

# Eye on the World

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**Luke 21:34-36**—"But take heed to yourselves, lest your souls be weighed down with self-indulgence, and drunkenness, or the anxieties of this life, and that day come on you suddenly, like a falling trap; for it will come on all dwellers on the face of the whole earth. But beware of slumbering; and every moment pray that you may be fully strengthened to escape from all these coming evils, and to take your stand in the presence of the Son of Man" (Weymouth New Testament).



One article (in two installments) by Joy D. Lanham titled "Hawkins Mother Loses Children to Israeli Citizen by District Judge Ruling" and "Update: Hawkins Twins Arrive in Tel Aviv Israel; Mother Seeks New Hearing." were posted in *The Big Sandy & Hawkins Journal* on Feb. 3 and Feb. 10, 2020. Following is the article.

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On Tuesday, Jan. 26, 2021, Mishala Cohen of Hawkins was forced to relinquish custody of her 4-year-old twin girls to their father, an Israeli citizen, due to a ruling by District Judge J. Brad McCampbell.

Cohen, formerly Lisa Michelle Wenger, is the daughter of Bob and Elizabeth Wenger of Hawkins. She graduated from Hawkins High School in the Class of 1985.

In late 2014, Cohen was serving as a traveling nurse in Miami, Fla., when she met Chaim Shacham, an Israeli diplomat who was serving in the Israeli consulate at that time. After a very brief courtship, they were married in January of 2015, and in late 2015 Cohen became pregnant with twins.

In February of 2016, Chaim Shacham was charged with child abuse in Israeli courts. Cohen traveled to Israel to be with her husband while he was going through his ordeal. That is when she found out that her marriage had taken a dramatic turn.

She was pregnant when she arrived in Israel to find that her husband had the marriage annulled, claiming that Mishala was not Jewish.

Because she had no place to live and suddenly no husband, she attempted to return to the United States but was refused by the airlines because she was 32 weeks' pregnant.

Her twins were born prematurely in Israel and she was cared for by her rabbi, who provided living assistance to her through Jewish aide programs.

During this time while she and the children were in Israel, the father denied them and did not seek to spend time with them. After 18 months, her tourist visa had expired so the Israeli government essentially "deported" Cohen, and she returned home to Texas with her babies, who were still being breast-fed at the time.

Cohen shared that her twins had been only in her care since they were born.

Last September, Chaim Shacham came to Texas to file a lawsuit claiming that Cohen had abducted the children. At the time, the mother and twins had been living in Texas for 33 months without contact from the father.

Judge J. Brad McCampbell heard the case on Jan. 22, and on Jan. 25 Judge McCampbell ordered Mishala Cohen to turn over custody of the twins to their father.

The court made several findings including the children were wrongfully removed from Israel.

Up to this point the children had never stayed overnight with their father. They have had only several visits with him during the course of the lawsuit.

"I spoke with my babies on the phone last night and they are asking me when I am going to come get them," shares Cohen. "I don't even know where they are and they are scared. My heart is broken."

With the help of friends, Cohen has secured another attorney and has filed a motion for a new hearing.

The Big Sandy & Hawkins Journal will continue to report on this story as new information becomes available.

### **Update: Hawkins twins arrived in Tel Aviv; mother seeks new hearing**

"Ima, Ima (Mommy, Mommy), when are you coming to get us? I want to come home. When can we come home?"

The pleas from the 4-year-old twin daughters of Misha Cohen were enough to break any heart, especially that of their mother, who is desperately trying to get her children back.

Unfortunately, it was confirmed last Thursday that they had arrived with their previously estranged father in Tel Aviv, Israel.

This reporter witnessed the moment that Ms. Cohen had been informed that her babies had been removed from the United States of America. There are no words adequate to describe the cry of utter anguish that Ms. Cohen emitted upon hearing the devastating news.

The twins were taken from their mother on Jan. 26, 2021, via a court order signed by 402nd District Judge J. Brad McCampbell on Jan. 25, 2021.

Judge McCampbell made this decision after Ms. Cohen was forced to represent herself in the Jan. 22 hearing.

The hearing was originally scheduled for Jan. 20 but was delayed until the 22nd when Ms. Cohen's attorney, Tammy R. Cummings, made an oral motion to withdraw as attorney of record for Misha Cohen without notice to Ms. Cohen.

The court gave Ms. Cohen little more than 24 hours to find and retain another attorney.

Cohen did the best she could to represent herself in the Jan. 22 hearing, but it did little good as only two of the 50 documents that Cohen provided to Ms. Cummings were ever filed with the court.

With few documents to substantiate Misha's story, Judge McCampbell ordered Misha to give up her children to their father, who had previously been convicted of child abuse in Israel.

Previous to Jan. 26, 2021, these two young girls had never had an overnight visit with their father, nor had they heard from him in over three years, according to Cohen.

Cohen continues to fight for her children. She has retained a new attorney, who has filed a motion for a new hearing, which is scheduled to be heard on Feb. 9.

Friends, family and religious leaders have rallied behind Ms. Cohen in her quest to have her children returned to her by creating a GoFundMe account to aid in her legal fees.

She asks that the public keep her children in their prayers.



An article by Behnam Ben Taleblu titled "Iran Is Already Winning" was posted at [spectator.com.au](https://spectator.com.au) on Feb. 6, 2021. Following is the article.

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The popular Persian proverb, 'the spatula has hit the bottom of the pot' artfully explains the erosion of luck, capability, or financial wherewithal. With the inauguration of President Joe Biden however, Iranian officials may soon cease using the phrase. Although mistrust of and enmity with America on a bipartisan basis remain, regime elites understand that the new administration is eager to score a diplomatic win, spiting its predecessor, while assiduously avoiding a military confrontation. Taken together, these sentiments offer the Islamic Republic a path to victory even before negotiations commence.

So how did we get here?

Since leaving the Iran nuclear deal –the JCPOA—in May 2018, the Trump administration employed unilateral sanctions to dry-up Iranian revenues and push it towards the negotiating table. On limited occasions, Washington resorted to using military force, as demonstrated in January 2020 with the killing of Iran’s chief terrorist, Qassem Soleimani, or elsewhere in Iraq in response to the killing of American soldiers by pro-Iran militias. The administration also continued supporting Iranian protestors, who were taking to the streets more often and more aggressively than in years past. This policy, known as ‘maximum pressure’, produced substantial macroeconomic contraction and domestic political pressure for Tehran. When married up with Israel’s military pushback in Syria, and what many assume to be Israel’s targeted killing of Iran’s top military nuclear scientist, Mohsen Fakhrizadeh, the policy landed some powerful blows.

However, Tehran’s desire to maintain its revolutionary agenda was so intense that despite dwindling revenues, it engaged in an escalatory contest of wills with Washington, a contest that it now believes it has won. No clearer indication of this sense of victory exists than the recent statement by Iranian President Hassan Rouhani proclaiming, ‘Tyrant Trump’s political career and his ominous reign are over today and his “maximum pressure” policy on Iran has completely failed . . . Trump is dead but the nuclear deal is still alive.’

Despite the departure of Trump and his maximum pressure policy, the Islamic Republic continues to shun direct engagement with the new administration. Instead, it is upping the ante. As Tehran learned during the previous iteration of nuclear talks (2013-2015), taking risks, drawing red lines, overvaluing concessions, and changing the goal posts, work. This January, Iranian Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei produced a list of conditions and demands, some of which include financial compensation and sanctions relief independent of any American return to the JCPOA.

In addition to still proliferating weapons, Tehran is also modernising its ballistic missile arsenal—the largest in the Middle East. Worse, the country’s nuclear coercion continues, in the hope of coaxing the Biden administration into early sanctions relief. According to open-source estimates, Iran now has enough domestic low-enriched uranium to make one to two nuclear bombs, should it decide to do so. This January, Tehran took a step towards that decision as it resumed enrichment of uranium to 20 per cent purity—technically considered highly enriched uranium—at its underground Fordow facility.

While members of the new Biden administration have rhetorically begun to pump the brakes on the idea of a speedy JCPOA re-entry, Iranian escalation is designed to expedite it, driving the matter of premature sanctions relief to the top of Biden’s agenda by growing the risks of military conflict and diplomatic failure. In short, Iran is engaging in a policy of extortion and it is working.

On the political front, many pro-engagement voices are clamouring about the need to act fast to resurrect a non-proliferation agreement that was ‘working’. Some even contend that JCPOA re-entry can lay the foundation for a better deal. But no building can be erected on a sordid foundation. A return to the JCPOA, even if only in the quest for a ‘longer and stronger’ agreement,

as some Biden appointees suggest, means that if Washington unwinds the bulk of its sanctions for limits on Tehran's nuclear program, it will have little to no non-kinetic leverage left to address Iran's missiles or support for terrorism. For an administration that shuns deeper engagement or military conflict in the Middle East, dispensing with this national security tool too early would raise, rather than lower, the prospects of conflict.

Worst of all, rejoining the JCPOA absent any improvements upfront would restore an outdated and inaccurate framing of the Iran threat: nuclear über alles. During the presidencies of George W. Bush and Barack Obama, the Iran threat was primarily addressed through the prism of counter-proliferation policy. It was the Trump administration that corrected this narrow view and merged the nuclear, missile and regional tracks in a bid for a comprehensive agreement. Abandoning this approach would be akin to a reduction of US goals toward Iran, which is exactly what the regime wants. How do we know? Iran's Foreign Minister, Mohammad-Javad Zarif, said as much in his recent op-ed in Foreign Affairs.

While there are other areas, such as pauses in regional arms sales, where developments may be viewed as a win for Iran, it is on the economic front where the Islamic Republic's gains are the most concrete. In November 2020, Iran's rial began to appreciate on the free market relative to the US dollar. The strengthening of the rial continued in mid-January, hinting at the prospect of potentially better economic times ahead. According to Bloomberg News, the rial 'lost 80 per cent of its value against the dollar over the course of Trump's presidency'. Bloomberg also reported that Iranian oil production was growing in January, which builds on reports from late 2020 about a slight rise in oil sales by Iran to China. With the election of Biden, black-hat buyers, traders and shippers may again feel confident taking risks that ultimately redound to the benefit of Iran's bottom line.

Ultimately, the more money Iran has upfront, the more watered-down US sanctions become, the less resolute America will appear and the less effective Biden's diplomatic approach will be. Time will tell if engagement with American partners and allies, which is currently underway, can help the new administration reverse this dynamic and capitalize on existing sanctions leverage to render Iran's wins, however real, short-lived.



An article by John Stossel titled "Real Socialism" was posted at townhall.com on Feb. 3, 2021. Following is the article.

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People hate America's big disparities in wealth. It's a reason why, among young people, socialism is as popular as capitalism. The Democratic Socialists of America want a country based on "freedom, equality and solidarity." That sure sounds good. But does socialism bring that? My new video debunks several myths about socialism.

■ One reason for socialism's continued appeal is linguist Noam Chomsky. For generations, his work has taught students that capitalism is "a grotesque catas-

trophe." I assumed the fall of the Soviet Union would put an end to such misinformation. It did—for about a month. But since then, the lust for socialism has come back strong.

■ Today, Chomsky says that the Soviet Union "was about as remote from socialism as you could imagine." "Absurd!" responds economist Ben Powell, author of "Socialism Sucks: Two Economists Drink Their Way Through the Unfree World."

When the Soviets made private businesses illegal, says Powell, "that's about as close as the world ever saw" to pure socialism. Now that the Soviet Union is gone, MSNBC anchor Ali Velshi says, "there is no true socialist country that exists."

No? What about Cuba, China, North Korea, Vietnam and Venezuela? Velshi didn't respond when we asked him.

John Oliver says, "Chavez's programs could have been sustainable if he pursued a sound economic policy." "Yeah," laughs Powell. "Sustainable if he had a sound economic policy called capitalism." I push back. "Why does it have to be capitalism?" Why not socialism without bad management?

"That's the nature of socialism!" Powell replies. "Their economic policies fail to adjust to reality because economic reality evolves every day. It's millions of decentralized entrepreneurs and consumers making fine-tuning adjustments."

Powell notes that in our capitalist society, when covid-19 hit, businesses quickly adjusted. Restaurants switched to takeout and delivery. They built outdoor patios with heat lamps. Supermarkets opened early so the elderly could shop with less risk. Alcohol companies started producing hand sanitizer. Ford used its 3D printers to make face masks. The media whined about "lack of federal direction," but no central authority could direct all those individual adjustments in thousands of different places. In fact, federal direction would have prevented it.

"In a socialist economy, you get a one-size-fits-all adjustment," adds Powell. "You miss out on this learning process where entrepreneurs copy others when they see things successful and stop doing it when it's not." By contrast, "In a market economy, everybody's little adjustments get tested, and we get to see what works."

In America, Blockbuster video was a great success. But then Netflix offered something better—no driving to a store, no late fees. Because Blockbuster didn't immediately adjust, it went bankrupt.

"In a socialist economy, every adjustment needs to be commanded," says Powell. "Communicate it down and get everybody to do the right thing. That's impossible."

That's why under socialism, shortages are routine. In Venezuela, there's so little food for sale that Venezuelans have lost weight.

Yet, "journalists" at Vox produced a video titled, "The Collapse of Venezuela, Explained," without mentioning socialism even once. Vox's explanation for Venezuela's fall: "Oil prices plummeted."

"The oil price is a complete distraction," says an exasperated Powell. "There's plenty of countries that depend on oil revenue. When oil prices went down, people there didn't start losing weight. That just happened in Venezuela."

Some claim Venezuela's and Cuba's people struggle mainly because of America's economic sanctions and embargo. "They certainly don't help the people," says Powell, "but it's an afterthought as a reason for their suffering."

The U.S. only sanctioned a few Venezuelan officials and their operations—not the country as a whole. In Cuba, Powell points out: "They drive around 1950s U.S. cars . . . but there's no U.S. Navy destroyers prevent Kia, Fiat and whoever else around the world from sending them cars. The reason for their suffering is they have an economic system that can't deliver."

Socialism delivers misery.



An article by John Stossel titled "Socialism Never Works" was posted at townhall.com on Feb. 10, 2021. Following is the article.

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Last week, I reported on two myths about socialism. My new video covers three more.

■ Myth No. 3: Socialism works if it's "democratic."

As the Democratic Socialists of America put it, "Society should be run democratically—to meet public needs, not to make profits for a few."

Sounds nice. If socialists are elected, then we'll have a more just society.

But Venezuela's socialists were elected.

"They can start off democratically elected," says economist Ben Powell, director of the Free Market Institute at Texas Tech, but "once they centralize control over the economy, it becomes impossible to 'un-elect' them."

Hugo Chavez was elected but became an authoritarian who chose his successor, Nicolas Maduro. Maduro now gets "elected," by having opponents arrested and "ordering state employees to vote for him or they lose their job," says Powell.

"Socialism *always* becomes authoritarian?" I ask.

"Everywhere you try socialism, that's what you get," he replies. "It's hard to exercise political freedom if you don't have economic freedoms. If you're dependent upon the state for your livelihood, you lose your ability to use your voice to oppose (the state) because you can be punished.

And if the state directs the economy, some government department must manage millions of production decisions and prices. That never works. No bureaucrat can anticipate the needs and wants of millions of people in different places. No politician can match the wisdom of decentralized entrepreneurs making subtle adjustments constantly.

Celebrities like Rosario Dawson, Susan Sarandon and Danny DeVito star in videos selling "democratic" socialism as "public schools" and "interstate highways."

They are not wrong. "Some industries are government-owned," replies Powell, but "when you look at things that are inefficiently done—public education, our congested streets—(it's clear) socialized industries don't work well."

■ They do [work] in Scandinavian countries!" say socialism's promoters. That's myth No. 4.

Scandinavia does have big welfare programs, but capitalism pays for them.

The socialists call Sweden socialist, but that's just wrong. "Volvo is a private company," says Powell. "Restaurants and hotels are privately owned. Markets organize the vast majority of Swedish economic activity."

Sweden did once try socialism. The result was high taxes, inflation and economic decline. It's an example of how people in prosperous places often don't know what made their lives better.

In 1950, Sweden was the world's fourth-richest country. Then Sweden tried socialism. Suddenly, once industrious Swedes started taking sick days. Wealth creation stopped.

"Talent and capital stormed out of Sweden to escape taxes and red tape," writes Swedish historian Johan Norberg. "Businesses moved headquarters and investments to more hospitable places. IKEA left for the Netherlands . . . Bjorn Borg and other sports stars fled to Monaco."

Sweden recovered only when it ended its socialist experiment. They cut taxes, government spending, and sold state-owned businesses.

After economically ignorant politicians like Bernie Sanders called Scandinavia "socialist," Denmark's prime minister even came to America to say: "Denmark is far from a socialist planned economy. Denmark is a market economy."

In fact, in rankings of economic freedom, Denmark ranks as more free market than the United States.

■ Myth No. 5: Socialism is completely different from fascism.

In Congress, Rep. Louie Gohmert called Hitler a "socialist." Rep. Steve Cohen took offense, shouting, "It's the Nazis that were terrible, not the socialists!"

But Nazis were "national socialists." There are differences between fascism and socialism, but "both replace market decision-making with command and control," says Powell. Fascism "leaves private ownership in nominal terms" but neither system allows individual freedom. "You lose . . . control over your own future. Only under capitalism do you have the freedom to say, 'No.'"

Socialism appeals to people today because it promises "equality and social justice," but look at its track record. In Russia, Cuba, North Korea, Nicaragua, Vietnam and China, socialism has meant a loss of freedom.

Socialist experiments also failed in Israel, India, Great Britain, Afghanistan, Syria, Algeria, Cambodia, Somalia, etc. There are no socialist success stories.

Only capitalist countries create real wealth.



"The history of humanity is poverty, starvation, early death," Powell points out. "In the last 20 years, we've seen more humans escape extreme poverty than any other time in human history. That's because of markets!"

Yet, millions vote for socialism.



"Eye on the World" comment: The following list of articles consists of headlines of extra articles, which are considered international. The articles were not posted, but the headlines give the essence of the story.

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■ An article by Elizabeth Stanton, Stephen Spratt and John Ainger titled "Global Markets See Inflation Breaking Out to Multiyear Highs" was posted at bloomberg.com on Feb. 8, 2021.

■ An article by Dominic Penna titled "New Israeli Covid Drug Which Cured 30 Cases of Disease Hailed by Scientists As 'Huge Breakthrough' " was posted at telegraph.co.uk on Feb. 5, 2021.

■ An article titled "Israel Begins Exit From Third Virus Lockdown" was posted at france24.com on Feb. 7, 2021.

■ An article by Deborah Brand titled "[Tony] Blinken Walks Back Trump Recognition of Israeli Sovereignty Over Golan Heights" was posted at Breitbart.com on Feb. 10, 2021.

■ An article by Gustaf Kilander titled "Former Israeli Ambassador [Danny Danon] Calls Out Biden With Awkward Tweet for Not Calling Netanyahu" was posted at independent.co.uk on Feb. 10, 2021.

■ A Reuters article by Stephen Farrell titled "Iranian Nuclear Scientist Killed by One-Ton Automated Gun in Israeli Hit: Jewish Chronicle" was posted at reuters.com on Feb. 10, 2021.

■ A Reuters article titled "Biden Ends U.S. Support of Saudi Arabia in Yemen" was posted at reuters.com on Feb. 5, 2021.

■ A Reuters article by Raya Jalabi titled "Saudi-Led Coalition Says Intercepted Four Houthi Armed Drones" was posted at reuters.com on Feb. 8, 2021.

■ A Reuters article by Ghaida Ghanous and Lisa Barrington titled "Yemen's Houthis Say They Carried Out Drone Attack on Saudi Airport" was posted at reuters.com on Feb. 10, 2021.

■ An article by Leah Barkoukis titled "Honduras Amends National Constitution to Ban Abortion" was posted at townhall.com on Feb. 5, 2021.

■ Looking back to January, an article titled "As Many As 750 Killed in Massacre at Ethiopian Church [Orthodox Maryam Tsiyon Church in Aksum]" was posted at aleteia.org on Jan. 26, 2021.

- An article by Thomas Newdick titled “[U.S.] B-1 Bombers Are Deploying to Norway for the First Time With An Eye on Nearby Russia and the Arctic” was posted at thedrive.com on Feb. 2, 2021.
- An article by Thomas Newdick titled “Russia Developing First Brand-New Short-Range Air-to-Air Missile Since the End of the Cold War” was posted at thedrive.com on Feb. 3, 2021.
- An article by Ryan Pickrell and David Choi titled “Former Navy SEAL [William McRaven] Says Putin Has Outplayed the US and Russia Is the Greatest External Security Threat” was posted at businessinsider.com on Feb. 5, 2021.
- An article by Gabrielle Reyes titled “Australia Urges U.N. Probe Into China’s Systemic Rape in Concentration Camps” was posted at Breitbart.com on Feb. 6, 2021.
- An article by Benjamin Hall titled “Uighur Internment Camp Survivor Reveals China’s Horrifying ‘Re-Education’ Tactics” was posted at foxnews.com on Feb. 6, 2021.
- An article by Tom Rogan titled “Countering China, Biden Rightly Doubles Down on the Quad [Partnership of Australia, India, Japan and United States]” was posted at washingtonexaminer.com on Feb. 7, 2021.
- A Reuters article by Se Young Lee titled “Two U.S. Carrier Groups Conduct Exercises in South China Sea” was posted at reuters.com on Feb. 8, 2021.
- An article by Jared Szuba titled “Iran, Russia, China Conduct Joint Naval Exercise in Indian Ocean” was posted at al-monitor.com on Feb. 9, 2021.
- An article by Aylin Woodward titled “Suspensions Mount That the Coronavirus Was Spreading in China and Europe As Early As October, Following a WHO Investigation” was posted at businessinsider.com on Feb. 10, 2021.
- An article by Jack Montgomery titled “UK Chancellor [of the Exchequer] ‘Concerned’ by Health Technocrats ‘Moving the Goalposts’ to Keep Lockdown” was posted at Breitbart.com on Feb. 4, 2021.
- A Reuters article by Costas Pitas titled “Britain Will Not Introduce Covid-19 Vaccines Passports” was posted at reuters.com on Feb. 7, 2021.
- An article by Victoria Friedman titled “[UK Transport] Minister Says UK Government Discussing ‘Internationally Recognized’ Corona Passport for Global Travel” was posted at Breitbart.com on Feb. 10, 2021.
- An article by Frances Mulraney titled “‘Out-of-Control Woke Leftism and Cancel Culture’ From the U.S. Is a Threat to France because It ‘Attacks’ the Nation’s Heritage and Identity—French Politicians and Intellectuals Say” was posted at dailymail.co.uk on Feb. 9, 2021.
- A Reuters article by Devjyot Ghoshal and Manoj Kumar titled “Himalayan Glacier Breaks in India; Around 125 Missing in Floods” was posted at reuters.com on Feb. 7, 2021.



A video and an article by The Federalist Staff titled “Thomas Sowell’s Politically Incorrect Legacy Is Built on ‘Following Facts Where They Lead’ ” were posted at thefederalist.com on Feb. 10, 2021. Following is the article.

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On this episode of “The Federalist Radio Hour,” the Wall Street Journal’s Jason Riley joins Culture Editor Emily Jashinsky to discuss his new documentary and book highlighting the life of economist, social theorist, and acclaimed intellectual Thomas Sowell and how his work affects American culture today.

“He’s marked the shift from pushing for equal opportunity to pushing for special privileges,” Riley said, noting that Sowell started his work early in the civil rights movement. “He said this is wrong and that they are barking up the wrong tree here. This is not the road that they should be going down and this is where they eventually, of course, did go down that road in terms of affirmative action and other special privileges.”

Sowell, Riley said, “follows facts where they lead” and isn’t afraid to be politically incorrect in his views on race, culture, and social theory. Many progressives, Riley said, find this worldview threatening and counter to their own narratives.

“The focus for Tom has always been on building human capital, on developing a group, developing skills and habits and attitudes, and he doesn’t see culture as something set in stone,” Riley explained. “There are different groups that have excelled in the past and then progressed, and then excelled again, and he says you have to look and learn from these different groups of people and what they’ve tried, what they’ve done, what they haven’t done, and how things have worked out.”



An article by Scott Morefield titled “The Left Is Calling the Capitol Riot an ‘Insurrection’ and a ‘Coup Attempt’ for a Reason” was posted at townhall.com on Feb. 5, 2021. Following is the article.

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Words matter. That’s why nearly every left-of-center media outlet is consistently using the word “insurrection” or even the more inflammatory “coup attempt” to refer to what happened at the U.S. Capitol on January 6. What they are doing is methodically intentional, and the reason is crystal clear. They want to paint a dark, ominous picture of the American political landscape, one that firmly places anyone who questioned the 2020 election or even supported former President Donald Trump as not just political adversaries, but enemies and even outlaws who want to overthrow a democratically elected government.

Imagine, the people who all year defended rioters who attacked police, burned buildings, looted stores, trashed neighborhoods, and literally took over police

stations are now successfully painting Trump supporters as enemies of . . . law and order?!? And crazier still, millions are believing it. Many people will lose their freedom for simply, albeit unwisely, walking through open doors, even if they weren't among those who attacked police, vandalized property, or broke into offices. People have lost their jobs and reputations simply for being among the hundreds of thousands at that rally. Trump supporters nationwide are being painted with guilt by association and driven from major social networking platforms because of a single event.

How did this happen? Granted, even given the fact that in any tense mob a few rambunctious rabble rousers can wreak a lot of havoc, this riot should have never happened in the first place. When you're fighting the political war we're currently engaged in with the enemies against whom we are currently engaged, we can't afford even one mistake, and this was a big one. The left has been longing for a narrative-furthering event like this for decades, and they got it all in one fell swoop—a mostly-white group of right-wingers misbehaving on a massive scale on the biggest stage of all. It was too perfect, and now they're using it, as they have covid-19 and virtually every other 'crisis' that comes, to further their evil ends.

Sadly, because of the actions of a few hundred rioters who got out of control, the left forever intends to paint the right as "insurrectionists" and people who "attempted a coup." Hmm. Again, words matter. What do governments historically do with insurrectionists and those who attempt unsuccessful coups? Suffice it to say, things generally do not end well for them. This, of course, says a lot about what the left would do with us, if they were able, and it speaks to why they use such inflammatory language for what happened on January 6.

If they can paint the right as insurrectionists and coup plotters, they can then justify any method to stop and/or punish the insurrection and coup plotting. If you think they'd never do it, consider all the ways the world has changed because of a virus with a 99.87% survival rate. This is why it's so important to push back against that narrative. Indeed, what happened that day was stupid, tragic, and completely unnecessary, but it was NOT an insurrection, nor was it a coup attempt. It wasn't even close.

The Merriam-Webster definition of "insurrection" is "an act or instance of revolting against civil authority or an established government." The definition of a "coup d'état" is "the violent overthrow or alteration of an existing government by a small group."

Were the few hundred rioters who broke into the U.S. Capitol and even the few dozen miscreants who attacked police, damaged property, or broke into unauthorized areas literally attempting to revolt or violently overthrow an existing government? Seriously? Sure, the media tells us this with a straight face, but watch any video of the events of that day, especially the one of the clowns who made it inside the Senate chamber, and tell me if any of it screams "violent overthrow" to you.

I'm not defending them. What they did was horrible, stupid and illegal. But these were the actions of a riotous, out-of-control mob who irrationally

thought that going inside the U.S. Capitol was going to somehow sway the vote taking place. In the video, one guy in the Senate chamber even says, "it's a PR war," as he and his cohorts lose.

Ah, you say, but there were weapons on the premises. Sorry, color me unimpressed by this report about the "alarming" number of weapons found at or near the U.S. Capitol. A pick-up truck here, a pair of flex cuffs there, and pretty soon you've got a whole new government, right? I mean, c'mon man! If these morons, all or most of whom doubtless owned weapons, were indeed hellbent on somehow overthrowing the government, wouldn't you have expected a better 'effort' than what we saw?

Words matter. This was a riotous mob, NOT an insurrection or coup attempt. Don't let them take away your liberties because of a lie.



An article by Kurt Schlichter titled "Stop Calling It an Insurrection" was posted at townhall.com on Feb. 11, 2021. Following is the article.

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So, I was out at dinner with my old battalion commander—literally outside, because dining inside apparently is super deadly if you live under blue tyranny—and we were laughing at this whole "Muh Insurrekshun" nonsense. What happened January 6 was no "insurrection" in any meaningful sense of the word, especially not to those who survived the riots of 2020, and not to us either. See, I was my old battalion commander's assistant operations officer and I was riding with him in his HUMVEE driving through Los Angeles as it burned in April 1992.

*That* was a riot. What happened on Capitol Hill was a few dudes dressed like Conan the Fauxbarian acting like fools and occasionally fighting with the cops while a few hundred other dudes took selfies in the Rotunda.

We were in the 3rd Battalion, 160th Infantry, the first combat arms unit on the street during the LA Riot, a riot brought to you by Maxine Waters and other idiots, by the way. There was burning and looting and dozens we can say with absolute certainty were murdered by the LA rioters, unlike at the Capitol. It lasted for days. You wouldn't know it from Rep. Stolen Cower, who seems to claim she suffered PTSD from being at the far end of the same ZIP code as the bruha-ha, but what happened on January 6 was no "insurrection," and Republicans need to stop playing along with the Establishment talking point that it was.

The idea of an "insurrection" is to delegitimize all resistance to the garbage Establishment's reign of error, and to play along is to give credence to its lie and to empower its propaganda. You have done nothing wrong by rejecting the Establishment narrative. You have done nothing wrong by protesting what you see as a flawed election and a corrupt ruling class. You have a right to protest anything you want, and you don't need their permission.

Dissent is patriotic. Or did that end when it became inconvenient?

They hype the happening because they want to make you afraid to speak up. They want to try to make it impossible for you to live in this society if you do not parrot the party line. They won't say it that way. They will try to wrap themselves in the same flag they were calling a symbol of white supremacy last year to try to seize some sort of moral high ground and shut you up. Like they give a damn about the Constitution. This tiresome "insurrection" and "sedition" palaver is just a ham-handed attempt to turn 74 million Americans—almost none of whom wear Thor drag—into enemies of mom and apple pie, which is weird because they usually hate traditional family structures and non-kale foods.

This kind of baloney is par for the course for the Democrats. They're going to call you an "insurrectionist" today and a "racist" tomorrow and some other hogwash after that, so who cares what they say? But what does grate are the Republicans who go along with this bogus framing, and it's sometimes unclear how much of the reason is just the usual GOP stupidity and how much is the usual GOP contempt for the GOP base.

Yeah, we get that it was scary to have knuckleheads running rampant through the Capitol. Blame the knuckleheads. Don't blame the other 74 million people who supported President Trump. And quit playing along with the ridiculous idea that January 6 was Fort Sumpter x 9/11 to the Pearl Harborth power.

It was not. This foaming-mouthed performative overreaction is all cynical performance art, and this goofy impeachment is just a senatorial Toobin Zoomin'.

Now, I also had the chance to see the wreckage of a real insurrection when I was in Kosovo with the Army after the fighting ended. An insurrection means ruins and mass graves, not some dude in a horn hat wandering around the House as a police officer asks him to chill. Don't let them define insurrection down to mean "Anything conservatives do."

Nor was this incident some sort of "attack on Our Democracy where our freedom hung on by a thread." The drama queenery might play on MSNBC, but it just makes the base despise the Republican Party even more—which is hard—when that crap comes from our own people. You are not downplaying what actually happened by characterizing it accurately and without the kind of breathless exaggeration the Democrat demagogues delight in. The Democrats' cat's paws spent six months burning down the cities and this overwrought handwringing only draws attention to the discrepancy in elite caring between when the pols were vaguely threatened and when the proles were losing everything.

Did the GOP call Jeb! to have him nominate a council of experienced losers to come up with the worst possible way to handle this situation? If they want a rebellion within the party heading into 2022, they should just keep it up, because the base is tired of them not having its collective back. Schumer and Pelosi are cackling right now. President \* would be too, except "Matlock's" on and he's busy.

GOP pols, listen up. You are not defending the buffoons of January 6 by accurately characterizing their actions. Stop playing along with the false narrative that unjustly trashes your own people. Stop minimizing what happened in the murderous Democrat-abetted riots in LA in 1991 and throughout our country

in 2020 by not just lumping this incident in with them but by pretending it was a zillion times worse.

Just stop.



An article by Brittany Bernstein titled "Maxine Waters Defends Comment Encouraging Harassment of Trump Officials" was posted at [nationalreview.com](https://www.nationalreview.com) on Feb. 8, 2021. Following is the article.

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Representative Maxine Waters (D., Calif.) is defending her 2018 comments in which she encouraged her supporters to "absolutely harass" Trump administration officials over their "zero tolerance" immigration policy.

MSNBC's Ali Velshi asked Waters on Sunday if she had ever "glorified or encouraged" violence against Republicans, as her two-year-old comments have recently resurfaced amid discussions of the increasingly dangerous partisan rhetoric in the U.S.

"As a matter of fact, if you look at the words that I used, the strongest thing I said was tell them they're not welcome," Waters said. "[I said] Talk to them. Tell them they're not welcome. I didn't say go and fight. I didn't say anybody was going to have any violence. And so they can't make that stick."

However, in 2018, after then-Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen and former press secretary Sarah Sanders were confronted with their families in public over family separation at the border, Waters encouraged more of the same.

"They're not going to be able to go to a restaurant, they're not going to be able to stop at a gas station, they're not going to be able to shop at a department store," she said.

She added: "The people are going to turn on them, they're going to protest, they're going to absolutely harass them."

The California Democrat also used Sunday's interview to take final shots at Republicans and former President Donald Trump ahead of his Senate impeachment trial that is set to begin this week.

"The Republicans should be afraid, not only about the destruction of our democracy but if they continue to support him and allowed themselves to be guided by him, they're going to have to live with a president that dictates to them every vote they can take, every vote they cannot take," she said. "He's going to be in their primaries. They will be owned by this dishonorable human being."

Trump's lead impeachment attorney Bruce Castor is reportedly planning to mention Waters' 2018 comments in his arguments during the trial this week.

Fox News' Laura Ingraham asked Castor if he plans to use "dueling video" as Democrats will argue that Trump incited the January 6 Capitol riot.

"I think you can count on that," he told Ingraham. "If my eyes look a little red to the viewers, it's because I've been looking at a lot of video."

Meanwhile, Waters came under fire last week for saying she believes Trump should be charged with "premeditated murder" for the riot, which left five people dead.

"He absolutely should be charged with premeditated murder because of the lives that were lost for this invasion with his insurrection," she said in an appearance on MSNBC last week. "For the President of the United States to sit and watch the invasion and the insurrection and not say a word because he knew he had absolutely initiated it—and as some of them said, 'he invited us to come. We're here at the invitation of the President of the United States.'"



An article by Michelle Malkin titled "Maxine Waters, Racial Insurrectionist" was posted at creators.com on Feb. 10, 2021. Following is the article.

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What a sick joke. Congresswoman Maxine Waters, one of the loudest mouths leading the impeachment circus against former President Donald Trump over the events at the Capitol on Jan. 6, is a brazen racial insurrectionist. The sixteen-term Democrat from South Central Los Angeles has been pouring verbal gasoline and tossing rhetorical Molotov cocktails into the public square since the 1992 L.A. riots.

Now she's the arbiter of civility and keeper of social order? LOL.

Waters blasted Trump for telling his supporters on Jan. 6 to "be tough" and "take back their government"—standard, peaceful stump speech fare. She blames our 45th president for the actions of a few who ignored his explicit call to remain "peaceful," while denying that her own fighting words and direct embrace of riots have contributed to decades of violent incitement.

Trump's impeachment trial lawyers rightly allude to her instigation of mobs formed against administration officials at restaurants and public spaces. In their trial brief, Trump's team contrasted the president's anodyne encouragement for conservative activists to "fight like hell" for their country with Waters' endorsement of physical harassment against Trump's cabinet members: "If you see anybody from that cabinet in a restaurant, in a department store, at a gasoline station, you get out and you create a crowd," Waters shrieked in 2018 at a rally in Los Angeles. "And you push back on them. And you tell them they're not welcome anymore, anywhere."

That's exactly what left-wing professional agitators, from Occupy ICE to antifa to Black Lives Matter to Smash Racism D.C. to the Sunrise Movement, have done over the past two years, targeting prominent Republicans and conservatives and their families on the streets and in their own homes.

But the fact is that Trump lawyers only scratched the surface of Waters' divisive and destabilizing diatribes.



I first began covering “Turbulent Waters” in the early 1990s as an editorial writer and columnist at the Los Angeles Daily News. Let me remind you that newfound anti-insurrectionist Waters is the very same bloodthirsty opportunist who whitewashed the deadly L.A. riots as a “rebellion,” excused the week-long shooting, looting and arson orgy as “a spontaneous reaction to a lot of injustice and a lot of alienation and frustration,” and coddled Crips and Bloods gang members—with whom she performed the Electric Slide as part of her “fearless support and understanding of young people and their efforts at self-expression.”

Waters made common cause with her neighborhood gangsta rappers who stoked the violence, calling them “poets” and “children” expressing their “pain.” I remind you that shortly before the 1992 L.A. riots, rapper Ice Cube (a denizen of Waters’ district and a member of the cop-killing glorifiers at rap group N.W.A.) had penned the hate-filled song “Black Korea” for his best-selling platinum solo album, “Death Certificate.”

He seethed against law-abiding immigrant entrepreneurs in his ‘hood and threatened to burn their stores “right down to a crisp”:

*They hope I don't pull out a Gat, try to rob  
Their funky little store, but, b-tch, I got a job.  
So don't follow me up and down your market  
Or your little chop suey ass will be a target  
Of a nationwide boycott.  
Juice with the people, that's what the boy got . . .  
. . . So pay respect to the black fist  
Or we'll burn your store right down to a crisp.*

Promises made, promises kept.

Waters told the L.A. Times in May 1992 that “riot is the voice of the unheard.” She openly embraced the term “insurrection” as a substitute for “riot” in a 1992 interview with Katie Couric. A quarter-century later, in an anniversary interview with the Huffington Post, she again used the term “insurrection” to celebrate the implosion of L.A. and stoking of anti-white, anti-Asian violence as a “defining moment in the way that black people resisted.”

“Resistance”? Sixty people were killed, 2,000 injured, \$1 billion in damages inflicted, and \$700 million in federal aid injected to quell the arsonists, looters and shooters simply expressing their “pain.” “Roiling Waters” excused the violence repeatedly by defending the “righteous anger” of the rioters against police, innocent white bystanders like trucker Reginald Denny (nearly beaten to death by Waters’ gangsta buddy Damian Williams), and the Korean shop owners (forced to take up arms and take to their rooftops to defend their lives and livelihoods when the cops yielded to the mob).

Now, nearly 30 years later, the wealthy and powerful black congresswoman whose rise to power is defined by violence-inducing and violence-excusing racial demagoguery, demands “accountability” for words to remove a president no longer in office.

Clown Congress. Clown country.



An article by Ben Shapiro titled “When the Hateful Think They Are the Virtuous” was posted at creators.com on Feb. 10, 2021. Following is the article.

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This week, Virginia Heffernan, a columnist for the Los Angeles Times, unleashed the most perverse column in recent memory. The title: “What can you do about the Trumpites next door?” Heffernan wasn’t lamenting neighbors who had tagged her house with pro-Trump graffiti, or who had participated in the Jan. 6 riots, or who had even held an election watch party and turned the music up too loud. No, Heffernan was lamenting the travails of living next door to Trump supporters . . . who had cleared her driveway of snow.

Heffernan writes, “Trumpites next door to our pandemic getaway . . . just plowed our driveway without being asked and did a great job.” This simple act launched Heffernan into a journey of angst and rage. “How am I going to resist demands for unity in the face of this act of aggressive niceness?” she laments. “I realize I owe them thanks—and, man, it really looks like the guy back-dragged the driveway like a pro—but how much thanks?”

In order to justify the answer she wants to give—as little thanks as possible, because, after all, these are Evil Trumpites—Heffernan proceeds to speculate as to her neighbors’ motives: Perhaps they only cleared her driveway because she and they were white. Or perhaps this whole event was a reminder that members of evil groups sometimes do good—she compares them to the Shiite terrorist group Hezbollah, Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan and the Nazis. If she treats her neighbors with too much decency, she reminds herself, that might make her like an upper-middle-class family from France who collaborated with the Nazis and lamented the Nazis’ defeat because of their commitment to being “polite.”

Heffernan seethes with the agony of cognitive dissonance. “My neighbors supported a man who showed near-murderous contempt for the majority of Americans,” she writes. “They kept him in business with their support. But the plowing.”

In the end, Heffernan’s solution is to be nice—but not *that* nice. She will offer a “wave and a thanks,” but she is “not ready to knock on the door with a covered dish yet.” She’s unwilling to give her neighbors “absolution,” ignoring the fact that they have not asked for absolution, nor do they require absolution for the great sin of voting differently and *clearing her driveway of snow* . “Free driveway work, as nice as it is,” Heffernan states, “is just not the same currency as justice and truth.” The only way she’ll be able to truly treat her neighbors decently is if they recognize “the truth about the Trump administration” and work “for justice for all those whom the administration harmed.” Then, she’ll be decent to her neighbors.

Heffernan's neighbors should immediately pile as much snow as humanly possible back onto her driveway, hose it off and let it freeze.

The nasty snootiness Heffernan evidences is all too common these days. Heffernan obviously judges her neighbors not on the basis of what she knows about them but on stereotypes she holds about all Trump voters. When faced with the reality that those who disagree with her can be nice and decent people, she simply dismisses the possibility altogether, justifying her own viciousness by referencing their supposedly radical political beliefs. Which, of course, makes her the villainess in this particular morality play.

But she's too blind to see it. These days, tens of millions of Americans are. And so, the social fabric continues to shred, all in the name of depraved, unearned moral superiority.



An article by Salena Zito titled "The Kids Aren't All Right" was posted at townhall.com on Feb. 9, 2021. Following is the article.

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One year ago, Lena Carson was pulling straight As at the city's Creative and Performing Arts Magnet school, located across the river from her parents' home. She also swam at the local YMCA every day in preparation for the annual state competition and enjoyed the everyday social life of a teenager.

Today, she is sitting at home. Again.

It has been nearly a year since she was able to walk into CAPA, to which she had to earn admission through a portfolio of her work, and interact with her teachers or friends.

Her daily swims are gone, along with her social life. Her outside activities have diminished to walking the dog around the block.

In the beginning, like most teenagers, she thought of it as an extended snow day. When days turned to weeks, what started as an escape from school went from fun to dread. "In the beginning, I was like, I have this time off, it's going to be so fun, and now going to school is all I want," she said.

The hardest part for her is all of the false starts. "Four times over the past year, we've been told we were going back, given a date, and then a few days before, and sometimes a day before, we are supposed to get to the classroom, they abruptly change the rules," she said.

It tugs at her emotions. "They've told us four different times that we are going to go back to school, and I was like, 'Oh, my gosh, I get to see my friends. I get to wear my clothes to school. I get to learn with my peers. Then I'll get to go to swim practice,'" Carson explained of the routines of her young life that she's lost.

"It is really disappointing whenever they say, 'Oh, never mind,'" she says. "And I understand that there's risks and there's dangers, but it's also, just, it really takes away your motivation."

A bright student who skipped a grade, her straight As have dipped to Ds, and Lena says she struggles to complete assignments, not because she can't but because of the lost will. "I have nothing to look forward to," she said.

The Pittsburgh Board of Education recently announced that Pittsburgh Public Schools students will not return to buildings until at least April, marking the fourth time in 12 months the district announced students would return to classes only to rescind the opening just before the doors were set to open. The board voted 7-2 for the plan, with the members citing health and safety for students and staff.

The Pittsburgh Federation of Teachers president said keeping the students out of the schools is the wise thing to do until the whole teaching staff has gotten the covid-19 vaccine.

The roller coaster of openings and closures is also the most challenging part for her parents, said Carson's father, Dr. Paul Carson, a hospitalist who spends his days and nights in the covid-19 ward at the local city hospital.

The frontline worker said he knows it is not just his 14-year-old daughter and 11-year-old son who are flailing during this isolation. "Kids need to be in school, and parents need to speak up about this for no other reason than the sake of their education and mental health," he said.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention data shows that beginning with the closings last spring, emergency rooms across the country experienced a spike in the number of visits from children under 18 for mental health needs.

Carson is frustrated with the school board's and teachers unions' mangling children's lives. He is even more frustrated as a physician, as he sees the CDC head confirm what he already knew. It is possible to get children to school safely without hinging the return on vaccines.

"My kids are flailing," he says sadly.

He is also frustrated that many parents remain silent because of the social out-casting that happens when you do so—when he posted his frustrations with the school system on the neighborhood Facebook page, few agreed with him in public.

"People are unwilling to get in the crosshairs publicly of something that has nothing to do with politics, but they are afraid it might appear political," explained Carson, adding that his Facebook direct messages told a different story. "Overwhelmingly, people agreed with me," he said.

Carson was willing to put his neck out there because he cares about not only his children but also this whole generation of students.

And different political perspectives should never be part of the equation.

"This isn't a left-right problem," he said. "It's a unilateral problem. This is our children. They need to go back to school. We need to follow the science. That's my main point, and I am unwilling to have my children's education held hostage any longer."

Regarding online school, Lena said, "It's not pushing me at all the same way that regular school does."

Her voice dropped when asked how much she wants to go back to school. "Very badly," she said. "That's the main thing I want. I think it would make things a lot better. I think I would just be happier in general, probably."



An article by Dennis Prager titled "How Many Americans Has the American Medical Establishment Killed?" was posted at townhall.com on Feb. 9, 2021. Following is the article.

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I should state at the outset that were it not for doctors, I would either be paralyzed or dead. I owe my mobility and probably my life to wonderful physicians.

However, I will now state with equal certitude that the American medical profession as a whole and many individual doctors are responsible for the deaths of tens of thousands of Americans—very possibly, more than that.

Along with the media—from The New York Times to Google/YouTube, Facebook and Twitter—Americans have been denied both life-saving information and life-saving drugs.

I am specifically referring to hydroxychloroquine and ivermectin. These drugs (along with zinc), which are as safe as any medicines humanity has taken in the last half-century, should have been almost universally used to treat covid-19 patients as soon as those patients showed symptoms or tested positive—and even as a prophylactic to prevent or minimize the effects of the illness in the first place. If they had been, it is likely that tens, maybe hundreds, of thousands of those who died of the virus would have lived.

For the record, I put my medicines where my mouth is. I have been taking hydroxychloroquine and zinc (as well as vitamin D and selenium) on a regular basis for half a year, and ivermectin for the past three months. More for the record: During this time, I have hugged hundreds of strangers at various events around the country, maskless. In addition, at home, I live with four people: my wife, two stepsons and the fiancée of one of the sons. That couple, both in their mid-20s, developed symptoms and then tested positive for covid-19 a month ago. They were the only two members of the family not to be on hydroxychloroquine or ivermectin. And while they were ill, my wife and I practiced no social distancing, wore no masks in the house and tested negative twice (as responsible citizens, we quarantined at home for 14 days).

The son and his fiancée immediately began a course of treatment of hydroxychloroquine, zinc, ivermectin, vitamin D and selenium, and within half a day, they were feeling better. A few days later, all their symptoms had vanished.

Of course, the medical establishment, the media and others committed to irrationality, fear, making fortunes from pharmaceutical companies and keeping Americans from a normal life will dismiss all this as just anecdotes. But I would ask: How many anecdotes about the effectiveness of these safe drugs does it take to persuade people? I would ask a more damning question: Given how safe hydroxychloroquine and ivermectin are, what could we have possibly lost by allowing millions of people to take these medicines?

Or, to put it another way, if doctors who advocate for the use of these safe drugs are wrong, what price would we have paid? Essentially none. But what if Dr. Anthony Fauci, YouTube, Facebook, Twitter, The New York Times, CNN, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the National Institutes of Health and the poor souls who trust them are wrong? The price we have paid is tens of thousands of dead Americans, and quite possibly more than that.

We paid another horrific price for listening to the medical establishment, the colluding media, Democratic governors and others on the left. We have killed much of our economy; robbed tens of millions of Americans of their livelihoods; quite possibly put the dollar on the road to near-worthlessness; perhaps ensured future inflation that will further destroy the well-being of the American people; and sent innumerable Americans spiraling into depression, drug and alcohol use, spousal and child abuse, and suicide.

I offer an example of NIH dishonesty bordering on malpractice. On Nov. 9, 2020, the NIH issued a report titled "Hydroxychloroquine Does Not Benefit Adults Hospitalized With Covid-19." This was dishonest for two reasons: First, zinc wasn't used. While hydroxychloroquine alone can help fight covid-19, every physician who prescribes hydroxychloroquine to covid-19 patients insists it be accompanied by zinc. Hydroxychloroquine without zinc is like a gun without a bullet. Second, everyone who advocates the use of hydroxychloroquine and zinc to fight covid-19 insists it be given as early as possible, i.e., before hospitalization.

So, the NIH test was useless. Why those who conducted it did not give patients zinc and waited until they were hospitalized are such obvious questions that either those doctors were ignorant of hydroxychloroquine protocols or they set the test up to fail. Either explanation constitutes a moral and medical scandal.

It is extremely important to note that the report concluded that hydroxychloroquine was "found not to cause harm."

This is from the CDC on Sept. 4, 2020: "Current data indicate that the potential benefits of these drugs (hydroxychloroquine and chloroquine) do not outweigh their risks." Given that there are almost no risks, the CDC statement is egregious.

Now to ivermectin.

The NIH, on Aug. 27, 2020, announced: "The Covid-19 Treatment Guidelines Panel recommends against the use of ivermectin for the treatment of covid-19, except in a clinical trial."

However, three months later, on Nov. 28, 2020, the NIH published this finding regarding ivermectin: "Countries with routine mass drug administration

of prophylactic chemotherapy including ivermectin have a significantly lower incidence of covid-19.”

Consequently, on Jan. 14, 2021, the NIH withdrew its opposition to ivermectin—but, incredibly, still refused to endorse it: “The Covid-19 Treatment Guidelines Panel (the Panel) has determined that currently there are insufficient data to recommend either for or against the use of ivermectin for the treatment of covid-19.”

How many Americans died from covid-19 between Aug. 27, 2020, and Jan. 14, 2021, because of NIH waffling?

That report contained a truly deceitful statement concerning hydroxychloroquine: that it carries “considerable risk of sometimes fatal complications and interactions.”

On Dec. 16, 2020, the FDA declared that ivermectin “is not approved for the prevention or treatment of covid-19.”

Meanwhile, YouTube took down a U.S. Senate hearing featuring doctors and epidemiologists who spoke in favor of ivermectin.

When we get to the other side of the covid-19 crisis and all the damage is tallied—the unnecessary deaths and the ruined lives—the medical establishment, the media and many politicians are going to have a lot to answer for.

At a great price, we have learned that “follow the science” and “follow the scientists” are not the same thing. We have followed the latter off a cliff.



An article by Cassidy Morrison titled “Covid-19 Vaccines: What You Need to Know About Side Effects and Risks” was posted at [washingtonexaminer.com](http://washingtonexaminer.com) on Feb. 8, 2021. Following is the article.

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More than 40 million doses of either the Pfizer or Moderna covid-19 vaccines have been administered in the United States, mostly to seniors and health-care workers, since the rollout began in mid-December.

With the growing number of immunizations comes a clearer picture of the negative side effects associated with the shots.

Here are your questions, answered:

**Q: Are the vaccines safe?**

**A:** The Moderna and Pfizer vaccines, the only ones authorized for public use in the U.S., appear to have the same types of adverse effects, called risk patterns, as those of other shots, such as, for example, the meningitis B and shingles vaccines.

“In terms of trying to put it in context and say, these vaccines have similar risk patterns to other vaccines that have been used for a while, I think that’s a fair assessment,” said Dr. Archana Chatterjee, dean of the Chicago Medical School and

a member of the Food and Drug Administration's panel of vaccine experts charged with reviewing clinical trial data and recommending the shots for public use.

"All vaccines have some local adverse events associated with them; injection site redness, tenderness, swelling, those things occur, we know that. And it's the same with these vaccines. Typically, both the local and systemic adverse events would last for a day or two," Chatterjee added.

**Q: How do we know what kinds of side effects there are?**

**A:** There are different sources of data for the vaccines.

One is a platform, established in 1990, that allows patients who received the shots or caretakers of those patients to report their side effects, called the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System. It's limited in that it only contains info that people voluntarily submit.

The other uses data from a smartphone app called V-Safe that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention set up just for monitoring reactions to the coronavirus vaccines. During the first week after getting the shots, V-Safe sends the patient a daily text message as a reminder to complete a brief survey about how he or she feels. The frequency of the check-ins dips to only once a week for five weeks. All reports of adverse reactions are sent to the CDC.

**Q: How do the rates of negative side effects of covid-19 vaccines compare to other common shots?**

**A:** The side effects associated with the Pfizer and Moderna shots are comparable to, though slightly worse than, those of other vaccines.

For example, 24.1% of recipients of the first Moderna shot reported headaches, compared with 25% of those receiving the meningitis B vaccine, according to VAERS data.

The most common adverse side effects of the covid-19 shots are headache, fatigue, dizziness, nausea, chills, fever, and pain at the injection site, according to the CDC.

One unusual side effect of the covid-19 vaccines is difficulty breathing, which a relatively small share of recipients have noted, though it is unclear how many of those fully recovered or needed further medical attention.

Note that the VAERS data reflects the first roughly 22 million doses of vaccine administered out of the total 40 million-plus total doses administered since the rollout began in December.

"That's just your immune system working, so that I don't consider anything serious," said Dr. Paul Offit, a virologist at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and a member of the FDA's panel of vaccine experts.

It appears that the side effects are more pronounced with the second dose of the Pfizer vaccine, according to data taken from V-Safe. For example, 7.4% of users reported fevers after their first dose of the Pfizer vaccine, compared to 25.2% who reported fever after the second dose.



Vaccine experts have likened the effects of the coronavirus vaccines to those of the vaccine to prevent meningitis B, normally given to adolescents, and the vaccine to prevent shingles, normally given to adults 50 years or older.

### **Q: What about serious problems?**

**A:** There is some indication that the rate of serious reactions to the covid-19 vaccines may be higher, but it's unclear, given how quickly the rollout has taken place.

The VAERS platform keeps track of these "serious" adverse reactions, that is, ones that result in hospitalization, life-threatening illness, permanent disability, congenital anomaly or birth defect, or death.

There were 45 reports of serious adverse reactions to the covid-19 shots per 1 million doses administered. Nonserious adverse events were more common, with 372 reports per 1 million doses administered.

In comparison, the rate of serious adverse reactions for the meningitis B vaccine is 15 reports per 1 million doses. The rate of serious reactions for the shingles vaccine is 40 reports per 1 million doses. The shingles vaccine was given to adults older than 50, making it a better point of comparison, given that the covid-19 vaccines have been given only to working-age and older people.

The rate of serious adverse reactions to the covid-19 vaccines is, in context, "minuscule," Chatterjee said. She noted that there tend to be more bad reactions reported when a vaccine is first rolled out, meaning that as more shots are administered, the rates should decrease.

### **Q: What about severe allergic reactions?**

**A:** Reports of severe allergic reactions, or anaphylaxis, to the coronavirus vaccines are rare, CDC data shows. Reporting in VAERS shows that for every 1 million doses of the Pfizer vaccine administered, only five cases of anaphylaxis occurred. For every 1 million doses of the Moderna vaccine administered, 2.8 cases of anaphylaxis occur.

The risk of anaphylaxis is higher for the meningitis B and shingles vaccines. The rate of anaphylactic shock in each dose of the meningitis B vaccine is 6.16 cases per 1 million doses. Meanwhile, for every million doses of the shingles vaccine, 6.58 cases of anaphylaxis occur, according to a 2018 report published in the *Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology*.

Cases of anaphylaxis usually occur within 30 minutes of receiving the vaccine, which is why healthcare providers who give the shots keep the recipients under observation for about half an hour.

### **Q: What about other reports of people dying?**

**A:** Reporting in VAERS showed that 129 nursing home residents who had received either the Pfizer or Moderna shots died within a few days. However, the CDC determined from these reports that the vaccines were not directly linked to any deaths.

"Deaths in [long-term care facility] residents following covid-19 vaccination are consistent with expected all-cause mortality in this population," members of the CDC Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices said in their most recent meeting in January.

The vaccine recipients who died were either very old and already sick with chronic diseases such as heart disease and kidney failure. For instance, one report from a healthcare provider said that at the time of infection, a coronavirus outbreak was underway in the patient's nursing home.

"She had a number of chronic, underlying health conditions. The vaccine did not have enough time to prevent covid-19. There is no evidence that the vaccination caused the patient's death. It simply didn't have time to save her life," the healthcare provider reported to the VAERS platform.

In another report to VAERS, a caretaker said that her grandmother died a few hours after receiving the second Moderna shot but said they "don't expect that the events are related," but the hospital treating their grandmother "did not acknowledge this, and I wanted to be sure a report was made."

"The adverse events that have been reported associated with these vaccines, both through the clinical trials and . . . now through the vaccine adverse events reporting system, have not raised concerns about any increased or different adverse event profiles that we see with other routinely administered vaccines," Chatterjee said.

The CDC has been working with vaccine manufacturers to investigate the reported deaths. Pfizer announced last month that the company is "actively investigating" the recent death of Miami Beach gynecologist Dr. Gregory Michael, 56, after he received a dose of the Pfizer vaccine. He had developed an unusual blood disorder and died 16 days later. The CDC said that it would "evaluate the situation as more information becomes available and provide timely updates on what is known and any necessary actions."



"Eye on the World" comment: The following list of articles consists of headlines of extra articles, which involve the United States. The articles were not posted, but the headlines give the essence of the story.

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### **Deficit**

- An article by Cal Thomas titled "The Spending Addiction" was posted at townhall.com on Feb. 9, 2021.
- An article by Terence P. Jeffrey titled "U.S. Ran \$310.8 Billion Pandemic-Year Trade Deficit With China" was posted at cnsnews.com on Feb. 10, 2021.
- An article by Jake Dima titled "\$736 Billion National Deficit Dwarfs 2020 Numbers" was posted at washingtonexaminer.com on Feb. 10, 2021.
- An article by Terence P. Jeffrey titled "1,923,752,000,000: Federal Spending Sets Record Through January" was posted at cnsnews.com on Feb. 11, 2021.

### **Comments about abortion**

- Looking back to January, an article by Michael Brown titled "To Christians Who Voted for Biden: Did You Not See This Coming?" was posted at townhall.com on Jan. 31, 2021.

- An article by thepostmillennial staff titled "Texas Fully Defunds Planned Parenthood" was posted at thepostmillennial.com on Feb. 6, 2021.
- An article by Tristan Justice titled "Google-Owned YouTube Deplatforms Pro-Life Group LifeSiteNews" was posted at thefederalist.com on Feb. 10, 2021.

### **Rich people are getting richer**

- Looking back to December 2020, an article by Liz Hoffman and Jennifer Maloney titled "For Many Big Businesses, 2020 Was a Surprisingly Good Year" was posted at wsj.com on Dec. 18, 2020.
- Looking back to December 2020, an article by John Romano titled "Small Businesses Like Mine Didn't Cause Covid, but Governments Are Making Us Pay for It" was posted at thefederalist.com on Dec. 18, 2020.
- Looking back to January, an article by Yelena Dzhanova titled "Jeff Bezos and Elon Musk Increased Their Wealth by \$217 Billion in 2020; For This Amount, Over 100 Million Americans Could Get \$2,000 Checks" was posted at businessinsider.com on Jan. 2, 2021.
- An article by Evie Fordham titled "Federal Employees, Senators Rack Up High Salaries by Not Retiring" was posted at foxbusiness.com on Feb. 7, 2021.
- An article by Tyler Van Dyke titled "Democratic Student Loan Forgiveness Plan Primarily Benefits Top Earners" was posted at washingtonexaminer.com on Feb. 6, 2021.

### **Tragedies of lock-down**

- Looking back to November, an article by Brad Polumbo titled "4 Life-Threatening Unintended Consequences of the Lockdowns" was posted at fee.org on Nov. 25, 2020. (The four consequences are: (1) Massive Spikes in Suicide Rates and Mental Health Crises, (2) Uptick in Drug Overdoses and Substance Abuse, (3) Economic Devastation Leads to Hunger and (4) Surge in Domestic Violence Under Covid-19 Lockdowns.)
- An article by Brad Slager titled "Health Records in Virginia Show an Alarming Trend of Suicides in School-Age Children as the State Remains Closed" was posted at redstate.com on Feb. 4, 2021.
- An article by Orion Rummier titled "Biden on School Closures: 'It Is a National Emergency' " was posted at axios.com on Feb. 7, 2021.

### **Comments about teacher unions**

- An article by Emily Zanotti titled "'Enough Is Enough': Chicago Major Demands Teachers Return to Work in Fiery Speech" was posted at dailywire.com on Feb. 4, 2021.
- An article by Quinn Weimer titled "[Mark] Levin: Biden Will 'Follow the Money' (Not the Science) on School Reopenings" was posted at cnsnews.com on Feb. 11, 2021.

## Finances

- An article by Maria Aspan titled "Nearly 80% of the 346,000 Workers Who Vanished From the U.S. Labor Force in January Are Women" was posted at fortune.com on Feb. 5, 2021.
- An article by Michael Ruiz titled "Coronavirus Forces Texas-Based Luby's Restaurant Chain to Liquidate" was posted at foxbusiness.com on Feb. 5, 2021.
- An article titled "NYSE Chief [Stacey Cunningham] Warns It May Leave New York If Stock Transfer Tax Is Imposed [by Albany]" was posted at foxbusiness.com on Feb. 9, 2021.
- An article by Jonathan Garber titled "Canopy Growth CEO [David Klein] Sees Biden Bullish for Pot" was posted at foxbusiness.com on Feb. 9, 2021.
- An article by Diana Olick titled "Mortgage Demand Drops As Interest Rates Hit a Three-Month High" was posted at cnbc.com on Feb. 10, 2021.
- A Reuters article by Noor Zainab Hussain titled "Mastercard to Open Up Network to Select Cryptocurrencies" was posted at reuters.com on Feb. 10, 2021.
- An article by Emily McCormick titled "Jobless Claims: Another 793,000 Americans Filed New Unemployment Claims Last Week" was posted at yahoo.com on Feb. 11, 2021.

## Minimum wage

- An article by Dylan Housman titled "Democrats' Minimum Wage Increase Would Kill 1.4 Million Jobs, Congressional Budget Office Finds" was posted at dailycaller.com on Feb. 8, 2021.
- An article by Reagan McCarthy titled "Psaki: President Biden Remains 'Firmly Committed' to Slashing 1.4 Million Jobs With Minimum Wage Hike" was posted at townhall.com on Feb. 8, 2021.
- An article by Brad Polumbo titled "Texas Governor Warns \$15 Minimum Wage Would 'Put a Boot on the Neck' of Small Businesses and Crush His State's Economy" was posted at fee.org on Feb. 10, 2021.
- An article by Matt Vespa titled "Boomerang: Ocasio-Cortez Accidentally Slips and Explains Why Minimum Wage Hike Is Terrible Policy" was posted at townhall.com on Feb. 10, 2021.

## Keystone pipeline

- An article by Ryan Saavedra titled "Top Union Leader [AFL-CIO President Richard Trumka] Slams Biden's Job-Killing Order: 'Cost Us Jobs,' Needs to Consider 'Future of Country'" was posted at dailywire.com on Feb. 8, 2021.
- An article by Gavin Wax titled "There Will Only Be Unity When States No Longer Disregard Their Duty to Stand Up to DC" was posted at townhall.com on Feb. 9, 2021.

■ An article by Gabe Kaminsky titled “14 State Attorneys General Indicate Forthcoming Legal Action Against ‘Devastating’ Biden Keystone Pipeline Cancellation” was posted at [thefederalist.com](https://www.thefederalist.com) on Feb. 10, 2021.

### **Stimulus checks**

■ An article by Nicholas Ballasy titled “Government Waste Critic: Deceased Will Get Stimulus Checks Under Biden \$1.9 Trillion Stimulus Plan” was posted at [justthenews.com](https://www.justthenews.com) on Feb. 6, 2021.

■ Looking back to June 2020, an article by Erica Werner titled “Treasury Sent More Than 1 Million Coronavirus Stimulus Payments to Dead People, Congressional Watchdog [Government Accountability Office] Finds” was posted at [washingtonpost.com](https://www.washingtonpost.com) on June 25, 2020. [Just as dead people receive government checks, dead people can also receive government mail-in ballots.]

■ An article by Beth Baumann titled “Nothing Says ‘Stimulate the Economy’ Quite Like Paying the Dead” was posted at [townhall.com](https://www.townhall.com) on Feb. 8, 2021.

■ An article by Naomi Lim titled “White House Backs \$75,000 Income Threshold for Coronavirus Stimulus Checks” was posted at [washingtonexaminer.com](https://www.washingtonexaminer.com) on Feb. 9, 2021.

■ An article by Sarah Al-Arshani titled “Radio Host Dave Ramsey Slammed Stimulus Checks and Said You’re ‘Already Screwed’ If \$600 or \$1,400 Changes Your Life” was posted at [businessinsider.com](https://www.businessinsider.com) on Feb. 11, 2021.

### **Green New Deal**

■ Looking back to 2019, an article by Adam Shaw titled “AOC’s Top Aide Admits Green New Deal About the Economy, Not Climate” was posted at [foxnews.com](https://www.foxnews.com) on July 12, 2019.

■ An article by Stephen L. Miller titled “Are You Ready for the Climate Lock-downs?” was posted at [spectator.us](https://www.spectator.us) on Feb. 5, 2021.

■ An article by Ashe Schow titled “Massachusetts Climate Official [David Ismay] on People Producing Emissions: ‘We Have to Break Your Will’ ” was posted at [dailywire.com](https://www.dailywire.com) on Feb. 6, 2021.

■ An article by Jonathan Garber titled “Biden Climate Actions to Jolt Electricity Prices” was posted at [foxbusiness.com](https://www.foxbusiness.com) on Feb. 6, 2021.

■ An article by Katie Pavlich titled “White House Asked to Explain Killing Oil Jobs in Favor of ‘Green’ Jobs That Don’t Exist” was posted at [townhall.com](https://www.townhall.com) on Feb. 8, 2021.

■ An article by Daniel Greenfield titled “John Kerry Emitted 302 Tons of CO<sub>2</sub> to Save the Planet” was posted at [frontpagemag.com](https://www.frontpagemag.com) on Feb. 10, 2021.

### **News about the media**

■ A video and an article by Thaleigha Rampersad titled “Video: The ‘Kids in Cages’ [the Practice Started Under the Obama Administration, But the Media Used the Phrase to Criticize the Trump Administration] Are Now [Called]

'Migrant Children' [to Help the Biden Administration]" were posted at free-beacon.com on Feb. 3, 2021.

■ An article by Mica Soellner titled "Tucker Carlson: Bank of America Collected Data Off Consumers Who Might Have Been at DC Riot" was posted at washingtonexaminer.com on Feb. 4, 2021.

■ An article by Stephen Battaglio titled "Fox News Cancels Lou Dobbs' Show; Pro-Trump Host Not Expected to Be Back on Air" was posted at latimes.com on Feb. 5, 2021.

■ An article by Jamie L.H. Goodall titled "The [NFL] Buccaneers Embody Tampa's Love of Pirates; Is That a Problem?" was posted at washingtonpost.com on Feb. 5, 2021.

■ An article by David Ng titled "Bruce Springsteen Promotes Political Healing in Jeep Super Bowl Commercial After Repeatedly Bashing Trump [for Years]" was posted at Breitbart.com on Feb. 7, 2021.

■ An article by David Ng titled "Mothers Against Drunk Driving Outraged Bruce Springsteen DWI Arrest [in November] Wasn't Revealed Before He Drove a 'Jeep in a High Priced Super Bowl Commercial' " was posted at Breitbart.com on Feb. 10, 2021.

■ An article by Glenn Greenwald titled "The Journalistic Tattletale and Censorship Industry Suffers Several Well-Deserved Blows" was posted at greenwald.com on Feb. 7, 2021.

■ An article by Pam Key titled "CNN's [Don] Lemon: If You Stand With Trump, I Don't Want to Hear 'Respect Police Officers' From You" was posted at Breitbart.com on Feb. 9, 2021.

■ An article by Tristan Justice titled "CNN's Anderson Cooper Compares Capitol Riots to Rwandan Genocide" was posted at thefederalist.com on Feb. 10, 2021.

■ An article by Mark Hemingway titled "Hiding Biden: How Democrats and Media Crafted the First Impeachment to Help Defeat Trump in 2020" was posted at thefederalist.com on Feb. 10, 2021.

■ An article by Joy Pullman titled "Time Magazine Gushingly Profiles the Successful 'Conspiracy' to Rig the 2020 Election" was posted at thefederalist.com on Feb. 10, 2021.

■ A video and an article by Noah David Alter titled "Watch: Tucker Carlson Says the Democrats' Narrative About the Capitol Riot Is a 'Lie' " were posted at thepostmillennial.com on Feb. 11, 2021.

■ An article by Jordan Davidson titled "Progressive Activists [Seek to] Blackmail Corporations to Silence Tucker Carlson for Telling the Truth" was posted at thefederalist.com on Feb. 11, 2021.

■ An article by Julio Rosas titled "Yahoo News Journalist [Alexander Nazaryan] Compares Reporters Covering Trump to Storming Omaha Beach" was posted at townhall.com on Feb. 11, 2021.

## **New coronavirus strain**

- An article by Audrey McNamara titled "Covid-19 Variants Will Soon Outnumber Cases of Original Strain, Fauci Says" was posted at [cbsnews.com](https://www.cbsnews.com) on Jan. 29, 2021.
- An article by Marcia Frelick titled "U.K. Covid Variant Doubles Every 10 Days in the U.S." was posted at [webmd.com](https://www.webmd.com) on Feb. 8, 2021.

## **Coronavirus vaccine**

- A Reuters article by Natalie Thomas titled "Vaccine Passports: Path Back to Normality or Problem in the Making?" was posted at [reuters.com](https://www.reuters.com) on Feb. 4, 2021.
- An article by David K. Li, Bianca Britton and Erika Edwards titled "Virginia Woman Dies Shortly After Covid Vaccination, Though No Link Has Been Found" was posted at [nbcnews.com](https://www.nbcnews.com) on Feb. 5, 2021.
- An article titled "Kroger [Grocery Store] to Pay \$100 to All Associates Who Receive Covid-19 Vaccine" was posted at [wlwt.com](https://www.wlwt.com) [in Cincinnati, Ohio] on Feb. 5, 2021.
- An article by Melissa Klein titled "NYC's Covid Vaccine Hubs Are Ghost Towns as Department of Health Mum on Distribution" was posted at [nypost.com](https://www.nypost.com) on Feb. 6, 2021.
- A Reuters article by Derek Francis titled "59.3 Million Doses of Covid-19 Vaccines Distributed, 39 Million Administered: U.S. CDC" was posted at [reuters.com](https://www.reuters.com) on Feb. 6, 2021.
- An article by Elizabeth Weise titled "Pfizer Expects to Cut Covid-19 Vaccine Production Time by Close to 50% As Production Ramps Up, Efficiencies Increase" was posted at [usatoday.com](https://www.usatoday.com) on Feb. 7, 2021.
- An article by Tim Ross and Emily Ashton titled "Single Dose of Pfizer Shot Gives Two-Thirds Protection, Data Suggests" was posted at [bloomberg.com](https://www.bloomberg.com) on Feb. 9, 2021.
- An article by Sara G. Miller, Akshay Syal and Erica Edwards titled "Fully Vaccinated People Don't Need to Quarantine If Exposed to Covid, CDC Says" was posted at [nbcnews.com](https://www.nbcnews.com) on Feb. 10, 2021.
- An article by Sharyl Attkisson titled "Deaths of Elderly Who Recovered From Covid-19, But Died After Vaccine, Raise Questions" was posted at [www.theepochtimes.com](https://www.theepochtimes.com) on Feb. 10, 2021.
- A Reuters article by Rebecca Spalding titled "U.S. Government Partnering With Texas to Build Three Mass Vaccination Sites" was posted at [reuters.com](https://www.reuters.com) on Feb. 10, 2021.

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- An article by Craig Mauger, Beth LeBlanc and David Goricki titled "[Michigan Governor] Whitmer [Caves and] Lifts Ban on Contact High School Sports" was posted at [detroitnews.com](https://www.detroitnews.com) on Feb. 4, 2021.

- An article by Monica Alba, Carol E. Lee and Kristen Welker titled “Biden Administration Weighs Plan to Directly Send [Millions of] Masks to All Americans” was posted at nbcnews.com on Feb. 4, 2021.

- An article by Brian Trusdell titled “TSA Suggests Fines Up to \$1,500 for Mask Violations” was posted at newsmax.com on Feb. 5, 2021.

- An article by Brie Stimson titled “Iowa Governor [Kim Reynolds] Lifts Mask Requirements, Other Coronavirus Restrictions” was posted at foxnews.com on Feb. 6, 2021.

### **Coronavirus and religion**

- An article by Brie Stimson titled “Supreme Court Ruling in California Case Allows Indoor Religious Services to Resume—With Some Limits” was posted at foxnews.com on Feb. 6, 2021.

- An article by Sarah Kramer titled “Think the ‘Equality Act’ Will Spare Churches and Religious Schools? Think Again” was posted at cnsnews.com on Feb. 11, 2021.

### **Comments about police “misconduct”**

- An article by Ny Magee titled “Ohio Police Officer Charged With Murder in Shooting Death of Andre Hill” was posted at thegrio.com on Feb. 3, 2021.

- An article by Tim Pearce titled “Minnesota Governor Calls in National Guard Ahead of Trial Over George Floyd’s Death” was posted at dailywire.com on Feb. 7, 2021.

### **Illegal immigration**

- An article by Bob Price titled “Report: Texas Sends 10,000 Covid Tests to Border As Biden Releases Untested Migrants” was posted at Breitbart.com on Feb. 4, 2021.

- An article by Mairead McArdle titled “Biden Administration Relaunches ‘Catch and Release’ As Illegal Border Crossings Return to ‘Crisis’ Levels” was posted at nationalreview.com on Feb. 5, 2021.

- An article by Brittany De Lea titled “42 Senate Democrats Vote in Favor of Government Payments to Illegal Immigrants” was posted at foxnews.com on Feb. 5, 2021.

- An article by Bob Price titled “253 Migrants Apprehended in One Hour Along Texas Border With Mexico” was posted at Breitbart.com on Feb. 6, 2021.

### **Comments about weapons**

- An article by Eleanor Dearman titled “Don’t Tread on Texans’ Gun Rights, Abbott Says in Plan to ‘Protect’ Second Amendment” was posted at star-telegram.com on Feb. 8, 2021.



- An article by Stephen Gutowski titled “Utah Axes Gun-Permit Requirement” was posted at freebeacon.com on Feb. 10, 2021.
- An article by Katie Pavlich titled “The White House Is Working on Gun Control Agenda” was posted at townhall.com on Feb. 11, 2021.
- An article by Allen West titled “Attacks on Second Amendment Trigger Tyranny” was posted at townhall.com on Feb. 12, 2021.

### **Comments about transgenders**

- An article by Dr. Susan Berry titled “ ‘What Planet Are You From?’—Rand Paul Denounces Biden Transgender Sports Policy” was posted at Breitbart.com on Feb. 3, 2021.
- An article by Cameron Kerkes titled “ ‘Baseless Propaganda’: Critics Slam ACLU for Claiming Biological Men Have No Advantage Over Women in Sports” was posted at dailycaller.com on Feb. 4, 2021.
- An article by Tanasia Kenney titled “ ‘Pushing Children Into Transgenderism’; Biden’s Pro-LGBT Orders Decried by Mississippi Governor [Tate Reeves]” was posted at news&observer.com on Feb. 5, 2021.
- An article by Melanie Arter titled “Psaki on Biological Males Competing in Girls’ Sports: ‘Trans Rights Are Human Rights’ ” was posted at CNSNews.com on Feb. 10, 2021.
- An article by M.D. Kittle titled “The War on Women’s Sports: Wisconsin Man Wins Women’s Cycling Race” was posted at thefederalist.com on Feb. 11, 2021.

### **Criticism of conservatives**

- Looking back to January, an article titled “Mike Lindell [MyPillow CEO] Targeted [for Boycotts by Leftists]; Help Him Today” was posted at Newsmax.com on Jan. 28, 2021.
- An article titled “Mike Lindell Says Newsmax ‘Is Great’—MyPillow [Business] Soars Despite Boycotts” was posted at Newsmax.com on Feb. 3, 2021.
- An article by Ursula Perano titled “David Hogg [20-Year-Old Gun-Control Advocate] Launching [Pillow Business] Competitor to Mike Lindell’s MyPillow” was posted at Axios.com on Feb. 8, 2021.
- An article by Megan Fox titled “Why Is The Washington Post Giving a Fake Pillow Company [by 20-Year-Old Gun-Control Advocate] Free Advertising?” was posted at PJMedia.com on Feb. 10, 2021.
- An article by Tim Graham titled “[New York Times Columnist Nicholas] Kristol: Crystal Clear on Curtailing Conservatives” was posted at Creators.com on Feb. 3, 2021.

- An article by Michael Ruiz titled "Ocasio-Cortez Campaign Urges Supporters to Report Critics to Twitter and Facebook" was posted at foxnews.com on Feb. 5, 2021.
- An article by Virginia Heffernan titled "What Can You Do About the Trumpites Next Door?" was posted at latimes.com on Feb. 5, 2021.
- An article by Joshua Klein titled "LA Times [Journalist Virginia Heffernan] Likens 'Aggressive Niceness' of Trumpites to Terrorist Hospitality, 'Polite' Nazis" was posted at Breitbart.com on Feb. 5, 2021.
- An article by Jacob Knutson and Kadia Goba titled "GOP Reps. [Louis] Gohmert [of Texas] and [Andrew] Clyde [of Georgia] Fined \$5,000 Each for Bypassing House Metal Detectors" was posted at Axios.com on Feb. 5, 2021.
- An article by Morgan Phillips titled "Calls Intensify for Pelosi to Pay Fine She Imposed After Bypassing Metal Detector" was posted at foxnews.com on Feb. 6, 2021.
- An article by Pam Key titled "Maxine Waters: I Have Never Glorified or Encouraged Violence Against Republicans" was posted at Breitbart.com on Feb. 7, 2021.

### **Biden supporters and detractors**

- An article by Gabe Kaminsky titled "Leftists Aren't Trying to Hide the Insane Policies Biden 'Must Pass in His First 100 Days' " was posted at thefederalist.com on Feb. 10, 2021.
- An article by Craig Bannister titled "Sen. Cruz: Democrats Pursue 'Doomed' Impeachment Trial Because Hatred of Trump Defines Their Party" was posted at CNSnews.com on Feb. 10, 2021.
- An article by Tim Cato titled "Dallas Mavericks Cease Playing National Anthem Before [Home] Games at Mark Cuban's Direction" was posted at theathletic.com on Feb. 9, 2021.
- An article by Jordan Davidson titled "White House Supports [Dallas] Mavericks Scrapping the National Anthem Because America Fails 'Often' " was posted at thefederalist.com on Feb. 10, 2021.
- An article by Dylan Gwinn titled "Overruled: NBA Dunks on Mark Cuban, Orders 'All Teams' to Play Anthem [Avoiding Further Financial Hemorrhaging]" was posted at Breitbart.com on Feb. 10, 2021.
- An article by Andrew Mark Miller titled "Antifa and Black Lives Matter Protesters March Through DC, Surrounding Diners, Skirmishing With Police and Chanting 'Burn It Down' " was posted at WashingtonExaminer.com on Feb. 7, 2021.
- An article by Zaid Jilani titled "Democrats Go Ape Over DC Violence While Ignoring Riots, Murder and Mayhem Everywhere Else" was posted at thefederalist.com on Feb. 5, 2021.

- A video and an article by Ryan Morgan titled "Video: Biden Just Said He Was 'Shot At' Overseas, But Here's the Real Story and Why He's Walked It Back Previously" were posted at [americanmilitary.com](http://americanmilitary.com) on Feb. 5, 2021.
- An article by Jack Davis titled "National Prayer Breakfast: Biden Talks About Capitol Incident 5 Times Longer Than God" was posted at [westernjournal.com](http://westernjournal.com) on Feb. 4, 2021.
- An article by Ledyard King titled "Kamala Harris Has Already Broken 2 Senate Ties on Covid Relief; She Could Give Democrats More Victories in the Future" was posted at [usatoday.com](http://usatoday.com) on Feb. 7, 2021.
- An article by Biba Adams titled "Texas Pastors [in Rockwall and Lindale] Under Fire for Referring to Kamala Harris As Racist Trope ['Jezebel']" was posted at [thegrio.com](http://thegrio.com) on Feb. 8, 2021.
- An article by Connor Perrett titled "Hillary Clinton Says Conspiracies About Her Spread by QAnon Followers Are 'Rooted' in Ancient Scapegoating of Women" was posted at [businessinsider.com](http://businessinsider.com) on Feb. 6, 2021.
- An article by Jon Jackson titled "San Francisco School Board Commissioner [Alison Collins] Calls Merit-Based Education 'Racist'—Sparking Debate" was posted at [newsweek.com](http://newsweek.com) on Feb. 4, 2021.
- An article by Joy Pullmann titled "San Francisco Schools Chief [30-Year-Old Gabriela Lopez] on Erasing Lincoln: He 'Is Not Someone I See As a Hero'" was posted at [thefederalist.com](http://thefederalist.com) on Feb. 10, 2021.
- An article by Barbara Rodriguez titled "Republican State Lawmakers Want to Punish Schools That Teach the 1619 Project" was posted at [usatoday.com](http://usatoday.com) on Feb. 10, 2021.
- An article by Oma Seddiq titled "Biden Supports Canceling \$10,000 in Student Loan Debt, but Democrats Are Calling on Him to Forgive \$50,000 Through Executive Action" was posted at [businessinsider.com](http://businessinsider.com) on Feb. 4, 2021.
- An article by Catherine Smith titled "January 2021 Carjackings More Than Triple From January 2020 in Philly" was posted at [amgreatness.com](http://amgreatness.com) on Feb. 4, 2021.
- An article by Bradford Betz titled "Newsom Recall Crossed Line From 'Possibility to Probability' As Campaign Nears Threshold, Organizer Says" was posted at [foxnews.com](http://foxnews.com) on Feb. 8, 2021.
- An article by Carla Marinucci titled "Newsom Shifts Into Defense Mode As California Recall Takes Shape" was posted at [politico.com](http://politico.com) on Feb. 10, 2021.
- An article by Hannah Bleau titled "Poll Shows Andrew Yang Leading Democrat Primary in New York City Mayoral Race" was posted at [breitbart.com](http://breitbart.com) on Feb. 10, 2021.
- An article by Kevin Daley titled "Biden Justice Department Pick [Kristen Clarke] Opposed Enforcing Civil Rights Laws Against Blacks" was posted at [freebeacon.com](http://freebeacon.com) on Feb. 8, 2021.

## Comments about Hunter Biden

- An article titled "Hunter Biden's Memoir 'Beautiful Thing' Out in April" was posted at politico.com on Feb. 4, 2021.
- A video and an article by Roberto Wakerell-Cruz titled "Watch: Biden Press Secretary Confirms Hunter [Biden] Owns 10 Percent Stake in Chinese Company" was posted at thepostmillennial.com on Feb. 5, 2021.

## General interest

- An article by Jabari Young titled "Super Bowl Posts Worst Viewer Ratings Since 2007" was posted at cnbc.com on Feb. 9, 2021.
- An article by Tyler Lauletta titled "The [Tampa Bay] Buccaneers Were in Awe of 'Magician' Patrick Mahomes Even While Shutting Him Down in the Super Bowl" was posted at businessinsider.com on Feb. 9, 2021.
- An article by Rebecca Rubin titled "'Wizard of Oz' Remake in the Works at New Line With Director Nicole Kassell" was posted at variety.com on Feb. 9, 2021.
- An article by Graig Graziosi titled "Five Dead and Drivers Trapped After 100 Car Pile-Up on Icy Texas Freeway" was posted at independent.co.uk on Feb. 11, 2021.



**Isaiah 55:6-11**—"Seek you the LORD while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, and He will have mercy on him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon. 'For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways,' says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, and do not return there, but water the earth, and make it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; it shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it."