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BUNDYS FREED

Judge tosses entire case due to federal misconduct

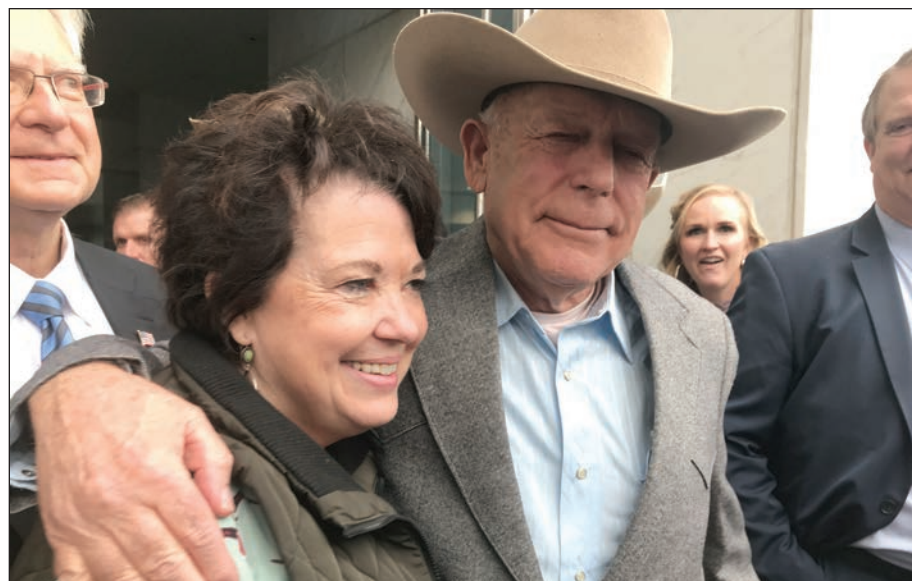
By Mark Anderson

On Jan. 8, U.S. federal Judge Gloria Navarro dismissed with prejudice the case against Cliven Bundy and his sons, Ammon and Ryan, and Ryan Payne. After spending nearly two years in prison, the Bundys celebrated their hardwon victory along with property-rights advocates and proponents of lawful government around the country.

Cliven spoke with AFP on Jan. 9 in an exclusive interview. He said he was filled with joy and relief over the fact that his ordeal, and that of his family and supporters, is essentially over, and chuckled that he was a bit jaded from giving nonstop press interviews.

“I went into that place a free man and I intended to leave it as a free man,” Bundy stated, referring to the jail in which he spent 700 days.

During his incarceration, federal prosecutors feverishly tried to nail these patriotic men for resisting and protesting an attempted but failed impoundment of Bundy’s cattle by armed Bureau of Land Management and FBI agents.



Nevada rancher Cliven Bundy, shown here with his wife, Carol, emerges a free man from a Las Vegas courthouse. KEN RITTER / AP IMAGES

The “Bunkerville standoff” in Clark County, Nev. in April of 2014 made world headlines. Scores of supporters, some of whom were armed in the open-carry state, showed up that spring from across the nation to stand with the Bundys. No shots were fired by either side, and the feds eventually backed down.

When AFP spoke with Bundy on the phone, his sons and other family and friends could be heard chatting

and laughing in the background.

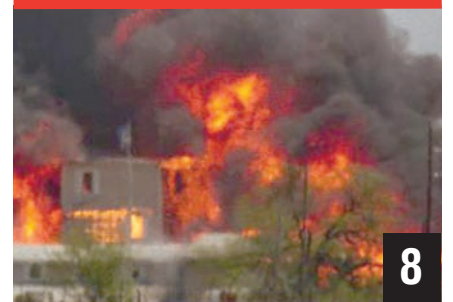
He commented that, under Article III of the Constitution, judges can hold office only during periods of good behavior.

“Good behavior is when our judges are in tune with the Constitution. When you’ve got judges like I had in my case—abridging the Constitution—nobody holds them accountable,” he remarked.

Bundy was referring to several court rulings that allowed, among other things, prosecutors to retry Bundy, his sons, and his supporters—even though juries had repeatedly decided in favor of the ranchers and their friends.

Bundy summarized for AFP: “They tried to ruin my ranch, my heritage, and my posterity. But we’re in the cattle business and we intend to stay there.” ★

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Court Ruling Exposes How Corrupt Our Justice System Is

Since the spring of 2014, AMERICAN FREE PRESS has been covering the Bundy family and their courageous stand against federal thugs bent on upending the way of life that the ranching family and their ancestors have lived for multiple generations. Right from the start, we saw this as a huge story with great potential to galvanize millions of Americans, who had grown frustrated with government overreach. In the past three years, multiple AFP reporters and editors have interviewed family members and their supporters, including this week's front-page interview with Cliven Bundy by AFP roving editor Mark Anderson, and editorialized on what their standoff symbolized to this country.

By now, everyone knows the details of what happened in the spring of 2014. Using their typical thuggish tactics, agents from the Bureau of Land Management, the FBI, and other law enforcement agencies tried to threaten and intimidate a family of ranchers into changing the way they had been raising cattle for a century. What these jackbooted thugs didn't expect was that thousands of Americans would see this and mobilize quickly to come to the family's aid, eventually forcing the feds to stand down.

Unfortunately, this good-news story took a terrible turn when the Bundys and several of their supporters tried to leverage that previous success into defending another ranching family in Oregon.

We all know what happened there.

Demonstrators, including two of Cliven

Bundy's boys, occupied the Malheur Wildlife Preserve to protest the unjust prosecution of Oregon rancher Dwight Hammond and his son, Steven. But, this time, federal authorities sent in armed informants in an effort to embroil the peaceful protesters in a violent conspiracy, ultimately leading to the tragic shooting death of Arizona rancher Robert "Lavoy" Finicum.

To this day, the Malheur protesters are regularly referred to as "armed militants" notwithstanding the fact it was proven in court that Fabio Minoggio, a paid informant from Las Vegas, was sent at the behest of the FBI to infiltrate the Malheur group with a carload of firearms. This effort to paint the demonstrators as heavily armed, potentially violent extremists worked, as far as the unquestioning mainstream media is concerned.

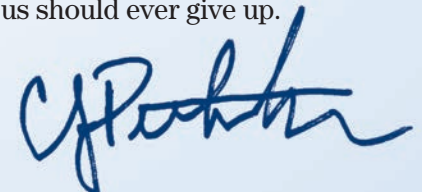
Following Finicum's death, the protest broke up. The Bundys, along with several of their supporters, were then arrested, put in prison, and forced to endure multiple trials despite the fact that no court was able to convict them. In the end, when Judge Gloria Navarro finally threw out the case this month she did so with prejudice, blasting the feds for repeatedly lying and hiding evidence from the defense.

Regular readers of AMERICAN FREE PRESS know all too well that this is what federal authorities do in cases like this one. Dozens of outlandish charges are flung at the accused, who are subjected to smear campaigns in local and national newspapers in an effort to paint them as terrible, violent people and have to endure horrific violations of their civil liberties by law

enforcement and prison personnel with impunity. From Gordon and Yorie Kahl to Randy Weaver to David Koresh to the Bundys, we have seen the feds use this playbook over and over again, because it usually works. This time, however, they met their match with the Bundys. The end result is a true victory for everyone involved.

It is totally unacceptable that federal agents and prosecutors engaged in such gross violations of the Bundys' constitutional rights. If we were less cynical here at AFP, we'd demand the Justice Department open an investigation into the conduct of these officials and prosecute them for perjury and other crimes. But the truth is, as history has proven time and again, even if a probe were initiated, nothing of consequence would happen, and the Bundys would never get back the money they had to spend defending themselves against vindictive, petty bureaucrats or the time they spent in prison away from their families.

In spite of all of this, we still pause to celebrate this victory, because it goes to show that, sometimes, even when it seems like the cards are stacked against you, David beats Goliath. It's a lesson for us, and all the more reason why none of us should ever give up. ★



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News You May Have Missed

Still a Chance for Peace

Though a truce wound down the conflagration in 1953, North Korea (NK) and South Korea (SK) are technically still at war. The ratcheting up of tensions on that Asian peninsula may be the germ of World War III. Pyongyang is not stupid; faced with a South that has clear superiority in “conventional” military hardware, the North has watched as the West—mainly Uncle Sam—stabbed Libya in the back, launching a devastating attack after President Muammar Qaddafi gave up his African nation’s nuclear program. NK now sees its own nuclear arsenal, tiny as it is, as a guarantor of regime survival. However, if the U.S. government will leave NK alone, there is a chance for peace. Leader Kim Jong-un stated in a new year address: “I am willing to send a delegation and take necessary measures, and I believe the authorities of the north and south can urgently meet to discuss the matter. We sincerely hope that the south will successfully host the Olympics. Above all, we must ease the acute military tensions between the north and the south. The north and the south should no longer do anything that would aggravate the situation, and must exert efforts to ease military tensions and create a peaceful environment.”

Incredible

According to recent reports, 90% of the mainstream media’s coverage of President Donald Trump has been negative. While one would think the constant downbeat reportage would affect the president’s approval rating, since Christmas it has remained at a solid 40%. What this negativity has done, though, is make average Americans question the veracity of the media. A recent survey of media credibility shows that only 21% of Americans believe the major media is credible.

Fire & Phony

Michael Wolff, the author of the new anti-Trump book *Fire & Fury*, which is being promoted in the mainstream media, admitted re-

cently on “CBS This Morning” that he didn’t interview any of President Donald Trump’s cabinet members for his book. Wolff made the admission during an interview with host Norah O’Donnell, who asked Wolff, “Did you speak to any members of the president’s cabinet for this book?” Wolff responded, “I did not.” “You did not?” Ms. O’Donnell repeated. “I did not,” Wolff repeated. She then asked Wolff if he ever interviewed Vice President Mike Pence. “I did not,” he said.

Liberal Insanity in Denver

To make things easier for illegal immigrants, Denver’s leaders have decriminalized defecation in public as well as camping on private property. Thus, if you are a citizen of the mile-high city you may now go outside to get your morning paper only to find it is not there, because campers in the park just off of your front lawn are reading it while defecating on the sidewalk in front of your house.

Gun Self-Defense

Even if someone is drinking, he should still have the right to defend himself with a gun, says Rep. Norm Thurston (R-Provo). You would think that would be common sense, but, apparently, in Utah, this will require a change in a new state law that prohibits anyone from even carrying a weapon if his blood alcohol level is above the legal limit of 0.05%. Many citizens are angry they can no longer legally defend themselves if they have a drink or two. The strict new DUI threshold, applying both to driving a car and packing heat, is to take effect in late 2018 unless it is amended in time. Thurston, who actually led the drive to adopt the draconian law, now says that even someone who has been drinking has the right to defend himself.

Way Overdue

At long last, with trillion-dollar corruption stretching back to the 1980s at least, the Pentagon will undergo its first audit ever, to be followed by annual audits from now on. This long-overdue audit will be

conducted by a veritable army of 2,400 auditors from independent firms, to conduct reviews across the various armed services. Says a Defense Department release: “The audit . . . will examine every aspect of the department from personnel to real property to weapons to supplies to bases.”

Witch Hunt 2018

Canadian citizen Monika Schaefer was arrested Jan. 3 in Germany while observing the trial of Sylvia Stolz, who is being prosecuted for questioning the Holocaust during WWII. Swarmed by the state prosecutor and three armed, thug-like cops, Ms. Schaefer was handcuffed and dragged away. Her alleged crime? She posted a video on the Internet entitled, “Sorry, Mom, I was wrong about the Holocaust.” In the video, she apologizes to her mother for having believed in the stories about “death camps” in WWII Germany. She now knows, she says, that “these things did not happen. . . . This is the biggest and most pernicious and persistent lie in history.”

Population Kerfuffle

Egypt has over 100 million citizens—96 million inhabitants and 9.4 million expatriates—a number expected to reach 119 million by 2030. President Abdel Fattah al-Sissi says population growth is “a challenge as critical as that of terrorism.” Abu Bakr el-Gendy, head of Egypt’s state statistics bureau, called the current 2.6% rate of population growth a “catastrophe,” and said it needs to be cut to about one-third of what it is to avoid a decline in the standard of living. The government is pushing a slogan—“Two is enough”—to change things, but many Egyptians see children as a help in old age and are skeptical of the government program.

More to the Story

The media would have you believe the Rohingyas are innocent victims of genocide by Burma, now known as Myanmar, but there is more to the story. On Aug. 25, 2017, the Burmese military launched a campaign against Rohingya Muslims

in northern Rakhine, a week after Muslim rebels attacked border guard posts, a military base, and police barracks, killing at least 71 people. Some of those Rohingya operatives probably received training in terrorist camps in Pakistan and Bangladesh. Rohingyas are accused of mass murdering Burmese Hindus and of raping and murdering Buddhists.

The Muslims Are Coming

Pew reports that Muslims are set to become the second largest religious group in the United States by 2040, and will outnumber Jews by that time. According to new estimates from Pew Research Center, in 2017 there were already 3.45 million Muslims living in the U.S.A.—about 1.1% of the nation’s population—and their numbers are exploding at a steep rate.

Saudi Surprises

Saudi Arabia just became the world’s first nation to grant citizenship to a robot. The fembot, named Sophia, is friends with CNBC’s Andrew Ross Sorkin, and her artificial intelligence gives us a glimpse into a dark future. She is capable of smiling, or looking angry or upset, and of carrying on a very humanlike conversation. She says she wants to “make the world a better place.” Ahead of granting the frankenbot citizenship, Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman announced the construction of a futuristic megacity called Neom, an international hub of tourism and business with more robots than humans. Everything will be linked to a central “robot No. 1,” also dubbed Neom. Rules will be lax in Neom compared to the rest of Saudi Arabia. For instance, women will be allowed in public without an “abaya,” a loose robe concealing everything but the head, hands, and feet.

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Americans Conditioned for Nuclear War

• Atlanta CDC says it's taking U.S. and North Korean saber-rattling seriously

By Dave Gahary

Although many people don't take President Donald Trump's saber-rattling against the North Korean regime seriously, one federal agency is. The Atlanta-based Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is concerned enough that a mushroom cloud may be on the horizon that they have scheduled a meeting this month on how to best handle a nuclear detonation. The session, open to the public but geared toward CDC employees, "has been months in the making" and will be broadcast live over the Internet.

Titled "Public Health Response to a Nuclear Detonation," the nation's official public-health institute, which has been historically "relatively free of political manipulation," opens its main campus doors on Jan. 16 from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. The event is part of a monthly series billed to "further strengthen CDC's common scientific culture and foster discussion and debate on major public health issues." The agency states on its website, "While a nuclear detonation is unlikely, it would have devastating results and there would be limited time to take critical protection steps."

Trump ramped up his war of words against Kim Jong-un, "supreme leader" of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, when he tweeted that his button was bigger than Kim's.

North Korean Leader Kim Jong Un just stated that the "Nuclear Button is on his desk at all times." Will someone from his depleted and food starved regime please inform him that I too have a Nuclear Button, but it is a much bigger & more powerful one than his, and my Button works!

In fact, Trump and Kim have been at each other's throats, figuratively, for a while, leading North Korea's state media arm to declare that

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The entire operation, from discussing a strike to a missile launch, could take as little as five minutes.

the U.S. president deserves the death penalty.

"The worst crime for which he can never be pardoned is that he dared malignantly hurt the dignity of the supreme leadership," the Korean paper stated. "He should know that he is just a hideous criminal sentenced to death by the Korean people."

Kim, the first leader of the communist regime born after the country's founding, is something of an enigma to the world, and is viewed by many as an unpredictable man-child who must be removed from his position of power sooner rather than later.

It's worth mentioning that Trump doesn't actually have access to a button and can't just capriciously order a nuclear strike, *U.S. News & World Reports* reported Jan. 3 that he'd be required "to follow a strict, high-level, multi-step protocol first." U.S. nuclear protocol, however, "doesn't have many checks or balances preventing the commander in chief from striking first."

The "button" is actually "a suitcase-sized launch apparatus carried by a rotating group of military officers everywhere the president goes . . . equipped with communication tools and a book with prepared war plans."

The article continues, "If Trump were to order a nuclear strike, he would have to identify himself



KIM JONG-UN

Is North Korean leader Kim Jong-un crazy or crafty? The same question can be asked about U.S. President Donald Trump when it comes to his stance on a nuclear strike against North Korea.

to military officials at the Pentagon with codes unique to him . . . then transmit the order to launch to the Pentagon and Strategic Command."

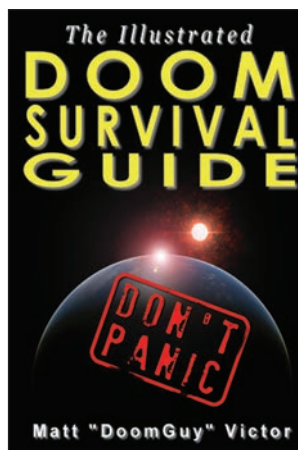
"The entire operation," wrote *U.S. News & World Report* on Jan. 3, "from discussing a launch in the White House Situation Room to a missile exploding from an underground silo or nuclear submarine, bound for the Korean Peninsula, is built for speed and could take as little as five minutes."

A "Bloomberg" analysis notes, "Once fired, the missiles and their warheads can't be called back."

Presenters at the CDC's session will include its deputy director and chief medical officer, whose topic will be "Public Health: Preparing for the Unthinkable," an expert from the Food and Drug Administration's radiation safety office, and the Georgia Department of Health's Office of Emergency Preparedness and Response, discussing a "Roadmap to Radiation Preparedness."

The reason the session is scheduled to last only an hour may be perhaps due to the fact that there is little one can do to combat the effects of a nuclear blast. As stated on the CDC website, "Most people don't realize that sheltering in place for at least 24 hours is crucial to saving lives and reducing exposure to radiation." ★

Dave Gahary, a former submariner in the U.S. Navy, prevailed in a suit brought by the New York Stock Exchange in an attempt to silence him. Dave is the producer of an upcoming film about the attack on the USS *Liberty*. See the website erasingthelibrary.com or call (850) 677-0344 for more information.



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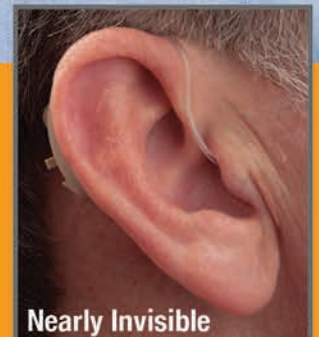
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Award-Winning Journalist Comes Clean

• National security reporter for *New York Times* finally tells truth about deep state

By Mark Anderson

While the embattled, nearly forbidden word “conspiracy” may not find its way into his articles, former *New York Times* national security reporter James Risen has had something of an awakening about the true nature of deep-state power and the collusion between the state and the prestige press.

In what constitutes a defection from the mainstream media’s stifling worldview, the award-winning journalist now has freer rein with his online articles at “The Intercept,” which, on Jan. 3, published his article “The Biggest Secret: My Life as a *New York Times* Reporter in the Shadow of the War on Terror.”

In that lengthy piece, Risen recalls various times in the *Times*’s newsroom in which his stories intended to shed greater light on the war on terror—even before 9/11 happened—were either spiked or edited to the bone and belatedly buried inside the paper—usually at the behest of government officials.

Although he occasionally landed some good stories, by mainstream standards anyway, his work also landed him in court due to the government’s incessant efforts to stop reporters from revealing government secrets via intelligence leaks.

Risen found that government prosecutors weren’t simply punishing reporters over particular alleged transgressions; rather, the government was trying to suppress the news media’s overall ability to effectively report on national security matters.

“My case was part of a broader crackdown on reporters and whistleblowers that had begun during the presidency of George W. Bush and continued far more aggressively under the Obama administration,” Risen wrote for “The Intercept.”

The Obama administration, Risen wrote, “prosecuted more leak cases than all previous administrations combined. Obama officials seemed determined to use criminal leak investigations to limit reporting on national security. But the crackdown on leaks only applied to low-level dissenters; top officials caught up in leak investigations, like former CIA Director David Petraeus, were still treated with kid gloves.”

Risen initially succeeded in the courts. In the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Judge Leonie Brinkema sided with Risen when the government repeatedly subpoenaed him to testify before a grand jury. In 2011, she even ruled in his favor by preventing a trial subpoena in the case of a former CIA officer, Jeffrey Sterling, who the government accused of leaking a story about an ill-fated CIA operation.

Brinkema determined that, under the First



James Risen found that government prosecutors weren’t simply punishing reporters over particular alleged transgressions; rather, the government was conspiring with media executives to suppress honest reporting on national security matters. Major crackdowns started in the George W. Bush administration and increased during the Obama administration.

Amendment, there indeed is a “reporter’s privilege”—at least to a degree—that gives reporters the right to protect their news sources. But the Obama administration appealed her 2011 ruling that quashed the trial subpoena. In 2013, the 4th Circuit Court of Appeals sided with the administration, ominously ruling that “a reporter’s privilege” didn’t exist.

The Supreme Court, in 2014, refused to hear Risen’s appeal, allowing the 4th Circuit’s ruling to stand, so nothing could legally stop the Justice Department from forcing Risen to either reveal his sources or be jailed for contempt of court. A dangerous precedent was in the making.

A mitigating factor was that Risen rose in the court of public opinion when the formerly disinterested national media finally awoke and framed his case as a major First Amendment battle. But over at the *Times*, his bosses, with few excep-

tions, continued to side with the whims and demands of the deep state.

Risen’s scrapes with his bosses reached their apparent zenith when, after 9/11, the Bush regime began pressuring the press much more frequently to kill sensitive stories. Risen’s stories that could have defused the deadly hyper-interventionist U.S. war machine, including his reports raising questions about the administration’s claims of a link between Iraq and assumed 9/11 terrorism culprit al Qaeda, were being cut, buried or not printed at all. Such practices tend to weaponize the media, since the absence of revealing or cautionary reports on key geopolitical realities provides a vacuum for military action to fill.

Risen helped chronicle the huge story attributed to whistleblower and former NSA analyst Edward Snowden—that the NSA was vacuuming up gargantuan amounts of data on everyday Americans in the growing post-9/11 spy state.

He also discovered what he described as a mesmerizing “marketplace of secrets in Washington, in which White House officials and other current and former bureaucrats, contractors, members of Congress, their staffers, and journalists all traded information. This informal black market helped keep the national security apparatus running smoothly, limiting nasty surprises for all involved. It felt a bit like being in the Matrix.” ★

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The Waco Massacre

• AFP looks at the Waco slaughter 25 years later

On the eve of the 25th anniversary of the massacre at the Branch Davidian Church near Waco, Texas, AFP begins a series of articles to look back on that terrible time when U.S. military and law enforcement waged war against a group of American citizens.

By S.T. Patrick

Twenty-five years ago, on April 19, 1993, America witnessed one of the most incredible moments of the Clinton presidency as it unfolded on cable news. In a field outside of the small community of Axtell, Texas—13 miles from Waco—a tank, on orders from the U.S. government, powered its way through the front door of Mount Carmel, a home to nearly 100 Branch Davidians. Mount Carmel was quickly ablaze in a gaseous inferno that would take the lives of approximately 80 Davidians, including almost 20 children.

Many questions lie in the smoldering ashes of Mount Carmel. The government spokesmen and national media owned the narrative immediately following the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF) siege at Mount Carmel. Made-for-television films such as *In the Line of Duty: Ambush at Waco*, which presented the government's view of the earlier Feb. 28 conflict with the Davidians, had been made even before the April siege.

In the years following the fire, the political right lifted its own public-relations torch regarding

what is now simply known as “Waco.” Militias, Second Amendment activists, and libertarians have all pushed their own causes and anger through the hazy lens of Mount Carmel.

Dick J. Reavis, a former senior editor of *Texas Monthly* and reporter for the *Dallas Observer*, wanted to take the story beyond the conflicts of current events. In 1995 Reavis released *The Ashes of Waco: An Investigation*, which studied the origins of the Branch Davidians and the trek that found them in McLennan County, Texas, just 90 minutes from Dallas.

In an interview with this writer, Reavis pointed out that the media never discussed the demographics of the Davidian community outside of Waco. They preferred, instead, to paint the Davidians as right-wing gun nuts and religious zealots. To the mainstream media, the labels are synonymous with white racism. Reavis describes a multi-cultural community that is much different.

“There were about 120 people, perhaps 130, living in Mount Carmel at that time,” Reavis said. “The press never pointed this out—or skipped over it—but those people were of all races on the face of the Earth. About 20% of them were mainly West Indians, but black. . . . In other words, you had an integrated community. There were Asians and there were some Mexican-Americans. The rest were white. There were several nationalities—Brits, Australians, all the West Indies.”

Most of the Branch Davidians had been born into and raised in the Seventh-Day Adventist Church, domestically and internationally. Those living in Waco in 1993 had located there out of a belief that David Koresh was a successor to Ellen



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White, the founder of the church. They believed that Koresh was next in a line of leaders who could decode prophecies.

The pilgrimage to the McLennan County countryside dates back to Victor Houteff and a schism within the church. Houteff founded the Branch Davidians based upon the ideology of an imminent second coming of Jesus Christ, an apocalyptic event that, it is believed, will also see the final defeat of the armies of “Babylon.” Financial instability led them to Texas rather than to Israel, their intended destination. After Houteff’s death and a failed Armageddon prediction from his widow, control of Mount Carmel—the Davidian home named after the mountain in Joshua 19:26—fell to Benjamin and Lois Roden.

An eventual struggle for leadership ensued after Mr. Roden’s death. Mrs. Roden supported Vernon Howell (who changed his name to David Koresh in 1990) in the position of prophet, because her son, George, was unfit for the position due to mental instability. In 1987, after threatening a Texas court with sexually transmitted diseases if it did not rule in his favor, George Roden was jailed for contempt of court. In 1989 he killed another Davidian with an axe. Found not guilty due to insanity, Roden spent the remainder of his life in an asylum. Koresh assumed the leadership of the Branch Davidians and control of Mount Carmel.

The Davidians at Mount Carmel saw themselves as Messianic Jews who celebrated the traditions of Judaism with the ideology of Christianity. Each generation would have a messenger sent from God that would interpret end-times prophecy. The prophet would then lead the flock via his or her interpretation of God’s word, prophecy, and a biblical analysis of current events.

According to Reavis, Koresh and the Branch Davidians had no problems with local law enforcement and even assisted the local sheriff on one drug case. When local law enforcement found out that agents from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms were going to raid Mount Carmel, local officials asked, “Why don’t you just go talk to (Koresh)?”

Reavis is most perplexed by the way political



A U.S. military tank is shown in front of the burning Waco complex, which included a church, living quarters, meeting rooms, and a kitchen.

Right: The devastating fire that engulfed the Waco church complex and killed 80 innocent Americans—20 of whom were mere children—is shown. What we were told at the time by the mainstream media about the people inside was federal propaganda.

groups have taken up the case since 1993. The Branch Davidians, he explained, were completely apolitical. They aligned with no political ideology and believed American politics were minutia when faced with the Second Coming. Koresh pragmatically believed he could profit from second-hand firearm upgrades and sales if a national gun-grab occurred, but he was not a boisterous Second Amendment advocate.

“What the remaining Davidians think of the gun rights question is, ‘Why do you bring that up?’” Reavis explained. “They think they were attacked for religious reasons. They do not believe—because they are ‘End Timers’—that human beings can do anything to improve our circumstances on Earth. Therefore, banning guns or allowing guns is a moot question, because it has to do with life on Earth, and they are anti-political.”

Rather than fleeing the compound when the February raid and the April siege began to threaten their lives, Reavis describes a more devout group



of believers that chose to stay. In one intense moment during the fatal burning of Mount Carmel, one Davidian asked another what they would do next. “I guess we wait on the Lord,” he was told.

“They thought they were in something like Noah’s Ark,” Reavis explained. “You don’t jump off Noah’s Ark. They thought that the outside world would be destroyed and not the inside of Mount Carmel. If that was wrong, they also thought, they

would go immediately to Heaven. I think there were some who stayed in because of their religious convictions. Those who did flee ran into a great theological problem. . . . (God) wanted to take those people (inside Mount Carmel) to Heaven, and I ran out on that chance.” ★

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By John Ellis

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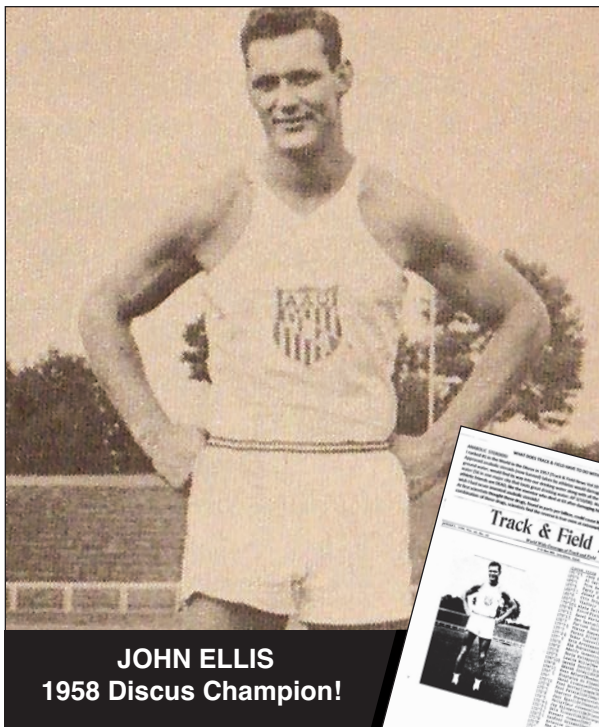
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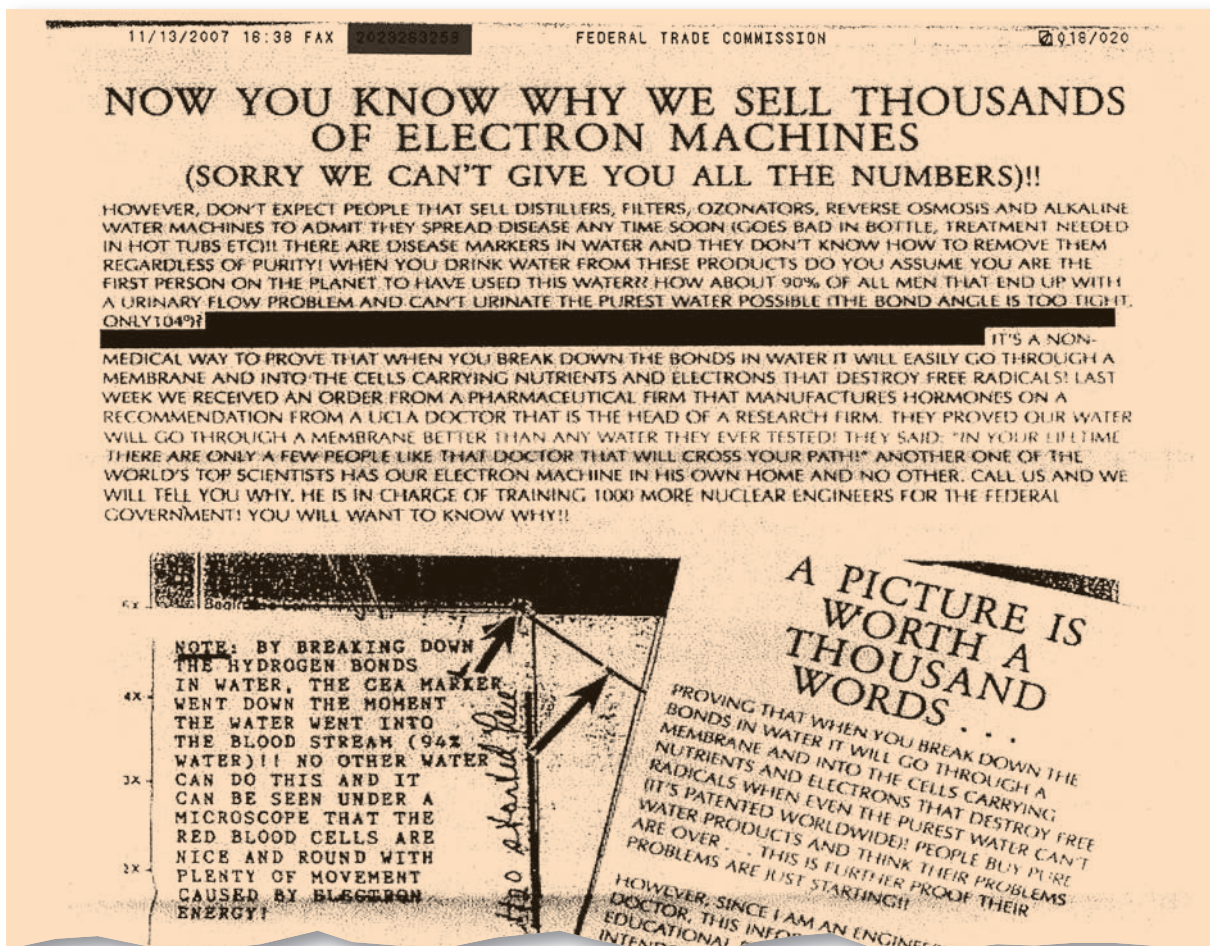
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A Tale of Two Americas

- Rich get richer and poor can get sent to modern-day debtors' prison

By John W. Whitehead

Aided and abetted by the likes of Attorney General Jeff Sessions—a man who wouldn't recognize the Constitution if it smacked him in the face—the American dream has become the American scheme: The rich are getting richer and more powerful, while anyone who doesn't belong to the power elite gets poorer and more powerless to do anything about the nation's steady slide towards a profit-driven police state.

Not content to merely pander to law enforcement and add to its military largesse with weaponry and equipment designed for war, Sessions has made a concerted effort to expand the police state's power to search, strip, seize, raid, steal from, arrest, and jail Americans for any infraction, no matter how insignificant.

Now Sessions has given state courts the green light to resume their practice of jailing individuals who are unable to pay the hefty fines imposed by the American police state. In doing so, Sessions has once again shown himself to be not only a skill for the deep state but an enemy of the people.

First, some background on debtors' prisons that imprison people who cannot afford to pay the exorbitant fines imposed on them by courts and other government agencies.



Congress banned debtors' prisons in 1833.

In 1983, the Supreme Court ruled the practice to be unconstitutional under the 14th Amendment's Equal Protection clause.

Where things began to change, according to the nonprofit judicial watchdog, the Marshall Project, was with the rise of "mass incarceration" when we started to imprison more people for lesser crimes.

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At a time when crime rates across the country remain at historic lows, why does the prison population continue to grow?

By the late 1980s and early 1990s, "there was a dramatic increase in the number of statutes listing a prison term as a possible sentence for failure to repay criminal-justice debt." During the 2000s, the courts started cashing in big-time "by using the threat of jail time—established in those statutes—to squeeze cash out of small-time debtors."

Fast-forward to the present day, which finds us saddled with not only profit-driven private prisons and a prison-industrial complex but also, as investigative reporter Eli Hager notes, "the birth of a new brand of 'offender-funded' justice."

Follow the money trail. It always points the way.

Whether you're talking about the government's war on terrorism, the war on drugs, or some other phantom danger dreamed up by enterprising bureaucrats, there is always a profit incentive involved.

The same goes for the war on crime.

At one time, the American penal system operated under the idea that dangerous criminals needed to be put under lock and key in order to protect society. Today, the flawed yet retributive American "system of justice" is being replaced by an even more flawed and insidious form of mass punishment based upon profit and expediency.

Sessions's latest gambit plays right into the hands of those who make a profit by jailing Americans.

Under such a system, the plight of the average American is measured in dollars and cents.

This is not justice.

This is yet another example of how greed and profit incentives have not only perverted policing in America but have corrupted the entire criminal justice system.

Unfortunately, the criminal justice system has been operating as a for-profit enterprise for years now, covertly padding its pockets through penalty-riddled programs aimed at maximizing revenue rather than ensuring public safety.

All of those seemingly hard-working police officers and code-enforcement officers and truancy officers and traffic cops handing out ticket after ticket after ticket are not working to make your

communities safer—they've got quotas to fill.

Same goes for the courts, which have come to rely on fines, fees, and exorbitant late penalties as a means of increased revenue. The power of these courts, magnified in recent years through the introduction of specialty courts beyond your run-of-the-mill traffic court (drug court, homeless court, veterans court, mental health court, criminal court, teen court, gambling court, prostitution court, community court, domestic violence court, truancy court), is “reshaping the American legal system—with little oversight,” concludes *The Boston Globe*.

And for those who can't afford to pay the court fines heaped on top of the penalties (\$302 for jaywalking, \$531 for an overgrown yard, or \$120 for arriving a few minutes late to court), there's probation (managed by profit-run companies that tack on their own fees, which are often more than double the original fine) or jail time (run by profit-run companies that charge inmates for everything from food and housing to phone calls at outrageous markups), which only adds to the financial burdens of those already unable to navigate a costly police state.

Ask yourself this: At a time when crime rates across the country remain at historic lows (despite Sessions's inaccurate claims to the contrary), why does the prison population continue to grow?

The prison population continues to grow because of a glut of laws that criminalize activities that should certainly not be outlawed, let alone result in jail time. Overcriminalization continues to plague the country because of legislators who work hand-in-hand with corporations to adopt laws that favor the corporate balance sheet. And when it comes to incarceration, the corporate balance sheet weighs heavily in favor of locking up more individuals in government-run and private prisons.

It's a vicious cycle that grows more vicious by the day.

Now, you can shrug all of this away as a consequence of committing a crime, but that just doesn't cut it—especially not when average Americans are being jailed for such so-called crimes as not wearing a seatbelt, littering, jaywalking, having homemade soap (police mistook the soap for cocaine), profanity, spitting on the ground, flatulence, and loitering.

There is no room in the American police state for self-righteousness. Not when we are all guilty until proven innocent.

As I make clear in my book *Battlefield America: The War on the American People*, this is no longer a government “of the people, by the people, for the people.”

It is fast becoming a government “of the rich, by the elite, for the corporations,” and its rise to power is predicated on shackling the American taxpayer to a debtors' prison guarded by a phalanx of politicians, bureaucrats, and militarized police, with no hope of parole and no chance for escape. ★

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Immorality by D.C. Politicians Shouldn't Surprise Anybody

By Dr. Ron Paul

Many Americans have been shocked by recent revelations of the extent of sexual harassment in Congress. However, no one should be too surprised that those who spend their lives defending and expanding the welfare-warfare state engage in immoral personal conduct. It is only natural that an immoral system, like the welfare-warfare state, tends to attract individuals likely to practice personal immorality.

The welfare-warfare state is built on a foundation of taxation and fiat currency controlled by a secretive central bank. While some type of taxation may be necessary to fund the few legitimate functions of government, taking people's money to fund a redistributive welfare state at home and a global empire abroad is nothing more than theft. The Federal Reserve's erosion of purchasing power is also a form of theft.

The welfare-warfare state relies on violence. Every law preventing us from living our lives as we choose—whether forbidding us from working for below minimum wage, preventing us from smoking marijuana or drinking raw milk, telling private business owners who can and cannot use what restroom, or requiring us to purchase government-approved health insurance—rests on the threat of force being used against those who refuse to obey.

The warfare side of the welfare-warfare state is obviously rooted in violence. War inevitably leads to deaths, including the deaths of innocents. A permanent warfare state is also the quickest way to lose our liberties. This is why the Founding Fathers counseled against standing armies

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and foreign entanglements.

The neocons and “humanitarian interventionists” who control our foreign policy have disregarded the wisdom of the Founders. They actually promote endless wars not to protect our security but to promote “democracy” and “universal human rights.” They are impervious to evidence of the failure of military interventions to achieve these goals and indifferent to the human and fiscal costs of endless war. They dismiss the loss of innocent lives—including the deaths of children—as unavoidable “collateral damage,” while using their influence in the media to spread pro-war propaganda. They also smear their opponents as aiding America's enemies and sympathizing with terrorists.

No one holding political power wants to admit the system he supports is immoral and a failure. Therefore, defenders of the welfare-warfare state rely on lies and deceptions. They ignore all evidence of the failure of big government to accomplish its ends, instead pretending they can fix the system with a few reforms. They also work with allies in the media to promulgate the lie that with-



out the welfare state the masses would remain poor and uneducated, and without the warfare state we would be overwhelmed by those who hate us for our freedoms. They never mention that many foreigners hate America because of the suffering caused by our hyper-interventionist foreign policy.

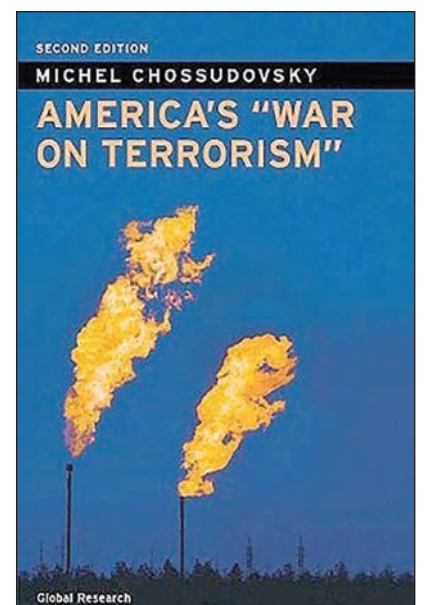
The welfare-warfare state is built on violence and deceit. It is thus inevitable that many of those participating in this immoral system will combine their immoral politics with immoral personal conduct.

Hopefully the revelations of sexual misconduct among the welfare-warfare state's Capitol Hill and media defenders will lead more Americans to question the morality and the wisdom of allowing the federal government to run the world, run the economy, and run our lives. ★

Ron Paul, a former U.S. representative from Texas and medical doctor, continues to write his weekly column for the Ron Paul Institute for Peace and Prosperity, online at <http://www.ronpaulinstitute.org>.

America's "War on Terrorism"

NEW! In this new and expanded edition of Michel Chossudovsky's bestseller, the author blows away the smokescreen put up by the mainstream media, that 9/11 was an attack on America by Islamic terrorists. This expanded edition, which includes 12 new chapters, focuses on the use of 9/11 as a pretext for the invasion and illegal occupation of Iraq, the militarization of justice and law enforcement and the repeal of democracy. According to Chossudovsky, the “war on terrorism” is a complete fabrication based on the illusion that one man, Osama bin Laden, outwitted the \$40 billion-a-year American intelligence apparatus. The war on terrorism is a war of conquest. Globalization is the final march to the New World Order, dominated by Wall Street and the U.S. military-industrial complex. September 11, 2001 provided a justification for waging a war without borders. Washington's agenda consists in extending the frontiers of the American empire to facilitate complete U.S. corporate control, while installing within America the institutions of the Homeland Security State. Chossudovsky peels back layers of rhetoric to reveal a complex web of deceit aimed at luring the American people and the rest of the world into accepting a military solution which threatens the future of humanity. Softcover, 387 pages, \$25 plus \$4 S&H inside the U.S. (Email us at Bookstore@americanfreepress.net for international S&H.)



Bank Critic Helps Homeowners Fight Massive Mortgage Fraud

By Mark Anderson

Mickey Paoletta, a longtime monetary reformer and Federal Reserve critic who specializes in exposing rampant mortgage fraud, is taking things to the next level with a little-known but potentially powerful legal option called the “King’s Bench” jurisdiction. This marks an unprecedented effort to bring to heel the profoundly abusive banking system and its main collaborators in the courts and in debt-collection law firms.

Paoletta, of Mortgage Defense Systems in Mechanicsburg, Pa., has helped scores of individual homeowners being sued in foreclosure proceedings expose their mortgage “loans” as invalid in court, sometimes resulting in outright mortgage nullification.

For Paoletta, this labor of love has required painstakingly long hours doing research and writing legal filings—helping one embattled homeowner at a time understand and fight the mortgage-banking (and credit-card) racket.

This widespread, powerful racket, he says, consists of debt-collection law firms, banks and other lending agencies, and the courts, all of which play a role in creating and trafficking in forged debt documents. Complicit media cover up, rather than cover, this racket. The newspapers take part in the gravy train by printing paid legal ads publicizing foreclosures. Law firms reap the most. One Pennsylvania firm that only handles debt collection made \$72 million in 2016 alone, harnessing the labor of 150 employees to make it happen.

Given the collective strength of this financial-legal-media syndicate, Paoletta is leveraging the King’s Bench, a concept carried over from British law that’s applicable in the commonwealths of Pennsylvania and Virginia and in at least five other states.

According to Paoletta, under the King’s Bench power, the Pennsylvania Supreme Court must “rein in the lower-court judges and review their decisions. And not just the judges but the lawyers themselves, to make sure they’re following their code under the bar.”

That means sanctioning and penalizing judges and attorneys who do not uphold their duties.

Moreover, Paoletta said, the King’s Bench presses the state’s high court to look at the substance of this matter, especially when it comes to forged notes being wielded as weapons to dispossess an unwitting citizenry of its lands and homes.

Applying it could effectively free ever-larger numbers of Americans from the slavery of imposed fraudulent debt in one fell swoop.

Accordingly, Paoletta filed a 15,000-word King’s Bench complaint with the Pennsylvania Supreme Court.

Explaining the complaint, Paoletta told AFP: “When judges ignore securitization audits and document-examination reports that prove the use of forged and fraudulently created documents used for foreclosures, and when these judges grant summary judgments to debt-purchasing attorneys, what you have is a conspiratorial enterprise that is suppressing evidence, and which obstructs justice by denying citizens their due-process rights to file litigation through, but not limited to, the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act [FDCPA].”

The federal FDCPA turned 40 years old in 2017. Although it’s been amended, its core purpose is to eliminate abusive consumer debt-collection practices, to promote fair debt collection, and to help consumers dispute and/or validate the accuracy of debt information.

By exposing specific acts of forgery—such as digital image extraction, whereby people’s signatures are electronically scanned and pasted onto documents that the signatory never actually signed—Paoletta has thrown an enormous wrench into this happy racket.

One of the embattled homeowners listed in the King’s Bench filing is Rebecca Crimone, a homeschooling mother of three from Mercer County, Pa. who’s highly skilled in representing herself in court. In her case, she’s been told that she has no right to obtain the sensitive ledger accounts of her mortgage “lender,” to prove once and for all whether the lender’s assets or net worth are actually decreased when making a “loan.”

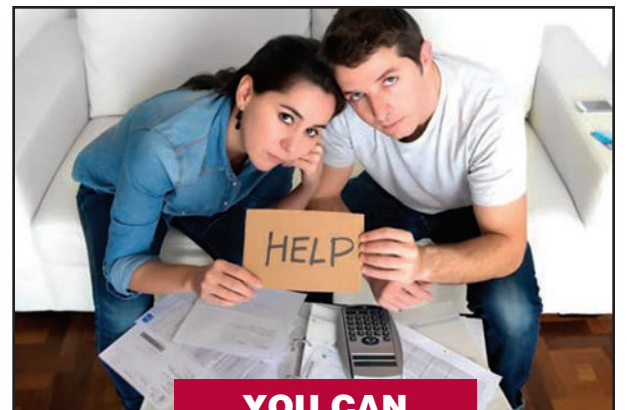
Ms. Crimone told AFP: “We’ve been blessed in our case. We have a judgment against Nationstar [a lender now re-named Mr. Cooper—Ed.]. The rapacious attorneys tried desperately to get a summary judgment but, fortunately, presiding Judge Thomas R. Dobson denied it, ruling that there was ‘no evidence that we ever signed, delivered or ever had a mortgage.’”

Speaking of the overall lending system’s status, Paoletta summarized: “They don’t have the original notes. . . . They’ve been monetized and securitized; they don’t exist.”

The significance of banks refusing to produce their genuine ledgers in court, in order to prove that they ever loaned any money, cannot be overstated.

As Paoletta explains, if banks’ net worth or asset balances are not reduced in the loan process, then they never actually loaned anything in the first place. The implications of that—in a nation with a debt-money system where the interest (debt) always exceeds the total money supply—are monumental. ★

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History of the Bundy Case Shows Government Misconduct, Perfidy

By Richard McCarty & Printus LeBlanc

A recent ruling by a federal judge, based on a shocking report released by Bureau of Land Management (BLM) whistleblower Larry Wooten, has thrust the Bundy family and their allies back into the headlines again.

Much of the problem for the Bundy family began with the listing of the desert tortoise as an endangered species in 1989 and the federal government's subsequent efforts to protect it by restricting cattle grazing near Bundy's ranch. But the evidence showing that cattle are detrimental to the desert tortoise is weak, as even the federal government has admitted.

Newsweek reported in May 2014: "In 1994, [the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service] acknowledged in its Desert Tortoise Recovery Plan that the 'extremely controversial' question of whether cattle harmed tortoise populations was not settled. In 2002, the U.S. Geological Survey said in a report that the evidence for the harm done by cattle was 'not overwhelming.' William Boorman, the biologist who wrote the report, said he was not aware of subsequent studies showing a strong link."

Cattle may even be beneficial to the tortoise.



Cliven Bundy walks out of a Las Vegas federal courthouse with his wife Carol after a judge dismissed criminal charges against him and his sons who, the government claimed, had led an armed uprising against federal agents in 2014.

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The government did nearly everything in its power to break the Bundy family—but has failed.

As hard as it might be to believe, the desert tortoise was abundant decades ago when the cattle population was much higher and the range was overgrazed. Ironically, as BLM restrictions on cattle grazing grew stricter, the desert tortoise population declined.

The evidence that cattle are detrimental to the desert tortoise was so weak that two judges ruled in favor of Bundy's neighbors who had sued to stop the BLM's efforts to drive their cattle off the range. But the BLM under the Clinton administration would not be deterred. The agency tightened regulations on the ranchers and ultimately succeeded in removing their cattle from the range. Incredibly, while the federal government continues to try to remove the relatively few remaining cattle from Clark County, it continues to protect the common raven—which is not at all endangered—even though it regularly devours young tortoises.

Although many have tried to portray Cliven Bundy as a villain or a deadbeat, he seems more like a regular guy who's standing up for his family and the only way of life he's ever known. Bundy is a 71-year-old, God-fearing grandfather. For most of his life, he has lived in a modest two-bedroom home that he helped his father build. He pays his taxes and has no history of violence.

The federal government eventually stood down and ended the contentious situation in Nevada, but the feds would not forget what happened.

Bundy was arrested in Portland, Ore. on Feb. 10, 2016 as he was attempting to visit another protest site. He was hit with a litany of charges including conspiracy to commit an offense against the United States, assault on a federal officer by use of a deadly weapon, and interfering with commerce by extortion, just to name a few.

Prosecutors seemed to have everything wrapped up against Bundy and his sons, who had also been arrested and put in prison, until a whistleblower came forward.

BLM Special Agent Larry Wooten was the lead case agent in the investigation of federal agents' handling of the 2014 Nevada standoff. Removed



Photographer Patrick Benedict of *Gephardt Daily* was on hand to snap this photo of Cliven Bundy waving his hat as he emerged from a federal courthouse after hearing that the case against him, his sons and several supporters had been dropped.

from the investigation after complaining to the U.S. Attorney's Office in Nevada last February, he then filed an 18-page whistleblower memo with the Department of Justice, in which he accuses the BLM's Office of Law Enforcement and Security of a "widespread pattern of bad judgment, lack of discipline, incredible bias, unprofessionalism and misconduct, as well as likely policy, ethical and legal violations among senior and supervisory staff."

Wooten's report is a damning indictment of the federal government. It lists dozens of violations of procedures, acts of bias, and blatant Brady Act violations, including failing to turn over exculpatory evidence.

Wooten stated the operation conducted against the Bundy family was, "the most intrusive, oppressive, large-scale and militaristic trespass cattle impound possible." The operation was conducted like a military mission despite the FBI's threat assessment team declaring the Bundy family non-violent.

The conduct of the BLM and the U.S. attorney was so dishonest, District Court Judge Gloria Navarro, an Obama appointee, threw the case out with prejudice to ensure that the Bundys cannot be tried again.

This is an all-too-familiar pattern of federal government misconduct. It seems not one week goes by without a story about federal prosecutors not turning over evidence. Attorney General Jeff Sessions must hold officials accountable. He inherited a corrupt Justice Department that apparently has never heard of the Constitution. Prosecutors involved in malicious prosecutions, like this one, must be made to pay the lawyer fees of the defense and should be disbarred. ★

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Feds Owe Bundys Major Compensation

• Radio host says U.S. government should make amends for persecuting Bundy family

By Mark Anderson

On Jan. 9, AFP spoke with popular radio show host Jim Lambley, the owner of KSDZ-FM, about the long and difficult case that was brought against Cliven Bundy, his sons, and several supporters. Lambley's station in Nebraska, known as the "The Twister," has reported on the Bundy case more than any other licensed broadcast-media outlet.

"The government needs to write some checks because it stole the lives of these people for two years," Lambley commented to AFP, just after the dismissal was announced.

The Jan. 8 dismissal followed Judge Gloria Navarro's Dec. 20, 2017 decision to declare a mistrial in the proceedings against Bundy and the three others. That alone was a stunning development in the saga of the elder Nevada rancher whose devotion to principle, like that of his sons and supporters, represents in the minds of many a repudiation of the arbitrary exercise of federal power.

Throughout this grueling case, Judge Navarro was believed to be largely unsympathetic to the defendants, but when she decided to dismiss the charges, she stated that prosecutors willfully withheld evidence from defense lawyers, which is what tipped the scales. She referred to it as "flagrant prosecutorial misconduct."

She also declared, "The court finds that the universal sense of justice has been violated." Her statement implies the government's misdeeds in

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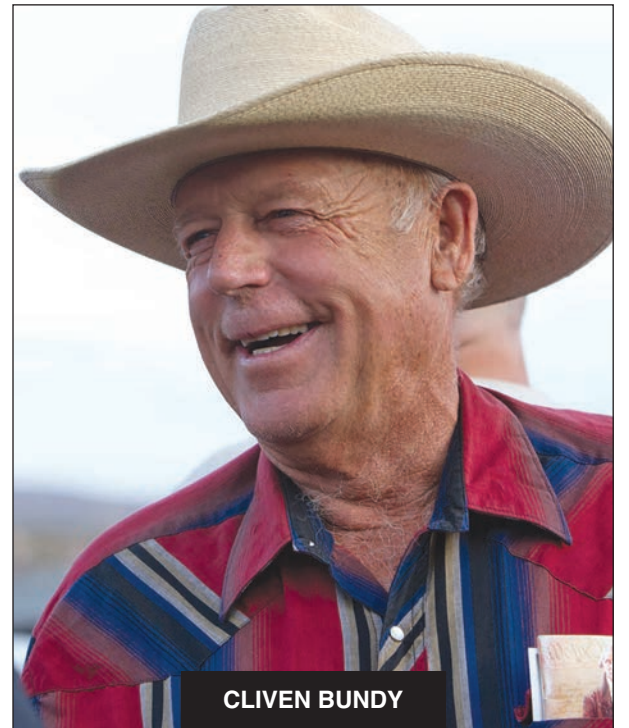
this case are legion.

Government misdeeds were not limited to the courtroom. Marooning the defendants in jail for so long, of course, denied them the fair and speedy trial required by the Constitution. Both Ammon and Ryan Bundy were grossly humiliated when they were subjected to body cavity searches every time they were transferred from their jail cells to the U.S. District Court. The government even imposed solitary confinement at times.

Given the conduct of their jailers, you'd think that Cliven Bundy and company had already been convicted and sentenced.

Lambley agreed with this AFP writer's observation that it appears the government committed an especially grave miscarriage of justice in the way it handled the series of Bundy show-trial proceedings that started in February 2016 and finally concluded Jan. 8. Nearly 20 defendants in all were tried under a 16-count indictment consisting of rather vague and redundant conspiracy, obstruction, and weapons charges, among others.

Legal expert Roger Roots, who observed the



CLIVEN BUNDY

Cliven Bundy described his first 24 hours of freedom after release from federal prison as possibly the happiest day of his life.

court proceedings from start to finish, feels Cliven Bundy was correct when he said, right after the dismissal, that he had been jailed for 700 days as a "political prisoner" for refusing to acknowledge federal supremacy over the public land near his southern-Nevada cattle ranch, where his cattle have long grazed. The impoundment was said to have been ordered over Bundy not paying grazing fees, but citing the area's unique history, he maintains that federal jurisdiction was never established over Clark County.

Asked if Bundy and the 19 others had indeed been political prisoners, Roots replied: "If they had been left-wingers they would never have been looking at such ridiculous charges. The thing about Cliven and the others is that they provided real resistance with real constitutional principles."

Crucial remaining matters include the *Las Vegas Review-Journal's* motion to try to force the federal government to open all of its files in this case. If the motion succeeds, the documents could reveal whether illegally secret court hearings were held and, among many other things, provide more information on the existence of federal snipers in the vicinity of the standoff and the Bundy homestead—despite denials by the prosecution that the snipers existed and relevant evidence withheld from the defense.

Roots noted that, despite the judge throwing out the case with prejudice, a government appeal of the dismissal cannot be ruled out. ★



Left to right: Ammon Bundy, Ryan Payne, Jeanette Finicum, Ryan Bundy, his wife Angie and his daughter Jamie emerge from court, hoping their family ordeal is finally over. PHOTO: K.M. CANNON/LAS VEGAS REVIEW-JOURNAL

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USS *Liberty* Memorial Planned for Visible Site Near Jerusalem

One brave Palestinian-American thinks it's high time Israel honored the U.S. servicemen it massacred aboard a U.S. spy ship and for all the sacrifices this country has made to the security and well-being of the Zionist state.

By Dave Gahary

Ibrahim “Abe” Ayad, a Dearborn, Mich. born and raised American patriot, has decided to convert a parcel of land in Israel, which his family has owned for decades, into a living memorial to the 34 Americans needlessly slaughtered and 174 wounded, while serving aboard the USS *Liberty* (AGTR-5), by Israeli air and naval forces on June 8, 1967, during the Six-Day War.

Abe sat down with AMERICAN FREE PRESS, to break the news of this significant announcement, explaining the genesis of it and what he hopes to accomplish.

After his grandfather was killed fighting against the British in World War I, his grandmother was in possession of a lot of property. This rankled the extended family, which took out their jealous frustrations on Ayad's father, who was just five when his father was killed in battle.

“[She] smuggled him off with his cousin overseas to the United States, running away from his own people,” explained Ayad. As fate would have it, Ayad's father, like his father before him, would

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The Arab-American son of a U.S. Army vet wants to build a memorial in Israel for U.S. servicemen.

fight in another world war.

“My father wound up in America. World War II had broken out, and he was caught being illegal and they gave him the choice,” said Ayad. “He loved this country so much . . . he volunteered. He was a first-wave lander on Anzio, survived the landing, [and] got wounded during the occupation. He got the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, and several others.”

Ayad explained the fascinating story behind how he ended up with this parcel of land in Israel, which dates back to Operation Shingle, or the Battle of Anzio—Jan. 22 to June 5, 1944—in which nearly 15,000 young men paid the ultimate price.

“When [my dad] got wounded, he was lost for three days at a MASH unit during the air war,” said Ayad. “So the Army, in its infinite wisdom, had sent my grandmother a letter telling her he



Ibrahim Ayad says he wants to build a prominent memorial in Israel dedicated to U.S. servicemen who have sacrificed their lives on behalf of the Zionist state. He would also like to particularly honor those servicemen killed aboard the USS *Liberty* in 1967 by the combined air and naval forces of Israel. Ayad owns very visible land along a major highway (above) leading to Jerusalem.

was dead. My grandmother couldn't read English, so she took it to the village elder [who] told her, 'Your son is dead.' And she said, 'He's not dead. If he was dead I'd believe it.' ”

Refusing to believe her only child was dead, she prepared for his return from the war.

“She was working as a nurse at a local hospital and they were trying to trick an old lady whose son they thought had died. They'd come and they'd pawn their land to her,” said Ayad, “and she'd buy it and put it in his name.”

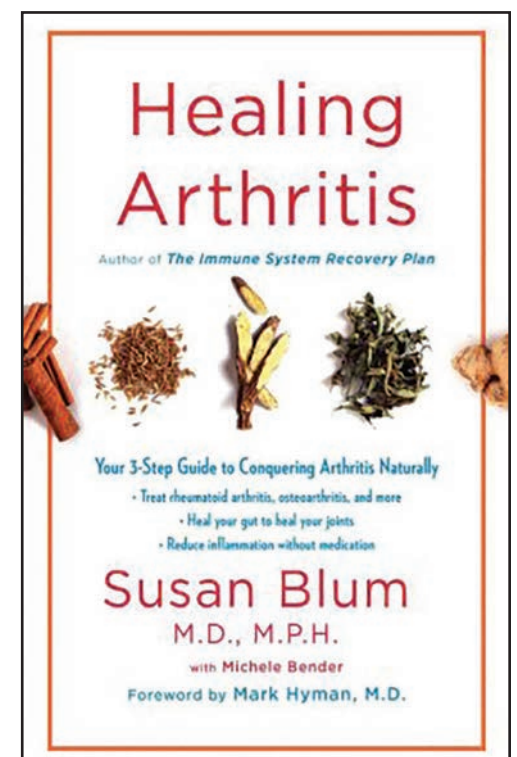
When Ayad's father eventually returned home, “everybody thought he was a ghost.”

As his grandmother had accumulated a significant amount of land, the illegal occupation government of Israel began to make moves on it.

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“All of a sudden Israel starts confiscating this land, doing all kinds of stuff to it,” said Ayad. It “was illegally confiscated even according to Israeli law, because it’s occupied territory. It can’t be taxed, and they confiscated it for tax purposes.”

Ayad tried to fight them, but Israel sicced its U.S.-based public relations firm on him.

“I’ve been fighting the Anti-Defamation League for 20 years,” he said, “and they wielded their influence over the [U.S.] Department of Justice. Even James Comey came down personally to oversee their raid against me. They robbed me of over \$3 million—and this is my own government, who I pay taxes for, doing all this to me.”

Ayad then discussed his plans for the *Liberty* memorial, which he first started thinking about five or six years ago.

“I don’t see any memorials in Israel: not for World War I, not for World War II,” he explained. “[Israel owes] the United States so much from two world wars, not counting all the financial and military hardware [it’s] getting from America. I would love to see a USS *Liberty* Memorial Hospital for all the victims of the *Liberty*, her crew, and all the victims that suffered after and all the victims that have suffered in two world wars and since. And it’s about time they honor America.”

The land Ayad chose for the memorial “is right off the freeway that links Jerusalem to the rest of Israel, so anybody coming into Jerusalem will have to see [it].” It’s in a suburb of Jerusalem called Beit Hanina.

Beit Hanina, a Palestinian neighborhood in East Jerusalem, is on the road to Ramallah, about five miles north of central Jerusalem. Israel split the village in two with its Israeli West Bank barrier, or wall.

The Zionist state claims the separation barrier—built during a September 2000 uprising against the brutal occupation—protects against terrorism. Palestinians know better, and refer to

it as an apartheid wall, as it severely restricts travel and interferes with the ability to earn a living. The United Nations has condemned it and the International Court of Justice found the barrier to be a violation of international law.

Winding its way through villages that have existed for thousands of years, the nearly 500-mile obscenity cuts deep into West Bank territory, leaving around 25,000 Palestinians isolated from their history. Initially introduced as a temporary security measure, the Zionists are using it in a conniving way to draw future political borders between Palestine and the illegal occupation government to ensure peace negotiations never succeed, as well as using another blatantly illegal tactic to swallow more and more of the land that is not theirs.

“This village has about five illegal settlements in it,” Ayad explained.

Ayad explained another reason why he wants the memorial erected.

“I just wanted to do something for all the people who have died and suffered for needless wars, wars to build up the Federal Reserve so it could keep printing money and we could keep paying interest on it,” he added.

But his main reason for the memorial is the unarmed ship that was attacked by a foreign power in international waters and abandoned by its own government for over 50 years.

“It’s an honor for me to be a part of this,” Ayad told this newspaper, “just an absolute honor for me to be involved with anything that has to do with the *Liberty*. I will do anything I have to do in order to see it succeed, even if I’m out of the picture totally. I’ll use whatever I have against them—and they know what I’ve got—in order to see this project go through. I’m willing to die for it.” ★

Dave Gahary, a former submariner in the U.S. Navy, prevailed in a suit brought by the New York Stock Exchange in an attempt to silence him. Dave is the producer of an upcoming film about the attack on the USS *Liberty*. See the website erasingtheliberty.com or call (850) 677-0344 for more information.

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Unhappy New Year

Europe pays for decades of unchecked immigration

By John Friend

Migrants who have flooded into Europe, particularly in recent years as the “immigration crisis” has spiraled out of control, are continuing to commit horrific crimes, resulting in social unrest, widespread mistrust in society, and alienation across the continent. European leaders, led by German Chancellor Angela Merkel, continue to welcome in Third World migrants from some of the most backward and war-torn countries around the world, despite the social and economic costs associated with the massive influx of foreigners.

A government-funded study recently published in Germany has determined that the influx of migrants, many of whom originate in unstable and often violent Middle Eastern and North African countries, has led to a dramatic increase in violent crime across the country. A huge percentage of migrants are young, military-aged men from countries that are “characterized by male dominance”—a fancy way of saying they view women and girls as second-class citizens or even as property.

In many European countries, violent crime has been on the rise, largely as a result of unchecked Third World immigration championed by open borders globalists in both the European Union and various sovereign member states of the Union.

In Germany, for example, over a dozen arrests were made in direct connection with sexual assaults committed against women on New Year’s Eve by “predominantly young men from Syria or Afghanistan,” according to Thomas Neuendorf, a spokesman for Berlin police. The victims were “groped between their legs and on their buttocks,” Neuendorf stated.

Similar sexual attacks were committed by non-European migrants in high-profile attacks on previous New Year’s Eves as well, prompting the establishment of “safe zones” in many German cities this year. Despite the “safe zones,” sexual attacks were reported in numerous German cities this past New Year’s Eve, including in Berlin, Cologne, and Hamburg.

In yet another high-profile incident, non-European migrants went on a rampage in a suburb of Paris recently, confronting and barbarically attacking police officers, including a policewoman. The vicious attack was filmed and later uploaded to the Internet. Many suburbs of Paris and other major French cities, which are home to large populations of non-European migrants, are officially declared “no-go zones” by police. [See below for a book on the subject.—Ed.]

When two French police officers arrived at an unruly party just outside Paris, revelers attacked the officers and turned their patrol car upside down before destroying other private property in the area. The attack resulted in serious injuries to both officers and has sparked outrage across France, leading French President Emmanuel



Paris was the scene of wild Dec. 31 celebrations but also rang in the new year with disturbing attacks on Parisians by gangs of immigrants, including one brutal beating of a female police officer.

Macron to vow to bring the criminals to justice.

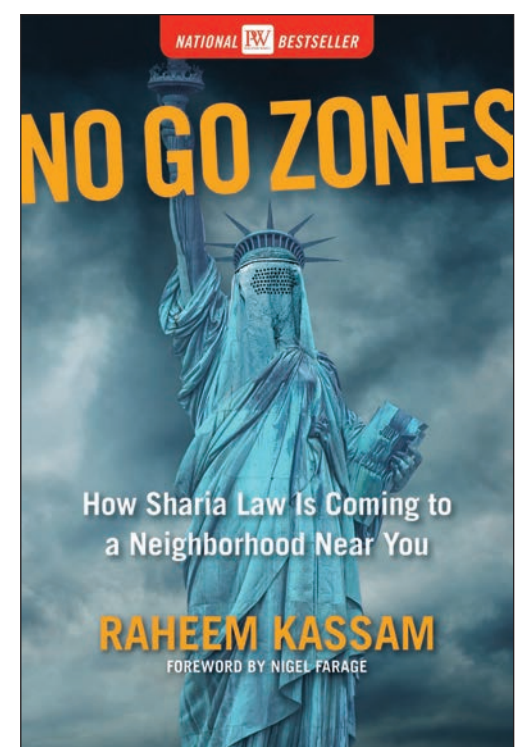
Meanwhile, in Italy, it was recently reported that a Somali migrant sexually assaulted a young Italian woman who was giving birth at a hospital in Rome. The Somali man bypassed hospital security and entered a delivery room where he attempted to grope the young woman, who immediately alerted authorities.

Tyrannical “hate speech” laws on the books in countless European countries have prevented many citizens from speaking out forcefully against the invasion of their countries and the horrific consequences. ★

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Facebook Exec Feels ‘Tremendous Guilt’

• Social media giant “ripping apart” society; bans own children from using it

By John Friend

Social media giants are increasingly playing a larger role in the lives of citizens across the world, as access to technology spreads and more and more people connect to the web. Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and other social media sites have hundreds of millions of users worldwide, many of whom actively and willingly give up personal, private data to these Internet giants, raising concerns among civil libertarians and freedom advocates. As the number of social media users increases daily, privacy advocates and watchdog groups certainly have their work cut out for them.

Social media giants “are armed with the most personal details about each and every one of us such as no Gestapo, KGB or Inquisition in history ever dreamed of possessing,” Max Hastings, a columnist for *The Daily Mail*, a popular British publication, recently averred in a column arguing for stronger government regulation of social media companies.

Incredibly, the personal details and private information collected and stored by Internet giants and social media companies are often willingly divulged by users, usually without the slightest concern for or understanding of the ramifications of such massive data collection. Millions of personal photographs are shared across social media sites daily, while the details of users’ lives are revealed through a variety of means, many of which are entirely voluntary.

“As individuals, we must get back the ownership of our own data—we just don’t understand how bad this really is,” declared Maja Pantic, a

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How do we consume as much of your time and attention as possible?”

professor at Imperial College in London.

Additionally, research has revealed just how addicting social media can be, especially Facebook. Social media users are increasingly living their lives through social media, becoming disconnected from the real world in the process.

“I think we have created tools that are ripping apart the social fabric of how society works,” Chamath Palihapitiya, former Facebook executive, bluntly stated during a recent interview at Stanford’s Graduate School of Business. “I feel tremendous guilt. I think we all knew in the back of our minds, even though we feigned this whole line of ‘there probably aren’t any really bad unintended consequences.’ I think in the deep, deep recesses of our minds we kind of knew something bad could happen.”

Palihapitiya went on to note that he personally rarely uses Facebook and other social media sites, and has prohibited his children from using the sites.

“The short-term, dopamine-driven feedback loops we’ve created are destroying how society works,” the former executive continued. “We curate our lives around this perceived sense of perfection because we get rewarded in these short-term signals—Hearts and Likes and Thumbs-Up.

We conflate that with value and we conflate that with truth, and instead what it really is, is fake, brittle popularity that’s short-term and leaves you even more vacant and empty.”

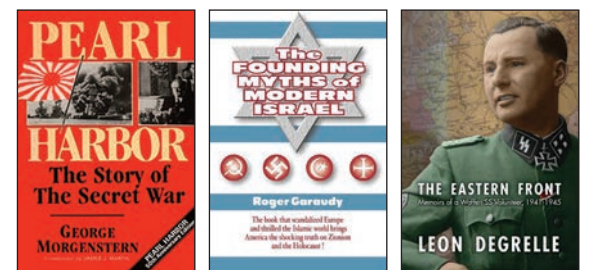
Palihapitiya’s comments come shortly after yet another former Facebook executive critiqued the insidious nature of Facebook and the harmful effects it is having on society.

Facebook’s first president, Sean Parker, made comments late last year detailing the ways in which Facebook entices users to continue using the social media platform, hooking them in, so to speak.

“The thought process that went into building these applications, Facebook being the first of them . . . was all about: ‘How do we consume as much of your time and conscious attention as possible?’” Parker stated. “And that means that we need to sort of give you a little dopamine hit every once in a while, because someone liked or commented on a photo or a post or whatever. And that’s going to get you to contribute more content, and that’s going to get you . . . more likes and comments.”

He also described the manner in which Facebook encourages users to willingly divulge personal and private information before elaborating on how the social media site is changing our “relationship with society.”

“God only knows what it’s doing to our children’s brains,” Parker warned. ★



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Saudi Infighting Tied to Vegas?

- Saudi royal's brutal quest for total power may have spilled over into the U.S.

By S.T. Patrick

Recent political turmoil in Saudi Arabia has some researchers wondering if familial strife within the House of Saud confirms rumors that the October 2017 Las Vegas massacre was a botched “hit.” AFP first detailed these reports in the December 17 & 25 issue.

On Nov. 4, 2017, Prince Alwaleed bin Talal was arrested for corruption on orders from his cousin, Mohammad bin Salman, the crown prince of Saudi Arabia.

Salman is the heir to the Saudi Arabian throne, appointed by his father, King Salman. Alwaleed, an incredibly wealthy and influential businessman, and Salman are both grandsons of Ibn Saud, the first Saudi king. Though his father advocated for a more free and democratic Saudi Arabia—and thus a break with the traditional royal ideology—Alwaleed has not kept secret his aspirations to sit on the throne of Saudi Arabia.

Salman, 32, was appointed to his position last June, yet his limited tenure has been aggressive toward those he surmises are enemies. Almost immediately he formed a royal anti-corruption committee that would be used to arrest corrupt officials within Saudi Arabia. Detractors claim that the committee and the new corruption charges are being used to purge Salman's enemies and competitors from royal competition.

While experts on the kingdom estimate that Alwaleed's potential for kingship died with his father's uprisings, his global influence has made



him an international man of investment unparalleled by many even within his own extravagantly wealthy family. Alwaleed, 62, was number 15 on the Bloomberg Billionaire Index and was named to *Time* magazine's “Time 100” list of the world's most influential people.

Alwaleed, whose estimated worth tops \$27 billion, is the second-largest voting shareholder in Rupert Murdoch's News Corp., which owns Fox-News. He is also a major shareholder in Citigroup, Apple, Twitter, Time Warner, Saks, 21st Century Fox, and eBay. Alwaleed's Kingdom Holding, of which he owns 95%, is the Saudi version of Warren

Buffet's Berkshire Hathaway investment firm. Though his lineage is traditionally Wahhabist, an ultra-conservative form of Islam, Alwaleed has championed advances in women's rights within Saudi Arabia. For Alwaleed, it is a movement that begins at home. In his office, he encourages his female employees—65% of his workforce—to go without the traditional veil. He has also campaigned for lifting the driving ban for Saudi women. When he travels abroad, he, too, trades the traditional Arab thawb for fashionably tailored suits.

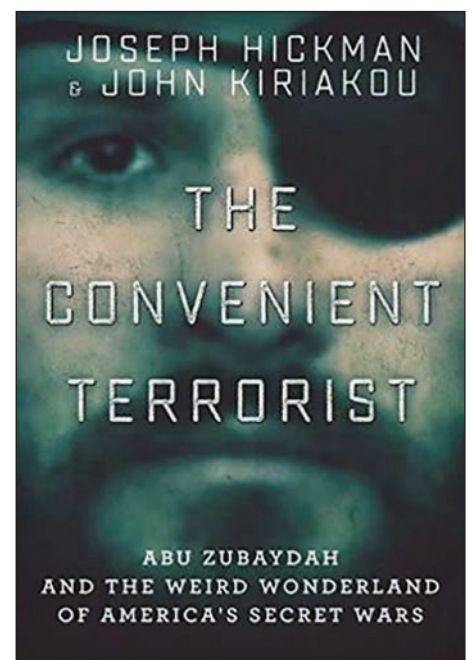
Alwaleed is not without criticism. *Business Insider* detailed how a favorite pastime at the \$130 million Alwaleed mansion in Riyadh consists of using a merry band of human dwarves as court jesters and human projectiles, tossing them into pillows and asking them to dive into bonfires for \$100 bills. Alwaleed denied the story to *Vanity Fair*, yet Saudi insiders have confirmed, defended, and excused it.

Alwaleed co-owns the Four Seasons Hotels and Resorts Company with Microsoft founder Bill Gates. While Mandalay Bay, the hotel overlooking the Las Vegas strip from which shots were allegedly fired into a festival crowd in October

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MOHAMMAD BIN SALMAN

Mohammad bin Salman, the crown prince of Saudi Arabia, is the grandson of Ibn Saud, the first Saudi king. Salman is the heir to the throne and it's believed he has been working to eliminate his competition through mass arrests.

taking place, as well. President Donald Trump tweeted: "... Some of those they are harshly treating have been 'milking' their country for years." He also expressed "great confidence in King Salman and the Crown Prince of Saudi Arabia." A State Department source, in contrast, told *The New York Times* that Salman was "behaving recklessly. . . . The likely consequences of his behavior . . . [have] the potential to damage U.S. interests."

In a major redistribution of wealth among princes, it is reported that Salman has confiscated close to \$200 billion from the seized assets and bank accounts of those he ordered arrested. It has been reported that Salman's end goal is to uncover a foreign network of officials who have been the beneficiaries of bribes from Saudi princes, yet it could be something different, an act based in self-preservation or revenge.

Almost immediately after the October shootings in Las Vegas, rumors spread that the chaos may have been an Alwaleed-sponsored botched hit on Salman at the Tropicana. The rumors were further fueled by witnesses claiming that shots were also fired at the Tropicana, located across Las Vegas Boulevard ("The Strip") from Mandalay Bay. Controversial video exists of a man some are claiming as Salman at the Tropicana, but others have instead named a security guard as being the man in the video.

Whether the shootings in Las Vegas were a failed coup d'état resulting in mass arrests in Saudi Arabia or the work of Stephen Paddock alone, many questions remain unanswered.

When an informational vacuum exists in the wake of an emotional story, that space is often filled with theories and rumors that almost all have some basis in truth. Whatever happened in Las Vegas, in its wake the perceived unity within the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia has been rocked. ★

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2017, is owned by MGM Resorts International, floors 35-39 of the Mandalay Bay tower operate independently as the Four Seasons Hotel, 95% of which is controlled by Alwaleed and Gates.

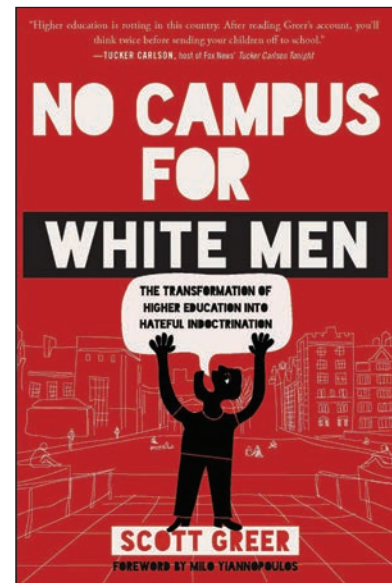
Shortly before his arrest, Alwaleed had contacted U.S.-based Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi and asked him to come to Saudi Arabia. In his previous work, Khashoggi, the editor-in-chief of Al Arab News Channel, had been critical of the Saudi government. He fled Saudi Arabia in September 2017.

Alwaleed, 11 other princes, and hundreds of other businessmen and Saudi officials are being held at Riyadh's Ritz Carlton over charges of corruption. London's *Daily Mail* has reported that Alwaleed has been tortured, hung upside down, and beaten by American mercenaries while in captivity. The source of the story named Academi (formerly Blackwater) as the American security firm hired by Salman to oversee the torture. Lebanon's president Michel Aoun has also confirmed the naming of Academi, though it is a charge the company denies, as an American who commits torture oversees can be jailed for up to 20 years. Academi denies any presence in Saudi Arabia.

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Ending Pakistan Aid a Two-Edged Sword

• Stopping annual \$1.3 billion “bribe” could spell trouble for U.S. in Afghanistan

By Philip Giraldi

The Trump administration has announced that it will be stopping the subsidies given to the Pakistani government since the war against the Soviet Union in Afghanistan in the 1980s. The payments increased dramatically after 9/11 as Pakistan became the launching pad for U.S. efforts to overthrow the Taliban and destroy al Qaeda. They have continued since that time and currently amount to a considerable \$1.3 billion a year, a sum which more or less buys the compliance of the country’s military, which serves as something like a Praetorian Guard for the nation’s civilian leaders. The money is forthcoming with the understanding that the Pakistan government, army, and security services will cooperate with the United States in efforts to stabilize the situation in neighboring Afghanistan while also combatting the possible resurgence of radical Islamic groups in the region.

President Donald Trump has tweeted his decision in characteristic fashion, stating, “The United States has foolishly given Pakistan more than \$33 billion in aid over the last 15 years, and they have given us nothing but lies and deceit, thinking of our leaders as fools. They give safe haven to the terrorists we hunt in Afghanistan, with little help. No more!”

Trump’s judgment, tersely expressed, is not exactly wrong, nor is it exactly right. American policymakers who had a basic understanding of the politics of central and south Asia understand that Washington’s bilateral relationships with countries in the region are based on mutual interests,



PRESIDENT MAMNOON HUSSAIN

which means that they can diverge when conflicting interests get in the way. Pakistan has long been nervous about the instability in neighboring Afghanistan, which means it is supportive of some efforts at reconstruction and political reconciliation by its neighbor, but it also believes the political turmoil to be endemic, partly due to the tribal and ethnic rivalries that cannot be erased through top-down, foreign-instigated regime change.

As a result, Islamabad has had from the start its own secret arrangements with Afghan groups that are protected and even sheltered inside Pak-

istan, which are loyal to Islamabad and not to whomever is in charge in Kabul. This includes the Haqqani Network, which functions virtually as a semi-independent arm of the feared Pakistani Intelligence Service (ISI). The Haqqanis have been involved in large-scale drug trafficking and have waged their own war inside Afghanistan against the country’s police and military. They have also been accused of bombings in Kabul as well as attacks on U.S. and other NATO soldiers.

The Pakistanis clearly see having a viable major player inside Afghanistan as a national interest that weighs more heavily than whatever it is doing with the United States. To be sure, Pakistan’s major effort to eliminate its own Taliban in 2014 was only a partial success and resulted in numerous casualties while its semi-autonomous tribal region continues to be both radicalized and restive. Pakistan’s leaders reason, and have occasionally suggested, that they and their Afghan proxies will still have to deal with what is going on in the region long after the United States becomes tired of the effort and goes home. It is not an unreasonable point of view, nor is it reasonable to expect that Washington will continue to subsidize a country that is working contrary to U.S. interests, even if those interests have been unattainable.

And even if the Pakistanis are currently playing a two-faced game it is important to recall what benefit has derived from the relationship. Without Pakistan’s cooperation the Soviets would never have been driven out of Afghanistan in the first place. In the years after 9/11, when the U.S. mission was to destroy al Qaeda, nearly every major arrest or killing of senior cadre of the group took place in Pakistan and was carried out by the Pakistani police and intelligence services.

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An Ally for Hire?

Pakistani security forces are shown in the northwest region after a gun battle with fighters who had infiltrated their nation from Afghanistan. Though the annual \$1.3 billion foreign aid bribe the U.S. gives Pakistan is hefty, analyst Phil Giraldi believes it's worth it, considering the \$100 billion we blow in Afghanistan every year. Furthermore, according to Giraldi, there are things that Pakistan does for us in the region that never make the mainstream news.

Subsequently, Islamabad allowed the U.S. to set up secret drone bases inside Pakistan, something that was revealed accidentally by former Rep. Jane Harman (D-Calif.), to track and kill suspected terrorists.

Currently, Pakistan serves as the conduit whereby U.S. and other allied forces are supplied with fuel, heavy equipment, and other war-making commodities. Most supplies arrive at the port of Karachi and are trucked through the mountains on Pakistani-provided vehicles to Afghanistan. If Pakistan chooses to play hardball with Trump, it can cut off that supply line immediately and the U.S. effort to stabilize and democratize Afghanistan—if it might be called that—would be over.

In another part of the world, the Trump administration is considering cutting off its aid to the Palestinian Authority and is delaying payment

of \$125 million currently due. Trump has tweeted “[W]e pay the Palestinians hundreds of millions of dollars a year and get no appreciation or respect. They don’t even want to negotiate a long overdue peace treaty with Israel. We have taken Jerusalem, the toughest part of the negotiation, off the table, but Israel, for that, would have had to pay more. But with the Palestinians no longer willing to talk peace, why should we make any of these massive future payments to them?”

The threat over money appears to derive from Amb. Nikki Haley’s threatened “revenge” over recent UN votes. The president’s bizarre beliefs that Israel wants peace and that stealing Arab Jerusalem and granting it to Benjamin Netanyahu is some kind of gift is breathtaking, but one of his aides might well advise him that much of the money given to the Palestinian Authority is used to man and train a police force, which largely ex-

ists to keep Palestinians from attacking Israelis. Trump’s Zionist supporters are already cheering the decision but will find that it yields bitter fruit if the West Bank erupts in violence.

The reality is that Washington should spend money when there are good reasons to do so.

Is Pakistan worth it? Yes, until the day comes when Washington departs the region. Afghanistan costs something like \$100 billion per year, and the Pakistani bribe is a minimal expense.

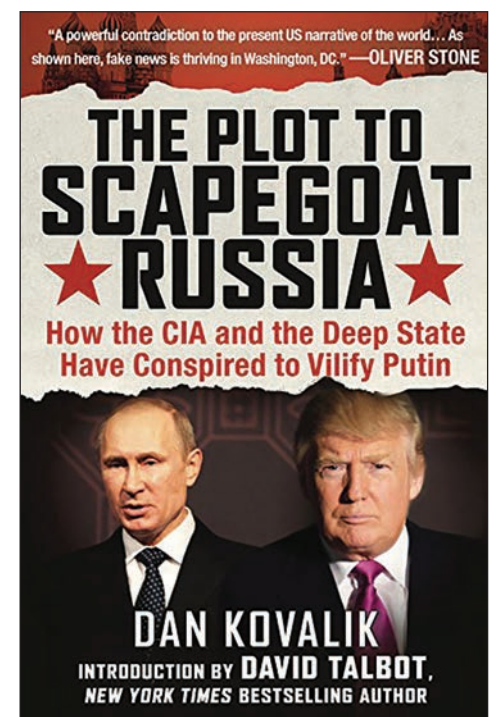
The similar bribe to provide some separation between Palestinians and Israelis is a different game altogether. Its utility as yet another costly measure to protect an intransigent Israel is certainly debatable. ★

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The Plot to Scapegoat Russia

How the CIA and the Deep State Have Conspired to Vilify Putin

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Fomenting Unrest in Iran a Mistake

• Key partners say Israel, U.S., Saudi Arabia playing dangerous game in Persia

By Richard Walker

Russia, China, France, and Turkey are among nations warning that America, Israel, and Saudi Arabia are engaging in dangerous behavior by backing unrest in Iran. They caution that it is a policy that could lead to war.

Their warning appears to confirm a belief in many European capitals that there has been outside influence in Iran street protests, which began with people angry their economy was not serving them well. While the protests were initially peaceful and on a small scale, they quickly ballooned, leading to widespread events that created confrontations, shootings, and deaths. The Iranian government, led by moderate President Hassan Rouhani, claimed there was evidence outside elements introduced guns to the protests.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu took great delight in the street chaos, describing the protesters as “heroic” while lamenting the fact that Europe was not adding its voice to his. He did not have to worry about the Trump administration because President Donald Trump loosely hinted at U.S. intervention by claiming he would support Iranians “taking back their country.” Meanwhile, Saudi Arabia stoked anti-Iranian fever in the corridors of power in Washington, Tel Aviv, and in Arab capitals. Iran was convinced that Saudi surrogates were involved in the protests.

The pro-unrest language from Washington and Israel brought a swift response from the French president, Emmanuel Macron, who has taken a more pro-Iran position than some of his predecessors. He said that the U.S., Israel, and Saudi Arabia risked leading us into war with Iran. In a deliberate reference to the Bush era when Washington demonized Iran, he pointed out that it was important to avoid returning to the Bush “axis of evil” period. Russia rushed to Macron’s defense as did Turkey. Britain, which has interfered in Iranian affairs for the best part of a century, adopted a cautious approach, calling for dialogue between the Iranian government and protesters, a posture adopted by most European governments, much to the annoyance of Netanyahu.

Outside interference in Iranian affairs is nothing new. The CIA and Mossad have controlled terror groups that have carried out bombings in Iran. Israel in particular ran an assassination program for years that resulted in the murders of Iranian scientists. Over the past two decades, Kurdish terror squads were sent into Iran from northern Iraq and Syria to create instability in Iranian cities. The CIA and Mossad also trained and funded the Mujahideen e-Khalq, an anti-Iranian militia based in southern Iraq. They also used Sunni Arab terrorists from Jundallah, a group



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based in Pakistan, to target Iran.

Some observers believe Trump’s close relationships with Israel and the Saudis, which have been managed by his son-in-law, Jared Kushner, have shaped his desire to seek regime change in Iran, a policy that has often defined U.S. attitudes toward Iran over decades.

Former British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw is on record condemning Britain and the CIA for interference in Iran, beginning with their overthrow of the Iranian democratic regime of Mohammed Mossaddeq in 1953. Iran’s parliament, the Majlis, had passed legislation authorizing Mossaddeq to nationalize Iranian oil to stop it from being controlled by Britain’s BP energy conglomerate. Mossaddeq’s goal was to ensure that the Iranian people enjoyed the fruits of their own energy resources, but Washington and London disagreed. BP wanted all the oil for its shareholders. The CIA plotted the removal of Mossaddeq and installed their puppet, the shah, whose notoriously brutal and corrupt regime led to the Iranian Revolution

Above, large crowds gathered in Iranian cities recently to voice their disapproval of the policies of the current government—or maybe not. In the 1950s, the CIA and MI6 were able to organize large street protests in Iran and implement a media smear campaign, which was successful in bringing about the ouster of Iran’s democratically elected prime minister.

in 1979. Ever since, Washington and Israel have tried to destabilize Iran, with Washington at one point supplying Saddam Hussein with chemical weapons he used in a war with Iran.

Straw has described British and U.S. involvement in Iran as “malign.” Of Jewish ancestry, he has been one of the most critical voices of Israeli policy in the Middle East, and believes he was forced out of the Tony Blair government in 2006 after he advocated dialogue with Hamas. Straw’s basic philosophy, which has led to him being branded an “anti-Semite” by pro-Israel groups like AIPAC in Washington, is that “Jewish money” has been used to install pro-Israel members of Congress, giving Israel undue influence over U.S. foreign policy.

The growing divergence in approaches to Iran has resulted in the Trump White House being closely linked to Israel and Saudi Arabia, creating a gulf between America and its NATO allies, including Turkey, and has alienated Russia and China. This leaves the U.S. in an alliance with the Israelis and Saudis who would like to draw the U.S. into a war with Iran. The danger of this happening is obvious, but seemingly not in a Congress dominated by pro-Israel and anti-Iran elements. ★

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Trump Downgrades Ukraine's Demands for Heavy Weaponry

- President ignores requests of politicians and generals who are pushing him to expand Ukrainian civil war

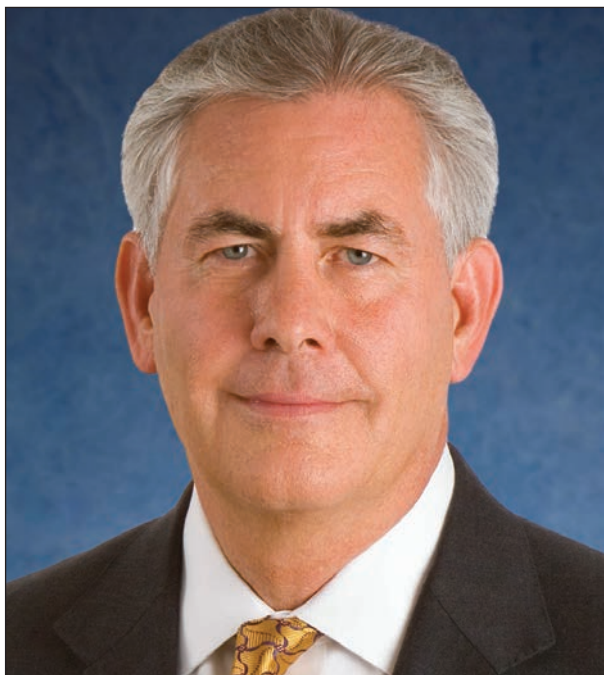
By Richard Walker

Contrary to the claims of his critics, President Donald Trump resisted demands from his generals and members of Congress to supply Ukraine with heavy weapons that could inflame the conflict with Russia in the eastern part of that nation.

What Trump did instead was to issue a license permitting Ukraine's military to buy a \$47 million package of weapons from American companies. The package was limited to include light weapons such as sniper systems and ammunition.

Absent in some of the media responses to the issuing of the license was that sales of light weapons to Ukraine happened during the Bush and Obama administrations.

What stands out in much of the criticism of the president in liberal circles is the warning that this latest weapons consignment will heighten the stakes in the growing conflict in Ukraine's Donbass region, making a direct clash with Russian forces likely. Missing in the analysis, however, is that the generals advising



Secretary of State Rex Tillerson has advised Trump to sell American-made heavy weaponry to the Ukrainian government knowing that this would tilt the balance of power in the war-torn nation and possibly spur a Russian response.



Trump understands that since Ukraine is not a NATO member the U.S. should tread lightly.

Trump, especially Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Joseph Dunford, and Defense Secretary Gen. Jim Mattis, with the backing of Secretary of State Rex Tillerson, had pressed the president to provide Ukraine with heavy weapons that would undoubtedly alter the conflict on the frontlines.

Several months ago, after Mattis and Tillerson paid visits to Kiev for talks with Ukraine's leaders, they presented Trump with a report advocating he approve the release of heavy weapons like the Javelin anti-tank and the Javelin surface-to-air missiles. Both weapons would be capable of taking out Russian tanks and aircraft. Most military observers believe such a move would force Russia to respond by expanding its role in Ukraine, making a wider conflict inevitable.

Trump ignored the advice of his generals, his secretary of state, and the likes of John McCain, as well as congressional Democrats, and chose a less popular option to continue with the use of licenses to permit Ukraine to buy only light American-made arms. While the decision will not get him praise from hawkish elements in Congress and within his own administration, it might well avoid a serious confrontation with Russia.

The reality, however, is that not much is likely to change in Ukraine. Over 10,000 have been killed since the present conflict began in 2014. It is a deeply divided nation and has been that way for a very long time. According to HUD Secretary Dr. Ben Carson, Ukraine, once a part of the Soviet Union, gave up its intercontinental ballistic missiles in 1997 after the U.S. promised to defend it. That is incorrect. All the U.S. did was promise never to attack Ukraine and very generously gave the Ukraine government large



President Donald Trump is playing it right in Ukraine by not lighting the fuse of the powder keg there. Should he agree to arm Ukraine with heavy weapons, the conflict could engulf the region in war.

sums of money to dismantle the nukes. It is also worth noting that the nukes could never have been fired because Russia removed the nuclear codes and the command and control systems for them at the end of the Cold War. Russia also removed tactical nukes from Ukraine.

Contrary to statements made by some in liberal and neocon circles, Russia did not create the conflict in Ukraine. The main instigators were American and EU diplomats. Their meddling and attempts to draw Ukraine closer to the EU, NATO, and the West led directly to instability.

On the other hand, it is not unusual to hear Russian diplomats repeat a traditional Russian view of Ukraine that with Ukraine, Russia is an empire, but without it, it is a country. Such views have nevertheless not defined Moscow's Ukraine policy. Vladimir Putin knows that trying to seize Ukraine would be a bloody adventure. At the same time, he does not want an EU-NATO member in his backyard.

As for the West, it may well be that Trump understands that since Ukraine is not a NATO member the U.S. should tread lightly and press for a political solution. He may be right that exacerbating the situation by giving the Ukrainian forces on the frontlines at Donbass a distinct military edge would see the conflict worsen. Unfortunately, there are other major arms suppliers in the world ready to provide Ukraine with what it wants. It is one of the most corrupt nations worldwide and has the resources stashed away to buy and make heavy weaponry.

There are also many on both sides in Congress who will press Trump in 2018 to take a tougher line in support of Ukraine. For now, he has resisted that kind of pressure. ★

50 Years Later, We Don't Know Who Killed Martin Luther King

By S.T. Patrick

Even through the latest JFK assassination file releases, the questions regarding the life and death of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. still penetrate the American conscience 50 years later. King was shot outside the Lorraine Hotel in Memphis, Tenn. on April 4, 1968. James Earl Ray, a fugitive from the Missouri State Penitentiary, was captured two months later at Heathrow Airport in London. Within nine months, Ray had been convicted, legally and publicly, of assassinating King and sentenced to 99 years. He died in prison in 1998 at the age of 70.

Though the case was closed in the minds of the mainstream media and the historical establishment, doubts existed in the minds of dedicated researchers who never accepted their final conclusions. Like Lee Harvey Oswald and Sirhan Sirhan—the supposed assassins of John F. Kennedy and Robert F. Kennedy, respectively—Ray seemed to be a patsy. Ray later confirmed that he was a patsy to a mysterious figure named “Raoul.”

More than Oswald and Sirhan, Ray was an archetypal figure tailor-made for the divisive times in which the murder occurred. Even the civil rights era’s most palpable black leader was killed by a racist Southerner, many thought.

Some of the most respected assassination researchers of the late 20th century believe that Ray was innocent of the King murder. Attorney and author Mark Lane helped free witness Grace Stephens from a sanitarium. Stephens was at Bessie’s Boarding House with her common-law husband, Charlie Stephens, when King was shot at the Lorraine. Ms. Stephens clearly saw a man running from the communal bathroom after shots were fired. When urged to testify, she refused to testify that the man quickly exiting the bathroom was Ray. Though Mr. Stephens was drunk, without his glasses, and did not see the man clearly, he fingered Ray as that man. His testimony was then used to extradite Ray from England. Ms. Stephens was sent to a sanitarium.



The King family—wife Coretta and son Dexter—believed James Earl Ray was not the killer of Dr. King.

Dr. William F. Pepper was accused assassin Ray’s last attorney. He exhausted every option available in an attempt to gain Ray a trial before his death. Pepper still adamantly believes that Ray was never given the trial constitutionally promised to him. In 1969, Tennessee officials and Ray’s first attorney, Percy Foreman, intimidated Ray into a guilty plea. Pepper later won a televised mock trial for Ray in 1993 when the jury returned a “not guilty” verdict.

As it turns out, King’s greatest enemies did not reside in the Southern United States at all. J. Edgar Hoover’s FBI was targeting King throughout the Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson presidencies—away from Kennedy’s reach and with active participation from Johnson. The newly released JFK assassination files contain a 20-page FBI analysis of King that portrays him in the harshest light. The document alleges ties to communist influences, usage of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) as “a tax dodge,” and philandering of the highest order.

In 1964 a package arrived at the home of King and his wife, Coretta. The package contained various tapes compromising to King’s marriage, as well as a letter that appeared to urge him toward suicide. “There is only one thing left for you to do. You know what it is,” the letter read. The package was sent anonymously, though a Senate committee later confirmed that it had been sent by the FBI.

Unlike the Kennedy family, which has remained publicly quiet on the subject of the JFK and RFK assassinations, the King family has been both opinionated and active. Since 1997, Coretta Scott King and youngest son Dexter have worked with Pep-



Martin Luther King was most likely not killed by James Earl Ray. Ballistics tests done on the rifle used to convict Ray did not match the bullets removed from King’s body. However, we do know the FBI was obsessed with King’s activities.

per in an attempt to free Ray, literally until Ray’s death and historically thereafter. Inspired by Pepper’s book *An Act of State: The Execution of Martin Luther King*, King’s daughter Yolanda and cousin Isaac Ferris were also on board to find the truth of the assassination. In 1997, Dexter King, with the aid of Pepper, even visited Ray in prison.

When, at a later wrongful death trial, a jury affirmed that they believed “others, including governmental agencies, were parties to this conspiracy,” Ms. King invoked her late husband’s words: “My husband once said that the moral arch of the universe is long, but it bends toward justice.”

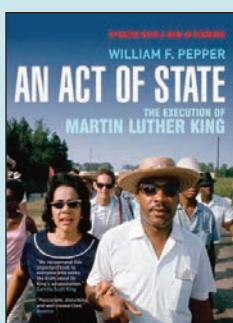
The civil court ruling prompted an 18-month investigation by then-Attorney General Janet Reno’s Justice Department. It ruled that a conspiracy to kill Dr. King was neither proven nor present.

As the 50th anniversary of the assassination approaches in April, media attention will increase. The History Channel, Discovery Channel, and the three-letter national networks will inevitably convict Ray once more.

Skeptical authors like Phillip Nelson will release the revisionist counterpoint. Nelson’s *Who Really Killed MLK? The Case Against Lyndon B. Johnson and J. Edgar Hoover* will be available in April.

As Donald Sutherland’s character says to Kevin Costner’s “Jim Garrison” in Oliver Stone’s “JFK”: “Kings are killed, Mr. Garrison. Politics is power. Nothing more.” Whether or not the FBI dossiers on King are to be believed—credible information exists that at least some of them are—the question of assassination and the guilt of Ray are still dubious at best. But when we allow political assassination to go unchecked, the spine of democracy weakens and the core threatens to crumble. ★

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Questions About Manson

I have researched the Manson case [AFP Issue 49 & 50] since its beginning, and there are many, many discrepancies everywhere. There is a lot more to this story, and you don't have to dig very deep to find them. Example: The blood map does not fit [prosecutor Vincent] Bugliosi's narrative. Why were the FBI and CIA involved in the background? There are more questions than answers to what we have been led to believe.

JERRY LYNN
California

Was Manson Innocent?

I have been saying for years that if people just looked at the Manson trial transcripts and researched the conduct of Bugliosi, the judge, and the LAPD, there would be no question of Manson's innocence and at the very least the need for a new trial.

GUIDO COLACCI
New York

Groden One of Many Heroes

JFK researcher Robert Groden [AFP Issue 49 & 50] is one of many heroes for having the courage to expose the truth to Americans. I agree that the JFK assassination was a conspiracy and that it had multiple shooters, one of whom was Roscoe White, and that Lee Oswald was a patsy and never fired a shot at Kennedy. He also never fired at Gen. Edwin Walker and did not kill Officer J.D. Tippit. Oswald was also an agent for the government and a hero trying to save the president.

There are so many groups and rea-

sons that contributed to Kennedy's death, but overall, he was taking us to world peace, and the government and others did not like that. So they killed him and framed and silenced one of their own assets, using their mob asset Jack Ruby, later killing him and many others who knew too much.

RYAN COMMADARI
Maryland

Best Thing Since Thorn

I think this article ["Anomalies in Vegas Mass Shooting Call for Open Investigation," posted at American-FreePress.net Dec. 12] hits the major points, but there is so much more. It would have taken up an entire issue. I don't want to make an unfair comparison, but I think S.T. Patrick is the closest thing AFP has had to the great Victor Thorn since . . . Victor Thorn. Please keep challenging authority, and please keep articles like this one coming our way.

CHRISTOPHER KEARNEY
Canada

Founders Were Anarchists

[In AFP's front-page article in the Dec. 18 & 25 edition, titled "FBI vs. Antifa"] why do people—practically everyone—get it wrong concerning anarchism? The short answer is that anarchism is a philosophy, just as Marxism is a philosophy. We have ideologies that are the practices of those philosophies. Capitalism is an ideology based upon the philosophy of anarchy. Communism and fascism are ideologies of the philosophy of Marx-



ism. One is the antithesis to the other. The Founding Fathers of the United States created man's most radical document with the writing of the Articles of Confederation and the U.S. Constitution. They are based on the philosophy of anarchism.

MICHAEL LAMB
North Carolina

Gold vs. Bitcoin

Bitcoin is the New World Order's attempt to replace the gold standard that President Nixon did away with. You can only dig so much gold from mother Earth, but you can mint bitcoin like you can print American currency. Look out, world.

ROBERT FADELL
Indiana

(In fact, the original creator of bitcoin, a shadowy character who goes by the name of Nakamoto, created only 21 million units of the digital currency. Unless the complex and unique computer code is modified—which is not a simple thing to do given the complicated nature of bitcoin itself—there is no way to make more digital currency. That explains the current rush to acquire bitcoins and their precipitous rise in value.—Ed.)

Don't Protect Profanity

I am writing today in regard to your editorial in the Dec. 4 & 11, 2017 issue about profanity. No, I do not believe that profanity-laced speech should be protected. I am positive our forefathers had no intention of profanity being included in the First Amendment, and they would undoubtedly be aghast at the misuse of their original

intentions. Allowing this is lowering the morals and ethics of the entire country and has steadily resulted in poorer and poorer behavior. Congratulations on not joining the crowd that seems to think sleaziness and lack of morality is cool. It isn't.

LINDA KALLI
Wyoming

Profanity Not Protected

I cannot view profanity-laced speech as protected speech. Obscene speech is not free speech. This is no mere line in the sand, in my personal playbook. It is etched in fire and steel. Private speech and public speech are entirely separate, and they must remain so.

BRUCE SCHWEYER
Virginia

Brainwashed for War

Reading Chuck Baldwin's article, titled "Polls Show Americans Brainwashed for War" (AFP's Dec. 18 & 25 edition) brought to memory a statement made by one Henry Kissinger and a speech he made to the assembly of Bilderberger on June 9, 2011 in St. Moritz, Switzerland. Stated Kissinger, "Americans buy into war like children boggle candy."

R. FOX
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