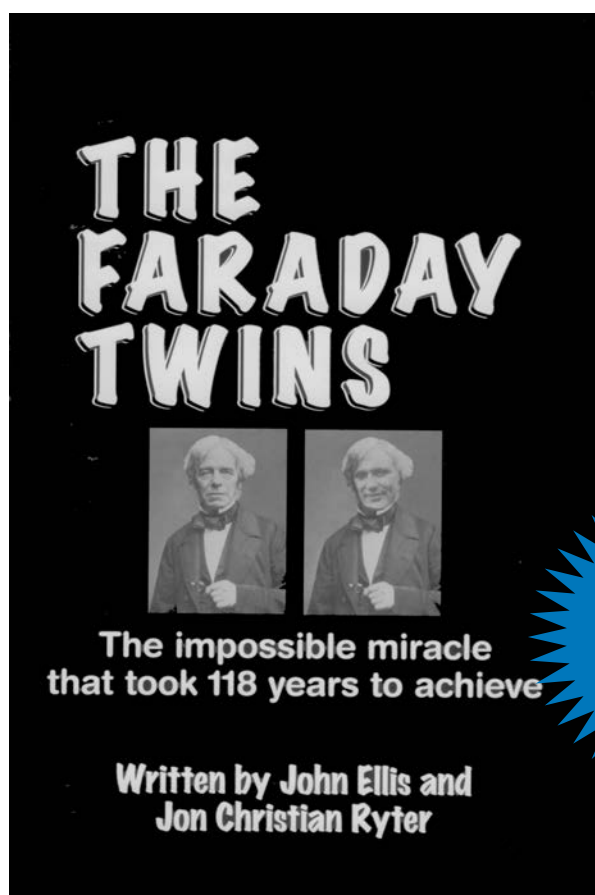
... after being stricken with the dreaded disease at age 14!

NEW BOOK: *The Faraday Twins*

Jon Christian Ryter prompted an emergency meeting of the CDC, FDA and HHS (page 32-33). Even *The New York Times* commented about his website autism article: "One small voice" and thimerosal was banned in Europe. Also, lifesaving results when another small voice changed the Hydrogen Bond Angle in water!

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author talks they listen"! After 23 years he retired as an Advertising executive with a major Washington newspaper and wrote *THE FARADAY TWINS* (He insisted putting my name on the cover because he used my ads and 100's of phone calls and letters the newspaper received about our machines).

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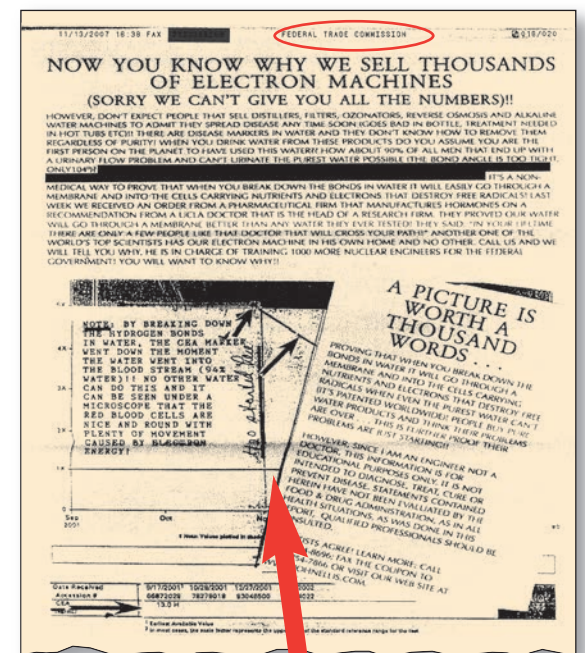
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Area 51 Researchers Change Focus

- Secret bases exist across the United States, but few know what's really inside them



A scientist in a gas mask monitors readings coming from a test dummy at a secretive laboratory at Dugway Proving Ground in Utah, where some of the most deadly and dangerous biological and chemical agents on the planet are stored. This photo was part of a series done several years ago, and, obviously, what was shown to reporters had been pre-approved by authorities.

By S.T. Patrick

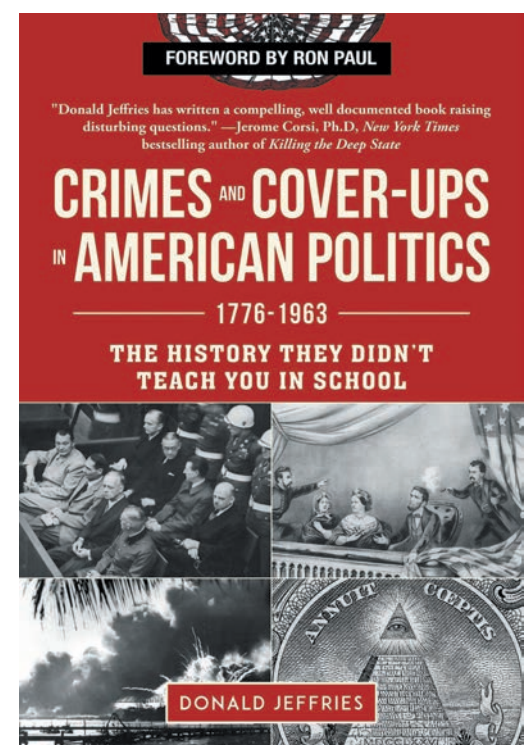
“If we Naruto run, we can move faster than their bullets. Let’s see them aliens.” That’s how it all began. After seeing a June 20 episode of “The Joe Rogan Experience” podcast with comedian Joe Rogan featuring an interview with Area 51 legend Bob Lazar and filmmaker Jeremy Corbell, college student Matty Roberts posted a Facebook event and meme jokingly asking those interested to storm Area 51 on Sept. 20. The phrase “Naruto run” refers to the Japanese cartoon character Naruto Uzumaki, who runs with his arms stretched behind him, his head down, and his upper body bending forward, full steam ahead.

Area 51 (a geological designation) is a U.S. military air base located within the Nevada Test and Training Range, approximately 83 miles north-northwest of Las Vegas. While it is still a base shrouded in secrecy, the government now admits it does, indeed, exist, which it has only acknowledged since a 1994 environmental lawsuit forced President Bill Clinton to do so. Until then, the government refused to even admit its existence, despite the “Warning: Use of Deadly Force Authorized” signs lining its ever-expanding borders.

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Lazar is the reason we know the term “Area 51” today. In May 1989 he appeared in a series of interviews with Las Vegas investigative reporter George Knapp of KLAS-TV. In the interviews, Lazar claimed to have back-engineered alien spacecraft while working at Area 51. Lazar has been a controversial figure in ufology throughout the years, with some researchers believing him and others charging hoax. Either way, the Lazar story rode the wave of popularity that was Art Bell’s “Coast to Coast AM” radio program in the 1990s. Suddenly, everyone knew the name “Area 51.”

While Air Force spokeswoman Laura McAndrews has strongly urged the 1.6 million Facebook users who marked “going” to the Storm Area 51 event, and the 1.2 million who marked “interested,” to stay away from the base, the business of alien commerce has picked up so much in the region that Roberts and others are now telling everyone to go to an adjacent music, arts, camping, and UFO lore event called “Alienstock.”

For more serious researchers involved in ufology, the recent focus on Area 51 has also brought back to the forefront a focus on other secret sites within the United States.

Wright-Patterson Air Force Base near Dayton, Ohio has always been a favorite of ufologists and casual researchers of UFOs. The base has been tied to a variety of official UFO projects including Project Sign, Project Grudge, and Project Blue Book. In ufology, Wright-Patterson was allegedly the destination for the alien bodies downed near Roswell, N.M. in July 1947. While the Nevada site known as Area 51 has in recent decades been more culturally popular, ufologists often refer to “Wright-Patt” as “the real Area 51.”

In a 1988 interview, Sen. Barry Goldwater (R-Ariz.) claimed he asked Gen. Curtis LeMay for access to a secret UFO room at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base (possibly the infamous Hangar 18). According to Goldwater, an angered LeMay snapped back at him, “Not only can’t you get into it, but don’t you ever mention it to me again.”

In 1997, during the height of alien mania when films like *Independence Day* and television shows like *X-Files* were dominating popular culture, *Popular Mechanics* released a story stating that Area 51 had essentially packed up and moved its operations to a base in eastern Utah geologically designated Area 6413. Pat Travis, then-owner of the Little A’Le’Inn in nearby Rachel, Nev., said, “I

think the thing about the base closing is supposition. We get people in here every day who work out there. I think the report is a way to get people to not come out here.” Travis was probably correct in her assumption. *Popular Mechanics* has long been an agent of disinformation for both the Department of Defense and U.S. intelligence agencies. At one time, they were the leading print debunker of all things secret within the U.S. government.

There are many other top-secret bases functioning today. Many are Cold War remnants vying for a new direction (and funds). One of the most controversial is a base near Gakona, Alaska where the High Frequency Active Auroral Research Program (HAARP) program is located. The HAARP program shoots high-frequency beams through the ionosphere. Supposedly for scientific research, HAARP has also been linked to testing electromagnetic mind control and weather modification.

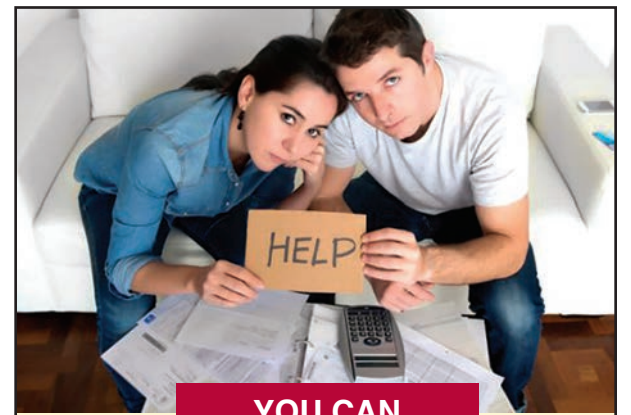
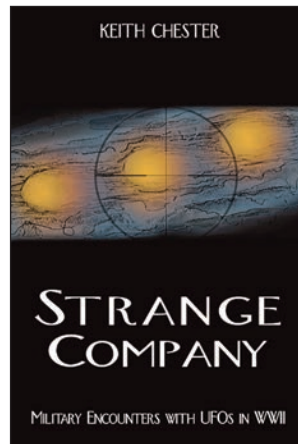
The Dugway Proving Grounds in Tooele, Utah is the size of Rhode Island. It’s the home of most of the next-gen weapons systems for the U.S. military. NORAD’s home in the Cheyenne Mountain Complex is a round-the-clock information center and can house 800 residents in case of a nuclear strike. Raven Rock Alternate Command Center (Site R) would be the home to a World War III military command center. Supposedly linked to Camp David via a six-mile underground tunnel, cell phones and GPS devices are blocked near the site. Within a hollowed-out mountain of Virginia exists Mount Weather, the site of another massive bomb shelter, a television and radio station, and an office complex where it has been rumored that the “shadow government” houses its operation within the U.S. Vice President Dick Cheney was whisked to Mount Weather on 9/11.

Bases like these, above ground and beneath, exist across the United States. Though large in size, most media coverage has been limited or non-existent. They are the thing of online message boards and local rumors, all laughed away by the mainstream media and government spokespersons. Yet, they all seem built for an ultimate battle where those they were built to protect would survive. The rest of us were never supposed to know they even existed. ★

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Military Encounters With UFOs in WWII

By Keith Chester. Mankind had reached a threshold in the fourth decade of the 20th century. There were unprecedented scientific and technological achievements, but despite such progress, humanity was entering one of its darkest chapters. World War II would grip the world with terror for six years. During that time military personnel reported seeing numerous highly unconventional aircraft in all theaters of operation. These objects had extraordinary flight performance capabilities, came in a variety of shapes, sizes, and colors, and were able to travel at extraordinary speeds and avoid radar detection. *Strange Company* is the first in-depth account of unconventional aircraft observed and reported by the military during World War II. It includes the reactions by military commands, their viewpoints, and theories as they struggled to make sense of the observations. *Strange Company* presents one of the greatest wartime mysteries, one that has been shrouded in ignorance for more than 75 years. Softcover, 320 pages, \$18 plus \$4 S&H inside the U.S. from AFP BOOKSTORE, 117 La Grange Avenue, La Plata, MD 20646. Call 1-888-699-6397 toll free to charge, Mon.-Thu. 9-5 ET. Purchase this and other great books at www.AmericanFreePress.net.



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Trump Winning on Law & Order Issue

• Left's insistence that a tough stance on crime is racist could cost them White House

By Patrick J. Buchanan

Did President Donald Trump launch his Twitter barrage at Rep. Elijah Cummings (D-Md.) simply because the Baltimore congressman was black? Was it just a “racist” attack on a member of the Black Caucus? Or did Trump go after Cummings after a Saturday Fox News report that his district was in far worse condition than the Mexican border area for which Cummings had demagogically berated Border Patrol agents?

Here are Trump's crucial tweets:

“Elijah Cummings has been a brutal bully, shouting and screaming at the great men and women of Border Patrol about conditions at the Southern Border, when actually his Baltimore district is far worse and more dangerous. His district is considered the worst in the USA. . . . [T]he Border is clean, efficient & well run, just very crowded. [Cummings's] District is a disgusting, rat and rodent infested mess. If he spent more time in Baltimore, maybe he could help clean up this very dangerous and filthy place.”

The Fox News report that triggered Trump's tweets featured a Maryland Republican strategist, Kimberly Klacik, whose videos showed piles of trash and abandoned homes in Baltimore. “A lot of people said he (Cummings) hasn't even been there in a while,” Klacik claimed.



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ELIJAH CUMMINGS

And Trump, it appears, has more ammunition than that. Baltimore in 2018 was the murder capital of America and ranked second among her most violent major cities. With St. Louis and Detroit, Baltimore is always at or near the top of the list of the most dangerous American cities. And what has Cummings, in office 28 years, done to alter that awful reputation?

As for the presence of rats and rodents, Baltimore has competitors. There have lately been news reports of the homeless in Los Angeles and San Francisco living on city sidewalks, defecating where they sleep, attracting rodents and ver-

min, with little or nothing done about it. Is it racist to call attention to the decline of so many of America's great cities that have long been under liberal Democratic rule? Recently, while Trump was tweeting, nine people were shot dead in Chicago and 39 wounded. Sounds like Baghdad or Kabul. Is this the new normal that Americans must accept? A prediction: The incidence of murders, rapes, robberies, and assaults in urban America, which saw a steep decline in the last three decades, is about to rise again. Why? Because the attitudes and policies that produced these sinking rates of crime and violence—especially the dramatic increase in the incarceration of criminals in America—are changing.

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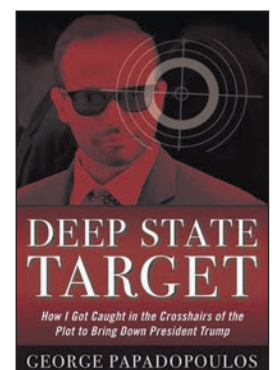
In 1980, some 500,000 criminals were in federal and state prisons and jails. By 2016, some 2.2 million inmates were in jails and prisons and another 4.5 million convicts were on parole or probation, being monitored.

As violent criminals were taken off the streets and put behind bars for years, crime fell, and most dramatically in cities like New York, where the backing of cops and intolerance of criminals by mayors Rudy Giuliani and Mike Bloomberg

Deep State Target

How I Got Caught in the Crosshairs of the Plot to Bring Down Trump

By George Papadopoulos. *Deep State Target* is the only firsthand account that proves the attempted sabotage of Donald Trump's presidential campaign by American and international intelligence services. As he explains in *Deep State Target*, there was an intricate set-up at play, and it was neither Trump nor the Russians pulling the strings. American and allied intelligence services set out to destroy a Trump presidency before it even started. Papadopoulos encountered a rogues' gallery of infamous figures employed by agents from the U.S., Britain, and Australia. Here, he gives the play-by-play of how operatives like Professor Joseph Mifsud, Sergei Millian, Alexander Downer, and Stefan Halper worked to invent a Russian conspiracy that would irreparably damage the Trump administration. Hardback, 288 pages, \$29 plus \$4 S&H inside the U.S. from AFP, 117 La Grange Avenue, La Plata, MD 20646. Call 1-888-699-6397 toll free to charge, Mon.-Thu. 9-5 ET. See www.AmericanFreePress.net to order online. Outside the U.S. email Bookstore@AmericanFreePress.net for foreign S&H.



was the most pronounced.

Hundreds of thousands of Americans were not victimized by crimes in the last three decades because their would-be perpetrators were behind bars. But today, a campaign is afoot to reduce prison populations and use more progressive methods to deal with crime.

Ex-Vice President Joe Biden, who, as a senator and a chairman of the Judiciary Committee, played a role in taking criminals off the streets, seems almost apologetic about what he and the “law and order” Republicans of those decades accomplished.

And the mindset that put first the right of the innocent to be free from domestic violence is vanishing. A recent video of NYPD cops being doused with pails of water as they made their rounds in Harlem has gone viral. The number of applicants for police training programs is dropping. Verbal assaults on “white racist cops” have taken a toll on police morale.

We seem to be drifting back to the 1960s, when crime began to soar and “law and order” began to surge as a national issue.

That issue helped Barry Goldwater capture the nomination from a Republican establishment that had controlled his party for decades.

In 1966, Hollywood actor Ronald Reagan ran as a law and order candidate for governor and routed the liberal incumbent by a million votes.

In 1968, Richard Nixon ran as the law and order candidate, which helped him to stave off George Wallace and defeat Hubert Humphrey, whose Democratic Party was almost twice the size of the GOP.

In 1988, Democratic nominee Gov. Michael Dukakis’s prospects for the presidency vanished when he indicated he would not impose capital punishment, even on a criminal who had raped and murdered his wife.

Calling out the urban liberals who run most of America’s cities for their failure to make those cities more livable and safe might be a winning issue for Trump in 2020.

Is this where Trump is headed? Is it a coincidence that Attorney General Bill Barr just said he will begin imposing the death penalty? ★

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History Journal Nears 25th Anniversary

By Paul Angel

In October of 1994, the first edition of THE BARNES REVIEW (TBR) revisionist history magazine rolled off the presses. And, come this September/October 2019 issue, TBR will be celebrating its 25th anniversary. That’s quite a feat for a magazine that has always dedicated itself to publishing the truth, rather than the establishment-approved politically correct pabulum poisoning every mainstream history journal being published in America today.

An article by Dr. Harry Elmer Barnes, TBR’s namesake, published in that first issue, pointed out this in regard to historical revisionism:

During the last 40 years or so, revisionism has become a fighting term. To so-called revisionists, it implies an honest search for historical truth and the discrediting of misleading myths that are a barrier to peace and goodwill among nations. In the minds of anti-revisionists, the term savors of malice, vindictiveness, and an unholy desire to smear the saviors of mankind.

Actually, revisionism means nothing more or less than the effort to correct the historical record in the light of a more complete collection of historical facts, a more calm political atmosphere, and a more objective attitude.

And that is still the aim of TBR magazine two-and-a-half decades later.

TBR’s founder, Willis A. Carto, with whom

readers of *The Spotlight* newspaper and AMERICAN FREE PRESS are familiar, had these timely words to say in his editorial in that first issue:

The sad truth today is that those who are not special-interest pleaders can hardly be found among the ranks of historians, whose calling above all, said Cicero, is to tell the truth. On the one hand there are the pathetic establishmentarians whose idea of revising history is to write out the role of white males. . . . History texts today for schoolchildren bear the wounds of this attack for the purpose not of truth but simply to please the shabby goal of political correctness.

What he said back then is even more true today as we see the monuments of our religious and cultural heroes torn down, crated up and hauled away and the ranks of Western nations swollen by immigrants who share little in common with our own Euro-American past.

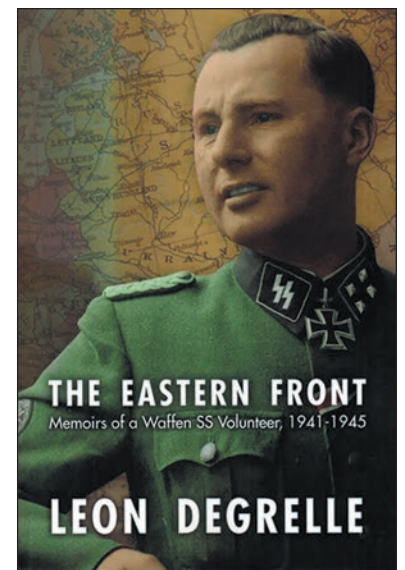
Today, the mission of TBR remains the same: “To bring history into accord with the facts.” And somehow, this message of historical honesty has stood the test of time.

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Media Elites Claim It's 'Racist' to Mention Immigrant Diseases

By Mark Anderson

The Association of American Physicians and Surgeons (AAPS) has taken the commonsense approach of exploring the connection between massive unchecked immigration and the spread of infectious diseases. On the other hand, the neo-Marxist *New Republic* magazine bizarrely pinned the spread of disease on “right-wing nationalism.”

Consider what the AAPS has written. “The American medical system is already overstressed with the problems of an aging population. How will it cope with epidemics of imported infectious diseases, some unfamiliar to American physicians and some incurable?” the AAPS asked in an introduction to a questionnaire for congressional candidates during last fall’s midterm elections.

The document added: “An ever-growing caravan of thousands of migrants originating in Central America is determined to force its way into the United States.”

In fact, “migrants” now are coming from over 40 countries in both hemispheres, as this AFP writer has confirmed with the U.S. Border Patrol.

Importantly, the AAPS questionnaire observed: “In the past, waves of immigrants from Europe were stopped at Ellis Island, medically examined, and quarantined long enough to be sure they were not incubating a contagious disease. Procedures are less rigorous today, and of course those who enter illegally are not screened at all.”

Contrast that with the *New Republic*’s recent article, “How the rise of right-wing nationalism is jeopardizing the world’s health.”

The neocon mouthpiece pontificates: “Nationalism, xenophobia, the new right-wing populism in Europe and the United States, are raising our risk,” Ronald Klain, a former Obama White House Ebola response coordinator and Harvard Law

School teacher, was quoted as saying. “There’s a focus not so much on stopping infectious diseases as much as there is on preventing the movement of people to prevent the transmission of diseases. And that’s not possible, because no matter what you do about immigrants, we live in a connected world.”

So, while Klain, via the *New Republic*, dishes out more internationalist boilerplate—based on the tiresome mantra that “living in a connected world” should automatically negate a nation’s duty to regulate its borders—the magazine goes on to shame those who ask questions:

“It’s a health issue, too, because we don’t know what people have coming in here,” Fox News host Laura Ingraham said. . . . [Lou Dobbs’s] guest on the Fox Business Network linked “the continued invasion of this country” with “diseases spreading across the country that are causing polio-like paralysis of our children.” The most explicit outburst . . . came from David Ward, a former U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agent who claimed: “We have these individuals coming from all over the world that have some of the most extreme medical care in the world, and they are coming in with diseases such as smallpox and leprosy and TB that are going to infect our people in the United States.”

The AAPS questionnaire added that the U.S. is “currently seeing cases of a polio-like illness that paralyzes children, sometimes permanently. This year [2018] 62 cases have been reported, and 386 cases since August 2014. Coincident with resettling about 70,000 children from Central America in 2014 there were 70 cases of polio-like paralysis and a thousand severe respiratory illnesses from the ‘mystery virus’ enterovirus D68.

“Typhus, which is flea-borne, has been reported in Los Angeles. Severe epidemics of hepatitis A are occurring in San Diego,” the questionnaire also noted. “Multidrug-resistant tuberculosis and extensively drug-resistant tuberculosis are in-



RONALD KLAIN

Ronald Klain believes that it is inevitable that immigrants—legal and illegal—will bring infectious diseases into the U.S., but he said that we really shouldn’t worry about it because we live in a “connected world.” He calls real warnings about dangerous diseases “explicit outbursts.” His attitude makes sense when you know that he was a former Obama administration official.

creasing threats, especially in poor countries.”

The AAPS puts things in a proper perspective by erring on the side of caution. Accordingly, the AAPS’s main questions for the midterm candidates centered around how to protect American schoolchildren from exposure to exotic infectious diseases that may be carried by migrants, and whether the CDC and state health departments should do more to track the location and health status of migrants who appear for treatment in medical facilities or register for school, so that the sources of outbreaks can be identified. ★

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The Fed's Endgame

• Thankfully, it appears Trump wants no part of this conflict

By Dr. Ron Paul

The Federal Reserve, responding to concerns about the economy and the stock market, and perhaps to criticisms by President Donald Trump, recently changed course on interest rates by cutting its “benchmark” rate from 2.25% to 2%. Trump responded to the cut in already historically low rates by attacking the Fed for not committing to future rate cuts.

The Fed's action is an example of a popular definition of insanity: doing the same action over and over again and expecting different results. After the 2008 market meltdown, the Fed launched an unprecedented policy of near-zero interest rates and “quantitative easing.” Both failed to produce real economic growth. The latest rate cut is unlikely to increase growth or avert a major economic crisis.

It is not a coincidence that the Fed's rate cut came along with Congress passing a two-year budget deal that increases our already \$22 trillion national debt and suspends the debt ceiling. The increase in government debt increases the pressure on the Fed to keep interest rates artificially low so the federal government's interest payments do not increase to unsustainable levels.

Trump's tax and regulatory policies have had some positive effects on economic growth and job creation. However, these gains are going to be short-lived because they cannot offset the damage caused by the explosion in deficit spending and the Federal Reserve's resulting monetization of the debt. Trump has also endangered the global economy by imposing tariffs on imports from the U.S.'s largest trading partners including China. This has resulted in a trade war that is hurting export-driven industries such as agriculture.

Trump recently imposed more tariffs on Chinese imports, and China responded to the tariffs by devaluing its currency. The devaluation lowers the price consumers pay for Chinese goods, partly offsetting the effect of the tariffs. The U.S. government responded by labeling China a currency manipulator, a charge dripping with hypocrisy since, thanks to the dollar's world reserve currency status, the U.S. is history's greatest currency manipulator. Another irony is that China's action mirrors Trump's continuous calls for the Federal Reserve to lower interest rates.

While no one can predict when or how the next economic crisis will occur, we do know the crisis is coming unless, as seems unlikely, the Fed stops distorting the economy by manipulating interest rates (which are the price of money), Congress cuts spending and debt, and Trump declares a ceasefire in the trade war.

The Federal Reserve's rate cut failed to stop a temporary drastic fall in the stock market. This is actually good news, as it shows that even Wall Street is losing faith in the Federal Reserve's ability to manage the unmanageable—a monetary system based solely on fiat currency.

The erosion of trust in and respect for the Fed is also shown by the interest in cryptocurrency and the momentum behind two initiatives spearheaded by my Campaign for Liberty—passing the Audit the Fed bill and passing state laws re-legalizing gold and silver as legal tender.

There is no doubt we are witnessing the last days of not just the Federal Reserve but the entire welfare-warfare system. Those who know the truth must do all they can to ensure that the crisis results in a return to a constitutional republic, true free markets, sound money, and a foreign policy of peace and free trade. ★

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Myth of 'White Terror' Debunked

• Threat of serious violence coming from radical left, not “white supremacists”

By John Friend

Anti-American activist groups, such as the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) and Southern Poverty Law Center, along with virtually the entire political and media establishment have been in an uproar over the alleged threat of “white supremacist” violence and terrorism, particularly in the wake of mass shootings which took place in recent weeks in Gilroy, Calif., El Paso, Texas, and Dayton, Ohio.

Following these latest shootings, even President Donald Trump joined the act in denouncing “white supremacy,” a weaponized buzzword used to slander and delegitimize pro-white advocates.

“In one voice, our nation must condemn racism, bigotry and white supremacy,” Trump declared in a speech from the White House in early August. “These sinister ideologies must be defeated. Hate has no place in America.”

On social media, hashtags such as #WhiteSupremacistTerrorism and #WhiteNationalistTerrorism began trending, with users posting comments, images, videos, and links with the hashtags in order to condemn “white supremacy” and demand political action be taken. Ben Shapiro, a leading mainstream conservative voice of Jewish heritage, took part in the ridiculous



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spectacle, as conservatives are prone to do.

“#WhiteSupremacistTerrorism is terrorism and should be treated as such,” Shapiro tweeted. “It is an evil scourge that must be rooted out and destroyed.”

The ADL and other groups have been pushing the narrative for years that “white supremacists” pose the greatest threat to society, particularly in the wake of the Unite the Right rally in Charlottesville, Va. two years ago. According to a recently published report by the ADL entitled, “Murder and Extremism in the United States in 2018,” at least 50 people were killed by domestic extremists last year.

A key finding of the report argues that the “extremist-related murders in 2018 were overwhelmingly linked to right-wing extremists,” and

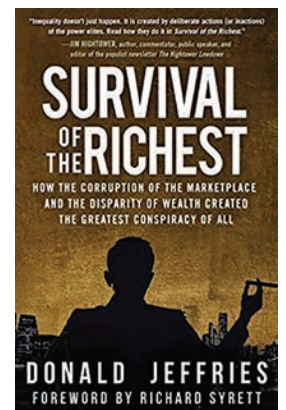
The man at far left in the black shirt we believe to be an antifa supporter (now possibly a former supporter) was mistaken by belligerent leftists as a “fascist.” They turned on him quickly, threatening him with physical violence if he did not leave the area immediately.

that “white supremacists were responsible for the great majority of the killings, which is typically the case.”

It's worth emphasizing that, even if the number of deaths attributed to right-wing violence were true, 10 times as many people die every year just by falling off ladders. An estimated 5,000 times more people die from medical mistakes annually.

Survival of the Richest by Donald Jeffries

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The reality is, however, the number of killings purportedly carried out by individuals on the right is grossly exaggerated. For instance, 17 of the deaths—or about one-third of the total—listed in the ADL report occurred during the shooting at Parkland High School in Florida. The ADL claimed that the shooter, 19-year-old Nikolas Cruz, was on the right and motivated by “hate” simply because, when Cruz was a teenager, he had posted some racial epithets on the Internet.

The biased report hysterically hypes the purported threat of right-wing terrorism while ignoring and downplaying the very real acts of violence and terrorism carried out by radical left-wing extremists as well as other minorities in America.

Earlier in August, several right-leaning groups, including the much-maligned Proud Boys, organized a free speech rally in Portland, Ore. to once again protest against left-wing political violence and intimidation. Unsurprisingly, radical left-wing extremists and antifa activists were the ones engaging in violence, including against innocent bystanders, journalists covering the event, and even unsuspecting tourists simply visiting the city and taking photographs.

Anna Slatz, who attended the demonstration on Aug. 17, spent the day observing and interacting with the radical left. In a blog post describing her experience, she pointed out several instances of violence committed by radical antifa activists, criminal acts that have largely gone unpunished.

“A group of five conservatives, one of whom was elderly, attempted to walk through the downtown area to a parkade,” Slatz wrote. “They were totally silent, and clearly trying to leave, but met with the overwhelming force of several dozen antifa.”

An elderly man in the group “had a full jar of mayonnaise crushed against his head, and his American flag ripped away and thrown to the ground,” she noted. “Acts of violence and cruelty like this were not uncommon yesterday. I witnessed more than one individual rushed, pepper-sprayed, kicked, hit, or otherwise assaulted.”

One innocent bystander was even attacked by a group of antifa thugs, only to find out later that the man was actually on their side—that is, until they beat him up.

While biased, anti-American groups like the ADL and their supporters continue to hype the alleged threat of “white supremacist” terrorism, real violence and criminality carried out by the radical left and minorities continues unabated and with little to no media attention. ★

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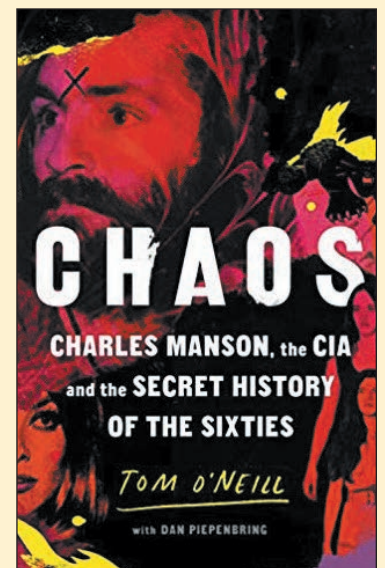
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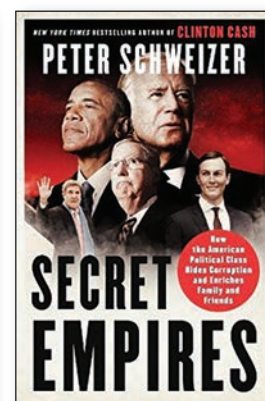
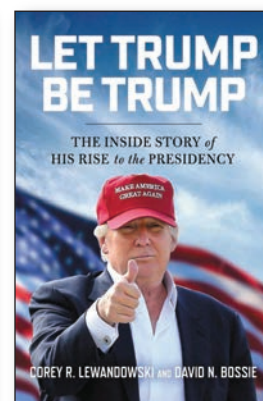
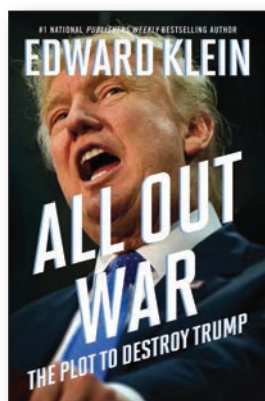
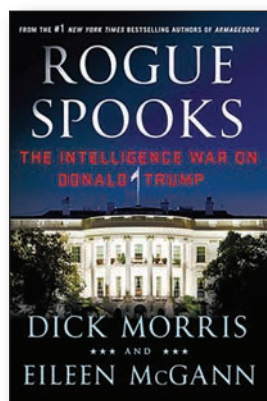
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The Big Tariff Gamble

• President betting his presidency that tariffs will work

By Patrick J. Buchanan

President Donald Trump's reelection hopes hinge on two things: the state of the economy in 2020 and the identity of the Democratic nominee. The further left the Democrats go to select their candidate, the greater the probability Trump wins a second term. Thus, Trump got good news this month.

The verbal flubs of Joe Biden reached critical mass. They are now so numerous and egregious they have begun to call into question whether Biden, who turns 77 in November, is really up to a year of campaigning, followed by four years of leading the nation in the world. Nor is it only Trump saying this now. The Biden staff appears to be agonizing over the endless reruns of Joe's gaffes on cable TV. And a media that sees Biden as the best hope of bringing down Trump is showing signs of alarm.

A valid question arises, not only for Democrats: Does the Biden we have lately seen in debate and on the stump look like a focused leader who could be confidently entrusted with the most powerful office on Earth until January 2025, which would be the end of his first term?

What are the odds that, if he won the presidency, Biden could be a two-term president, until 2029, and not a visibly lame duck from Day One?

Yet, if Biden stumbles and falls before next spring, which now seems more of a possibility than two months ago, it is almost certain the Democratic candidate and party platform will be outside the American mainstream.

Consider what the Elizabeth Warren-Bernie Sanders-Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (AOC) Democrats have on offer: A Green New Deal with government jobs for all. Net-zero carbon emissions. "Medicare for All," including migrants here illegally. Free tuition at state schools. Forgiveness of most or all of \$1.5 trillion in student debt. A trillion dollars of infrastructure. A \$15 minimum wage. Reparations for slavery.

All this is being promised while the nation is running a \$1 trillion deficit and facing trillion-dollar deficits through the first term of the next president. And the national debt is already larger than the GDP.

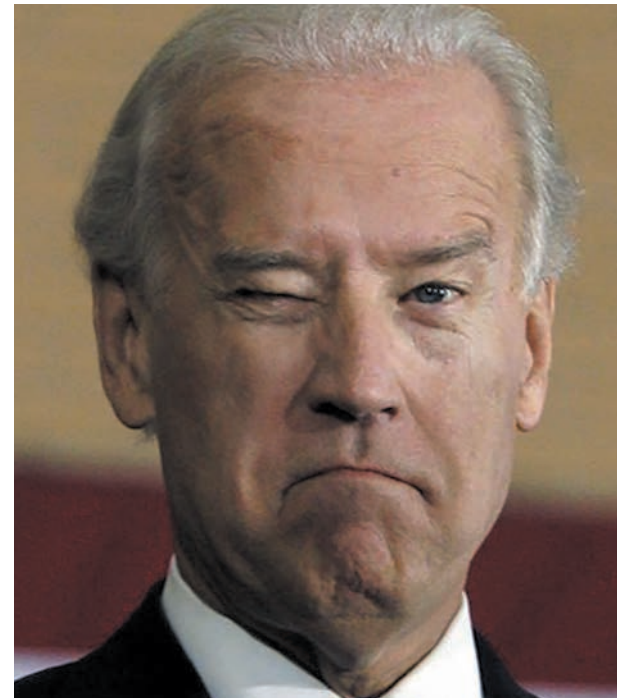
But if the Democrats' performances this summer were heartening for the president, what happened in late August must be causing palpitations. The Dow Jones average plunged 800 points, capping a loss of 7% of its value in weeks, though it has recouped much of its losses. Capital is flooding out of equity markets into the shelter of bonds. And worldwide, the news is not good.

The German economy, the world's fourth largest, contracted in the first quarter. Factory output in China, the world's second-largest economy, is growing at its slowest pace in 17 years.

Britain, another of the 10-largest economies, is about to crash out of the EU by Oct. 1. Hong Kong, its political crisis unresolved and the protests ongoing, is projecting zero growth.

The U.S. economy remains the strongest in the world, but U.S. growth in the second quarter was 2.1%, tepid compared to the 3.5% growth in the spring of 2018.

On top of this disquieting news on the economic front, Trump's disapproval in the Fox News survey released Wednesday rose to 56%, a 5 per-



Has Joe Biden lost it mentally?

centage-point jump in his disapproval from July.

That the president laid the market swoon at the doorstep of the Federal Reserve suggests that Fed Chairman Jerome Powell is being set up to take the fall if the economy goes south in 2020. And going south is a distinct possibility. Bank of America Merrill Lynch puts the odds on a recession next year at one in three.

From the media and political reaction to the Dow plunge, there is nothing Democrats would relish more than seeing the Trump boom, which has reduced unemployment to record lows, end in a recession, negating his greatest political argument and asset. And if America can be talked into a recession, rely on the Beltway political and media elites to try to carry it off.

Which brings us to the China trade impasse, which involves a historic gamble by Trump. Trump seeks to throw out a free trade policy that, rooted in 19th-century ideology rather than U.S. national interests, threw open U.S. markets to the world and produced, over three decades, \$12 trillion in trade deficits and a loss of 70,000 factories and 5 million manufacturing jobs. Like the Russian army carting off German factories after World War II, the Great Arsenal of Democracy was looted by its postwar allies and adversaries alike.

The weapon Trump is using to stop this looting is tariffs, a price of admission into the U.S. market to replace the free passes foreign nations and transnational companies have had to produce abroad and sell into the USA.

Trump is using tariffs to coerce China to stop cheating on the trade rules we have established and to grant us the same access to her markets as producers in China have to the American market.

And he is betting his presidency he can pull it off. ★

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How a Selfish Ruling Class Is Bringing America to the Brink of Revolution

Globalist Policies Transferred American Economy to China

By Paul Craig Roberts

The main problem with the U.S. economy is that globalism has been deconstructing it. The offshoring of U.S. jobs has reduced U.S. manufacturing and industrial capability and associated innovation, research, development, supply chains, consumer purchasing power, and the tax base of state and local governments. Corporations have increased short-term profits at the expense of these long-term costs. In effect, the U.S. economy is being moved out of the First World into the Third World.

Tariffs are not a solution. The Trump administration says that the tariffs are paid by China, but unless Apple, Nike, Levi's, and all of the offshoring companies got an exemption from the tariffs, the tariffs fall on the off-shored production of U.S. firms that are sold to U.S. consumers. The tariffs will either reduce the profits of the U.S. firms or be paid by U.S. purchasers of the products in higher prices. The tariffs will hurt China only by reducing Chinese employment in the production of U.S. goods for U.S. markets.

The financial media is full of dire predictions of the consequences of a U.S.-China "trade war." There is no trade war. A trade war is when coun-

tries try to protect their industries by placing tariff barriers on the import of cheaper products from foreign countries. But half or more of the imports from China are imports from U.S. companies. Trump's tariffs, or a large part of them, fall on U.S. corporations or U.S. consumers.

One has to wonder that there is not a single economist anywhere in the Trump administration, the Federal Reserve, or anywhere else in Washington capable of comprehending the situation and conveying an understanding to President Donald Trump.

One consequence of Washington's universal economic ignorance is that the financial media has concocted the story that "Trump's tariffs" are not only driving Americans into recession but also the entire world. Somehow tariffs on Apple computers and iPhones, Nike footwear, and Levi jeans are sending the world into recession or worse. This is an extraordinary economic conclusion, but the capacity for thought has pretty much disappeared in the United States.

In the financial media the question is: Will the Trump tariffs cause a U.S.-world recession that costs Trump his reelection? This is a very stupid question. The U.S. has been in a recession for two or more decades as its manufacturing, industrial, and engineering capabilities have been transferred abroad. The U.S. recession has been very good for the Asian part of the world. Indeed, China owes its faster-than-expected rise as a world power to the transfer of American jobs, capital, technology, and business know-how to China simply in order that U.S. shareholders could receive capital gains and U.S. executives




Former Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Paul Craig Roberts says the tariffs the president has placed on Chinese goods are misdirected, as they target U.S. corporations, which years ago outsourced their factories to China. While Trump argues these levies at the border will bring jobs back home, Roberts is pessimistic, saying they're gone for good and that only deceptive statistical sleight of hand is making the U.S. economy look good.

could receive bonus pay for producing them by lowering labor costs.

Apparently, neoliberal economists—an oxymoron—cannot comprehend that if U.S. corporations produce the goods and services that they market to Americans offshore, it is the offshore locations that benefit from the economic activity.

Offshore production started in earnest with the Soviet collapse as India and China opened their economies to the West. Globalism means that U.S. corporations can make more money by abandoning their American work force. But what is true for the individual company is not true for the aggregate. Why? The answer is that when many corporations move their production for U.S. markets offshore, Americans, unem-



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ployed or employed in lower-paying jobs, lose the power to purchase the offshored goods.

I have reported for years that U.S. jobs are no longer middle-class jobs. The jobs have been declining for years in terms of value-added and pay. With this decline, aggregate demand declines. We have proof of this in the fact that for years U.S. corporations have been using their profits not for investment in new plants and equipment but to buy back their own shares. Any economist worthy of the name should instantly recognize that when corporations repurchase their shares rather than invest, they see no demand for increased output. Therefore, they loot their corporations for bonuses, decapitalizing the companies in the process. There is perfect knowledge that this is what is going on, and it is totally inconsistent with a growing economy, as is the labor force participation rate. Normally, economic growth results in a rising labor force participation as people enter the work force to take advantage of the jobs. But throughout the alleged economic boom, the participation rate has been falling, because there are no jobs to be had.

In the 21st century the U.S. has been decapitalized and living standards have declined. For a while the process was kept going by the expansion of debt, but consumer income has not kept pace and consumer debt expansion has reached its limits.

The Federal Reserve and Treasury “plunge protection team” can keep the stock market up by purchasing S&P futures. The Fed can pump out more money to drive up financial asset prices. But the money doesn’t drive up production, because the jobs and the economic activity that jobs represent are now abroad. What globalism did was transfer the U.S. economy to China.

Real statistical analysis, as contrasted with the official propaganda, shows that the “booming economy” is an illusion created by statistical deception. Inflation is undermeasured, so when nominal GDP is deflated, the result is to count higher prices as an increase in real output, that is, inflation becomes economic growth. Unemployment is not counted. If you have not searched for a job in the past four weeks, you are officially not a part of the work force and your unemployment is not counted. The way the government counts unemployment is so extraordinary that we ought to have a zero rate of unemployment.

How does a country recover when it has given its economy away to a foreign country that it now demonizes as an enemy? What better example is there of a ruling class that is totally incompetent than one that gives its economy bound and gagged to an enemy so that its corporate friends can pocket short-term riches?

We can’t blame this on President Donald Trump. He inherited the problem, and he has no advisers who can help him understand the problem and find a solution. No such advisers exist among neoliberal economists. I can only think of four economists who could help Trump, and one of them is a Russian.

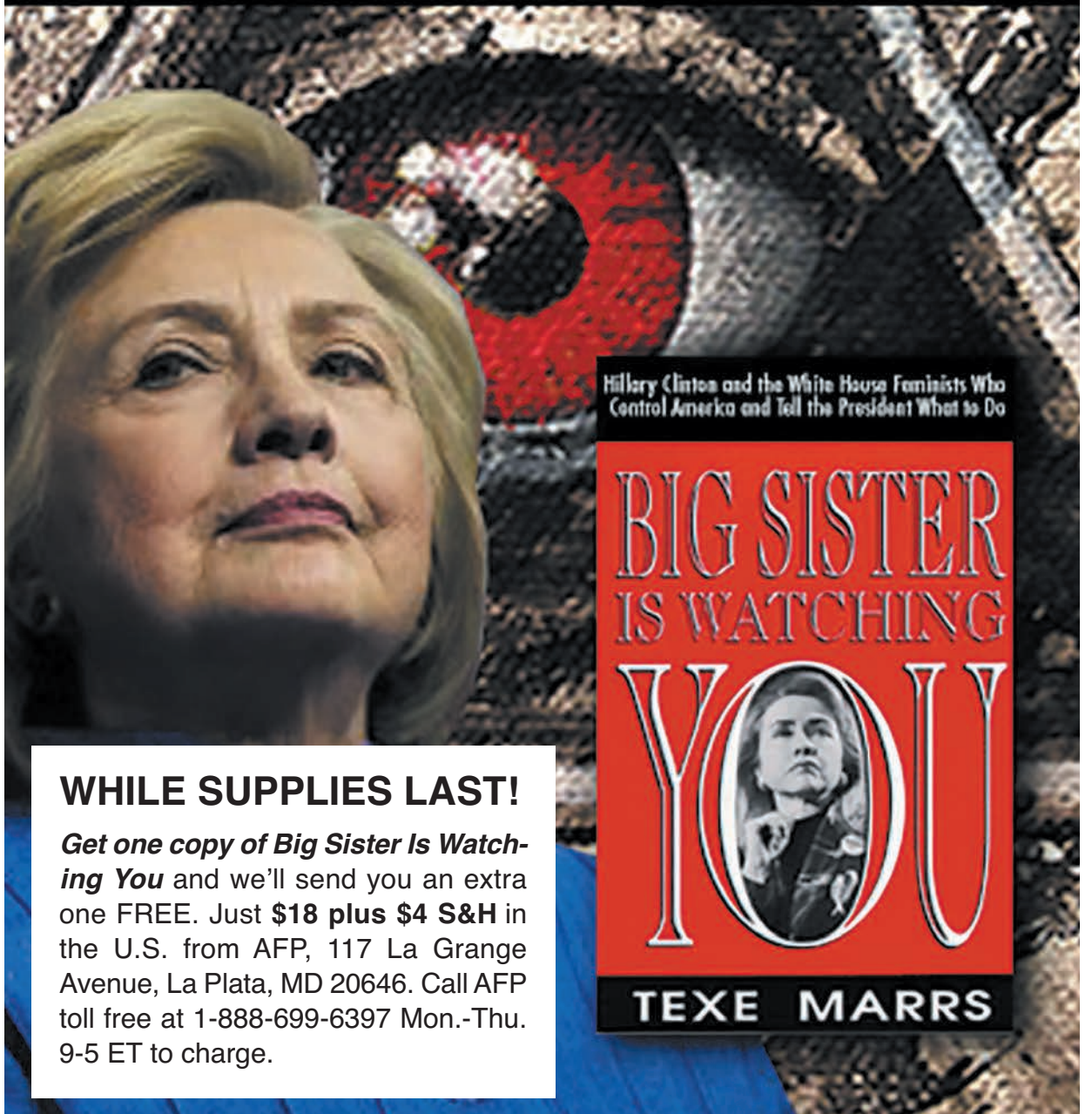
The conclusion is that the United States is locked on a path that leads directly to the Third World of 60 years ago. Trump is helpless to do anything about it. ★

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West Is Powerless to Help the People of Hong Kong

By Richard Walker

For two months, millions of pro-democracy protesters in Hong Kong have looked to the West as China has turned the screws on the territory, but the West is powerless to intervene.

With protesters waving American and British flags on Hong Kong's streets as clashes between them and heavily armed riot police have intensified, Beijing has begun moving troops closer to the border with Hong Kong, implying it is only a matter of time before there is a complete military crackdown. So far, China's main military force, the Peoples Liberation Army, has kept its troops in barracks, allowing the Peoples Armed Police to deal with demonstrators and rioters. But in an ominous sign things may be changing, long lines of armored personnel carriers have been arriving in a Chinese city close to the border.

The brief closure of Hong Kong's airport by protesters angered mainland Chinese leaders since it is the busiest in Asia. In response, they claimed, without evidence, that there were signs of terrorist activity in Hong Kong. To protest leaders, it was a further indication that China was looking for justification to launch a full-scale security takeover of what was once a British colony until the British handed it back to China.

Effectively, in 1997 Britain returned to China a

territory that had grown into a powerful global financial center with a deeply independent culture.

According to a retired British diplomat who spoke to this writer off the record about the crisis, many of his colleagues from the 1990s regret that Britain did not do enough when handing back Hong Kong to ensure China would not be able to go back on its promise that the colony would be guaranteed British democratic rights even though it would be ruled by China. The terminology used was one nation, two systems.

The retired diplomat said:

We were perhaps naïve, believing that China would keep its word. It has been clear over the past two decades that the Chinese have been slowly and cunningly chipping away at Hong Kong's independence. We British have, of course, an emotional attachment to Hong Kong and Hong Kongers, but sadly we are powerless, and so is America. Some of us old hands feel this is not just about Hong Kong. It's Beijing consolidating its power on the fringes, and it is a warning to Taiwan not to step out of line.

In some respects, British emotional attachment to Hong Kong has been boosted by the developing closeness between Britain's new Prime Minister Boris Johnson and President Donald Trump, who warned China not to overreact. In a separate move, indicating British parliamentary fears of a repeat of the Tiananmen Square incident of 1989 in Beijing, it was suggested that Britain should offer Hong Kongers passports, effectively making



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them second-tier British citizens.

Tom Tugendhat, the senior Tory Member of Parliament (MP) who heads the powerful House of Commons Select Foreign Affairs Committee, is one of the growing number of MPs who believe Britain should have offered Hong Kongers British citizenship when the sovereignty of the colony was transferred to Beijing in July 1997. He has said that Britain's failure to do that was "a wrong that needs to be righted." Lately, he has recommended extending full British citizenship to Hong Kongers.

China's Foreign Ministry has not taken kindly to the recommendation, even telling British Foreign Secretary Dominic Rabb to mind his own business and suggesting that the British were going to have to "change their mindset."

China's ambassador to London, Liu Xiaoming, has called for Britain to stop interfering. He repeated a familiar refrain from Beijing that British politicians were still in an empire mode, "with their hands still in the colonial days."

There is little doubt that members of all British political parties fear that, if China deploys People Liberation Army troops on the streets of Hong Kong, the limited autonomy the British negotiated for the colony in the 1984 joint Sino-British Declaration would be tossed aside. That declaration had the agreed principles that Hong Kong would have a "high degree of autonomy" and "independent legislative and executive judicial power." It is the second principle that China has been determined to revoke by insisting that Hong Kongers can be extradited to face courts on mainland China. That is what led to the protests.

For some observers, Beijing's demand to extradite any suspect it seeks from Hong Kong has been a wedge issue that China has deliberately exploited to stir up tensions, thereby providing it with justification to intervene militarily. It is a belief being expressed privately in British government circles where many are now buoyed by the fact that they believe President Donald Trump has Britain's back on the issue.

The real question is what can Trump do when China appears to hold all the cards. ★



The mass protests in Hong Kong and surrounding areas have not stopped, though the Chinese government may have enlisted the aid of local gangs to attack protesters, according to reports.

China Trade Deal Needs to Happen

• Love him or hate him, world should be hoping Trump succeeds

By Robert Romano

“Somebody had to take China on. This is something that had to be done. The only difference is I am doing it.” That was President Donald Trump making the case for his trade negotiations with China while talking to reporters during a visit by Romanian President Klaus Iohannis to the White House on Aug. 20. “China has been ripping this country off for 25 years, for longer than that, and it’s about time whether it’s good for our country or bad for our country short term. Long term it’s imperative that somebody does this.”

In response, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Geng Shuang promoted the dialogue, saying: “The two sides have differences in issues of trade, and the economy is not something to be scared of. The key is to resolve the issues through dialogue.”

That sounds about right. And if it weren’t for the 25% tariffs on \$250 billion worth of Chinese goods coming to the U.S. and another 10% on the remaining \$300 billion worth of goods coming in December, the negotiations might not be happening at all.

If you’re a Republican or a Democrat or an independent, whether you like free trade or think it has hurt the U.S. economy the past three decades, if you’re in business with China or from China yourself, even Chinese President Xi Jinping—you should be rooting for Trump to succeed in his trade negotiations with Beijing.

Ultimately, a deal with China will set the stage for the rest of the century and determine whether we can find a way to resolve our very real differences on China’s currency devaluations that boost exports, its intellectual property theft and forced technology transfers, and its sanctions against U.S. exporters, or if we are on a collision course for conflict.

One need look no further than to the threat the 7.3 million people of Hong Kong and the 23.6 million people of Taiwan constantly live under or to the continued nuclear threat from North Korea to comprehend the danger that running a \$380 billion trade deficit poses—more than twice China’s annual \$152 billion defense budget.

On the merits, a trade deal should satisfy free trade proponents. The fact is, tariff and non-tariff barriers have only been sustainably reduced worldwide since the end of World War II for the most part with reciprocal trade agreements, something we currently lack with China. Free trade proliferates when both sides strive to reduce those barriers, and it suffers when barriers are erected unfairly.

A deal with China would give both sides a reason to ratchet down trade pressure and to

have an accountable system in place for resolving trade disputes.

On the other hand, a failure to get a deal—or if China runs over Hong Kong—boosts the likelihood that the current tariffs in place remain or increase over time.

As for those who think past trade agreements have not put America first, there’s something there, too. Prior to Trump, U.S. leaders have given China a pass on its trade barriers, whereas the agreement that was in negotiations as recently as May addressed them directly.

The fact that any deal would include concessions from China would give it needed longevity, as it will be more likely to garner political support.

From a political perspective, it is unseemly to watch politicians and pundits cheer on negative economic news—such as recent speculation of a recession on the horizon or breakdowns in the trade negotiations—because they think it will politically hurt the president.

The fact is, an economic downturn or the failure to reach a deal now could negatively impact future presidents’ ability to deal with China. Worse, it could make conflict more likely in the future, and that’s in nobody’s interests.

Why are politicians rooting against America?

A notable exception has been Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-N.Y.), who to his credit initially applauded Trump’s and Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin’s designation of China as currency manipulator, though he has been noticeably silent of late.

Setting aside partisan and ideological differ-

ences, the biggest reason to support the president’s success in negotiating with China, whether it is Trump or a future president, is because it puts America first, and the president is at his strongest in foreign relations and diplomacy when there is a bipartisan consensus to proceed.

We should all be hoping Trump succeeds.

As for U.S. companies doing business with or in China or if you are from China yourself, you should be rooting for a trade deal because it will keep global supply lines intact and create a basis for growing and improving the current relationship. No deal means that companies will seek to build their factories elsewhere.

The point of a trade deal is not to dominate world trade but to achieve a sustainable equilibrium that mutually benefits both sides. That will require concessions in both directions. And we should be mindful that we may not get a better deal later.

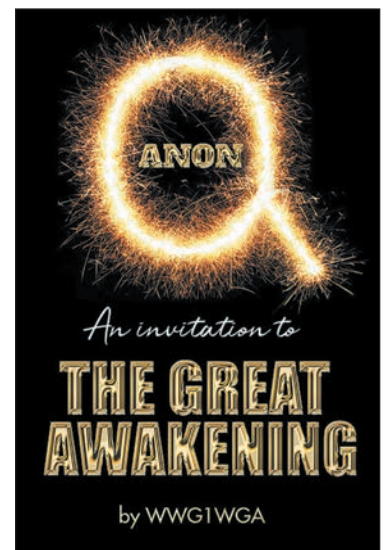
What we were doing since China was granted Permanent Normal Trade Relations status in 2000 and entered the World Trade Organization in 2001 was neither politically nor economically sustainable. Overall, the likelihood is that Trump has already changed America’s posture toward Beijing for the long term, especially given developments in Hong Kong these past weeks.

For all our sakes, it is up to policymakers in both Washington, D.C. and Beijing to adjust to that political reality and make a deal while there’s still time before world events make one politically impossible. ★

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Book a National Security Threat?

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 experience. Together they give you an overview that may encourage you to learn more. *The one thing they are all convinced of: QAnon is not only real, but an insider with White House connections and this book offers many proofs to substantiate this claim.* Have you been convinced by legacy media claims that “Q” is a hoax or a “conspiracy theory”? Instead, consider why the media would insist that you—a thinking and capable adult—should avoid “Q” at all cost? If a mere “conspiracy theory,” why all the attention? What ideas are so dangerous you should never hear them? Is there another side to the story? Read this book and judge for yourself. Order your copy of this stunning book (softcover, 270 pages, \$25 plus \$4 S&H inside the U.S.) from AMERICAN FREE PRESS, 117 La Grange Avenue, La Plata, MD 20646 or call toll free at 1-888-699-6397 to charge, Mon.-Thu. 9-5 ET. Order online at www.AmericanFreePress.net. Outside U.S. email Bookstore@AmericanFreePress.net for foreign S&H.





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NYT to Switch News Coverage from Russia to Trump's Alleged Racism

By Mark Anderson

N*ew York Times* executive editor Dean Baquet told the entire *Times* staff in a recent internal “townhall” meeting that, as Special Counsel Robert Mueller’s report sunsets, the nation’s so-called “newspaper of record” will shift its focus from its hyper-biased coverage of alleged Trump-Russia “collusion” to the president’s alleged deep-seated racism. Interestingly, this tectonic shift was revealed via a leaked audio recording of the meeting obtained by liberal news and commentary website “Slate” from which the news website produced a slightly edited transcript.

A reading of the transcript reveals the utter obsession that Baquet and the overall “*Times* tribe” have with racial issues—so much so that the *Times* just trotted out what it calls “The 1619 Project,” evidently designed to immerse readers in nonstop racial discussions, with the apparent goal being to brand Trump a foul, unrepentant racist in order to help foster his defeat in the 2020 election.

Baquet revealingly boasted during the *Times*’s townhall: “We built our newsroom to cover one story [the Mueller matter] and we did it truly well. Now we have to regroup and shift resources and emphasis to take on a different story.”

But that “different story” isn’t simply a more intense shift to racial issues, amid a mass media mindset already obsessed with racial matters to the point of delirium; rather, the ever-subversive *Times* is attempting to create a whole new paradigm via the 1619 Project. The *Times* describes the project as follows: “The 1619 Project is a major initiative from *The New York Times* observing the 400th anniversary of the beginning of American slavery. It aims to reframe the country’s history, understanding 1619 as our true founding, and placing the consequences of slavery and the contributions of black Americans at the very center of the story we tell ourselves about who we are.”

According to the transcript, Baquet explained, “Chapter 1 of the story of Donald Trump, not only



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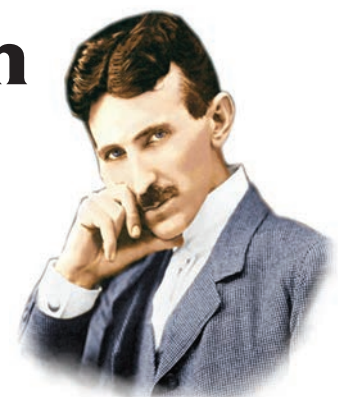
for our newsroom but, frankly, for our readers, was: Did Donald Trump have untoward relationships with the Russians, and was there obstruction of justice? That was a really hard story, by the way; let’s not forget that. We set ourselves up to cover that story. I’m going to say it. We won two Pulitzer Prizes covering that story. And I think we covered that story better than anybody else.”

However, then came the Mueller report, with Special Counsel and former FBI Director Robert Mueller saying he found no evidence that the Trump campaign had conspired with Russia to rig the 2016 election. During the townhall, Baquet barely admitted defeat in the Mueller melee by quipping, “We’re a little tiny bit flat-footed.”

And with that pet conspiracy theory having failed to become conspiracy fact, and those Pulitzers looking more and more like wasted trophies, it’s now time for “The Gray Lady,” as the paper is traditionally called, to “reframe the country’s history.” The word “rewrite” also comes to mind. And in the Marxist minds of those who populate the *Times* newsroom, reinterpreting history to further mar our nation’s founding—saying that founding took place in 1619 before the U.S. was even formed, while attempting to take down Trump in the process—would be par for the course for a “gray lady” that’s getting too senile to recognize her own folly. ★

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Battle Continues for Man Fired for Cultural Views

I just wanted to send a note of thanks for reporting my story fairly [in the Aug. 12 & 19 issue in the front-page article titled "Free Speech Triumph"]. It's a breath of fresh air after what the Memphis media has done to slander me in every way possible. Unfortunately, [Memphis Light, Gas and Water] has chosen to appeal the back pay and damages, so the battle continues. Blessings to all of you.

MICHAEL GOZA
Tennessee

High Starting Wages a Problem

A comment heard recently: "It is amazing there is not more discussion of the downturn of union influence." My answer: Labor unions' assaults on low wages are continuing unabated both in the U.S. and the rest of the world.

Are there any negative consequences?

High minimum-wage laws erect barriers to being hired by forcing young applicants to demand unwarranted high beginner's pay. These include barriers erected against hiring the handicapped, as well, for similar reasons.

Wages designed to help stressed families are by law given to everyone, but, when expenses consume all profit, employers are forced to close shop.

A quote from a recent voters pamphlet: "Let's abolish the job destroying minimum wage which creates so many homeless, unemployed poor people and panhandlers and shop-lifters and muggers. Bad law has created misery and criminals!" This is what the Better Business Bureau and political science majors should investigate and evaluate. What's the holdup?

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Washington

Texas Guard Doing its Job

In regard to AFP's article, titled "Democrats Are Key Obstacle to Border Crisis Solution," maybe this is the case for the liberal state of California as well as Arizona and New Mexico, but not for the



Texas border. The Texas Army National Guard has the mission to assist the Border Patrol and is doing a pretty darn good job so far. I think the governors of those other three states need to get with the program and deploy their national or state guards to assist and protect their citizens. Don't mess with Texas.

GERARDO J. MORALES
Texas

Preserve, Protect, Defend

Without exception, everyone entering federal government service, both civilian and military, takes an oath before God Almighty to "preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic." And yet, everybody knows that the Constitution is in virtual exile, rarely manifested in government laws, policies, and programs.

Promise-making before God Almighty is very serious business. Multiple Bible verses tell us God takes oaths made before Him very seriously. Revelation 21:8 tells us liars, as well as other sinners, will

have their place in the lake of fire.

We the people are the ones who elect liars, cheaters, adulterers, and other immoral reprobates to public government office. We do not hold them to their oaths of office to ensure the integrity of the Constitution. Consequently, much, if not most, of what government does today is unconstitutional. America is a lawless nation.

When the Constitutional Convention of 1787 ended, a woman asked Dr. Benjamin Franklin, what kind of government we have. "A republic," Dr. Franklin replied, "if you can keep it." That same Dr. Franklin quoted the Bible, Psalm 127:1, at the Constitutional Convention: "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain who build it."

Most public government officials today ridicule, demean, and scoff at God, or at least at the relevance of God's Word to the affairs of civil secular government. Have they bought the lie of "separation of church and state"? At least, their official actions reflect such attitude.

LAWRENCE K. MARSH
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Letters

Hate Crimes Are a Hoax

The concept of "Hate Crimes" is itself a hoax. While our foes hammer us 24/7 under the influence of Lenin's words, "We must hate—hatred is the basis of communism," we honor them by embracing the "crimes" they invent for us. What a deal: While they hate us, we are forbidden to even dislike them. Those succumbing to this double standard accept servitude; a more un-American attitude can hardly be imagined. Where is the midnight defiance of Revere to confront this tyranny?

CHARLES WIGGIN
Ohio

Don' Be Deluded

In regard to the article titled, "Necons Surrounding Trump Suckering Him Into Iran War," history shows that, when leaders and advisers delude themselves, victory is certain, even when the fundamentals are against that outcome. President Trump must have his eye on 2020. That's a short time to invade and defeat Iran, especially if failing to factor in the risk of having to face a Sino-Russian alliance. Both of those countries have vital interests in the region. Come election-time, Trump may still be bogged down in Iran, or there will be no election, having stumbled into World War III by that time.

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Via email

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