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## SAVING FREE SPEECH

ould we really see the end of the so-called fake news business, which has maintained a stranglehold on what Americans read in newspapers and see on their televisions for decades? It could come to that as more and more Americans grow tired of the lies reported by the corporate-controlled media and seek out alternative news sources like American Free Press.

A recent survey of average Americans points to this.

On July 12, polling firm Morning Consult released the findings of a poll of 2,000 Americans, who were asked if they thought the big media was credible. Not surprisingly, a majority of Americans responded that they found the big media to be somewhere

between somewhat credible and not credible at all. Only about 20% of Americans found the big media to be totally credible. This included CNN, *The New York Times*, NBC News, ABC, CBS, *The Wall Street Journal*, and Fox News to name but a few of the many outlets cited in the poll.

Why is this not surprising to us? Since the November election, the big newspapers and cable news networks have been hammering President Donald Trump for the way he is running the country, particularly when it



comes to his calls to put America first.

But while this may sit well with liberal Democrats in major cities like New York and Los Angeles, the majority of Americans between the coasts is growing increasingly tired of the phony stories peddled by the pompous presstitutes, such as the constant fixation on Trump associates colluding with Russia.

Every day a new breathless report comes out claiming to be the smoking gun that proves Russia helped get Trump elected, but the stories always seem to fizzle out when put under the microscope.

Instead, Americans want Republicans and Democrats to work with the president to fix the economy, reform immigration, bring jobs back to the United States, rebuild infrastructure, and handle the healthcare crisis.

And what does this mean for the alternative press?

Despite concerted efforts at the highest levels to silence alternative media outlets, Americans' interest in real news has never been higher.

AMERICAN FREE PRESS is a prime example of this. Wells Fargo, one of the largest banks in the world with a net worth of \$2 trillion, tried to force this little newspaper out of business by abruptly terminating its creditcard processing, which ac-

counted for about 30% of the company's total business—all because it didn't like a few books AFP sold. So what did people do? They ordered even more politically incorrect books and videos from us through the mail by sending in checks, cash, and money orders. So far, we are winning.

While the powers-that-be want more censorship on the Internet and in commercial markets, Americans, in an effort to save free speech and thought in this country, are pushing back, demanding even more access to information no matter who may be offended by it.

And this is something the military-industrial-pharmaceutical-political-lob-bying complex still doesn't realize. While they try to lie their way to even more outlandish profits for themselves and their boards of directors, the average American disdains such crass goals. Rest assured, you are not alone in revering truth over personal profit.

Thanks for sticking with us.



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### AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE EDITOR

### Welcome to Amerika 2017!

### Update Regarding Our Credit Card Processing

s AFP goes to press on July 13, it's been three weeks since Wells Fargo and a billion-dollar private financial firm called TSYS abruptly and without notice canceled AFP's merchant account, which allows us to accept credit card payments. In addition, we were added to the "Match List," a secret list of mostly financial fraudsters that is maintained by credit card company MasterCard and is shared among all the banks and financial firms in the U.S. that work with credit cards.

As this editor explained in the July 3 & 10 "Personal from the Editor" column, any time a private company wants to open up an account to accept credit cards, a credit card-processing company will check the name of the company, its business address, and the primary individual named on the account against the Match List. If there is a match, the company is denied.

For years, MasterCard maintained the list to get a handle on the scammers and fraudsters, who would simply close up shop when they were caught ripping off people and open up a new account. Increasingly, though, politically incorrect individuals and companies are being added to this list, as a way to drive them out of business and silence them, at the behest of liberal activist groups like the Southern Poverty Law Center and the ADL.

Over the course of the past three weeks, we have been working to get a new account. However, we have been forced to sign up with companies that typically do business with pornographers and marijuana dealers, because those are the only companies that will do business with anyone on the Match List. But it's worse than that. In order to find a bank that will act as a middleman between us and the credit card companies, the credit card processors we have approached have to look outside the United States to find banks in Eastern Europe, Russia, Mexico, and even China, of all places.

Let that sink in for a second.

In order for American Free Press—a U.S. company that prides itself on giving Americans uncensored, honest, provocative news from an America-first perspective—to get a bank to work with us so we can start accepting credit cards again, we will likely have to look to Russia, a country that only a few decades ago was the most oppressive, totalitarian, communist state on the planet.

Welcome to Amerika in 2017.

Keep in mind that AMERICAN FREE PRESS has never been accused of any financial improprieties. The only reason that was ever given for canceling our account in the first place was that Wells Fargo and TSYS didn't like a few of the books we sell.

It truly is shocking that this goes on in the United States, the land of the free and the home of the brave.

Please know that we are not simply rolling over and passively accepting this shocking affront to America's traditional way of life. We will continue to fight this in every way that we can even after we start taking credit cards again.

The best way that you can help is by continuing to support us. Order books and DVDs from us. Purchase extra subscriptions for friends and family. Also, see our new program advertised on page 30 where you can get two issues of AFP every week instead of just one, at a discounted rate. Keep one for yourself and give another to a neighbor or coworker—really anyone who you think needs the kind of news that we put out. Encourage them to subscribe to AFP and order books from us. Just be sure to mail in a check, cash, or money order.

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—Christopher J. Petherick Executive Editor

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## News You May Have Missed

### Blackmail

CNN, one of the leading fake news media outlets feverishly working to sabotage and undermine President Donald Trump, has found itself in hot water once again. Following revelations that a leading commentator and a producer on the network have openly admitted that the narrative about Russian meddling in the 2016 presidential election is baseless and designed to generate ratings, CNN now stands accused of engaging in blackmail by threatening to report the identity of an anonymous Internet user, who created a video promoted by Trump. The popular video in guestion shows Trump body slamming a professional wrestler whose image had been modified to have CNN's logo over his head. The video was intended to comically demonstrate that Trump is taking down CNN. However, the billion-dollar news network was not amused so it tracked down the creator and threatened to reveal his identity publicly if he didn't apologize.

### Betrayal

Despite the fact that a majority of Republicans want Obamacare repealed, Sen. Rand Paul recently penned a column saying that the Republican-led Senate is nixing efforts to dump the healthcare law. "I miss the old days, when Republicans stood for repealing Obamacare," wrote Paul on July 11. "Now too many Republicans are falling all over themselves to stuff hundreds of billions of taxpayers' dollars into a bill that doesn't repeal Obamacare and feeds big insurance a huge bailout."

### Rest in Peace?

Dan K. Thomasson, guest columnist in *The Orlando Sentinel*, floated the idea of digging up the 482 Confederate bodies in Arlington Cemetery to make room for more dead veterans of America's never-ending wars. The bodies would be loaded onto a truck and moved to anywhere else, wrote Thomasson. It fits in with the liberalleftists' current campaign to rid the nation of Confederate monuments and memorials of all kinds. By the way, those boys in gray were fighting for states' rights, not for the slave system.



### Sanders Under Scrutiny

Presidential candidate Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) and wife Jane Sanders are facing an FBI investigation into a loan Mrs. Sanders got to expand Burlington College when she was its president. Allegedly, the loan was obtained by use of fraud, and the Sanders senatorial office stepped in to help her. The couple called the accusations "nonsense" and blamed the whole kerfuffle on Donald Trump's campaign manager in Vermont. The January 2016 complaint accused Mrs. Sanders of distorting donor levels in a 2010 \$10 million loan application to purchase 33 acres of land for the college. The embattled couple has hired prominent defense attorneys to defend themselves.

### Security Risk

Pentagon brass are thinking of canceling a deal it made with thousands of immigrants: Join the U.S. armed forces and we will put you on a fast track to citizenship. Dismantling the program would leave about 1,000 aliens in the lurch, with no legal protection from deportation. A memo from Pentagon officials to Defense Secretary James Mattis cites security concerns that recruits are inadequately vetted under the program, called "Military Accessions Vital to the National Interest." The memo voices concern about the "potential threat posed by individuals who may have a higher risk of connections to foreign intelligence services." Some of these individuals could be with terrorist groups as well.

### Another War

The U.S. government—in the form of top U.S. general in the Korean peninsula Vincent Brooks—says it is fully prepared to go to war with North Korea at any moment. Brooks says it is only self-restraint that has held us back from attacking so far. Former Rep. Dr. Ron Paul says maybe the Korean War was a bad idea in the first place and we should let Korea be Korea.

### Global Warming Myth

A recent study by scientists analyzed the global average temperature (GAT) datasets, which are used by climate alarmists to argue that recent years have been "the hottest ever" and that the warming of the last 120 years has been dramatic and unprecedented. What the researchers found, however, pointed to something rather strange bordering on outright fraud. According to the news and commentary website "Breitbart," climatechange advocates regularly adjusted the data so much that it bore little resemblance to the original raw numbers. What this means, the report concluded, is that claims by groups that the world is experiencing "unprecedented and dramatic warming" should be thrown out because they all rely on the same corrupted GAT data for proof.

### Global Warming Doomed?

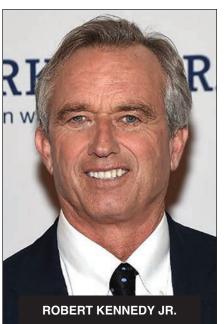
Environmental Protection Agency Director Scott Pruitt plans to hold a public debate among the agency's scientists on whether so-called climate change is real or not. He says he is not convinced carbon dioxide is causing the Earth's atmosphere to heat up. Pruitt told Breitbart, "The American people need to have that type of honest, open discussion, and it's something that we hope to help provide as part of our leadership."

### Outraged by Israeli Theft

Netherlands was outraged recently when Israel seized a large number of solar panels in the Occupied West Bank that had been donated to a Palestinian village by the Dutch government. The Israeli army stole the panels and related electricity-generating equipment from the village of Jubbet al-Dhib (east of Bethlehem) under a pretext that they had been installed without the impossible-to-get permits required by Israel for developments in the Occupied Territories. The Dutch taxpayers had donated about 500,000 euros to electrify the region, some 350,000 euros of which went to the Jubbet project.

### Big Pharma Censorship

Vaccine skeptic Robert F. Kennedy Jr.—who says he is not against vaccinations but thinks the issue needs a lot more investigation—recently appeared on Fox News to talk about vaccine safety but the conversation quickly turned into a dialogue about censorship, media funding, and bloated government. Kennedy said most news agencies are reluctant to discuss vaccines because, "on the evening news, typically 17 out of 24 advertisements



are pharmaceutical advertisements, and most hosts are frightened of that." He added that the branch of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) that handles vaccines is really a branch of big pharma. "[The CDC] sells \$4.1 billion worth of vaccines a year. It spends about \$4.6 billion—almost half of its budget—promoting vaccines. And it only spends \$20 million testing vaccines—that's good for a tiny handful of the vaccines we have." As usual, big pharma is much more interested in profits than consumer safety.

## Hungary Purging Alien Influence

• Deep State enraged that schemes of Soros, NGOs may be exposed, curbed

### By John Friend

ungary, the Eastern European nation with close ties to Russia, recently passed legislation designed to expose foreign-backed nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) operating in Hungary by requiring them to disclose their funding sources. The move by Hungary's parliament, which is supported by nationalist Prime Minister Viktor Orban, parallels a 2012 law passed by Russia that requires NGOs operating in that country who receive foreign funding to declare themselves as foreign agents.

Foreign-funded NGOs operating in Hungary, Russia, and other Eastern European nations, as well as nations around the world, are often accused of promoting subversive agendas designed to destabilize governments and society. For instance, many of the NGOs targeted by the recent Hungarian legislation favor massive Third World immigration and refugee resettlement into Europe as a moral imperative, the acceptance and mainstreaming of homosexuality and radical feminism, unrestricted abortion, and other subversive, destructive agendas. Hungary, like Poland, the Czech Republic, and Russia, has been skeptical of many of these agendas, and largely views massive Third World immigration and refugee resettlement into their tiny country as a direct threat to the future of their nation.

The sensible legislation represents an effort to expose and identify the funding sources of the various NGOs operating in Hungary, its supporters contend. Orban and other backers of the legislation argue the law will create more openness and transparency while at the same time help prevent money laundering, terrorist financing, and other corrupt or un-

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Hungary is fed up with George Soros and his "mafia-style" network.

derhanded dealings. Critics, on the other hand, argue the legislation is designed to target human rights groups, restrict free speech, and demonize as "unpatriotic" the various groups operating in Hungarian society that receive financial support from Western billionaires and foundations, particularly the Open Society Foundations headed by George Soros, the infamous plutocrat born in Budapest.

In fact, Orban specifically cited Soros and his network of foundations as a major factor influencing the recently adopted legislation.

"There is an important element in public life in Hungary which is not transparent and not open—and that is the Soros network, with its mafia-style operation and its agent-like organizations," Orban stated on Hungarian state radio earlier in June. He referred specifically to Soros's Open Society Foundations, which provide massive amounts of funding to various NGOs operating across the world, including in Hungary. "The Hungarian people have the right to know who represents what and to what end, and what goals they seek to achieve through their operations."

Hungary has also taken steps to regulate foreignfunded universities operating in Hungary, including Central European University in Budapest,



George Soros works his black magic through a complex network of non-governmental organizations he funds himself. The Hungarian parliament, concerned about the level of social and political influence Soros was wielding on Hungary, passed legislation to curb the billionaire's meddling.

which is funded by Soros and others.

Hungary's recent moves to expose and regulate foreign-funded NGOs and other entities operating in its territory has drawn backlash from the European Union and other globalist leaders, as well as the U.S. State Department. U.S. officials have criticized the legislation and urged Hungarian political leaders to rescind the recently passed law.

The legislation represents "another step away from Hungary's commitments to uphold the principles and values that are central to the [European Union] and NATO," Heather Nauert, a State Department spokeswoman, recently argued. "The United States is concerned by the Hungarian parliament's passage of legislation that unfairly burdens and targets Hungarian civil society, which is working to fight corruption and protect civil liberties."

The State Department's hostility toward the entirely legitimate legislation passed by Hungary, which is designed to regulate and expose foreign-backed NGOs and other potentially subversive entities operating within its borders, is bizarre, especially considering President Donald Trump's ostensible nationalist political persuasions. One would think Trump would support efforts by Hungary and other nations to stand up to globalist influences. In this case, Trump is allowing his State Department to be on the side of the globalists for reasons that are not entirely clear to AFP.



**Posters and billboards** like the one above were prominently displayed in public places in Hungary. This billboard shows a huge picture of the Hungarian-born globalist with the slogan: "Let's not let Soros have the last laugh."



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## We Have the Freedom to Starve

Corporate assault on freedom of speech leaves many organizations struggling

### By Kevin Barrett

est and most disreputable big banks. Their deceptive credit-card pitches contain small-print clauses allowing them to suddenly jack up their "introductory rates" and hit you with usurious 30%-plus interest. So it shouldn't really surprise anyone that Wells Fargo canceled AFP's credit-card processing account because some billionaire banker somewhere doesn't like some of the books AFP sells. And it is shocking—but hardly surprising—to learn that the banking industry is trying to put AFP out of business by adding it to a credit-card-processing blacklist.

A spokesman for the blacklisters said the reason for this financial war is that AFP sells "racist and anti-Semitic books," namely those by Michael Collins Piper. Naturally, he hasn't even read any of Piper's books. If he had, he would know that there was never a single racist bone in Piper's body.

Let's define our terms here. "Racist and anti-Semitic" is a redundant expression. "Anti-Semitism" is a form of racism holding that Jews are biologically inferior because they are a "Semitic" people related to Arabs. Actually, neither Jews nor Arabs are their own race. Judaism is a religion professed by people from many races and cultures, while "Arabs" are simply the many different kinds of people, ranging from Sudanese blacks to blond-haired, blue-eyed Syrians and Lebanese, who happen to speak Arabic.

The pseudo-scientific racist theory known as "anti-Semitism" was popular in the 19th and early 20th centuries, but today, it is Arabs, not Jews, who are the main victims of this kind of racism. Ironically, the country with the worst anti-Semitic (anti-Arab)

racism is the state of Israel.

As for Piper's books, they contain no racial hatred or bigotry of any kind. They are critical of certain aspects of Jewish culture, specifically the ruthless tribalism that prevails among some Jewish-Zionist elites, especially those that work with the criminal underworld. That is cultural critique, not racism.

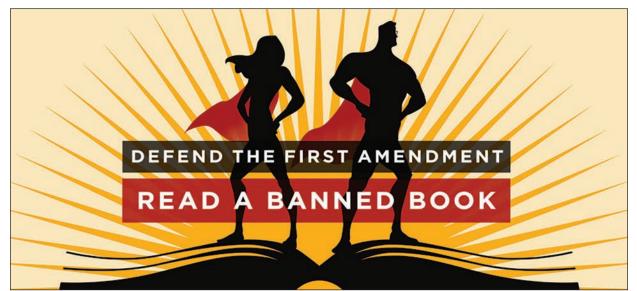
I am highly critical of the segment of the Arab-Muslim political elite that runs "Saudi" Arabia. That does not make me an anti-Arab or anti-Muslim bigot.

Freedom means nothing if we are not free to critique the culture and politics of the various power elites that rule our world. Piper saw the rising power of Jewish-Zionist elites in the U.S. and discussed the issue reasonably and rationally—if sometimes passionately—in an evidence-based fashion without any reference to or interest in "race." His investigations into such issues as the JFK assassination and 9/11 were ahead of their time.

It is a national scandal, and a symptom of our national decline, that the whole banking establishment can wage an economic war aimed at the suppression of Piper's books—without a peep of protest from the ACLU and the supposedly free speech-supporting mainstream media.

The economic assault on AFP is just the latest salvo in what is becoming an all-out Zionist war on free speech. Professor William Robinson's book *We Will Not Be Silenced: The Academic Repression of Israel's Critics* covers several Zionist attempts to quash academic freedom. Now they are targeting booksellers, not just academics.

When I was driven from the academy for questioning 9/11, I assumed I would be free to sell books and articles and solicit donations to support my independent scholarship and radio broadcasts. How could such activities ever be quashed? After all, we still have the First Amendment, right?



**The American Library Association (ALA)** proclaims itself the champion of free speech and lauds teachers, academics and booksellers who keep banned books available to students, researchers and the general public. Yet not a word from the ALA thus far on the most widespread "book burning" since World War II.



Michael Collins Piper spent most of his adult life working to expose the behind-the-scenes intrigue driving U.S. foreign and domestic policy. It's no wonder the powers-that-be don't want you to read his books. Here he is shown in a 1987 interview. Piper passed away in 2015, but left a huge legacy.

Unfortunately, the Constitution only limits the power of government, not the corporate sector. As private monopolies gobble up entire industries, grabbing as much power as governments but without any of the transparency or responsibilities, they have begun to insist that we toe their ideological line on pain of expulsion from the economy. A few months ago, Amazon banned hundreds of history books. At about the same time, my main fundraising platform and database (GoFundMe) closed my account and stole more than \$1,000. Various Facebook accounts, including the Nation of Islam's, have been frozen or shut down for political reasons. Now AFP is being blacklisted.

To buy and sell information, we will soon be microchipped with a "Mark of the Beast" guaranteeing that our views are inoffensive to the powers-that-be. Violators will be banned from economic transactions. They will still be free—free to starve.

Such evil acts of political censorship are exactly what we should expect from the too-big-to-fail financial pharaohs who seized the reins of power in America in the Federal Reserve coup d'état of 1913.

The lesson is clear: If we want to preserve what's left of freedom in America, we need to overthrow the banksters in a Second American Revolution. ★

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### Here's the book that got AFP's credit card processing cancelled!

## THE JUDAS GOATS: THE ENEMY WITHIN

## The Shocking Never-Before-Told Story of the Infiltration and Subversion of the American Nationalist Movement

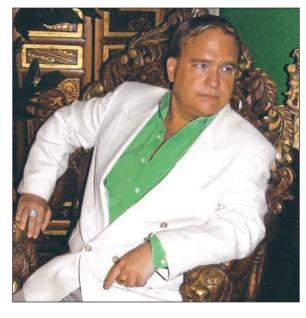
his amazing work by veteran investigator Michael Collins Piper demonstrates how, during the course of the 20th century, paid agents and disruptors—including the FBI, CIA, Mossad and the ADL—working on behalf of the Zionist cause and for the international interests of the Rothschild banking empire, infiltrated and subverted American nationalist and patriotic groups.

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## Judge Will Rule on Arpaio Case Soon

• Attorneys for Joe Arpaio "highly optimistic" lawman will get favorable verdict

### By Mark Anderson

HOENIX, Ariz.—Mark Goldman, one of the attorneys for former Sheriff Joe Arpaio in the veteran lawman's criminal trial that just wrapped up in Arizona, says he's highly optimistic that Arpaio will not be convicted, because the three essential conditions under which he could be found guilty of a misdemeanor "contempt of court" charge were not met in court.

"We feel very happy," Goldman told this AFP writer July 7, the day after closing arguments were heard in this widely watched case. The trial, initially expected to last at least eight days, ended up with only four days of testimony in late June, plus closing arguments on July 6.

Goldman feels good about the case because federal prosecutors evidently didn't come close to proving even the first of those three conditions, let alone the other two.

The first condition is that a 2011 federal court injunction—purportedly issued to try to stop Arpaio from apprehending illegal aliens—must have been "clear and definite" in its meaning. While Arpaio is accused of contempt of court for allegedly defying the injunction, it appears the injunction was worded too vaguely for federal prosecutors to have a



**Mark Goldman,** one of Joe Arpaio's attorneys, believes the 2011 federal court injunction, stopping Arpaio from arresting illegal aliens, was "too vague."

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Arpaio's attorneys feel good about the verdict, as federal prosecutors failed to make their case.

clear shot at winning their case against the popular lawman.

During Arpaio's time as Maricopa County sheriff, the former Drug Enforcement Agency officer's deputies would turn over apprehended illegal aliens to the federal government for processing, due to serious concerns in the densely populated county—just a few miles from the border—about drug-running, human trafficking, and other crimes fostered by U.S. open-borders policies and attitudes.

In federal district court in Phoenix, Judge Susan Bolton "picked up on the fact that the [injunction] was anything but clear and definite," Goldman summarized. He stressed that, since testimony from both sides revealed that the 40-page injunction failed to be clear and definite, then the other two conditions that the prosecution trotted out could not realistically be met.

Those other conditions were that Arpaio was aware of the injunction's details and that he knowingly and willfully violated the injunction.

"No one who testified understood [the injunction's meaning] when it was issued," Goldman told American Free Press.

He said that the apparent clincher came when the star witness of the Department of Justice, Tim Casey—Arpaio's former attorney, who evidently turned against Arpaio—admitted during cross examination that the injunction was not clear and definite. "To me, that's enough to make this whole case go away . . . so Joe's feeling pretty good at this point," Goldman said.

Arpaio himself was not yet at liberty to directly speak with AFP, pending the judge's decision.

Also according to Goldman, Joe Sousa, who was Arpaio's lieutenant for the human-smuggling unit at the sheriff's department, testified for the defense that, with Casey serving as Arpaio's attorney at the time, never once did Casey inform Sousa or the department that they may have incorrectly interpreted the injunction when going about their job of apprehending those found to be illegal aliens during standard law enforcement, which the feds have constantly labeled as "racial profiling."

Casey had free access to the smuggling unit, and



**Sheriff Joe Arpaio** is being persecuted for doing the job he was elected to do: apprehend illegal aliens. However, President Barack Obama really didn't want him to do it, so they filed a lawsuit against him. A verdict is expected soon.

it would have been his job to know of or discover a possible injunction violation and communicate his views to the sheriff's department, Goldman added.

"Joe never interfered. And he had Casey as an attorney to instruct [Joe's] subordinates on how to interpret the injunction," Goldman said.

Since Arpaio was unable to secure a jury trial, Judge Bolton will decide the matter. That won't happen until July 21 or later, however, the date that attorneys for both sides were asked to submit briefs on "applicable law" to aid the judge in deciding this case.

Prosecutors have maintained that Arpaio intentionally and defiantly prolonged patrols to apprehend illegal aliens for 17 months after the injunction was issued. But as July 21 approaches, it appears that this narrative is part of an effort by the Justice Department, in a carryover from the Obama administration, to conduct a political hit against Arpaio.

That view is widely held, because the misdemeanor lawsuit, filed just days before the last sheriff's election in November 2016, helped unseat Arpaio in his re-election bid.

Arpaio's backers say that the case vividly illustrates one key way that left-leaning politicians and their cohorts in the courts, major media, and elsewhere go about discrediting concerted, effective efforts to secure America's borders.

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## Amish Healer Gets Six Years

• Court metes out outrageous prison sentence for herbal salve maker

By Jacob Tyler

EXINGTON, Ky.—The Food and Drug Administration (FDA)'s decade-long persecution of an Amish man whose family enterprise specializes in the manufacture of home-made salves reached a disturbing conclusion on June 30 in the U.S. district court in Lexington, Ky., when he was sentenced to six years in prison for the crime of "mislabeling" and selling a natural remedy.

Samuel A. Girod, 57, was sentenced by Judge Danny Reeves to 72 months in prison to be followed by a supervised release period of three years, during which time he is prohibited from making and selling any product intended for medical purposes. Girod is also required to pay the court \$14,000 in restitution and \$1,300 in court fees, though the judge did not impose the potential fine of \$25,000-\$250,000 on the basis that doing so would impose undue hardship to the family.

The convoluted history of *U.S. v. Girod* traces back to 2001 when FDA agents first contacted Girod. After allegedly receiving an anonymous tip notifying them Girod's product label asserted his topical tincture made from bloodroot was good for skin cancer, FDA agents informed Girod they considered this a medical claim that must be either irrefutably proven or altogether removed from his product label. Girod complied by amending the label

In 2013, the FDA contacted Girod again, claiming a "victim" had been "harmed" by his salve.



**Samuel Girod**, an Amish farmer and alternative healer, was sentenced to an outrageous six-year sentence for "mislabeling" and then selling herbal products. No victim was ever produced, however.

However, during the investigation, no victim was produced and the salve in question was revealed to be from a different manufacturer. Still, Girod allowed FDA agents to conduct a warrantless search of his farm. A federal judge in Missouri then enjoined Girod's products and ordered that no products could be sold until medical claims were re-

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Girod was also charged with witness tampering because he sent a letter to customers explaining the facts of the lawsuit.

moved, that Girod's bloodroot salve could never be made available for sale, and that Girod must allow FDA inspections of his property for five years.

In late 2013, Girod refused an inspection and in 2014 began selling his products again, through a private members' club.

The FDA began criminal proceedings against him for disobeying the injunction and added two more severe charges. FDA agents claimed that Girod and his family threatened them with physical violence when they returned for the second inspection, despite the fact that the sheriff's deputy, who had accompanied FDA agents, testified under oath that no threats were made. Finally, Girod was also charged with witness tampering because he had sent a letter to customers explaining the facts of the lawsuit and apologizing for causing them distress.

During a jury trial, which concluded in March, Girod was found guilty on 13 charges: conspiracy

### What's the Real Secret They're Hiding About ISIS?

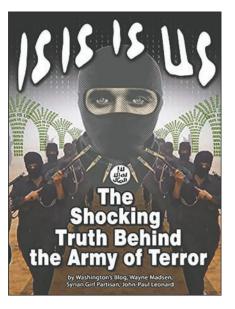
id the "Islamic State" spring full-blown into spontaneous being as the fanatical scourge of the Middle East, or was it helped along by state sponsors? In *ISIS Is Us*, a panel of cutting-edge researchers tells what ISIS really is, and what has been going on secretly in Iraq, Syria, and Libya. The conclusion: ISIS is Iran-Contra all over again.

In the 1980s, the Reagan administration wanted to topple the government of Nicaragua, using right-wing mercenary death squads, based in Honduras. But Congress passed a law prohibiting that. So they went around it, by financing the Contra army via Iran.

Three decades later, Washington hawks wanted to topple the elected governments of Libya and Syria, and crush the popular resistance in Iraq. Once again, they planned to do this using death squads. They got around Congress by having Qatar and Saudi Arabia finance it. To set up ISIS in Iraq, they sent Ambassador John Negroponte to Baghdad in 2004— the same man they sent to Honduras as ambassador from 1981 to 1985.

Then in 2011, the U.S. strategy planners sent some of those killers from Iraq to Libya to overthrow Qaddafi, with NATO air cover. From Libya, they were sent on to Syria to start the killing there, in a war directed by Negroponte's man, Ambassador Robert Stephen Ford.

Over the next couple of years, the embedded mockingbird media perversely pinned the killings of civilians on Syria's Bashar al-Assad. Only Russia's UN veto spared Syria. Still, the sheikhs kept on fi-



nancing the "rebels" —and the U.S. pretended to fight them—until they grew into the ISIS terror army.

Today, in spite of Russian military intervention, ISIS and its backers are not giving up. Even Fox News is saying the U.S. coalition against ISIS is a myth. That was shown quite clearly when the Russian military hit more ISIS targets in a week than the U.S. and its allies did in two years. The authors of *ISIS Is Us* dig deeper and look harder than any to bring you the full story that is being hidden by the U.S. government and twisted by CIAcontrolled media outlets.

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to impede an officer, obstruction of a proceeding before an agency, failing to register with the FDA, eight counts of causing misbranded drugs to be introduced into interstate commerce, tampering with a witness, and failure to appear.

It's important to note that the FDA's classification of "drugs" here is based solely upon its insistence that Girod's brochure for his salve, which quoted a customer's testimonial that the product treated skin cancer, constitutes a medical claim. Therefore, according to the FDA, this salve, which anyone can produce in their own kitchen following one of numerous recipes readily available online with ingredients readily available at a local grocery store, is a "drug."

Reeves explained that the court calculates the offense level in part based on the number of victims, though throughout the entirety of the hearing, the court did not reference a single one.

The FDA has a long track record of granting its seal of approval to substances produced by big pharma that have been proven to harm victims by the thousands annually. Yet it would seem that going after an Amish family business that produces a natural product, which has harmed no proven victims, that has been tested in the FDA's own laboratories, and subsequently vindicated as both safe and natural, is what this government bureaucracy deems to be where the taxpayer dollars that help pay its budget are most gainfully prioritized.

It's no great wonder that this has caused a major outcry among concerned Americans. Girod's sentencing hearing on June 30—during which numerous security personnel were present in the courtroom, a bomb-sniffing dog was on hand, and Homeland Security officers were stationed outside—was attended by over 120 Amish men, women, and children from numerous communities around the nation, dozens of activists, and numerous reporters for both local and alternative news outlets, filling the courtroom to capacity.

Perhaps the most recognizable face amidst the large number of supporters was former sheriff and Constitutional Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association founder Richard Mack, who has 20 years' experience in law enforcement and one year working in narcotics.

This writer interviewed Mack about the Girod proceedings.

According to Mack, the sentencing guidelines for Girod outlined by Reeves were absurdly in excess of those for crimes of equal severity committed by repeat offenders. He added that in all his years of experience in law enforcement he had never seen a first-time offender be sentenced in such a draconian fashion. What's more, he pointed out, actual drug dealers often only get 5-10 years prison time when convicted.

Girod, who represented himself for the majority of his case, asserted his rights as a sovereign citizen at numerous points during the hearing, responding to every question directed at him by the court with the words: "I do not waive my immunity to this court. I do not consent."

During sentencing, as if to refute the widespread cries of foul play from the public, Reeves claimed: "This is not about the government coming down on a man who just wants to sell salve. It's about a man



Members of the Amish community gather on the steps of the courthouse.

that has no respect for the rule of law."

Reeves spoke of a prevailing need to "protect the public from any future crimes of the defendant." Conspicuously absent during the trial, however, was so much as a single example of an actual victim, past or present.

Also noteworthy was the candor of the prosecution. Two statements by federal prosecutor Kate Smith were particularly indicative of an overt agenda on which the FDA and the court were in painfully apparent collusion.

"He has not accepted responsibility for his actions," she claimed, followed by, "The government has put a lot of money into this case and I would hate to see Mr. Girod released—and be back in here for the same thing."

### **IMMEDIATE AFTERMATH**

Supporters both inside the courtroom and assembled outside—some of whom carried signs and placards that read "Notice to Feds: Stop targeting our peaceful Amish neighbors"—gathered in front of the courthouse immediately afterward, as local news cameras rolled and activists livestreamed the gathering.

Mack's vociferous denunciation of Reeves's decision rang out in front of the news cameras. His bold words were met with equally exuberant applause and cries of "Amen!" from scores of the Amish present.

Mack called for intervention by officials like Sen. Rand Paul (R-Ky.), Girod's own senator. Having spearheaded numerous successful efforts to vindicate Amish people being targeted by the FDA thus far, Mack is also calling for both congressional and presidential commissions to investigate not just this,

but all similar cases.

"This has nothing to do with safety," said Mack.
"The only crime committed here is that a family has been torn apart. . . . Every American has something to fear after this."

When asked to comment on the sentencing outcome, Girod's father told AFP: "The Constitution isn't working anymore. This is all on the government."

Another Amish community leader added: "It is a slap in the face to the Amish to send him to prison .... [Sheriff Mack said] that [Sam] is being lied about and railroaded. Sam did not have a fair trial. If he'd had an attorney he could have had a fair chance."

The palpable spirit of righteous indignation evident in the gathered protestors was well summarized in the statements of Mrs. Sally Oh, who has covered the Girod case from its outset and writes for the *Kentucky Free Press*:

"There are no victims. Sam didn't hurt anybody. The only victim here is the FDA, if you can even call them victims. The most egregious counts against him are based on common law: 'Don't hurt people and don't take their stuff.' Sam did none of those things. This is a clear case of the FDA flexing its muscle and throwing its weight around."

There is still a chance for the ruling against Girod to be appealed to the 6th Circuit. Considering that five lawyers have offered to take his case *pro bono* and numerous others at a reduced rate since his conviction, he may yet have an opportunity to turn this around. But whether or not Girod, who didn't trust lawyers to begin with, can trust any representatives of a legal system that has so recently trampled his rights into the mud remains to be seen.★

## A Man's a Man in Mississippi

### • But court ruling on gender garners international condemnation

### By Dave Gahary

he U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit in New Orleans—comprising federal districts in Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas—ruled unanimously on June 22 against plaintiffs attempting to stymie a state law protecting Mississippians against government discrimination. The appeals ruling effectively vacated an injunction that had been blocking the Religious Liberty Accommodations Act (HB 1523) from going into effect. The court's judgment is a victory for traditional-minded citizens of this once-great nation and those with similar sensibilities around the world. Not surprisingly, this reporter was unable to locate any coverage on this significant ruling from the fake news media.

The act, also known as the Protecting Freedom of Conscience from Government Discrimination Act, was signed into law by Mississippi Gov. Dewey Phillip Bryant, the extremely popular Magnolia State native serving in that position since Jan. 10, 2012. The law, which states that "marriage is or should be recognized as the union of one man and one woman; sexual relations are properly reserved to such a marriage; and male (man) or female (woman) refer to an individual's immutable biological sex as objectively determined by anatomy and genetics at time of birth," never got to see the light of day, however, as an activist federal judge issued a permanent injunction—three days before the act was to go into effect on July 1, 2016—requiring government officials to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples regardless of the officials' religious beliefs. U.S. District Court Judge Carlton W. Reeves also issued a preliminary injunction blocking the law on June 30, 2016, one day before the law was to go into effect.

So viscerally opposed are certain liberal-leaning

municipalities, states, countries, and political unions to the Mississippi proclamation that they seek to scorn and punish the U.S. state economically. The states of California, Connecticut, Minnesota, New York, and Vermont, and Washington, the District of Columbia, counties in Wisconsin, Ohio, Maryland, and Oregon, as well as the cities of Baltimore, Berkeley, Cincinnati, Dayton, Honolulu, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Miami Beach, New York City, Oakland, Philadelphia, Portland (Maine and Oregon), Providence, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, San Jose, Santa Fe, Seattle, Tampa, West Palm Beach, and Wilton Manors (Florida) issued travel bans, barring government employees from publicly funded travel to Mississippi. Incredibly, the British Foreign and Commonwealth Office got into the act, issuing a warning to lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender travelers to Mississippi, and even the European Union released a statement condemning the act. Never mind that, despite the conservative nature of the state, "approximately 33% of households led by same-sex couples in Mississippi included at least one child, the highest such percentage in the nation."

The wishes of the residents of Mississippi—as exercised through their state government—were challenged by lesbian lawyer Roberta A. "Robbie" Kaplan, who was responsible for invalidating an important part of the 1996 Defense of Marriage Act, which had the effect of "requiring" the federal government to recognize same-sex marriages, leading directly to the Supreme Court ruling that struck down all state and federal laws against same-sex marriage. Kaplan is "married" to lawyer and Democratic Party activist Rachel Lavine, and lives in New York City with "their son."

The act was defended by Scottsdale, Arizabased Alliance Defending Freedom, the conservative Christian powerhouse law firm focusing on "religious freedom, sanctity of life, and marriage and family."



Mississippi Gov. Dewey Philip Bryant has seen his legislation protecting the sanctity of marriage and rejecting gender as an intellectual and not an anatomical construct upheld by judges of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.

Bryant, interviewed by the American Family Association, which promotes Christian values and opposes same-sex marriage, pornography, and abortion, stated, "We will deny the authority of local government to impress their beliefs upon people of faith. This entire law said from the very beginning that a political subdivision—like a city or a county—could not say, 'We're going to punish you if you don't follow the rules that we establish regarding your own business,' and ignore your deeply held religious beliefs."

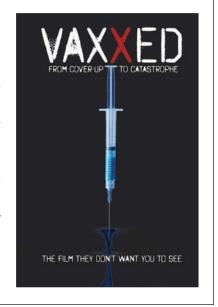
"This is the first victory of its type that I think I have heard of in the United States," said Bryant, "and I hope it encourages others." ★

**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 full-length feature film about the attack on the USS *Liberty*. See erasingtheliberty.com or call (850) 677-0344 for more information and to get the new book on which the movie will be based, *Erasing the Liberty*.

## VAXXED: THE MOVIE FROM COVER-UP TO CATASTROPHE

n 2013, biologist Dr. Brian Hooker received a call from a senior scientist at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) who led the agency's 2004 study on the Measles-Mumps-Rubella (MMR) vaccine and its link to autism. The scientist, Dr. William Thompson, confessed that the CDC had omitted crucial data in their final report that revealed a causal relationship between the MMR vaccine and autism. Over several months, Dr. Hooker recorded the phone calls made to him by Dr. Thompson who provided the confidential data destroyed by his colleagues at the CDC.

Dr. Hooker enlisted the help of Dr. Andrew Wakefield, the British gastroenterologist falsely accused of starting the anti-vax movement when he first reported in 1998 that the MMR vaccine may cause autism. In his ongoing effort to advocate for children's health, Wakefield directs this documentary examining the evidence behind an appalling cover-up committed by the government agency charged with protecting the health of all American citizens. Interviews with pharmaceutical insiders, doctors, politicians, and parents of vaccine-injured children reveal an alarming deception that has contributed to the skyrocketing increase of autism and potentially the most catastrophic epidemic of our lifetime. DVD, 91 minutes, \$25 plus \$4 S&H inside the U.S. from AFP, 16000 Trade Zone Avenue Unit 406, Upper Marlboro, MD 20774 or call 1-888-699-NEWS toll free to reserve your copy or arrange alternative payment.



## Trump Ostracized by Globalists at G20

### By Patrick J. Buchanan

t the G-20 in Hamburg, it is said, President Trump was isolated, without support from the other G-20 members, especially on climate change and trade. Perhaps so. But the crucial question is not whether Trump is alone, but whether he is right. Has Trump read the crisis of the West correctly? Are his warnings valid? Is not the Obama-Merkel vision of a New World Order a utopian fantasy?

At the monument to the patriots of the Warsaw Uprising, Trump cited Poland as exemplar of how a great people behaves in a true national crisis.

Calling the Polish people "the soul of Europe," he related how, in the Miracle of the Vistula in 1920, Poland, reborn after 12 decades of subjugation, drove back the invading Red Army of Leon Trotsky.

He described the gang rape of Poland by Nazis and Soviets after the Hitler-Stalin pact. He cited the Katyn Forest massacre of the Polish officer corps by Stalin, and the rising of the Polish people against their Nazi occupiers in 1944, as the vulturous legions of Stalin watched from the safe side of the river.

When the Polish pope, John Paul II, celebrated his first Mass in Victory Square in 1979, said Trump, "a million Polish men, women, and children raised their voices in a single prayer. . .. 'We want God.' . . . Every Communist in Warsaw must have known that their oppressive system would soon come crashing down." And so it did.

The crisis of the West today, said Trump, is akin to what Poland faced. For it is about the survival of a civilization, rooted in Christianity, that has made the greatest of all contributions to the ascent of man.

What enabled the Poles to endure was an unshakable belief in and a willingness to fight for who they were—a people of God and country, faith, families, and freedom—with the courage and will to preserve a nation built on the truths of their ancient tribe and Catholic traditions.

Given the threats to the West, from within and without, said Trump, we need such a spirit now. What are those threats?

"The fundamental question of our time is whether the West has the will to survive. Do we have the confidence in our values to defend them at any cost? Do we have enough respect for our citizens to protect our borders? Do we have the desire and the courage to preserve our civilization in the face of those who would subvert and destroy it?

"We can have the largest economies and the most lethal weapons anywhere on Earth, but if we do not have strong families and strong values, then we will be weak and we will not survive."

Trump professed confidence in the West's will to survive. But whether the West still has the character seems an open question.

Across the West, the traditional family has been collapsing for decades. Not one European nation has a birth rate that will enable its people to survive many more generations. Uninvited migrants in the millions have poured in—are pouring in—from Africa and the Middle East. The elite of Europe have been gladly surrendering their national sovereignties to transnational institutions like the EU.

Christianity is more of a dying than a thriving faith on the Old Continent. And as the churches empty out, the mosques are going up. Before our eyes, the West is being remade.

In June, gays and lesbians celebrated in Berlin as the German parliament voted to approve samesex marriage. In Moscow, from May to July, a million Russians stood in lines a mile long to view and venerate a relic of the 4th-century bishop, St. Nicholas, on display in a glass case in the Cathedral of Christ the Savior, rebuilt under President Putin.

Liberated from Leninism, Russia returns to the old faith, as Germany returns to Weimar.

At that G-20 gathering in Hamburg, hundreds of criminal thugs went on a three-day rampage—rioting, burning, looting, and battling police, some 300 of whom were injured.

Were the autocrats of the G-20—Xi Jinping of China, Vladimir Putin of Russia, Recep Tayyip Erdogan of Turkey, Narendra Modi of India—impressed with the resolute response of Angela Merkel—the media-designated new "Leader of the West"—to mobs rioting in Germany's second city?

At Harvard, Alexander Solzhenitsyn described what was on display in Hamburg: "A decline in courage may be the most striking feature which an outside observer notices in the West in our days . . . Such a decline in courage is particularly noticeable among the ruling groups and the intellectual elite."

Secularist and hedonist, New Europe worships at the altars of Mammon. Handel's "Messiah" cannot compete with moonwalking Michael Jackson's "We are the World."

Once Europe went out to convert, colonize, and Christianize the world. Now the grandchildren of the colonized peoples come to Europe to demand their share of their inheritance from a West so besotted with guilt over its past "sins" that its leaders cannot say "No!"

Pat Buchanan is a writer, political commentator and presidential candidate. He is the author of *Nixon's White House Wars: The Battles That Made and Broke a President and Divided America Forever.* This book is available from AFP for \$24 plus \$5 S&H. Call 1-888-699-6397 to reserve.

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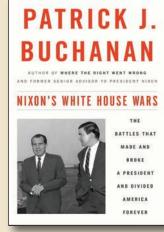
### NEW BOOK FROM PAT BUCHANAN

### **New book from AFP: Nixon's White House Wars**

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## What Would Happen if We Stop Vaccinating?

Head of world-renowned clinic supports vaccinations, but wonders if there is another, better way. . . .

HE HEAD OF A WORLD-RENOWNED
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Two nursing sisters with wounded soldiers are shown in a ward room at the Queen's Canadian Military Hospital in Shorncliffe, Kent, England, circa 1916. Top right: Clara Barton tends a soldier. Bottom right, Susan B. Anthony.



One doctor at a prominent U.S. clinic is in hot water for suggesting there might be a better way than vaccinations to beat disease. John Ellis has been saying this for decades.

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Heartbroken, this beautiful lady never married.

There are hundreds of letters and pictures, including one of the ambulances my grandmother donated (before we entered WWII) encouraged by her friend, suffragist Carrie Chapman Catt, who moved around the corner from my grandmother in New Rochelle, N.Y. As a youngster, I remember all the sewing machines and their many friends at my grandmother's house sewing thousands of pre-die cut clothes together to keep children warm during the brutally cold English winters. Carrie Chapman Catt also founded the League of Woman Voters and is most famous for her Congressional speech resulting in the 19th Constitutional Amendment that gave woman the right to vote in 1920!

All this took place after Susan B. Anthony died.

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## War Against the Working Man

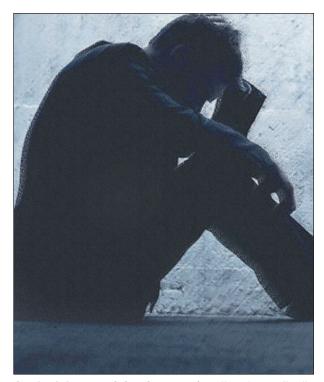
• Which came first—the opioid epidemic or the elimination of men from the workforce?

### By Ronald L. Ray

major cause of skyrocketing rates of opioid drug abuse is the increasing elimination of men—especially white men—from the labor force. That is the striking thesis presented by Charles Hugh Smith on his blog, "Of Two Minds." The inversely proportional percentages since 2009 are blatant. But, while correlation does not always equate to causation, that disturbing correspondence should nevertheless motivate us to reflect on the causes of both problems and act against their soul- and society-destroying consequences.

Opioid deaths, relatively stable since 1999, nearly tripled from 2010 to 2015, when they surpassed the number of gun homicides. According to Smith, a large portion was deaths from synthetic opioid "painkillers," like infamous OxyContin, a chemical "cousin" of heroin manufactured by Purdue Pharma. This shows a high correlation with two other trends: a significant jump in OxyContin sales, beginning in 2008, as revealed in a scathing 2016 exposé by *The Los Angeles Times*, and a major "cliffdrop" in the long-declining employment rate for men, 25-54 years old, from 2008 to 2010 during the "Great Recession."

Put bluntly, huge numbers of men, particularly white men, were fired from their jobs and no longer able to find work. The resulting family and financial troubles, and the loss of dignity and sense of purpose, led some to seek drugs as a means of escape.



As the labor participation rate for all males radically decreased, so did their "dignity level." Charles Hugh Smith alleges that the resulting family and financial troubles, and the loss of dignity and sense of purpose, led many men to seek drugs as a means of escape.

Moreover, hospitals, clinics, and conventional medical practitioners in both the private and government sectors, pressured by big pharma marketing and demands to alleviate patients' pain from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, have for years been over-prescribing highly addictive narcotics to treat a symptom, rather than addressing the root causes of pain.

It is often difficult to say which came first, the inability to find a job or the death-spiral of opioid addiction. However, the widespread use and abuse of narcotics, at least in poorer sectors of the population, contributes hugely to poverty, loss of dignity, and continued inability to find work—with terrible, even deadly, consequences for individuals and society.

Much larger than the epidemic of opioid abuse, though, is the epidemic of unemployed men, most of whom are Caucasian. The number of employed men has been declining intermittently for nearly 40 years. The jobs boom during that same period left many men behind.

Beginning about 1970, thanks to the culture destroyers' feminism and "affirmative action" jihads, jobs have gone increasingly to women and minority groups. White men need not apply. That time was also the peak of post-World War II productivity and of labor's share in gross domestic product. Since 2000, thanks to increasing automation and declining returns on speculative debt, the numbers of all people working and seeking work has declined steeply.

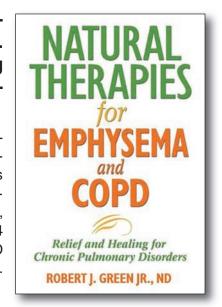
Smith notes the "staggering decline in the participation rate of men [from 87% in 1950 to less than 70% now] reflects the decline of male-dominated sectors and the stagnation of entrepreneurship/small business." Driving men, especially white men, out of the workforce thus has meant a decline in innovation accompanying an increasing loss of middle-class jobs.

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In 1996, Purdue Pharma introduced a new drug—a time-release opioid painkiller. OxyContin, as the drug was called, was touted as having a low risk of addiction. Purdue backed OxyContin with an aggressive marketing campaign. Between 1991 and 2013, the number of annual opioid prescriptions in the U.S. increased from 76 million to 207 million, with corresponding increases in the number of cases of addiction, overdose and death. That did not, however, stop the drug manufacturers from ramping up marketing efforts even further.

hold income between the upper 10% (\$185,955) and the rest of the working population (\$69,589—only 37.42% of the former). The disparity versus the bottom 50% of households (\$24,667) is even more disturbing. Our consumerist society is heading for collapse, as fewer and fewer people earn enough money to make ends meet.

Arthur C. Brooks, president of the American Enterprise Institute, wrote recently in *Foreign Affairs* that the "War on Poverty" failed not because it did not give the lower classes more "stuff," but because they were not respected as human beings and were not given a sense of pride and dignity, which derives in no small measure from working to support one-self and one's family.

He says, "The dignity deficit that has resulted is particularly acute among working-class men, most of whom are white and live in rural and exurban parts of the United States. . . . These men are withdrawing not only from the labor force but from other social institutions as well." Disease, drug abuse, and early death have skyrocketed in the wake of those men's increasing sense of hopelessness.

Brooks is wrong, though, about cutting the minimum wage to employ more people. Without a living wage, people merely starve more slowly. The top 1% need to be convinced to turn back a goodly portion of their exorbitant "earnings" to pay a decent wage to those under them. President Donald Trump is likewise right about training people to have good skills for the trades and other needed economic sectors. It would be a wise public investment in providing dignity.

But we must also recognize, along with Charles Hugh Smith, that we must realign our economy toward a more community-based model—freed from the debt-based monetary system and ever-increasing consumption. Focusing on what we actually need for a decent living will result in a fairer, more sustainable economy for all.

That means producing goods and services with lasting value for family and neighbors, not just more gadgets or widgets. It also means rebuilding our social fabric to support traditional moral values and the intrinsic worth of each individual, surrounded by loving family and friends. We must start now. ★

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## Who 'Gassed' Syrian Civilians? • Direct U.S. military involvement only chance ISIS has of surviving in Syria

### By Paul Craig Roberts

eymour Hersh, America's most famous investigative reporter, has become persona non grata in the American Propaganda Ministry that poses as a news media but only serves to protect the U.S. government's war lies. Among his many triumphs, Hersh exposed the American My Lai massacre in Vietnam and the Abu Ghraib torture prison run by the Americans in Iraq. Today his investigative reports have to be published in the London Review of Books or in the German media.

From Hersh's latest investigative report, we learn that President Donald Trump makes war decisions by watching staged propaganda on TV. The White Helmets, a propaganda organization for jihadists and the "Syrian opposition," found a gullible reception from the Western media for photographs and videos of alleged victims of a Syrian army sarin gas attack on civilians in Khan Sheikhoun. Trump saw the photos on TV and, despite being assured by U.S. intelligence that there was no Syrian sarin gas attack, ordered the U.S. military to strike a Syrian base with Tomahawk missiles. Under international law this strike was a war crime, and it was the first direct aggression against Syria by the U.S., which previously committed aggression via proxies called "the Syrian opposition."

Reporting on his sources, Hersh writes: "In a series of interviews, I learned of the total disconnect between the president and many of his military advisers and intelligence officials, as well as officers on the ground in the region who had an entirely different understanding of the nature of Syria's attack on Khan Sheikhoun. I was provided with evidence of that disconnect, in the form of transcripts of real-time communications, immediately following the Syrian attack on April 4."

The belief that sarin gas was involved in the attack comes from what appears to be a gas cloud. Hersh was informed by U.S. military experts that sarin is odorless and invisible and makes no cloud. What appears to have happened is that the explosion from the air attack on ISIS caused a series of secondary explosions that produced a toxic cloud formed by fertilizers and chlorine disinfectants that were stored in the building that was hit.

U.S. officials spoke with Hersh, because they are disturbed that Trump based a war decision on TV propaganda and refused to listen to the detailed counter-assessments of his intelligence and military services, or the story goes.

A national security source told Hersh: "Everyone close to him knows his proclivity for acting precipitously when he does not know the facts. He doesn't read anything and has no real historical



Above, a photo of children allegedly killed by a poison gas attack launched by Bashar al-Assad's government. It is far more likely that ISIS—the U.S.-Israeli proxy army now stymied in Syria by a Russian-Iranian-Syrian coalition—or another U.S.-sponsored terrorist group was responsible. The Assad government has nothing to gain by committing the one act that would ensure a wider U.S. military involvement in the civil war raging there now. It has been pointed out by people in Syria that those children had been kidnapped by one of the many U.S.-supported cut-throat groups from a town which supported the government a short time before they were murdered. The parents found out what had been done to their children through the photos released by their killers.

knowledge. He wants verbal briefings and photographs. He's a risk-taker. He can accept the consequences of a bad decision in the business world; he will just lose money. But in our world, lives will be lost and there will be long-term damage to our national security if he guesses wrong. He was told we did not have evidence of Syrian involvement and yet Trump says, 'Do it.'

Concerns about Trump's purely emotional reaction to TV propaganda persist. Hersh reports that a senior national security adviser told him: "The Salafists and jihadists got everything they wanted out of their hyped-up Syrian nerve gas ploy" (the flare-up of tensions between Syria, Russia and America). The issue is, what if there's another false-flag sarin attack credited to hated Syria? Trump has upped the ante and painted himself into a corner with his decision to bomb. And do not think these guys are not planning the next faked attack. Trump will have no choice but to bomb again, and harder. He's incapable of saying he made a mistake."

As we know, the White House has already released a statement predicting that Syrian leader Bashar al-Assad is preparing another chemical attack, for which, the White House promises, he will "pay a heavy price." Clearly, a false-flag attack is on the way.

I do not doubt Hersh's integrity. I accept that he has accurately reported what he was told by U.S. officials. My suspicions about this story do not have to do with Hersh. They have to do with what Hersh

Hersh's report puts Trump in a very bad light, and it puts the military-security complex, which we know has been trying to destroy Trump, in a very good light. Moreover, the story strikes me as inconsistent with the subsequent attack on the Syrian fighterbomber by the U.S. military. If the Tomahawk attack on the Syrian base was unjustified, what justified downing a Syrian war plane? Did Trump order this attack as well? If not, who did? Why?

If national security advisers gave Trump such excellent information about the alleged sarin gas attack, completely disproving any such attack, why was he given such bad advice about shooting down a Syrian war plane, or was it done outside of channels? The effect of the shootdown is to raise the chance of a confrontation with Russia, because Russia's response apparently has been to declare a nofly zone over the area of Russian and Syrian oper-

How do we know that what Hersh was told was true? What if Trump was encouraged to order the Tomahawk strike as a way of interjecting the U.S. directly into the conflict? Both the U.S. and Israel have powerful reasons for wanting to overthrow Assad. However, ISIS, sent to do the job, has been defeated by Russia and Syria. Unless Washington can somehow get directly involved, the war is over.

The story Hersh was given also serves to damn

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## Is President Trump falling for "fake news" churned out by the controlled press?

Trump while absolving the intelligence services. Trump takes the hit for injecting the U.S. directly into the conflict.

Hersh's story reads well, but it easily could be a false story planted on him. I am not saying that the story is false, but unless we learn more, it could be

What we do know is that the story given to Hersh by national security officials is inconsistent with the June 26 White House announcement that the U.S. has "identified potential preparations for another chemical attack by the Assad regime." The White House does not have the capability to conduct its own foreign intelligence gathering. The White House is informed by the national security and intelligence agencies.

In the story given to Hersh, these officials are emphatic that not only were chemical weapons removed from Syria, but also that Assad would not use them or be permitted by the Russians to use them even if he had them. Moreover, Hersh reports that he was told that Russia fully informed the U.S. of the Syrian attack on ISIS in advance. The weapon was a guided bomb that Russia had supplied to Syria. Therefore, it could not have been a chemical weapon.

As U.S. national security officials made it clear to Hersh that they do not believe Syria did or would use any chemical weapons, what is the source for the White House's announcement that preparations for another chemical attack by the Assad regime have been identified?

A reasonable conclusion is that Washington's plan to use ISIS to overthrow Syria and then start on Iran was derailed by Russian and Syrian military success against ISIS. The U.S. then tried to partition Syria by occupying part of it, but were out-maneuvered by the Russians and Syrians. This left direct U.S. involvement as the only alternative to defeat. This direct U.S. military involvement began with the U.S. attack on the Syrian military base and was followed by shooting down a Syrian war plane. The next stage will be a U.S.-staged false-flag chemical attack or alleged chemical attack, and this false flag, as has already been announced, will be the excuse for larger scale U.S. military action against Syria, which, unless the Russians abandon Syria, means conflict with Russia, Iran, and perhaps China.

## ISIS Plotting Dirty Bomb Attack?

### • West's Frankenstein monster looking for nuclear material

### By Richard Walker

he dream of radical Islamic groups ISIS and al Qaeda is to acquire a suitcase-size nuclear weapon, but since that is unlikely Western intelligence agencies believe they may be plotting to use alternatives such as dirty bombs or weaponized poisons.

In 2015, Australian Foreign Minister Julie Bishop remarked that when ISIS swept across swaths of the Middle East, seizing large parts of Iraq and Syria, they did not just steal all the money from the banks. They were especially interested in radiological materials stored in hospitals, univer-

sity laboratories, and research centers, some of which had been used in the past for making chemical weapons.

It has been confirmed that in 2014, ISIS seized over 80 pounds of a uranium-based compound from a Mosul university facility.

According to Ms. Bishop, a year later, ISIS was suspected of weaponizing chlorine gas.

While the radiological terror threat from ISIS left the headlines after her remarks, there is little doubt it is now being reevaluated as ISIS strongholds in Iraq and Syria collapse. Special forces from the U.S. and Russia, who have been closing in on ISIS and al Qaeda command centers, are unearthing a trove of documents that the terrorists may have been using the past couple of years to perfect the manufacture of poisons and the construction of dirty bombs for use, particularly in Europe. In other words, in the years that ISIS has been

controlling Mosul, Aleppo, and Raqqa, they have been planning for a future when they knew they would lose their strongholds but still retain a capacity to wage terror worldwide.

Before considering the threat ISIS and al Qaeda pose in the months and years ahead, it is worth clearing up a few misconceptions. While people have talked about terrorists acquiring an actual nuke, the evidence suggests they have not, but that they have concentrated on the next best option. They have developed skills in weaponizing poisons and constructing dirty bombs from nuclear or radiological materials normally used in the worlds of medicine and medical research, the kinds of materials controlled by governments.

These radiological compounds when attached to explosives can contaminate several city blocks or a football stadium. The most lethal dirty bomb would be one containing several pounds of materials from nuclear weapons facilities or nuclear power stations, namely uranium 235 or cesium 137. It could contaminate a wide area of a city, making it uninhabitable for a long time.

And if you think it is hard to acquire these ma-

terials, think again, because money can buy them on the black market. The U.S. has spent tens of millions of dollars on detection equipment to prevent the movement of nuclear compounds. Most of the equipment is located in the far Eastern European country of Georgia, which has no nuclear industry but is considered the nuclear smuggling crossroads of the world.

The heightened need to address the growing threat of radiological terror has been communicated to all intelligence agencies in the West, including to cities like Paris, New York, London, and Moscow. Preparation for possible attacks began early this year after documents seized in ISIS command centers indicated that ISIS was bringing together its

most experienced chemical experts to create special cells.

Since January, special forces have uncovered mounting evidence of ISIS experimenting with chemicals and poisons, including using prisoners as guinea pigs.

Missing in much of the coverage about ISIS is that it has attracted many educated young men with skills that could be applied to bomb making and the manufacture of poisons. French intelligence knows that ISIS had plans to take over a nuclear reactor and cause a major nuclear disaster. When ISIS seized parts of Aleppo, the

area held research facilities previously used by the government of Bashar al-Assad for chemical weapons, and it has been confirmed that some of those leading ISIS were previously scientists who had worked for Saddam Hussein.

A European intelligence source working in the field of combatting nuclear smuggling spoke to AFP on condition of anonymity. The source said that intelligence chiefs from Washington to Moscow fear that ISIS and al Qaeda may have the means to make at least one large dirty bomb.

"It's something all of us in this business fear the most until the day terrorists get their hands on an actual nuke," warned the source. "The problem all counterterrorism agencies face is that we had no eyes on ISIS and al Qaeda in Mosul, Raqqa, and Aleppo for several years. We were guessing what they were up to. We knew they wanted something more deadly than explosives, and now that some of our people are closing in on them we're seeing evidence that they have the means to make poisons and at least one dirty bomb, maybe more. That is a scary prospect for all major European cities."

Of course, ISIS could also use a chemical or radiological bomb on civilians in Syria, and the United States would predictably and falsely claim it was unleashed by the Syrian government, spurring Donald Trump to demand greater U.S. military involvement against Russia and Syria.

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## FreedomPalooza!

### • Popular rock band hosts seventh annual event in Pa.

### By Pete Papaherakles

reedomPalooza 7 took place over the July 4 weekend in Quakerstown, Pa. Held every year since 2011 by patriot rocker Paul Topete of Poker Face, the three-day festival has become somewhat of an institution within the patriot movement where friends and like-minded Americans gather from around the country to have fun and celebrate our nation's Independence Day.

This year the festivities started at noon on Saturday, July 1, and went on into Monday night, July 3. Since 2011, the festival was held at Johnny Mack's in Kintnersville, Pa. near Easton. Unfortunately, Mack recently passed away, and a new venue was found in nearby Quakerstown.



**Paul Topete** (right) is shown above with militia leader Mark Koernke (left) and Rudy Dent (center). Topete has been hosting FredomPalooza for the past seven years.

The late Jim Traficant was the prime speaker at FreedomPalooza every year from FreedomPalooza 1 until his death shortly after speaking at FreedomPalooza 4.

With covered pavilions, picnic tables, concrete pavement, and more, the new venue at the Morwood Sportsmen's Club is infinitely superior than was Johnny Mack's. Even the bonfire was bigger and better.

Topete and his lovely wife, Tara, deserve much credit for pulling it off this year again and making it even better than before. Their efforts are paying off in having established a bona fide annual tradition that has stood the test of time. This year's event was probably the best attended so far. The new space also put everyone in closer proximity where they interacted more.

Topete changed the format this year and had only music on the first day followed by speakers and some music over the next two days.

The speakers were also exceptionally good this year. Fifteen in all, many have spoken at previous years.

Jim Condit talked about the behind-the-scenes politics within the Trump campaign. Cindy Steele spoke about the tragic story of her late husband, Edgar, the free-speech "attorney for the damned." Art Larson shared his encyclopedic knowledge of how organized crime runs everything.

A number of new speakers came to the event this year as well. Political activist Ken O'Keefe was clearly the most powerful speaker, with a fiery style not seen since Traficant.

Rudy Dent, also an outstanding speaker, talked about his many experiences including losing 350 of his men as a fire chief with the New York Fire Department on 9/11.



**Event organizer Paul Topete** (center) of the rock band Poker Face is shown flanked by activist Ken O'Keefe (left) and musician Trevor Labonte.

Mark Koernke, the head of the Michigan Militia, was also an outstanding speaker. He was full of energy and told many inside stories of militia standoffs with the feds including Waco, Ruby Ridge, and the Bundy ranch in Nevada as well as rancher Robert LaVoy Finicum's murder in Oregon at the hands of state police.

Topete has really gotten a good formula going with FreedomPalooza. The music along with the speakers, the camping out along with the bonfire into the morning hours, the rural Pennsylvania setting, and the chemistry between the attendees all work to create the magic of the experience.

Next year promises to be even better, and Topete surely has some surprise new speakers he is working on.

For all those who have missed the previous FreedomPaloozas, why not plan to attend next year? It's guaranteed to be a blast.  $\bigstar$ 

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## Brazen Welfare Fraud Exposed in NJ

### By John Friend

elfare abuse and fraud are common crimes in most major cities across the United States, but one case in New Jersey has been sending shockwaves across the U.S. In Lakewood, N.J, a major welfare abuse scandal that has ensnarled the local Orthodox Jewish community has rocked the state, leaving many outraged and upset, especially after prior warnings were issued specifically to the Jewish community to refrain from engaging in welfare fraud.

"Financial assistance programs are designed to alleviate family hardships for those truly in need. My office gave clear guidance and notice to the Lakewood community in 2015 of what is considered financial abuse of these programs," Ocean County Prosecutor Joseph Coronato stated shortly after the first arrests were made over two weeks ago. "Those who choose to ignore those warnings by seeking to illegally profit on the backs of taxpayers will pay the punitive price for their

The prosecutor's warnings were obviously ignored, and many Orthodox Jewish families continued to engage in massive welfare fraud to the tune of hundreds of thousands of dollars per year. Lakewood is home to the largest Orthodox community in the United States.

As AFP goes to press, a total of 26 individuals all of whom are members of the Orthodox Jewish community in Lakewood—have been either arrested or have had charges brought against them for crimes relating to illegally obtaining state and federal government benefits in a fraudulent manner, causing an uproar in the Jewish community as well as with local New Jersey residents.

In perhaps the most egregious case, seven couples were arrested in late June for allegedly obtaining over \$1.6 million in government benefits fraudulently, largely by misrepresenting and concealing income.

As news of the scandal spread, prosecutors and law enforcement officials indicated the welfare fraud scandal would widen and more arrests and charges would be brought against Orthodox Jewish couples fraudulently obtaining government benefits. In early July, 12 more individuals were charged with welfare fraud and ordered to appear in court at a future date.

State and federal prosecutors have alleged that the families arrested thus far obtained more than

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Six of the two dozen ultra-orthodox Jews arrested recently for scamming millions out of the New Jersey state government in a massive welfare fraud scheme that has the community in shock.

\$4.2 million in benefits illegally over the years. Incredibly, some of the couples arrested had earned over a million dollars in annual income, yet were still collecting government benefits illegally. Those arrested or charged exploited a variety of government welfare programs, including Medicaid, Social Security, food stamps, and housing assistance, among other programs, and face a variety of both state and federal charges relating to welfare fraud.

The case has put the Orthodox Jewish community in Lakewood, and the wider Jewish community in America, on the defensive. Many have argued the scandalous revelations and systematic use of deception to illegally obtain government benefits do not implicate the broader Jewish community.

In a recent interview with a local New Jersey media outlet Rabbi Moshe Zev Weisberg, who serves as a member of the Lakewood Vaad, a local Orthodox Jewish organization that helps Jews in the area obtain state and federal social service and welfare benefits by navigating the various government bureaucracies and agencies, stated, "Don't talk about 'they' or 'them' or 'those people." That is offensive. That is hate speech, and that's what really concerns us, really, that the genie is out of the bottle and it's extremely difficult to con-

Weisberg and other Jewish advocates appear to be mainly concerned with a potential increase in "anti-Semitic" attitudes and stereotypes as a result of public exposure of the welfare fraud racket that looted millions of federal and state taxpayer funds.

In the wake of the massive scandal, activists from Vanguard America, a white nationalist organization, draped a banner over a Holocaust memorial in Lakewood with a message reading: "Heebs will not divide us," "heebs" being a derogatory term referring to Jews. Pamphlets and other literature were also distributed to many local residents, causing outrage in the Jewish community and local law enforcement establishment. The fliers named many of the local Orthodox Jewish couples arrested in the scandal.

"These Jews, including a rabbi, lied about their income in order to steal millions in public benefits," the flier stated in part.

The Anti-Defamation League was quick to denounce the fliers and banner, describing them as "brazen anti-Semitic hate," while New Jersey Attorney General Christopher Porrino described the act as "sickening." The Attorney General's Office is offering a \$10,000 reward for information relating to the fliers and banner.

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## Doctor Sues to Stop Naled Spraying

• Dr. Michael Hall, attorney file injunction to stop rampant, dangerous use of pesticides

### By James Spounias

ou can almost hear the soundtrack from the popular show, "Twilight Zone," which aired from 1959-1964, with this introduction: "Imagine your local government sprays a dangerous pesticide to kill non-disease carrying nuisance mosquitoes without warning or giving precautions, as it has for decades. Those who object are dubbed 'woo-woo' and 'pseudo-science' even though those who spray have no proof it is harmless to human and ecological health. Those who object are crazy. Those who spray, though, are right."

It's not a script from a science-fiction movie but something that has occurred in much of the world without much scrutiny. Until now.

Dr. Michael Hall and Cindy Mattson, attorney at law, filed an injunction against Dade County to halt the use of naled, an organophosphate insecticide, on the grounds that local governmental bodies are not following Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) guidelines, which require that local agencies provide notice and warn residents to take precautions.

The suit requests that the spraying be halted until evidence about safety can be presented.

Hall has created a crowdfunding page on the Internet to raise money for the suit, detailing the harm naled brings to people.

Many Florida counties are spraying naled to kill "marsh" mosquitoes, which have appeared in unusual activity this year.

Marsh mosquitoes are a nuisance but do not carry disease, making the "basis" for using naled more hollow than using it against disease carrying *Aedes aegypti*, which is said to carry Zika.

This writer has debunked lies about the threat of the disease called Zika and the use of naled in several articles published in American Free Press,



Activists in the Miami area have been working tirelessly to bring attention to the dangers posed to people in the area from the unnecessary and dangerous aerial spraying of mosquitoes with the pesticide naled.

underscoring many among the long list of environmental assaults that go under the radar yet pose serious danger to the health of humanity.

Hall's crowdfunding page appeal states: "We seek an immediate federal injunction and litigation to prevent and stop the use of naled in south Florida. We have a legal team ready to move if we can finance the cause. Why do we need to do this? It's simple. We need to stop the poisoning of our environment, ecosystem, and human species or we will destroy our planet. If we don't draw a line in the sand, the spraying of naled will continue."

Hall makes the case that naled kills natural predators of mosquitoes, such as dragonflies, that each eat hundreds of mosquitoes a day. Many other parts of the ecosystem are also affected, including birds, amphibians, reptiles, fishes, and other insects.

The Miami doctor writes that naled is a "carcinogen, neurotoxin, and endocrine disruptor" that is problematic for those with "compromised immune and nervous system, which would allow for the development of life-long allergies or autoimmune disorders and gut disorders."

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### Non-Pesticide Solutions to Mosquitoes

ounties should be considering using other, non-toxic methods to control populations of mosquitoes. In Caguas, Puerto Rico, local officials are using modified five-gallon buckets to make what are known as autocidal gravid ovitraps (AGOs). They are placing these all over to cover their city center.

The Miami Herald reported: "The buckets are a study in simplicity. Each one holds a few inches of water and fermenting hay that lures the Aedes aegypti in through a fist-sized opening at the top. A screen prevents the mosquito from reaching the water, and the insects get caught in sticky, non-toxic resin inside the opening. The

traps cost about \$11 each, and although they've been used to monitor mosquito populations in the past, they're just now being considered eradication tools."

Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis (Bt) is a bacterium that kills mosquito larvae, which is effective in preventing the proliferation of mosquitoes. Killing larvae doesn't affect existing mosquitoes but rather prevents the growth of more, and it is much safer than genetic modification. Bt is considered non-toxic to people and fishes and often used by organic gardeners.

We must explore these and other pest control methods given the danger of pesticides to

naled and all organophosphates, as they "disrupt the normal functioning of brain development in human fetuses."

Hall warns that "well-known short-term and long-term human biologic damage to DNA based on epigenetics factors is known to occur with organophosphate pesticides retained in humans (young infant through elderly), pets, home garden vegetables, and fruit etc.," raising the important point that we really don't know what the long-term effects are on the human body, let alone generational defects that may occur in progeny.

Hall cites a study that implicates the use of organophosphates to rises of autism and related disorders in areas that have been sprayed.

What's left unsaid is just because we don't drop dead from pesticide spraying does not mean the practice is "safe."

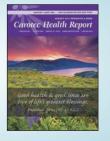
It may well be that organophosphates are the cause or at least a key contributing factor to

bringing on disease states as part of the "toxic burden" plaguing much of the world.

While it is a tall order to ask a federal court to stop a practice local counties have been doing for decades, it is the hope of this writer that the practice is halted and the use of organophosphates is eliminated.

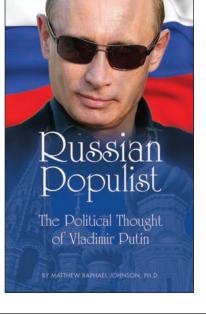
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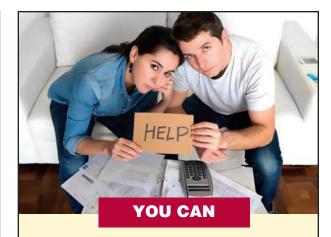
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## Target Maker Targeted by Gungrabbers

• Inventor of "Tannerite®" targets for long-distance shooters fights fake news

### By Mark Anderson

annerite Sports, based in Oregon, maintains it was harmed when NBC News and one of its affiliates, with apparent malice, produced defamatory video and written reports that characterized the business as a rogue purveyor of "bombs." Those reports, by NBC national "investigative correspondent" Jeff Rossen, were posted and aired on March 23, 2015.

But according to store founder Dan Tanner and his media associate, the media storm still has not subsided, as various other "journalism" outlets have "piled on" since NBC's opening salvo, especially East Coast and Midwest media.

"It's been nonstop," Tanner told AFP.

The mainstream media reports from the spring of 2015 to the present have invariably alleged that rifle targets comprised of "Tannerite," a substance that Tanner developed, were "bombs." In reality, Tannerite is used to make targets for long-range rifle-shooters.

Tannerite® targets emit a vapor-like flash when struck by a sufficiently high-velocity bullet. This lets the shooter know from a long distance where the target has been struck.

According to Tanner's media associate, Steve Yerger of Idaho, Tannerite will "go off" only if struck by a "centerfire cartridge" bullet moving in excess of 2,000 feet per second. It is not even remotely a "bomb," as NBC News claimed. It is highly stable and is safe and easy to use.

Yerger said it cannot be set off with a lit fuse, nor with an open flame or electricity. Dropping or



**Tannerite® targets** emit a vapor-like flash when struck by a high-velocity bullet. Though the inventor calls them exploding targets, they are not bombs, nor are they dangerous, contrary to fake news reports.

striking it will not set it off, either. A .22-caliber rifle or "any common handgun caliber" will also fail to set it off.

Representing Tannerite Sports, Mendelsohn, Drucker & Dunleavy filed suit in 2015 against NBC Universal News Group (NBCU) and Lexington, Kybased WLEX Communications for libel and slander stemming from NBC's reports that the Tannerite® targets produce an "explosive" charge and therefore are illegally made "bombs."

Tanner, who built his company from the ground up, perfected Tannerite®-brand rifle targets, which are described as "a patented non-flammable, non-

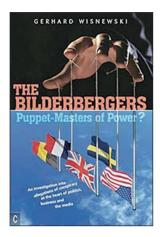
incendiary, stable binary explosive target mixture" that "leaves nothing behind but a cloud of water vapor and the sound of a concussive blast."

Yerger added that Pima County, Ariz. is voting on whether to ban "binary" targets, as products like those made by Tannerite are often called. The bottom line, said Yerger, is that most media and politicians fail to research the matter, and thus report or pursue policy in ignorance.

The misreporting started with an initial NBC television report on this matter that aired on "The Today Show" with the fear-inducing title, "Bombs for Sale? Popular Stores Sell 'Dangerous Explosives."

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The Mendelsohn law firm, in a statement, countered, "The news piece asserts that Tannerite®-brand targets are too dangerous to sell to ordinary consumers. To the contrary, [these] targets have been safely used for years. . . . This is not a case of simply twisting the truth; this news piece included lies and misleading statements to make their point."

"BearingArms.com," which says it debunked NBC's reports the day they appeared, added, "The video segment on *Today* ran in conjunction with an equally inflammatory print story on the 'Today' website with the headline 'Bombs for Sale: Targets Containing Dangerous Explosive Being Sold Legally.'"

Then, NBC affiliate WLEX ran a version of the article, BearingArms continued, "that also allegedly claimed that it is illegal under federal law to mix the two component parts of Tannerite, which is factually false."

Last year, a judge in New York dismissed the lawsuit, but an appeal is under consideration in the Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

Another civil lawsuit, this one filed against the Tannerite company about a year ago by Riverside County, Calif., accuses the company of misleading consumers—such as by claiming Tannerite® can never start a fire, and for failing to say that Tannerite® users need a permit to use the product. Yerger said that Tannerite® by itself cannot start fires—according to two testing labs and a grueling test by the Clayton County, Ga. police.

He added that the company has addressed both points, but the plaintiffs seem intent on continuing the lawsuit. ★

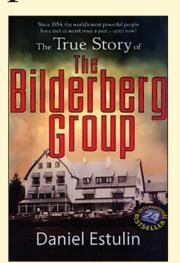
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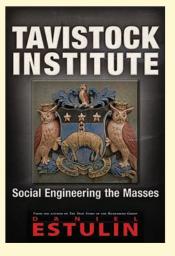
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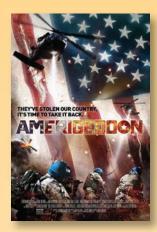
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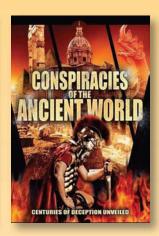
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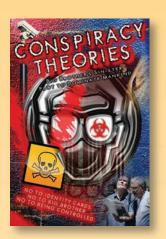
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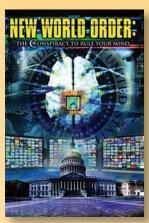
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## Gun Control: A Colorblind Issue

• Conservative black columnist dumped for defending NRA, rights of gun owners

### **By Mark Anderson**

onservative columnist Stacy Washington wrote a column challenging a recent editorial written by an academic who compared the National Rifle Association (NRA) to the radical Islamic ISIS terrorist organization.

However, rather than stand up for her right to free speech, the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, where her freelance column had been a regular feature, unceremoniously dumped her.

Ms. Washington, a decorated Air Force veteran, Emmy-nominated TV personality, and host of the nationally syndicated radio program "Stacy on the Right," already had an understanding with the *Post-Dispatch* that if any one of her freelance columns was deemed unsuitable for publication, then the paper, which paid her on a per-column basis under an "at-will" arrangement, could simply refrain from running the column in question, but keep her on board. Yet she was let go after the April 28, 2017 column that sparked this controversy had already appeared in print.

Her column had challenged Missouri State University Journalism School professor (emeritus) George Kennedy, a regular guest columnist for the Columbia *Missourian*. He had claimed that the NRA was no better than ISIS, and that gun owners care more about their guns than their children. She wrote that Kennedy's column was absurd, so the *Post-Dispatch* opinion editor Tod Robberson dropped her.

What was the reason Robberson cited for dropping her columns?

Ms. Washington's unpardonable "sin" was that she allegedly failed to let Robberson know about her dastardly NRA affiliations.

While attending the NRA's annual conference in Atlanta, Ms. Washington saw an email from Robberson, in which he said that he was suspending her column. Referring to that April column, he claimed Ms. Washington was "advocating for the "

Ms. Washington was fired for insisting that gun owners and the NRA are not terrorists.

NRA while failing to disclose that you did media work on behalf of this lobbying organization and its official television station," which "goes far beyond the bounds of any acceptable journalistic standard."

He also alleged that she didn't disclose that she served "multiple times" as a co-host and commentator on NRA-TV's "Cam & Company."

In a follow-up article that appeared in the NRA journal *1st Freedom*, Ms. Washington explained that, before the start of her column, and again in January of this year, articles describing her participation in an NRA documentary appeared in the *Post-Dispatch*.

Her biography and online social media accounts "all state that I am a fourth-generation veteran, gun owner, Second Amendment supporter, and NRA member," Ms. Washington explained. "Besides, does my appearance as a guest host for 'Cam & Company' on a few occasions make the [professor's] NRA-ISIS comparison valid?

Here are excerpts from the column, headlined "Guns and the Media," that led to her suspension:

Missouri School of Journalism professor emeritus George Kennedy offered his opinion of gun-owning NRA members in a *Columbia Missourian* commentary [as follows]: "The NRA is the acronym for the National Rifle Association, founded in 1871, headquartered in Fairfax, Virginia, and feared by politicians across America." Really. Tons of politicians cow-



**Stacy Washington**, formerly a freelance writer for the *Post-Dispatch*, is shown here at a recent National Rifle Association convention in Atlanta.

ering in fear of the NRA, eh?

Kennedy... describes the barbaric nature of the Islamic State and goes on to say of law abiding, gun-owning Americans: "What makes the NRA so feared is its willingness to spend heavily and campaign aggressively in pursuit of its goal of removing all restrictions on the possession and use of firearms just about anywhere by just about anyone."

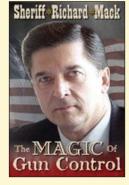
To further illustrate the ridiculous nature of Kennedy's comparison, when has a member of the NRA ever decapitated, set on fire, tossed from a rooftop or otherwise terrorized another American? The association [of the NRA with reported ISIS actions] is not only rife with improper context; it is false on its face. Yet the *Missourian* saw fit to publish it without question.

In her *1st Freedom* piece, Ms. Washington summarized, "Upon reading [Kennedy's] assertion that 'we love our guns more than we love our children,' I was compelled to write about this spurious comparison and the obvious editorial malpractice that permitted the approval of such copy without so much as a rebuttal."

As for the bigger picture, Ms. Washington—a black woman who, being conservative and pro-gun, doesn't fit the "liberal PC" image that media often project in order to stereotype and divide people—sees great irony in the fact that traditional print media is constantly losing its readership but still omits or misrepresents conservative viewpoints, rather than winning over more readers with better editorial balance in order to stay in business. ★

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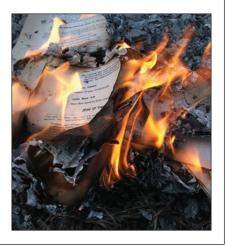
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## Is America Really a Nation Anymore?

• Founders believed a real nation was composed of people with shared religion, culture

### By Patrick J. Buchanan

n the first line of the Declaration of Independence of July 4, 1776, Thomas Jefferson speaks of "one people." The Constitution, agreed upon by the Founding Fathers in Philadelphia in 1789, begins, "We the People." And who were these "people"?

In Federalist No. 2, John Jay writes of them as "one united people . . . descended from the same ancestors, speaking the same language, professing the same religion, attached to the same principles of government, very similar in their manners and customs."

If such are the elements of nationhood and peoplehood, can we still speak of Americans as one nation and one people?

We no longer have the same ancestors. They are of every color and from every country. We do not speak one language, but rather English, Spanish, and a host of others. We long ago ceased to profess the same religion. We are Evangelical Christians, mainstream Protestants, Catholics, Jews, Mormons, Muslims, Hindus and Buddhists, agnostics and atheists.

Federalist No. 2 celebrated our unity. Today's elites proclaim that our diversity is our strength. But is this true or a tenet of trendy ideology?

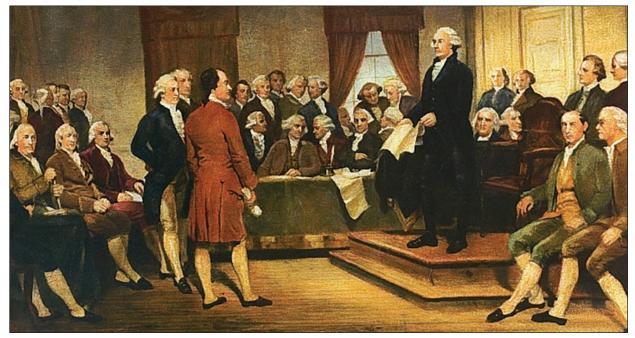
After the attempted massacre of Republican congressmen at that ball field in Alexandria, Va., on June14, Fareed Zakaria wrote: "The political polarization that is ripping this country apart" is about "identity... gender, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation (and) social class." He might have added—religion, morality, culture, and history.

Zakaria seems to be tracing the disintegration of our society to that very diversity that its elites proclaim to be its greatest attribute: "If the core issues are about identity, culture, and religion . . . then compromise seems immoral. American politics is becoming more like Middle Eastern politics, where there is no middle ground between being Sunni or Shiite."

Among the issues on which we Americans are at war with one another—abortion, homosexuality, same-sex marriage, white cops, black crime, Confederate monuments, affirmative action.

Was the discovery of America and conquest of this continent from 1492 to the 20th century among the most glorious chapters in the history of man? Or was it a half-millennium marked by mankind's most scarlet of sins: the genocide of native peoples, the enslavement of Africans, the annihilation of indigenous cultures, the spoliation of a virgin land?

Is America really "God's Country"? Or was Barack Obama's pastor, Rev. Jeremiah Wright, justified when, after 9/11, he denounced calls of "God Bless America!" with the curse "God Damn America!"?



Political analyst Pat Buchanan wonders if today's Congress could manage to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

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Of all cults, that of the ancestors is the most legitimate: Our ancestors made us what we are.

With its silence, the congregation seemed to assent

In 1954, the Pledge of Allegiance many of us recited daily at the end of noon recess in the school-yard was amended to read, "one nation, under God, indivisible."

Are we still one nation under God? At the Democratic Convention in Charlotte to renominate Barack Obama, a motion to put "God" back into the platform was hooted and booed by half the assembly.

Many writers have bewailed the animus Americans exhibit toward one another and urged new efforts to reunite us. Yet, recall again those first words of Jefferson in 1776: "When in the Course of human events it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them. . . ."

Are we approaching such a point? Could the Constitution, as currently interpreted, win the approval of two-thirds of our citizens and three-fourths of our states, if it were not already the supreme law of the land? How would a national referendum on

the Constitution turn out, when many Americans are already seeking a new constitutional convention?

All of which invites the question: Are we still a nation? And what is a nation?

French writer Ernest Renan gave us the answer in the 19th century:

A nation is a soul, a spiritual principle. Two things . . . constitute this soul, this spiritual principle. One is the past, the other is the present. One is the possession in common of a rich legacy of memories; the other is present consent, the desire to live together, the desire to continue to invest in the heritage that we have jointly received.

Of all cults, that of the ancestors is the most legitimate: our ancestors have made us what we are. A heroic past with great men and glory . . . is the social capital upon which the national idea rests. These are the essential conditions of being a people: having common glories in the past and a will to continue them in the present; having made great things together and wishing to make them again.

Does this sound at all like us today?

Watching our Lilliputians tearing down statues and monuments, renaming buildings and streets, rewriting history books to replace heroes and historical truths with the doings of ciphers, are we disassembling the nation we once were?

"One loves in proportion to the sacrifices that one has committed and the troubles that one has suffered," writes Renan. "One loves the house that one has built and that one passes on."

Are we passing on the house we inherited—or observing its demolition? ★

**Pat Buchanan** is a writer, political commentator and presidential candidate. He is the author of *Nixon's White House Wars: The Battles That Made and Broke a President and Divided America Forever.* This book is available from AFP for \$24 plus \$5 S&H. Call 1-888-699-6397 to reserve.

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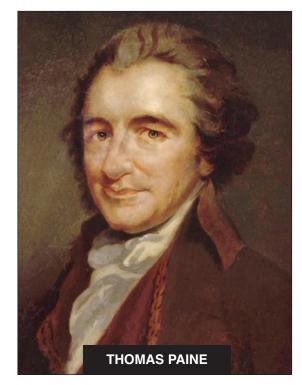
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### AFP Reader Believes Trump Has Turned Back on White People

After using Gen. Robert E. Lee's followers to win the election, President Donald Trump remained completely silent while radical leftists trashed Southern culture in New Orleans, removing monuments dedicated to Confederate heroes. He has also been silent on the mass murder of white South African farmers. The United States has its second largest foreign embassy in South Africa. The largest U.S. embassy is in Iraq.

But Trump is willing to offer unending applause to ardent supporters of Israel, most of whom voted for his presidential opponent, Mrs. Hillary Clinton. Does Trump realize that the prevailing hatred for white Americans makes him a marked man as well?

CHARLES WIGGIN Georgia

### Getting Away With It

Thank you, AFP, for your continued coverage of the unprovoked Israeli attack on the USS *Liberty*. I also greatly appreciate the reportage on the removal of the monuments dedicated to the Civil War's Southern heroes. It makes me sick that nothing matters to these [cultural communists]. Even worse, we're letting them get away with it with very little resistance.

ELAINE RAY South Carolina

### Don't Get Too Excited

Thanks for the article by John Friend on the Asian band The Slants ["Free Speech Gets Big Boost," AFP July 3 & 10 edition.—Ed.]. I had not heard of this development.

I am surprised that even the socialists on the Supreme Court voted to allow the name of the band to stand, since political correctness usually trumps the Constitution these days. Liberals don't give a hoot for truth, free speech, or the Constitution unless they can use it to advance their twisted agenda or to shut down their critics. To liberals the Constitution means what they want it to mean at any given time, depending on the issue and the people pushing that issue. The truth is limited to what they say it is. Worse, they have no problem telling lies to further their own anti-American agenda.

It's my advice we don't get too excited about the future of free speech and the role of the Supreme Court in defending it just yet. Remember, The Slants band is made up of what is considered an official "minority" in America: Asian-Americans. How would they have ruled if five blue-eyed, blondhaired white guys formed a band and called it The Slant Eyes that "offended" Asian Americans?

I don't trust even the so-called "conservatives" on the Supreme Court. John Roberts's support of Obamacare comes immediately to mind.

BILL MCDANIEL Texas

### In the Minority

If you stand for the Constitution, law, order, honesty, and truth, it looks like you are in the minority in America today. We have a president who has





been invited into countries that wouldn't even talk to past presidents, much less show any respect or pay any attention to what they had to say. Donald Trump has had very successful associations with the top financial powers and top political people in many countries all over the world.

In the controlled press and television, most of the people say what Trump should have said and what he should have done and what he should do in the future. If these people are so knowledgeable, then why are they not worth billions of dollars, and why aren't they the president of the most powerful and prosperous country in the world?

Just a little food for thought.

JOHN L. GALBREATH

Ohio

### Flicking the Switch

Ronald Ray's article about the Senate bill in committee, S.1241, (AFP July 3 & 10 edition) that would increase government control over digital currency transactions misses what I believe is the long-term goal, which is to make all transactions cashless. In other words, all purchases would have to be made with credit or debit cards, mobile devices or bio-markers.

If and when that happens, the powers-that-be can flick a switch and devastate your life if you are marked as anti-government. AFP discovered itself how easily Amazon or PayPal can "flick that switch."

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### **Decisions & Consensus**

In Mark Anderson's front-page article about Bilderberg ("Elite Meet," AFP June 5 & 12 edition), he noted that Bilderberg claims to make no decisions or reach a consensus. A few years ago I read the book *Bilderberg People*, written by someone claiming he had insider access to Bilderberg participants. The term "elite consensus" was used because that is their perspective. Some may declare there is no "consensusforming agenda" but it is what it is. However, our perspective uses the word "collusion," which leads to the word conspiracy. Example: Some bankers came to a consensus to set international interest rates while those who prosecuted them saw this as collusion.

I can't declare Bilderberg to be the ultimate "smoky room" where decisions are made. Like the Council on Foreign Relations, it's a good-old-boys club of like-minded people who see themselves as above us "little people" who need to be coerced into accepting their global governance not as a global government but as relatively harmless, benevolent guidance. However, big decisions have been made and ideas passed without the representation of the people. We should continue to pay attention to and expose this group as well as the actions of its powerful members.

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### **Anchor Babies**

There is an easy way for Congress to solve the so-called "anchor baby" problem where illegal aliens come to the United States to give birth so their illegal alien children will automatically become U.S. citizens.

My suggestion is that Congress should declare that all babies born within the jurisdiction of the U.S. have the same citizenship as the mother.

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We've got a surefire way you can make Uncle Sam one happy guy, and all you have to do is *nothing*. By doing *nothing*, you give the government more power, and lots more of your estate. In return, Uncle Sam becomes just like one of the family, and as such, becomes your happiest heir when you pass on!

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Don't worry about your will or trust. Without a will the court will select someone to handle your estate during probate. Even if you would have selected a close friend to have this responsibility, the court won't know that and won't care.

Don't worry about your will or trust. If you have minor children for whom guardianship is important, guess what, the court will pick the guardian for you. This means you can sit back and relax—the court will decide who should take care of your kids.

Don't worry about your will or trust. The estate tax dollars that your government could collect will be used for, well, anything the government chooses. Just think what a few of your favorite charities—those you've been supporting during your life—could do with that money.

Don't worry about a will or trust. Your heirs will be grieving after you are gone. Why not saddle them with the added responsibility of figuring out your affairs, and what decisions you might have made;

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because now they will just have to guess?

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Let Uncle Sam take care of himself. Your family will be thankful. Your favorite charities will be thankful.

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