

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).



Looking back to March, an article titled "WHO: Tuberculosis Is the World's Deadliest Infectious Disease" was posted at dw.com on March 24, 2020. Following is the article.

As the coronavirus death toll mounts, global health authorities are reminding that tuberculosis is deadliest infectious disease in the world. Over a million deaths are reported every year.

Tuberculosis kills more people than any other infectious disease, according to information shared by the United Nations (UN) on Tuesday.

Around 1.5 million people died from the bacterial infection in 2018, the World Health Organization (WHO) reported, bringing attention to World Tuberculosis Day on March 24.

Approximately 10 million people are infected with tuberculosis every year, the WHO said on its website. Only a small portion of global cases receive the necessary life-saving medicine.

Over 4,000 people die of tuberculosis every day.

WHO Director-General Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus said that the current coronavirus pandemic demonstrates how vulnerable patients with lung conditions or weakened immune systems are to the new outbreak. Tuberculosis is a disease affecting primarily the lungs.

“For millions of people with tuberculosis, the coronavirus represents a significant danger because their lungs are already weakened by tuberculosis, their general health is low due poverty, and they don’t have access to adequate healthcare,” Burkard Kömm, director of the agency German Leprosy and Tuberculosis Relief (DAHW) told German news agency EPD.

In Asia and Africa, it is tuberculosis patients who are most likely to be killed by the coronavirus.

Tuberculosis can be cured if treated over six months with a cocktail of four different antibiotics, DAWH said. However, many patients end their treatment early or develop a resistance to the medication that complicates and prolongs treatment. A lack of medicine is a common reason why patients end their treatment early, DAWH said.



A Reuters article by Sangmi Cha titled “People Are More Likely to Contract COVID-19 at Home, [South Korean] Study Finds” was posted at reuters.com on July 21, 2020. Following is the article.

South Korean epidemiologists have found that people were more likely to contract the new coronavirus from members of their own households than from contacts outside the home.

A study published in the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on July 16 looked in detail at 5,706 “index patients” who had tested positive for the coronavirus and more than 59,000 people who came into contact with them.

The findings showed just two out of 100 infected people had caught the virus from non-household contacts, while one in 10 had contracted the disease from their own families.

By age group, the infection rate within the household was higher when the first confirmed cases were teenagers or people in their 60s and 70s.

“This is probably because these age groups are more likely to be in close contact with family members as the group is in more need of protection or support,” Jeong Eun-kyeong, director of the Korea Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (KCDC) and one of the authors of the study, told a briefing.

Children aged nine and under were least likely to be the index patient, said Dr. Choe Young-june, a Hallym University College of Medicine assistant professor who co-led the work, although he noted that the sample size of 29 was small compared to the 1,695 20-to-29-year-olds studied.

Children with COVID-19 were also more likely to be asymptomatic than adults, which made it harder to identify index cases within that group.

“The difference in age group has no huge significance when it comes to contracting COVID-19. Children could be less likely to transmit the virus, but our data is not enough to confirm this hypothesis,” said Choe.

Data for the study was collected between Jan. 20 and March 27, when the new coronavirus was spreading exponentially and as daily infections in South Korea reached their peak.

KCDC has reported 45 new infections as of Monday, bringing the country's total cases to 13,816 with 296 deaths.



A Reuters article titled "China Vows 'Forceful Counter-Attack' in Escalating Row With Britain Over Hong Kong" was posted at reuters.com on July 21, 2020. Following is the article.

China threatened a "forceful counter-attack" on Tuesday in response to Britain's announcement that it would suspend its extradition treaty with Hong Kong following Beijing's introduction of a national security law for the former British colony.

On Monday, British Foreign Secretary Dominic Raab told parliament the extradition treaty would be suspended immediately and an arms embargo would be extended to Hong Kong.

"We will not consider re-activating those arrangements, unless and until there are clear and robust safeguards, which are able to prevent extradition from the UK being misused under the new national security legislation," Raab said.

The decision appeared to infuriate Beijing.

"China will make a forceful counter-attack to the UK's wrong actions," said Chinese foreign ministry spokesman Wang Wenbin at a daily news conference on Tuesday.

"China urges the UK to give up its fantasies of continuing colonial influence in Hong Kong and immediately correct its mistakes," he said.

London has been dismayed by a crackdown in Hong Kong, which returned to Chinese rule in 1997, and the perception that China did not tell the whole truth over the coronavirus outbreak.

Raab said he would extend a longstanding arms embargo on China to include Hong Kong, meaning no exports of weapons or ammunition and a ban on any equipment which might be used for internal repression, like shackles and smoke grenades.

Australia and Canada suspended extradition treaties with Hong Kong earlier this month. U.S. President Donald Trump has ended preferential economic treatment for Hong Kong.

Last week, Prime Minister Boris Johnson ordered equipment from China's Huawei Technologies [HWT.UL] to be purged completely from Britain's 5G network by the end of 2027.

China—once courted as the prime source of investment in British infrastructure projects from nuclear to rail—has accused Britain of pandering to the United States.

Britain says the new security law breaches the guarantees of freedoms, including an independent judiciary, that have helped keep Hong Kong one of the world's most important trade and financial centers since 1997.

Officials in Hong Kong and Beijing have said the law is vital to plug gaps in national security exposed by recent pro-democracy and anti-China protests. China has repeatedly told Western powers to stop meddling in Hong Kong's affairs.



An article by Campbell MacDiarmid titled "Egyptian Parliament Green Lights Military Intervention in Libya" was posted at telegraph.co.uk on July 21, 2020. Following are excerpts of the article.

Egypt's parliament has approved a potential military intervention in Libya, where President Abdel-Fattah al-Sisi has threatened to attack Turkish-backed forces.

Egyptian MPs voted unanimously on Monday to approve the deployment of troops abroad to fight "foreign sponsored terrorist groups" and "militias."

The resolution gave no time frame and made no mention of Turkey, or even Libya specifically, referring instead to a western deployment, but it risks escalating the spiraling conflict in Libya, where foreign powers have ignored an arms embargo to support the country's warring factions with weapons and fighters.

Since 2014 Libya has been split between the UN-recognized Government of National Accord in Tripoli and a rival administration in the east led by strongman Khalifa Haftar.

Egypt, which says it is concerned for the security of its western border, has bombed suspected militants in Libya and supports Mr. Haftar, who is also backed by the UAE and Russia.

Turkish military support for the GNA enabled the Tripoli government to fight off a 14-month offensive by Haftar's forces to seize the capital.

The offensive finally collapsed last month and forces loyal to the GNA have since pushed back pro-Haftar forces hundreds of miles to the central coastal city of Sirte, where both sides are now massing forces.

The birthplace of former dictator Muammar Gaddafi, Sirte is the gateway to Libya's main oil-export terminals and fields, which are controlled by Haftar.

Sirte is nearly 600 miles by road from Egypt but President Sisi warned last week that it was a "red line," and an attack on the strategic city would prompt an Egyptian military intervention in defense of its border.

Monday's parliament's resolution risks bringing US allies Egypt and Turkey into open conflict and was taken shortly after a phone call in which Donald Trump, the US president, urged Mr Sisi not to escalate the situation in Libya.

“The two leaders affirmed the need for immediate de-escalation in Libya, including through a ceasefire and progress on economic and political negotiations,” the White House said.

Egypt last deployed combat troops abroad during the 1991 Gulf War, when it dispatched two armored divisions and troops to Saudi Arabia.

The Egyptian forces struggled to advanced into Kuwait during the four-day ground offensive against Iraqi troops but later returned home to a hero’s welcome.



“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 titled “Jeffrey Epstein Was ‘A Sick Pedophile’ But Ghislaine Maxwell ‘Was the Mastermind’—Accuser Claims” was posted at [cbsnews.com](https://www.cbsnews.com) on July 16, 2020.
 - An article by Andrew Snell and James Gordon titled “Federal Judge’s [Esther Salas’] Son, 20, Is Shot Dead and Her Criminal Justice Defense Attorney Husband Is Critically Injured After a Gunman Disguised As a FedEx Driver Ambushed Their Home—Four Days After She Was Assigned a Case Linked to Jeffrey Epstein” was posted at [dailymail.co.uk](https://www.dailymail.co.uk) on July 20, 2020.
 - A Reuters article titled “Hong Kong Police Arrest Pro-Democracy Politician Set to Run for Legislation” was posted at [reuters.com](https://www.reuters.com) on July 17, 2020.
 - An article titled “Hong Kong Police Raise Purple Flag at Protest Marking Anniversary of Train Station Mob Attack” was posted at [storyful.com](https://www.storyful.com) on July 19, 2020.
 - An article by Tyler Durden titled “Chinese Ambassador Struggles to Explain Shocking Footage of Handcuffed and Blindfolded Uighurs Loaded Onto Train” was posted at [zerohedge.com](https://www.zerohedge.com) on July 19, 2020.
 - An article titled “Hypocrisy Rife Inside ‘Woke’ Corporations Turning a Blind Eye to China” was posted at [skynews.com.au](https://www.skynews.com.au) on July 20, 2020.
 - An article by Julian Kossoff titled “‘Virtually the Entire Apparel Industry’—From Gap to H&M to Adidas—Are Profiting From Forced Uighur Labor, Activists Say” was posted at [businessinsider.com](https://www.businessinsider.com) on July 23, 2020.
 - A Reuters article by Kay Johnson and Panu Wongcha-Um titled “Water Wars: Mekong River Another Front in U.S.-China Rivalry [Whether China’s 11 Dams on the River Were Harming Nations Downstream]” was posted at [reuters.com](https://www.reuters.com) on July 24, 2020.
 - An article by Sumantra Maitra titled “Hong Kong Is the New East Germany” was posted at [thefederalist.com](https://www.thefederalist.com) on July 23, 2020.
 - An article by Nicola Smith titled “Australia Joins U.S. and Japan for Navy Drills in the Philippine Sea As Concerns Grow Over China” was posted at [telegraph.co.uk](https://www.telegraph.co.uk) on July 22, 2020.

- A Reuters article titled “Philippines to Ramp Up Coronavirus Testing As Duterte Warns of Arrests” was posted at reuters.com on July 20, 2020.
- An article titled “Berlin, Rome, Paris Threaten Sanctions on States Interfering in Libya” was posted at afp.com on July 18, 2020.
- An article by Jimmy Nsubuga titled “Police Attacked With Bricks and Bottles After They Shut Down Illegal Rave in North London” was posted at yahoo.com on July 18, 2020.
- An article by Jimmy Nsubuga titled “ ‘Disgraceful’ Vandals Damage 1,000-Year-Old Tree in Sherwood Forest [in Nottinghamshire, England]” was posted at yahoo.com on July 22, 2020.
- An article by Telegraph Reporters titled “Warning of Cancer Deaths Tsunami’ [in Scotland] As Disease Claims Almost 1,000 More Lives at Home in Lockdown” was posted at telegraph.co.uk on July 23, 2020.
- A Reuters article titled “As Australian COVID-19 Cases Surge, State Bans ‘Dancing, Mingling’ at Weddings” was posted at reuters.com on July 17, 2020.
- An article by Matthew Smith titled “The World’s Newest Oil Boom [in Guyana] Is Facing a Major Problem [for the 800,000 Population]” was posted at oilprice.com on July 22, 2020.
- An article by Rachel Premack titled “Asiana Airlines Is Burning Cash Flying Empty A380 Superjumbo Jets to Keep Its Pilots Certified” was posted at businessinsider.com on July 23, 2020.
- An article by Eric Todisco titled “Lewis Hamilton Leads 14 Formula One Drivers in Taking a Knee Before Austrian Grand Prix” was posted at people.com on July 6, 2020.
- An article by Luke Smith titled “[Lewis] Hamilton Has Private Chat With F1 Drivers Who Didn’t Take a Knee” was posted at motorsports.com on July 16, 2020.



Looking back to 2015, an article by Jack Wellman titled “Was the American (US) Constitution Really Based on Biblical Principles?” was posted at whatchristianswanttoknow.com on Aug. 17, 2015. Following is the article.

Did the framers of the Constitution of the United States really base the Constitution upon the Bible and biblical principles?

Our Christian heritage

Anti-Christian historical revisionists like to re-write history to make it seem like our nation was not founded on biblical principles but that is not what the

historical records actually say nor is there any hint of this from the founding fathers of America.

John Adams wrote a letter to Thomas Jefferson on June 28, 1813 and said "The general principles on which the fathers achieved independence were the general principles of Christianity. I will avow that I then believed, and now believe, that those general principles of Christianity are as eternal and immutable as the existence and attributes of God."

The U.S. Supreme Court today is decidedly liberal and has an anti-Christian bias but originally, this would have been unthinkable as in a statement from the court in 1892 which said "Our laws and our institutions must necessarily be based upon and embody the teachings of the Redeemer of mankind. It is impossible that it should be otherwise; and in this sense and to this extent our civilization and our institutions are emphatically Christian."

Founding fathers on God and the Bible

George Mason, another of this nation's founding fathers wrote "The laws of nature are the laws of God, whose authority can be superseded by no power on earth."

Benjamin Franklin insisted on prayer before each session of the Constitutional Convention and Franklin obviously must have read enough of the Bible to have said "I have lived, Sir, a long time, and the longer I live, the more convincing proofs I see of this truth—that God Governs in the affairs of men. And if a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without his notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without his aid?"

John Adams wrote to his wife Abigail in a letter dated July 3, 1776 in which he said "The second day of July, 1776, will be the most memorable epoch in the history of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary Festival. It ought to be commemorated, as the Day of Deliverance, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forever."

Thomas Jefferson wrote "God who gave us life gave us liberty. And can the liberties of a nation be thought secure when we have removed their only firm basis, a conviction in the minds of the people that these liberties are of the Gift of God? That they are not to be violated but with His wrath? Indeed, I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just; that His justice cannot sleep forever; That a revolution of the wheel of fortune, a change of situation, is among possible events; that it may become probable by Supernatural influence! The Almighty has no attribute which can take side with us in that event" (Notes on the State of Virginia, Query XVIII, p. 237).

Tragically, these things have been left out of the history books now being fed to our younger generation. What would the anti-Christian history revisionists say about these factual historical statements of the founding fathers?

The secularization of America

President Obama, it should be noted, failed to even credit our Creator when quoting the Declaration of Independence. What a glaring omission and certainly not one of ignorance but seemingly of defiance. Today, liberals seem inclined on expunging Christianity from society and now the history books.

Do you remember not long ago when the democrats nearly revolted over a fleeting reference to a "God-given potential" at their convention?

Now former and past presidents seem bent on believing that Jesus would approve of same-sex marriage, although there is no scriptural support for such an idea.

The founding fathers might have disagreed on fringe-issues but there was overwhelmingly unanimous support concerning biblical morality.

The requirements for holding political office always held that it should be righteous men who must mold government and righteous men who must hold government offices.

The idea of usurping the First Amendment to obstruct public expressions of faith instead of protecting it would leave the Founders aghast.

In George Washington's Farewell Address he neatly summarized the essentiality of biblical morals and ethics; "Of all the dispositions and habits, which lead to political prosperity, Religion and Morality are indispensable supports."

A look at the First Amendment

It's interesting that the First Amendment that was designed to protect religious freedom and liberty is now being used to restrict it. This is not what the First Amendment says as we read "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

Now it seems that it reads "The U.S. Supreme Court shall make sure no laws respect the establishment of religion but should prohibit the free exercise thereof" and instead of being any separation of church and state it has become separating the church from the state, which was not the intention of the Constitution at all.

In fact the phrase "the separation of church and state" is not found in the U.S. Constitution, it is not found in any of the Amendments, nor is it found in the Bill of Rights.

This term came from Thomas Jefferson's statement about a wall of separation between church and state but it was made in a letter on January 1, 1802 to a church (the Danbury Baptist Association of Connecticut).

The congregation heard a widespread rumor that the Congregationalists, another denomination, were to become the national religion, which was blatantly false.

This was very alarming to people who knew about religious persecution in England by the state established church.

Jefferson made it clear in his letter to the Danbury Congregation that the separation was to be that government would not establish a national religion or dictate to men how to worship God and not that the expression of religion was to be restricted or removed from the government or the public square nor from the public education system.

The fact is that the very first colleges and universities were essentially seminaries which trained men in biblical morality.

References to God in the Constitution

It would seem ridiculous to believe that this nation was not founded on Christian principles by Christian men because there are five clear references to God in the first three paragraphs of the Declaration of Independence.

So to the framers of the Constitution, the idea of having a government not based on God would have been unthinkable because all of the delegates at the Philadelphia convention were creationists.

On the day that Congress finished its work on the First Amendment, it called on President George Washington to issue a Proclamation to the people of the United States to thank God for the freedoms we enjoy.

A week and a day later the President's opening paragraph in his Proclamation said: "Whereas it is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly to implore His protection and favor."

Early on, there was vigorous debate about whether the word "God" should be added to the Constitution but it should be known that the debate was between one group of creationist's verses another and in fact, almost no believed that the United States was a godless country just because the word "God" was not in the Constitution.

There is not one solitary fundamental principle of our democratic policy that did not stem directly from the basic moral concepts as embodied in the Decalog and the ethics of Jesus.

From those who believed that Thomas Jefferson was a deist, read what he wrote in his *The Writings of Thomas Jefferson*. "I am a real Christian—that is to say, a disciple of the doctrines of Jesus Christ" (p. 385).

Read what Benjamin Franklin who wrote in his letter to Ezra Stiles, then the president of Yale University, "Here is my Creed. I believe in one God, the Creator of the Universe. That He governs it by His Providence. That He ought to be worshipped" (March 9, 1790).

Conclusion

It is crystal clear that this nation was founded by Christians and with Christian beliefs, morals, values, and ethics and these same men wrote the U.S. Constitution.

The overtones of the Constitution are inherently Christian in nature and even if there is no mention of God per say, it is obvious that the framers were rock solid, Bible-believing, disciples and followers of Christ. Of that we can be absolutely sure.



An article by Michelle Malkin titled "One Nation Under Anarcho-Tyranny" was posted at creators.com on July 20, 2020. Following is the article.

The America you grew up in is not the America we live in now.

One nation under God? Ha.

Land of the free? Ha.

Domestic tranquillity? Ha.

Equal protection under the law? Ha.

The right to bear arms? Ha.

Freedom of speech? Association? Peaceable assembly? Ha. Ha. Ha.

It's not "socialism" or "communism" under which we suffer. Our dangerously chaotic, selectively oppressive predicament is more accurately described as "anarcho-tyranny."

The late conservative columnist Sam Francis first coined the term in 1992 to diagnose a condition of "both anarchy (the failure of the state to enforce the laws) and, at the same time, tyranny—the enforcement of laws by the state for oppressive purposes."

The "criminalization of the law-abiding and innocent," Francis expounded, is achieved in such a state through: "exorbitant taxation, bureaucratic regulation; the invasion of privacy, and the engineering of social institutions, such as the family and local schools; the imposition of thought control through 'sensitivity training' and multiculturalist curricula; 'hate crime' laws; gun-control laws that punish or disarm otherwise law-abiding citizens but have no impact on violent criminals who get guns illegally; and a vast labyrinth of other measures."

The toxic combination of "pandemic panic" and "George Floyd derangement syndrome" has thoroughly destroyed the home of the brave. It is a paradise for the depraved and dictatorial.

Anarcho-tyranny is how hoodlums can toss statues into rivers with impunity, while citizens disgusted by Black Lives Matter street graffiti are charged with "hate crimes"—as David Nelson and Nicole Anderson in Martinez, California, were by a George Soros-funded district attorney two weeks ago.

Anarcho-tyranny is how rioters can shut down highways and byways on a whim without fear of arrest, while commuters trying to escape the window-smashing barbarians obstructing traffic are charged with "assault"—as poor Jennifer Watson of Denver, Colorado, was this week.

Anarcho-tyranny is how hordes of gay pride activists marching shoulder to shoulder can defy social distancing guidelines with gushing approbation from radical left-wing medical “experts,” while anti-lockdown and anti-mask mandate protesters are deemed public health menaces who now face snitch hot-lines, fines, house arrest or jail time.

Anarcho-tyranny is how 1,000 black militia members can take over the streets in Georgia and point their guns at motorists as they demand reparations, while white citizen militia members in Idaho, Utah and New Mexico have been smeared publicly as racists and face injunctions for peacefully defending their neighborhoods.

Where do the police stand in this regime? It pains me to say it, but those of us who have backed the blue so loyally and vocally can no longer do so under the assumption that the blue will back us.

It’s rank-and-file cops who are issuing citations to citizens who want to breathe freely.

It’s rank-and-file cops who are standing by while our monuments and courthouses and landmarks are burned and obliterated.

It was rank-and-file cops in Denver who watched as my patriotic friends and I tried to hold a Law Enforcement Appreciation Day this past Sunday and were besieged by Black Lives Matter and antifa thugs who had declared that their sole intent in invading our permitted celebration was to “shut us down.”

I livestreamed the chaos as pro-police attendees were beaten, including the organizer Ron MacLachlan, who was bloodied in the face and head just a few feet from me by black-masked animals. One antifa actor wielded her collapsible baton just inches from me.

The cop-haters had obstructed traffic on their five-minute march from their unpermitted event at the Colorado State Capitol to our permitted space.

No cops intervened.

Unprovoked, the cop-haters blared airhorns, sprayed our faces (mine included), burned an American flag, punched, shoved and menaced and took over our stage.

No cops intervened.

The Denver police chief, Black Lives Matter champion Paul Pazen, has repeatedly and publicly blamed us—the law-abiding—for not having enough private security in place, even as he admitted that 76 officers have been injured by the “peaceful” agitators who have turned our capitol into a heathen hellhole (and perpetrated more than \$1 million in property damage so far).

If we had brandished or used our weapons in self-defense, we’d be facing felony assault charges—as armed citizen Steven Baca is in Albuquerque, New Mexico, at the hands of another Soros-subsidized district attorney.

If any of our men had tried to peel the female antifa thugs off of MAGA ladies who were assaulted, they'd be charged with battery, too—just like Baca.

On Tuesday morning, a Denver police union official called me to apologize for the department's failure to protect those of us who tried to speak on their behalf. The "backlash" for defending our constitutional rights was too high a price to pay, he told me. Sorry.

So the message is loud and clear. When push comes to bloody shove in end-stage America, under the rule of the anarcho-tyrants, we, the law-abiding, are the enemy. Those in uniform sworn to protect and serve will turn their backs on us because their bosses don't answer to the public. They protect and serve the mob.



An article by Ann Coulter titled "Dems: The Antifa Party" was posted at anncoulter.com on July 22, 2020. Following is the article.

■ "These soldiers are disregarding and overriding the elementary rights of American citizens by applying tactics which must have been copied from the manual issued the officers of Hitler's storm troopers."

■ The president is substituting "military dictatorship for the Constitution of the United States."

■ "My fellow citizens, we are now an occupied territory."

All this because, after 50 days of raging violence, President Trump has finally sent federal agents to restore order in Portland, Oregon.

No—wait. Different Democrats and different president.

Although all those quotes are indeed from Democrats about a Republican president, it wasn't Trump. They were Democrats Richard Russell, George Wallace and Orval Faubus, denouncing President Dwight Eisenhower for sending troops to enforce desegregation at a schoolhouse in Little Rock, Arkansas.

In 1983, Faubus was warmly embraced by Bill Clinton at his gubernatorial inauguration. Today's Democrats are Orval Faubus.

In Portland, Chicago, New York, Seattle, Atlanta and elsewhere, children are not merely being blocked from the schoolhouse door—they're being killed. They're being maimed. Citizens are having their property looted and their public spaces destroyed, all with the connivance of local Democratic officials.

And once again, the Democrats are championing states' rights to protect domestic terrorists.

■ "Trump & his stormtroopers must be stopped."—Nancy Pelosi

Democrats and the media want the federal government to brutally crack down on people who don't wear masks—whatever the states say—but faced with an actual violent rebellion, the feds are supposed to stand back and let the governors lead!

Portland Mayor Ted Wheeler called the federal officers protecting American citizens "an attack on our democracy." Yes, Orval, Portland is "occupied territory"—just like Little Rock in 1957!

Democrats don't care that they are mimicking monstrous figures from the nation's history. They don't care that they are taking sides with antifa, whose express mission is to kill police officers and destroy America.

Oh, we'll get away with it. The media won't report on the violent rioting that the federal government is quelling.

Boy, are they right.

If Faubus had had MSNBC, CNN and The New York Times covering for him, Americans wouldn't have had the first idea why Eisenhower was sending troops to Little Rock.

Until the feds arrived in Portland last week, the Times' most expansive description of the riots was this aside in a chipper article about Seattle's "autonomous zone": "Perhaps taking a cue from Seattle, demonstrators in Portland, Philadelphia, Richmond, Virginia, and elsewhere have tried to set up protest sites of their own."

The media pitch the Lesbian Motorcycle Collective as "Portland Moms."

When reporting on the "protests," MSNBC and CNN invariably feature some area of Portland far from the carnage, showing people strolling, the sun shining, and not a single building on fire!

You'll never see the part of the city—a little area called "downtown Portland"—where thousands of black-clad antifa have been laying waste to everything in sight.

You won't see the miles of charming graffiti spray-painted on every vertical surface: "F—k Cops," "F—k ICE," "Abolish America," "No Good Cops," "Kill Cops," "Cops = Bastards," "Pigs!," "Yes All Cops," "Oink, Oink," "F—ck Trump," "Kill the Police," "Dead Cops," "Pigs," "Slaughterhouse Die Piggie Die," "Burn Pigs," and of course, the antifa slogan, "ACAB," or "All Cops Are Bastards."

Trump should say nothing about Portland except: "Look at the videos." I recommend you start with journalist Andy Ngo's Twitter feed: @MrAndyNgo.

After hiding the truth for 50 days, this week, Democrats and the media have been gasping in horror at the sight of federal law enforcement agents appearing in such a bucolic little burg.

Here's some of what's being hidden from you:

Night after night, the "peaceful protesters" have thrown bombs, bricks, frozen water bottles and cement blocks at the Portland police, whom they vastly outnumber. They've fired mortars, marbles, ball bearings and commercial-grade fireworks at officers, sending dozens to the hospital.

They have blinded police with laser guns, slashed their tires, assaulted journalists, and set fire to buildings, statues and homeless people's belongings.

So far, the rioters have done millions of dollars in property damage. In the first few days of July, shootings were up 240% compared to the same period in 2019.

Portland police precincts and the federal courthouse have been under constant siege—windows smashed and people barricaded inside as the buildings are set ablaze.

Or, as summarized by Ali Velshi on the Antifa Channel: "While most protesters are peaceful, small groups have clashed with authorities."

Look at the videos.

Once federal officers moved in, the Times finally decided to tell its readers about Portland. For an accurate portrayal of the "protests," the Times interviewed local reporter Robert Evans, who has tweeted:

■ "I feel like tonight Portland finally joined the pantheon of cities that are Good At Rioting"

■ "One of Portland's lessons for the Left is that, sometimes, if you meet liberals in the right way, they wind up wanting to break down the doors of a federal building with sledgehammers."

So you know you're getting the straight poop from one of Portland's leading antifa cheerleaders.

I don't care if you haven't heard about what's happening in these cities. I don't care that their governors and mayors don't think it's a problem. Unless you're Orval Faubus, it's the federal government's responsibility to quash insurrections and protect the rights of American citizens.

The very reason we have a Constitution (instead of the Articles of Confederation) is precisely to allow the federal government to put down rebellions. It wasn't a federal school in Little Rock. It's the president's job—more vital than randomly bombing Syria!—to suppress domestic insurrections.

This is not the first time Republican presidents have had to deal with terrorist-supporting Democrats. It probably won't be the last.



An article by Victor Davis Hanson titled "Why This Revolution Isn't Like the 1960s" was posted at townhall.com on July 23, 2020. Following is the article.

In the 1960s and early '70s, the U.S. was convulsed by massive protests calling for radical changes in the country's attitudes on race, class, gender and sexual orientation. The Vietnam War and widespread college deferments were likely the fuel that ignited prior peaceful civil disobedience.

Sometimes the demonstrations became violent, as with the Watts riots of 1965 and the protests at the 1968 Democratic convention in Chicago. Terrorists from the Weathermen (later called the Weather Underground) bombed dozens of government buildings.

The '60s revolution introduced to the country everything from hippies, communes, free love, mass tattooing, commonplace profanity, rampant drug use, rock music and high divorce rates to the war on poverty, massive government growth, feminism, affirmative action and race/gender/ethnic college curricula.

The enemies of the '60s counterculture were the "establishment"—politicians, corporations, the military and the "square" generation" in general. Leftists targeted their parents, who had grown up in the Great Depression.

That generation had won World War II and returned to create a booming postwar economy. After growing up with economic and military hardship, they sought a return to comfortable conformity in the 1950s.

A half-century after the earlier revolution, today's cultural revolution is vastly different—and far more dangerous.

Government and debt have grown. Social activism is already institutionalized in hundreds of newer federal programs. The "Great Society" inaugurated a multitrillion-dollar investment in the welfare state. Divorce rates soared. The nuclear family waned. Immigration, both legal and illegal, skyrocketed.

Thus, America is far less resilient, and a far more divided, indebted and vulnerable target than it was in 1965.

Today, radicals are not protesting against 1950s conservatism but rather against the radicals of the 1960s, who as old liberals now hold power. Now, many of the current enforcers—blue-state governors, mayors and police chiefs—are from the left.

Unlike Democratic Chicago Mayor Richard J. Daley in the '60s, today's progressive civic leaders often sympathize with the protesters.

The '60s protests were for racial assimilation and integration to reify Martin Luther King Jr.'s agenda of making race incidental, not essential, to the American mindset.

Not so with today's cultural revolution. It seeks to ensure that racial difference is the foundation of American life, dividing the country between supposed non-white victims and purported white victimizers, past and present.

In the '60s, radicals rebelled against their teachers and professors, who were often highly competent and the products of fact-based and inductive education. Not so in 2020. Today's radicals were taught not by traditionalists but by less-educated older radicals.

Another chief difference is debt. Most public education in the 1960s was bare-bones and relatively inexpensive. Because there were no plush dorms, latte bars, rock-climbing walls, diversity coordinators and provosts of inclusion, college tuition in real dollars was far cheaper.

The result was that 1960s student radicals graduated without much debt and for all their hipness could enter a booming economy with marketable skills.

Today's angry graduates owe a collective \$1.6 trillion in student loan debt—much of it borrowed for mediocre, therapeutic and politicized training that does not impress employers.

College debt impedes maturity, marriage, child-raising, home ownership and the saving of money. In other words, today's radical is far more desperate and angry that his college gambit never paid off.

Today's divide is also geographical in the fashion of 1861, not just generational as in the 1960s. The two blue coasts seem to despise the vast red interior, and vice versa.

Yet the scariest trait of the current revolution is that many of its sympathizers haven't changed much since the 1960s. They may be rich, powerful, influential and older, but they are just as reckless and see the current chaos as the final victory in their own long march from the '60s.

Corporations are no longer seen as evil, but as woke contributors to the revolution. The military is no longer smeared as warmongering, but praised as a government employment service where race, class and gender agendas can be green-lighted without messy legislative debate.

Unlike the 1960s, there are essentially no conservatives in Hollywood, on campuses or in government bureaucracies.

So the war no longer pits radicals against conservatives, but often socialists and anarchists against both liberals and conservatives.

In the '60s, a huge "silent majority" finally had enough, elected Richard Nixon and slowed down the revolution by jailing its criminals, absorbing and moderating it. Today, if there is a silent mass of traditionalists and conservatives, they remain in hiding.

If they stay quiet in their veritable mental monasteries and deplore the violence in silence, the revolution will steamroll on. But as in the past, if they finally snap, decide enough is enough and reclaim their country, then even this cultural revolution will sputter out, too.



An article by Walter Williams titled "Historical Ignorance and Confederate Generals" was posted at jewishworldreview.com on July 22, 2020. Following is the article.

The Confederacy has been the excuse for some of today's rioting, property destruction and grossly uninformed statements.

Among the latter is the testimony before the House Armed Services Committee by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff General Mark Milley in favor of renaming Confederate-named military bases.

He said: "The Confederacy, the American Civil War, was fought, and it was an act of rebellion. It was an act of treason, at the time, against the Union, against the Stars and Stripes, against the U.S. Constitution."

There are a few facts about our founding that should be acknowledged. Let's start at the beginning, namely the American War of Independence (1775-1783), a war between Great Britain and its 13 colonies, which declared independence in July 1776.

The peace agreement that ended the war is known as the Treaty of Paris signed by Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, John Jay and Henry Laurens and by British Commissioner Richard Oswald, on Sept. 3, 1783.

Article I of the Treaty held that "New Hampshire, Massachusetts Bay, Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia, to be free sovereign and Independent States."

Delegates from these states met in Philadelphia in 1787 to form a union. During the Philadelphia convention, a proposal was made to permit the federal government to suppress a seceding state.

James Madison, the Father of the Constitution, rejected it. Minutes from the debate paraphrased his opinion: "A union of the states containing such an ingredient (would) provide for its own destruction. The use of force against a state would look more like a declaration of war than an infliction of punishment and would probably be considered by the party attacked as a dissolution of all previous compacts by which it might be bound."

During the ratification debates, Virginia's delegates said, "The powers granted under the Constitution being derived from the people of the United States may be resumed by them whensoever the same shall be perverted to their injury or oppression."

The ratification documents of New York and Rhode Island expressed similar sentiments; namely, they held the right to dissolve their relationship with the United States. Ratification of the Constitution was by no means certain. States feared federal usurpation of their powers.

If there were a provision to suppress a seceding state, the Constitution would never have been ratified. The ratification votes were close with Virginia, New York and Massachusetts voting in favor by the slimmest of margins. Rhode Island initially rejected it in a popular referendum and finally voted to ratify—34 for, 32 against.

Most Americans do not know that the first secessionist movement started in New England. Many New Englanders were infuriated by President Thomas Jefferson's Louisiana Purchase in 1803, which they saw as an unconstitutional act. Timothy Pickering of Massachusetts, who was George Washington's secre-

tary of war and secretary of state, led the movement. He said, "The Eastern states must and will dissolve the union and form a separate government."

Other prominent Americans such as John Quincy Adams, Elbridge Gerry, Fisher Ames, Josiah Quincy III and Joseph Story shared his call for secession. While the New England secessionist movement was strong, it failed to garner support at the 1814-15 Hartford Convention.

Even on the eve of the War of 1861, unionist politicians saw secession as a state's right. Rep. Jacob M. Kunkel of Maryland said, "Any attempt to preserve the union between the states of this Confederacy by force would be impractical and destructive of republican liberty."

New-York Tribune (Feb. 5, 1860): "If tyranny and despotism justified the Revolution of 1776, then we do not see why it would not justify the secession of Five Millions of Southrons from the Federal Union in 1861."

The Detroit Free Press (Feb. 19, 1861): "An attempt to subjugate the seceded States, even if successful, could produce nothing but evil—evil unmitigated in character and appalling in extent."

The New-York Times (March 21, 1861): "There is a growing sentiment throughout the North in favor of letting the Gulf States go."

Confederate generals fought for independence from the Union just as George Washington fought for independence from Great Britain. Those who label Robert E. Lee and other Confederate generals as traitors might also label George Washington a traitor. Great Britain's King George III and the British parliament would have agreed.



An article by Dennis Prager titled "The Dehumanization of Blacks" was posted at townhall.com on July 21, 2020. Following is the article.

If you take black and white left-wing rhetoric seriously, blacks are not human beings like members of other races. They are first and foremost black; they are human beings defined before anything else by their color—not their humanity, their personality, their character, their mind or their heart.

So much so that, according to white and black leftists, if you dissent from this racist view, you are now labeled racist.

The idiocy and inhumanity (literally) of this, the "progressive" view of black people, is easily demonstrated.

Do any blacks see themselves first as black?

When a black man, let's call him James, looks into the mirror, does he first see a black person, or does he see James?

When a white woman, let's call her Karen (I'm playing with the left here), looks into the mirror, does she first see a white person, or does she see Karen?

Does any human being first see his or her color?

Of course not. Yet, we are supposed to believe that the most important thing about a black individual is that he or she is black. And if we do not honor that fact—if we aim to be “colorblind”—then we are labeled racist.

This dehumanizing nonsense goes for racial truth these days. Thus, for example, we who are not black are supposed to acknowledge that we cannot possibly see the world the way a black person sees the world; we cannot possibly understand what it is like to be black.

This is part of the dogma the left imposes on society through the media, through cancel culture (say that you are colorblind and you might lose your job and your reputation), and through racial sensitivity training seminars at colleges and in the workplace.

But all this does is promulgate the view that blacks are inherently different from all other people. As a result, the only way the left's view of blacks differs from that of white supremacists is that the latter believe blacks are inherently inferior, whereas the left believes blacks are inherently different.

But both the left and the white supremacists agree that race contains immutable characteristics.

Aside from its inherent racism, the progressive view of blacks is pablum. No one can see the world through another's eyes. No one can fully understand what it is like to be any other human being. Do all whites understand how other whites see the world? One of the ongoing jokes in the public dialogues I have with Adam Carolla around the country is how much we think alike despite the fact that our backgrounds could hardly be more different.

Other than being white and male, we have essentially nothing in common.

- He is an atheist; I am a religious believer.
- He is Italian; I'm a Jew.
- He grew up poor and on food stamps in Los Angeles; I grew up in a solid middle-class home in Brooklyn.
- He had little formal education and never went to college; I grew up in a house of intellectuals and went to an Ivy League graduate school.

Even though I cannot “relate” to his experience or he to mine, we are nevertheless very close because, in addition to that intangible thing that creates friendships, we have the same values.

On the other hand, I am a Jew, and George Soros is a Jew. Other than the same ethnic ancestry, we have absolutely nothing in common. I have far more in common with the black conservative intellectual Larry Elder. The notion that race or ethnicity bonds people is both stupid and racist.

The prominent black conservative John McWhorter, a Columbia professor, just wrote a review of "White Fragility," the book the left most frequently recommends explaining America's alleged systemic racism. The title? "The Dehumanizing Condescension of 'White Fragility.'"

McWhorter writes:

- "One of America's favorite advice books of the moment is actually a racist tract."

- "The book diminishes Black people in the name of dignifying us."

(I suspect it was The Atlantic's choice to capitalize "black"; the syndicators of my own column once changed "black" to "Black" because they follow the Associated Press' rules for English.)

- "'White Fragility' is the prayer book for what can only be described as a cult."

- "A corollary question is why Black people need to be treated the way DiAngelo assumes we do. The very assumption is deeply condescending to all proud Black people."

- "Few books about race have more openly infantilized Black people than this supposedly authoritative tome. Or simply dehumanized us."

- "Her answer to white fragility, in other words, entails an elaborate and pitilessly dehumanizing condescension toward Black people. The sad truth is that anyone falling under the sway of this blinkered, self-satisfied, punitive stunt of a primer has been taught, by a well-intentioned but tragically misguided pastor, how to be racist in a whole new way."

McWhorter understands that to see blacks the way the white and black left want people to see them is to dehumanize blacks. If blacks are black before they are human—if no nonblacks can relate to blacks, disagree with blacks or want to see past color to the person's heart—black-nonblack relations will have been set back a half-century.

Incredibly, beginning this coming year, thanks to progressive teachers, there will be mandatory reading of racist tracts like "White Fragility" to dehumanize blacks. That any black would see this as progress is worthy of tears.



An article by Burt Prelutsky titled "Pandering Instead of Principles" was posted at patriotpost.us on July 18, 2020. Following are excerpts of the article.

Even decades ago, when I was still at UCLA, there were a lot of white people who wore their race guilt on their sleeve. They would condone behavior from minorities that would have provoked outrage if their fellow whites had done the same thing.

It wasn't limited to blacks, as is so often the case today. I still recall arguing with Harry Shearer (he of "Spinal Tap" and "The Simpsons") about graffiti. He defended it as native art, an expression of the Mexican culture. It's art, I patiently—okay, not so patiently—pointed out, when it's on their own walls and fences; it's vandalism when sprayed on other people's.

■ Traced to Lyndon Johnson

Like many others, I can trace the decline of black Americans to the policies of Lyndon Johnson, Hubert Humphrey and others of their ilk in the 60s. Before the days of The Great Society, blacks tended to be traditional in their life styles. They tended to attend church, hold jobs and get married before having children. But in order to tie up their votes, Johnson came up with a piece of legislation that had Satan's fingerprints all over it.

When the Democrats decided that they wouldn't grant welfare to homes in which husbands and fathers resided, far too many black males made the devil's bargain and moved out.

So, here we are half a century later, and well over 75% of black pregnancies either end up in an abortion or with babies who will be raised by young, single, semi-literate, women living on the dole. The future for those children will more likely than not end with gang membership for the males and a repetition of their mothers' wasted lives for the females.

■ Choosing bad leaders

I am not trying to absolve white people of their guilt because I happen to be white, but because I don't see how 150 years after the end of slavery and half a century after the abolition of Jim Crow laws, whites have anything to be guilty about. It's certainly not white folks who keep electing the race card-playing likes of Maxine Waters, Hank Johnson, Val Demings, Lori Lightfoot, James Clyburn, Keisha Lance Bottoms, Ayanna Pressley, Al Green, Sheila Jackson-Lee, John Lewis and Muriel Bowser.

And it's certainly not white folks who keep inviting America's number one race pimp, Al Sharpton, to hog the stage at every high-profile black funeral.

■ Politicians blamed the CIA

I still recall several decades ago when crack cocaine suddenly became the drug of choice in the black community. Apparently, it was cheap and easily available.

A few black politicians tried to advance the conspiracy that the CIA had dropped large quantities in black neighborhoods, hoping, for some inexplicable reason, to get black people hooked.

It seemed far-fetched even for a conspiracy theory. But what struck me at the time is that even if it were true, what other large group of people would become drug addicts just because suddenly crack was readily available on the street corner?

■ Why no nuclear attack

Patrick Miano and I were having an exchange about Russia and the possibility they would ever engage us in a nuclear war.

I said it was unlikely that any of the nuclear nations, which include the U.S., Russia, China, India, Pakistan, Israel, the United Kingdom, France and even North Korea, would want to get involved in such insanity. So far, it's been a Mexican standoff, with no country willing to risk nuclear retaliation. Iran is a wild card because when a nation is being run by religious zealots, they cannot be counted on to be rational even about their own personal survival.

But, all in all, I like our chances best of any of them. That's because a first-strike on a nation's capital would pretty much take the fight out of them. With their leaders dead, their people would likely wave a white flag and get started re-building.

But if someone was stupid enough to take out Washington, D.C., they'd be doing us a favor. Only then would the fight really begin.

■ Battle of the sexes

Midori Uyeda sent me a sample of lines that sum up the eternal battle of the sexes.

"Behind every angry woman stands a man who has absolutely no idea what he did wrong."

"Every time you talk to your wife, you should keep in mind that this conversation will be recorded for training and quality purposes."

"If a woman says, 'First of all' during an argument, run away because she has prepared research, data and charts, and will destroy you."

"Never make a woman angry. They can remember stuff that hasn't even happened yet."



An article by Burt Prelutsky titled "Blacks and the Plantation Party" was posted at patriotpost.us on July 20, 2020. Following are excerpts of the article.

The Democrats desperately need blacks to remain steadfast in their support because not since 1964 has a Democratic presidential candidate received a majority of white votes.

■ Photo identification is so logical

The Democrats need black votes not just at the polls and in Congress, but as an excuse to oppose photo I.D.'s, which would otherwise greatly curtail election fraud.

You notice that as soon as anyone proposes this common sense solution, the Democrats immediately insist it's a Machiavellian plot to disenfranchise black voters.

They never bother explaining how it's only at election time that blacks lack these things which they all seem to have when it comes to boarding planes, entering courts and government buildings, purchasing booze and cigarettes, driving a car or cashing a check. The Democrats simply insist that blacks don't have them and the gutless Republicans never even demand that the Democrats round some up and prove these unfortunate souls actually exist somewhere on the North American continent.

■ Mutualist relationship

In nature, this is called a mutualist relationship, one that is beneficial to both parties.

One of the better known of these involves sharks and pilot fish. In exchange for the little fish cleaning the parasites that would otherwise form between the shark's teeth, the sharks don't eat the little fish and provide them with protection from other predators.

■ Buying votes in Philadelphia

In a related matter, a Philadelphia election judge named Domenick J. DeMuro was found guilty of "depriving voters of their civil rights."

It seems that in exchange for stuffing ballot boxes with ballots he had run off by himself, he received bribes ranging from \$300 to \$5,000, depending on whether they were local, state or federal elections.

Ah, for the good old days when Democrats could buy votes for a buck each or a dozen for \$10.

■ Common sense in Hungary

In case you've been wondering where all the commonsense that used to exist in the U.S. has gone, I suspect it wound up in Hungary where Prime Minister Viktor Orbán has voiced his objections to Muslim immigrants, the EU bureaucrats in Brussels, George Soros and foreign universities, and is now leading the fight to stop people from changing their "gender" and compelling others to humor them in their psychotic delusion.

■ Hunter Biden

After Sen. Ron Johnson (R/WI) requested documents pertaining to Hunter Biden's sweetheart deal with the Ukraine power company that brought him \$80,000-a-month, the Democrats screamed that it was a witch hunt.

It should be noted that the Democrats had all arrived on broomsticks.

■ Birthing mother and chest-feeding

Jackie Breedlove shared with me a news item that reports that a "woke" website is calling for a more gender inclusive language when referring to a baby's birth.

It's been recommended that the word "mother" be banished and replaced with something along the lines of "birthing person," and that "breast-feeding" be called "chest feeding."

I'm sure there are any number of progressive couples who will go along with this latest example of lunacy. But I don't envy them when they try to force the toddler to say, "birthing person" instead of "mama." Compared to that, toilet training should be a snap.

■ Correction

After I wrote about the exchange I had with the Japanese-American woman over the use of "Oriental," she wrote to say that there hadn't been a few million prisoners in FDR's Japanese re-location (concentration) camps, as I indicated, but more in the range of 150,000-200,000.

In response, I let her know that I was happy to be corrected and that I was pulling for the Oriental students to win their discrimination suit against Harvard. "Imagine," I wrote, "being discriminated against for being smart and working hard. Only in America."

■ More testing, more cases

Dr. Richard Stiso shared a meme that pointed out: "There's a spike in Coronavirus cases because there's a spike in testing. If we gave more IQ tests, there'd be a spike in morons."

■ Why wear black at funerals?

When Colette Spangenberg, writing from Germany, said that black is still the way that people dress when attending funerals, I let her know that never made sense to me. Why should they be unhappy occasions instead of celebrations?

As I see it, if the deceased was religious and believed in an afterlife, why wouldn't his friends and relatives celebrate that he was now in Heaven and hanging around with God?

If the person wasn't a believer, he was probably in pain when he died, and why shouldn't we celebrate that his pain is a thing of the past, even if he or she is, also?

If and when I die, I want it to be a celebration. You don't have to wear Hawaiian shirts in my honor, but feel free to if you like.



Looking back to June, an article by Victor Davis Hanson titled "The Strategies of Dementia Politics" was posted at nationalreview.com on June 30, 2020. Following is the article.

Joe Biden is tragically suffering a mental eclipse and sliding away at a geometric rate. Understandably, his handlers have kept him out of sight. He stays off the campaign trail on the pretext of the virus and his age-related susceptibility to COVID-19 morbidity.

I say “pretext” without apology. Quarantine should not have otherwise stopped Biden over the past three months from doing daily interviews, speeches, and meetings. But each occasion, however scripted, rehearsed, and canned, would only have offered further daily proof that Biden is cognitively unable to be president or indeed to hold any office.

Often Biden cannot finish a sentence. Names are vague eddies in his mind’s river of forgetfulness. He is in a far more dire mental state than a physically failing FDR was in his 1944 campaign for a fourth term.

The earlier career of a healthy Biden illustrates that he was not especially sharp even when in control of most of his faculties. We recall the former sane/nutty Biden of Neal Kinnock plagiarism, his “put y’all in chains” demagoguery, the studied racism of Biden’s riffs about a “clean” and well-spoken Obama, and the sane/insane Corn Pop stories.

All are the trademark of a once fool Joe Biden, who was at least alert when compared with his current catalepsy. If Donald Trump can be ungrammatical, Biden is agrammatical—he simply streams together half-thoughts without syntax and then abandons the sentence entirely.

If Trump repeats vocabulary, Biden increasingly searches for words, any noun, whatever its irrelevance to the point he is making. Biden seems to suffer dyscognitive seizures, in which for moments he has no idea what he is doing or saying or where he is—a tragic, nearly epileptic condition. In scary episodes, the pale, scaly, and frozen visage of Biden appears almost reptilian, like a lizard freezing and remaining stationary as it struggles to process signals of perceived danger.

Inserting memorized answers into rehearsed questions, as if the entire con was spontaneous, only reveals how his once episodic dementia has become chronic as he loses his prompt and place. It was understandable that his handlers saw opportunity in secluding Biden during Trump’s tweeting, alongside the contagion, the lockdown, the recession, and the rioting that in voters’ minds had equated fear of chaos with the culpability of the current commander in chief.

But there were always problems with placing Biden in suspended animation in his basement, even as he seemingly surged ahead of Trump in the early-summer polls.

- One, seclusion, quiet, and the absence of intellectual stimuli often only enhance dementia, while travel, conversation, and new imagery and experiences tend to unclog for a bit the congested neuron pathways.

The more Biden “rests up,” the more he seems to be non compos mentis in his rare staged interviews. His brain is like a flabby muscle, and restful disuse does not make it firmer.

- Two, in theory there should be a shelf life to a virtual presidential candidate.

True, Biden has climbed in the polls, as the public never sees or hears him—in the manner that an unpopular lame-duck Obama disappeared to the golf courses and retreats in 2016 and yielded the media spotlight to the dog and cat fighting between Trump and Clinton. Obama then discovered that the

more he retreated from the public eye, the more the public liked the old idea, rather than the current reality, of him.

So too the ghost model was supposed to work for Biden.

He is a cardboard candidate, but at least he's not on the front lines of commentary on statue toppling and the contagion, and so he can be blamed for neither.

But by avoiding the campaign trail, Biden is only postponing the inevitable. He is compressing the campaign into an ever-shorter late-summer and autumn cycle. If he really agrees to three debates (he may not agree to any at all), and if he performs as he usually now acts and speaks, then he may end up reminding the American people in the eleventh hour of the campaign that they have a choice between a controversial president and a presidential candidate who simply cannot fulfill the office of presidency.

And if Biden is a no-show, Trump will probably debate an empty, Clint Eastwood-prop mute chair.

Why, then, is Biden the nominee at all—other than that he leads in the delegate count and surged after Democrat back-roomers panicked when Bloomberg imploded and Bernie surged?

As a result, politicians forced or enticed all the other primary candidates to vacate and unite around someone nominally not a socialist.

Is one consolation that Biden's dementia offers a credible defense that he has "no recollection" that he was in on Obama's efforts to surveil an oppositional campaign and abort a presidential transition?

While all Democrats know that the cat must be belled, no one wishes to step forward to do it and remove Biden—and indeed no one knows how to steal a nomination from an enfeebled winner and hand it off to an undeserving but cogent alternative.

Take out Biden in August, and who knows what sort of candidate stampede might follow in today's insane landscape?

So what are these strategies of dementia other than putting Biden on ice while redefining the election as Trump versus the media's version of the virus, lockdown, and economic stagnation?

Pity is one pretext. The progressive media have put Biden's blank stares and word searching off limits. We are not supposed to remember that Trump was hounded by progressive M.D.s, to the point that he took—and aced—the Montreal Cognitive Assessment Test, an examination that no one in his right mind would suggest Biden now take, given that the results would be no surprise.

Dementia is also about the only valid reason one can legitimately say "I don't remember." So ask Joe Biden about those early January 2017 strategy sessions in which Obama, Biden, and their henchmen plotted the surveillance of the Trump campaign and the destruction of Michael Flynn—and he can honestly say, "What administration?"

Ask Biden about his illiberal past statements, his associations with neo-Confederate senators, or his plagiarism, and without guile he can retort, "What? What plagiarism? What senators?" Burisma? Hunter Biden's Chinese lucre? He will look dumbfounded and turn to an aide to ask, "What is Burisma and who is Hunter?"

Democrats also knew that they would lose with an Elizabeth Warren, Kamala Harris, or Bernie Sanders as their masthead. The primaries, even heavily loaded to the left-wing base, taught them that well enough. The hard-left agenda of winter 2020 went nowhere, and it will go less than nowhere in the fall after months of televised arson, looting, and gratuitous violence.

In contrast, even a cardboard-cutout version of Biden offers them the veneer of the "moderation." A Bill Clinton-style Biden phantom, if elected, can allow a passageway for a leftist surrogate into the presidency, the same way that Harry Truman, a centrist, was put on the ticket in 1944 to save the country from Vice President Henry Wallace's Communism.

Translated, that means the Democratic donor class accepts that they cannot win while siding with the mobs on the street and their appeasers and apologists—and yet the latter leftists are needed to provide the missing 5 to 7 points for victory.

With a wink and nod, the vice-presidential candidate will be seen as assuming the presidency and giving to the Left what they could not achieve through a presidential election—while old Joe Biden from Scranton stares at the TV screen a bit longer to prove he's not a raving socialist.

Also expect the Democrats to push the following strategies harder and harder, as they square the circle of a demented candidate who nonetheless could prove enormously useful—if he can just get elected.

- Expect more calls to cancel the debates as corrupt, fluff, reality-TV pizzazz and utterly unnecessary.
- Anticipate that the virus lockdown will be prolonged nearly until Election Day and will de facto lead Democrats to call for a Zoom campaign: Biden talking to the camera with a teleprompted script behind the screen.
- Election Day voting, we will be told, is merely an ossified construct.
- The key to our new electoral process is not Neanderthal driving into a COVID-infested polling booth, but rather voter-harvested mail-in ballots.
- Expect the vote in November to be declared in advance warped, stolen, and invalid—and then declared valid and fair if Biden wins.
- Expect blue states to remain economically mired in quarantines, in hopes of aborting a recovery.
- Democratic leaders will never really crack down on what heretofore have been blue-state rioting and looting; the chronic chaos and recession will be kept alive and geared to the November election.

Are there problems with such Biden basement strategies? Lots.

A hard-left candidate for vice president will have to do the campaign messaging as a public auxiliary of, and in line with, Joe Biden. She will privately reassure her base that it's all a moderate con, assuming that leftist voters are sophisticated and cynical enough to be willing to be lied to now for the sake of gaining power shortly.

It will also be problematic to assure the country that Joe Biden is 110 percent fit to be president in November but then to leak to the public by February 2021 that he's crazy and it's past time for his radical vice president, regrettably, to move him out.

Using Biden as an empty vessel also assumes that he is at least a vessel. But what if Biden, say, on October 25, 2020, has one of his blank-outs? Or what if he announces once again, but this time at his final rare press conference: "I am going to beat [be] Joe Biden!" What then?

Do they call Christopher Steele out of retirement to do a hasty file on Joe Biden, the delusional nut, and use Yahoo or Mother Jones again to leak the dirt in order to switch the order of the Democratic ticket?

Given the current racial hysteria, how do Democratic handlers muzzle the not always latently bigoted Biden? Often dementia is a cruel pathway to the truth, freed from normal self-censorship, politeness, and social awareness.

- What if Biden has more "you ain't black" moments, or Corn Pop storytelling, or he mimics a black accent to riff about chains, "clean" blacks, and such?
- And in the present climate, will people be forgiving when he brags that his home state of Delaware was once a "slave state"?
- One or two such outbursts could shrink his share of the black vote to 80 percent, which would lead to losses in Pennsylvania, Michigan, and Florida.

In the chaos of July, Biden's handlers have been acclaimed geniuses for anesthetizing him. But in the different season of October, he may finally be forced out from his lockdown, in the wild manner that soon-to-be looters and arsonists at last emerged from quarantine in June—pent-up, angry, incoherent, and self-destructive.



"Eye on the World" comment: Do you want to see what decisions the governors of each state made about lockdowns and quarantines? See the next article. Notice that these decisions were made by governors and were not made by Donald Trump.



Looking back to March, an article by Jiachuan Wu, Savannah Smith, Mansee Khurana, Corky Siemaszko and Brianna DeJesus-Banos titled "Stay-at-Home Orders Across the Country" was posted at nbcnews.com on March 25, 2020 (updated on April 29, 2020). Following are excerpts of the article.

The White House and all prominent public health officials have urged people across the country to stay at home as much as possible to prevent the spread of the coro-

navirus. Nonetheless, governors of five states have yet to issue lockdown orders for their residents, and three states have issued only partial measures.

The vast majority of states have officially ordered most residents to stay indoors, except for essential workers or in specific circumstances. In hardest-hit New York, for example, Gov. Andrew Cuomo has ordered residents to stay at home and all nonessential businesses to close.

"It's not about staying home. It's about avoiding contact," North Dakota Gov. Doug Burgum, a Republican, said recently when asked why he has not given that order.

Oklahoma, Utah and Wyoming have partial stay-at-home orders so far.

See our state-by-state breakdown of existing lockdown orders to help you figure out how much room you have to move. This data will be updated as new measures go into effect.

■ **Alabama—Governor: Kay Ivey (R)**

Stay at home, effective at 5 p.m. CDT, April 4 until 5 p.m. CDT, April 30.

■ **Alaska—Governor: Mike Dunleavy (R)**

'We crossed a line today,' Gov. Dunleavy orders statewide shelter in place, limits travel. Anchorage mayor issued "Hunker Down" order previously: non-essential businesses to close, people to stay home if possible. It was issued until April 21 then extended to May 20. Stay at home, effective at 5 p.m. ADT, March 28 until May 20.

■ **Arizona—Governor: Doug Ducey (R)**

Gov. Doug Ducey issued a stay-at-home on March 30. This order will not affect the operations of essential businesses, which include health care facilities and grocery stores. Stay at home, effective at 5 p.m. MST, March 31 until April 30.

■ **Arkansas—Governor: Asa Hutchinson (R)**

No statewide stay-at-home order issued.

■ **California—Governor: Gavin Newsom (D)**

Gov. Gavin Newsom issued a stay-at-home order on March 19 to protect the health and well being of all Californians and to establish consistency across the state to slow the spread of COVID-19. Stay at home, effective March 19 until further notice.

■ **Colorado—Governor: Jared Polis (D)**

Stay at home, effective 6:00 a.m. MDT, March 26 until April 26.

■ **Connecticut—Governor: Ned Lamont (D)**

Gov. Ned Lamont signed an executive order asking Connecticut businesses and residents to "Stay Safe, Stay Home." "At this critical time it is essential that everyone just stay home so we can contain the spread of this virus while keeping essential services running," Lamont said. Stay at home, effective at 8 p.m. EDT, March 23 until May 20.

■ Delaware—Governor: John Carney (D)

“We’re acting with urgency to prevent a spike in coronavirus cases that could overwhelm our hospital system,” said Gov. John Carney. Carney ordered Delawareans to stay at home whenever possible and closed all nonessential businesses in the state to help fight the spread of COVID-19. Stay at home, effective at 8 a.m. EDT, March 24 until May 15.

■ District of Columbia—Mayor: Muriel Bowser (D)

Following moves by the governors of Maryland and Virginia, D.C. Mayor Muriel Bowser also issued a “stay at home” order, directing residents to stay in their homes except for getting food and other essential household goods, obtaining medical care, traveling to perform “essential” work and a few other exceptions, including outside recreation. It was issued until April 24 then extended to May 15. Stay at home, effective at 12:01 a.m. EDT, April 1 until May 15.

■ Florida—Governor: Ron DeSantis (R)

Gov. DeSantis had been previously criticized for refusing to implement statewide social distancing guidelines, particularly as beach-goers and students on spring break continued to gather in large groups. He issued a stay-at-home order for the entire state as it grapples with a rapidly spreading coronavirus outbreak on Wednesday. Stay at home, effective at 12:01 a.m. EDT, April 3 until April 30.

■ Georgia—Governor: Brian Kemp (R)

Gov. Brian Kemp plans to sign an order requiring residents to shelter in place from Friday through April 13 and another closing public grade schools for the rest of the academic year. It was issued until April 13 then extended to April 30. Shelter in place effective April 3 until April 30.

■ Hawaii—Governor: David Ige (D)

Residents may leave home only for essential activities and business, or if they cannot work from home. Stay at home effective at 12:01 a.m. HST, March 25 until 11:59 p.m., May 31.

■ Idaho—Governor: Brad Little (R)

Self-isolate at home unless residents are healthcare workers, public safety employees or other “essential workers” such as grocery store employees. It was issued until April 15, then extended to April 30. Stay at home effective at 5 p.m. MDT, March 25 until April 30.

■ Illinois—Governor: J.B. Pritzker (D)

May leave home for essential activities, including outdoor activity, certain kinds of work, to retrieve supplies and to care for others. It was issued until April 7, then extended to April 30. Stay at home effective at 5 p.m. CDT, March 21 until April 30.

■ Indiana—Governor: Eric Holcomb (R)

May leave home for “essential activities, essential governmental functions, or to participate in essential business and operations.” It was issued until April 6, then extended to May 1. Stay at home effective at 11:59 p.m. EDT, March 24 until May 1.

■ Iowa—Governor: Kim Reynolds (R)

No statewide stay-at-home order issued.

■ Kansas—Governor: Laura Kelly (D)

It was issued until April 19, then extended to May 3. Stay at home effective at 12:01 a.m. CST, March 30 until May 3.

■ Kentucky—Governor: Andy Beshear (D)

Stay healthy at home, effective 8:00 p.m. EDT, March 26.

■ Louisiana—Governor: John Bel Edwards (D)

All state buildings have been closed; places of amusement like playgrounds, theaters and mall stores are closed to the public. It was issued until April 13, then extended to May 15. Stay at home effective at 5 p.m. CST, March 23 until May 15.

■ Maine—Governor: Janet Mills (D)

It was issued until April 13 then extended to May 31. Stay at home effective at 12:01 a.m. EDT, April 2 until May 31.

■ Maryland—Governor: Larry Hogan (R)

Maryland Gov. Larry Hogan announced the “stay at home” order, directing Maryland residents not to leave their homes unless it’s for an “essential” purpose, such as getting food or medicine or going to work at a job that’s been deemed essential. Stay at home effective at 8 p.m. EDT, March 30 until terminated by the governor.

■ Massachusetts—Governor: Charlie Baker (R)

Order extends through May 4; places of worship aren’t required to close; company cafeterias and school cafeterias aren’t required to close. Stay at home effective 12 p.m. EDT, March 24 until 12 noon, EDT, May 4.

■ Michigan—Governor: Gretchen Whitmer (D)

Volunteering at food pantries and shelters and exercise are considered essential. It was issued until April 7, then extended to May 15. Stay at home effective 12:01 a.m. EDT, March 24 until May 15.

■ Minnesota—Governor: Tim Walz (D)

Stay at home and limit movements outside of their home beyond essential needs. It was issued until April 10, then extended to May 4.

Stay at home, effective 11:59 p.m. CDT, March 27 until 11:59 pm, May 3.

■ Mississippi—Governor: Tate Reeves (R)

It was issued until April 20, then extended to May 11. Shelter in place effective at 5 p.m. CDT, April 3 until 8 a.m. CDT, May 11.

■ Missouri—Governor: Michael L. Parson (R)

It was issued until April 16, then extended to May 3. Stay at home effective at 12:01 a.m., CST, April 6 until May 3.

■ Montana—Governor: Steve Bullock (D)

Stay at home effective at 12:01 a.m. MDT, March 28 until April 10.

■ Nebraska—Governor: Pete Ricketts (R)

No statewide stay-at-home order issued.

■ Nevada—Governor: Steve Sisolak (D)

Stay at home, effective April 1 until April 30.

■ New Hampshire—Governor: Chris Sununu (R)

Stay at home effective 11:59 p.m. EDT, March 27.

■ New Jersey—Governor: Phil Murphy (D)

Gov. Phil Murphy signed an executive stay-at-home order that invalidated any county exceptions; construction and utility workers are exempt; pet stores and car dealerships can also remain open. Stay at home effective March 24 until revoked or modified by the governor.

■ New Mexico—Governor: Michelle Lujan Grisham (D)

It was issued until April 10, then extended to May 15. Stay at home effective March 24 until May 15.

■ New York—Governor: Andrew Cuomo (D)

Gov. Andrew Cuomo announced the “New York State on PAUSE” executive order, a 10-point policy to assure uniform safety for everyone. New York State on PAUSE. 100 percent of the workforce must stay home, excluding essential services. All nonessential gatherings of individuals of any size for any reason are temporarily banned. Stay at home effective at 8 p.m. EDT, March 22 until May 15.

■ North Carolina—Governor: Roy Cooper (D)

Stay at home effective at 5 p.m. EDT, March 30 until 5 p.m. EDT, May 8.

■ North Dakota—Governor: Doug Burgum (R)

No statewide stay-at-home order issued.

■ Ohio—Governor: Mike DeWine (R)

Stay at home effective at 11:59 p.m. EDT, March 23 until 11:59 p.m. EDT, May 1.

■ Oklahoma—Governor: Kevin Stitt (R)

Oklahoma City—Shelter in place effective at 11:59 p.m. CDT, March 28 until April 16. Tulsa—It was issued until April 15, then extended to April 30. Safer at home effective at 11:59 p.m. CDT, March 28 until April 30.

■ Oregon—Governor: Kate Brown (D)

On March 23, Gov. Kate Brown issued Executive Order 20-12, effective immediately until further notice. A statewide order, failure to comply will be considered an immediate danger to public health. Stay at home effective March 23.

■ Pennsylvania—Governor: Tom Wolf (D)

Gov. Tom Wolf issued an executive order to more than 20 counties and extended to the whole state on April 1. Residents must stay at home except for certain essential activities and work to provide life-sustaining business and government services. It was issued until April 30, then extended to May 8. Stay at home effective at 8 p.m. EDT, April 1 until May 8.

■ Rhode Island—Governor: Gina Raimondo (D)

It was issued until April 13, then extended to May 8. Stay at home effective at 4:00 p.m. EDT, March 28 until May 8.

■ South Carolina—Governor: Henry McMaster (R)

Stay at home effective at 5 p.m. EDT, April 6.

■ South Dakota—Governor: Kristi Noem (R)

No statewide stay-at-home order issued.

■ Tennessee—Governor: Bill Lee (R)

Stay at home effective at 11:59 p.m. CDT, March 31 until April 30.

■ Texas—Governor: Greg Abbott (R)

Stay at home effective at 12:01 a.m. CDT, April 2 until April 30.

■ Utah—Governor: Gary Herbert (R)

Davis County—Stay at home effective April 1 until May 1. Salt Lake County—Stay at home effective March 30 until April 13. Summit County—All residents stay at home and cease non-essential travel. This order applies to non-essential businesses, services and visitors in addition to residents. Stay at home effective at 12:01 a.m. MDT, March 27 until 11:59 p.m. MDT, May 1. Wasatch County—Stay at home effective March 30 until April 14.

■ Vermont—Governor: Phil Scott (R)

Gov. Phil Scott issued a "Stay Home, Stay Safe" order on March 24 and directed the closure of in-person operations for all nonessential businesses. It was issued until April 15, then extended to May 15. Stay at home effective at 5 p.m. EDT, March 25 until May 15.

- Virginia—Governor: Ralph Northam (D)

Gov. Ralph Northam issued a “stay at home” order, directing Virginians to stay home except for getting food, supplies, medical care, to go to work and to get fresh air and exercise. Stay at home effective at March 30 until June 10.

- Washington—Governor: Jay Inslee (D)

Gov. Jay Inslee issued a “Stay Home, Stay Healthy” order on March 23 prohibiting residents from leaving their homes except to conduct essential activities. Stay at home effective March 23 until May 4.

- West Virginia—Governor: Jim Justice (R)

Gov. Jim Justice issued an executive order on March 23 directing all West Virginians to stay home unless performing an essential activity.

Stay at home effective at 8 p.m. EDT, March 24 until further notice.

- Wisconsin—Governor: Tony Evers (D)

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services issued the “Safer at Home” order on March 24, ordering residents to stay in their homes except for essential activities. It was issued until April 24 then extended to May 26.

Stay at home effective at 8 a.m. CDT, March 25 until May 26.

- Wyoming—Governor: Mark Gordon (R)

Stay at home effective March 28 until 11:59 p.m. MDT, April 17.



“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.

Deficit

- An article by Nicholas Ballasy titled “As Debt Climbs to Record \$27 Trillion, Congress Says It’s Not Time to Turn Off Stimulus Spending” was posted at justthenews.com on July 21, 2020.

Federal reserve

- An article by Bob Fredericks titled “Trump’s Federal Reserve Nominee [Judy Shelton] Closer to Approval After Key Senate [Committee] Vote” was posted at nypost.com on July 22, 2020.

Finances

- An article by Akiko Fujita titled “ ‘China’s Goal Is to Replace You’: Barr Warns Leaders of America’s Biggest Businesses” was posted at yahoo.com on July 16, 2020.

- An article by Guy Boulton titled "Wisconsin Small Gas Engine Maker Briggs & Stratton Files for Bankruptcy Protection" was posted at yahoo.com on July 20, 2020.

Stimulus checks

- An article by Jim Wang titled "Confirmed: Second Stimulus Check Proposal of \$1,200 Per American Earning Up to \$75,000" was posted at forbes.com on July 23, 2020.

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 on July 12, 2019.
- An article by Emily Pontecorve titled "The Plan Meant to Unite Biden and Bernie Voters on Climate Is Finally Here" was posted at grist.org on July 8, 2020.
- An article by Rachel Frazin titled "Sanders-Biden Climate Task Force Calls for Carbon-Free Power by 2035" was posted at thehill.com on July 8, 2020.
- An article by Eric Levitz titled "Biden's New Climate Plan Is Also His Stimulus Plan" was posted at nymag.com on July 14, 2020.
- An article by Jacob Pramuk titled "Joe Biden Unveils \$2 Trillion Green Infrastructure and Jobs Plan" was posted at cnbc.com on July 14, 2020.
- An article titled "Biden's New Green Deal Is the Same As the Old Green New Deal" was posted at reason.com on July 16, 2020.

Coronavirus and civil liberties

- An article by Abigail Roberts titled "Kentucky Couple Under House Arrest After Refusing to Sign Self-Quarantine Agreement" was posted at abcnews.com on July 20, 2020.
- An article by Greg Bluestein and Jeremy Redmon titled "Judge Orders Mediation [Between Georgia Governor and Atlanta Mayor] in Georgia's Mask Mandate Lawsuit" was posted at ajc.com on July 22, 2020.

Coronavirus and religion

- An article by Caleb Parke titled "Florida Church's Statue of Jesus Beheaded, Similar Attacks Occur Across U.S." was posted at fox5ny.com on July 16, 2020.
- An article by Carol Kuruvilla titled "Evangelical Churches Sue California Governor Over Ban on Singing During Services" was posted at huffpost.com on July 16, 2020.
- An article by Tim Graham titled "Leftist Protests More Sacred Than Church Services" was posted at townhall.com on July 17, 2020.
- An article titled "Worshippers Flout California Mask Mandate at Packed Service in Redding" was posted at storyful.com on July 21, 2020.

Coronavirus and sports

■ An article by Mark Townsend titled "Canadian Government Denies Blue Jays' Request to Play Home [Baseball] Games in Toronto" was posted at yahoosports.com on July 18, 2020.

Comments about racism (real or imagined)

■ An article by Bronson Stocking titled "Charles Barkley Is Not Happy About Anti-White, Anti-Semitic Comments From Black Celebrities" was posted at townhall.com on July 17, 2020.

■ A video and an article by Guy Benson titled "Scathing: Black Police Officer Blasts Arrogance, Ignorance of White 'BLM' Activists" were posted at townhall.com on July 17, 2020.

■ An article by Avery Hartmans titled "Uber Is Committing \$10 Million to Helping Black-Owned Small Businesses in a Pledge to Be An 'Anti-Racist Company' " was posted at businessinsider.com on July 17, 2020.

■ An article by Nathanael Blake titled "Renaming the Redskins Won't Save a Single Black Life" was posted at thefederalist.com on July 20, 2020.

■ An article by J. Clara Chan titled "ABC News Exec Barbara Fedida Out After Inquiry Finds 'Unacceptable Racially Insensitive Comments' " was posted at thewrap.com on July 20, 2020.

■ An article by Michael W. Chapman titled "NY Planned Parenthood Clinic to Remove Name of Eugenicist Margaret Sanger, Cites Her 'Racist Legacy' " was posted at cnsnews.com on July 21, 2020.

■ An article by Zachary Evans titled "Tom Cotton Introduces Bill to Prohibit Federal Funding for Schools Using '1619 Project' Curriculum" was posted at nationalreview.com on July 23, 2020.

■ An article by Jeff Eisenberg titled "Why Some Kentucky Faculty Want the Name of Rupp Arena Changed" was posted at yahoosports.com on July 23, 2020.

■ An article by Craig Bannister titled "Rep. Gohmert Calls on House to Rid Itself of Any Reminders of Slavery—Such As the Name 'Democrat Party' " was posted at cnsnews.com on July 23, 2020.

Comments about rioters and looters

■ Looking back to June, an article by Brian Stelter titled "Conservative Media Is Living in the Past As Unrest Subsides Across the US" was posted at cnn.com on June 10, 2020.

■ An article by Danielle Wallace titled "Anti-Cop 'Mob' Swarms Back the Blue Event in Denver, Bloodying Several: Reports" was posted at nypost.com on July 20, 2020.

■ A video and an article titled "Watch: Antifa and Parents Set Up 'Shield Walls' As Protesters Lay Siege to Portland Federal Courthouse" was posted at thecommenter.com on July 21, 2020.

- An article by Jonah Gottschalk titled “[Think Tank] Niskanen Center Executive Claims Property Destruction ‘Obviously’ Isn’t Violence” was posted at thefederalist.com on July 23, 2020.
- An article by Katie Pavlich titled “The Anarchist Who Set a Seattle Police Precinct on Fire Has Been Arrested” was posted at townhall.com on July 16, 2020.
- An article titled “Seattle Police Say Officers Injured, Property Damaged During Protests” was posted at storyful.com on July 21, 2020.
- An article titled “Seattle Sued by Family of Man Killed in Autonomous Protest Zone” was posted at bbcnews.com on July 21, 2020.
- An article titled “Houston Ignores Calls to Defund Law Enforcement, Increases Police Budget” was posted at foxnews.com on July 20, 2020.
- An article titled “Chicago Police Say New Video Reveals Organized Ambush of Officers Amid Protest” was posted at foxnews.com on July 20, 2020.
- An article titled “Armed Kids As Young As 10 Carjack More Than a Dozen People on South Side, Police Say” was posted at fox32chicago.com on July 21, 2020.
- An article by Claudia Morell titled “Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot Asks Trump Not to Send Federal Agents, Saying It Would ‘Spell Disaster’ ” was posted at wbez.org on July 20, 2020.
- An article by Amanda Woods titled “Trump, Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot Agree to Deployment of Federal Agents” was posted at nypost.com on July 23, 2020.

Comments about police “misconduct”

- An article by Chris Baker titled “Syracuse Cop, An Unwilling Symbol of Needed Police Reform, Accused Again of Brutality” was posted at syracuse.com on July 17, 2020.
- An article by Taylor Ardrey titled “Felony Charges Were Dropped Against 87 Peaceful Demonstrators Arrested During Breonna Taylor Protest” was posted at businessinsider.com on July 18, 2020.

Illegal immigration

- An article by Bronson Stocking titled “Busy June for El Paso Border Patrol, Arresting Gang Members and Aggravated Felons” was posted at townhall.com on July 16, 2020.
- An article by Molly Stellino titled “Fact Check: Immigrants in US Illegally Aren’t Eligible for Federal Welfare; Trump Did Not Ban It” was posted at usatoday.com on July 17, 2020.

Comments about weapons

- An article by Jeff Elder titled “While Militarized Police Squared Off With Protesters Across the US, More Than 1,000 Guns Were Stolen From Gun Shops in One Week” was posted at businessinsider.com on July 17, 2020.
- An article by Jim Salter titled “St. Louis Couple Hit With Felony Charges For Pulling Guns at Protest” was posted at washingtontimes.com on July 20, 2020.

- An article by Ashley Collman titled "Hours After the St. Louis Couple Who Pointed Guns at Protesters Were Given Felony Charges, Missouri's Attorney General Said He's Joining the Case to Get Their Charges Dismissed" was posted at [businessinsider.com](https://www.businessinsider.com) on July 21, 2020.
- An article by Tristan Justice titled "Legal Documents: St. Louis Prosecutor Tampered With Evidence in McCloskey Gun Case" was posted at [thefederalist.com](https://www.thefederalist.com) on July 23, 2020.
- An article titled "Report: Prosecutor Had Crime Lab Repair 'Inoperable' Pistol Before Charging St. Louis Couple" was posted at [lawenforcementtoday.com](https://www.lawenforcementtoday.com) on July 22, 2020.

Comments about Mail-In Ballots

- Looking back to March, an article by Ella Nilsen titled "Voting by Mail Could Get a Boost During the US Coronavirus Outbreak" was posted at [vox.com](https://www.vox.com) on March 17, 2020.
- Looking back to March, an article by Rachel Orey titled "CARES Act Just a First Step in Preparing for November Elections" was posted at [bipartisanpolicy.org](https://www.bipartisanpolicy.org) on March 26, 2020.
- Looking back to March, an article by Rachel Orey titled "CARES Act Breakdown: \$400 Million in Election Funding" was posted at [bipartisanpolicy.org](https://www.bipartisanpolicy.org) on March 26, 2020.
- Looking back to June, 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.]

Comments about Trump support

- An article by Beth Baumann titled "Black Woman Destroys BLM Mural [in New York]; Here's What Her Motivation Was [Choosing Police Over BLM Organization]" was posted at [townhall.com](https://www.townhall.com) on July 18, 2020.
- An article by Rich Lowry titled "Guess What? We Need More Police in Urban Neighborhoods, Arresting More People" was posted at [nationalreview.com](https://www.nationalreview.com) on July 19, 2020.
- An article by Alex Corey titled "Trump Raises a Stunning \$20 Million in First Virtual Fundraiser" was posted at [townhall.com](https://www.townhall.com) on July 22, 2020.
- An article by Elle Reynolds titled "U.S. Orders China's Houston Consulate to Close, Citing 'Massive Illegal Spying' " was posted at [thefederalist.com](https://www.thefederalist.com) on July 22, 2020.

Comments about Trump opposition

- An article by Ian Schwartz titled "Pelosi: America Is Suffering From the 'Trump Virus' " was posted at [realclearpolitics.com](https://www.realclearpolitics.com) on July 21, 2020.

- An article by Willis L. Krumholz titled "Congress' Coronavirus Response Could Cause Mass Layoff Right Before the Election" was posted at thefederalist.com on July 22, 2020.
- An article by Chris Talgo titled "In Portland, Lawlessness Begets Lawlessness" was posted at townhall.com on July 23, 2020.
- An article by Melanie Arter titled "DHS Sec.: Dems More Concerned With Violent Protesters Getting Hurt Than Police" was posted at cnsnews.com on July 17, 2020.
- An article by Talia Kaplan titled "Mayor De Blasio 'Cut Out the Heart and Soul of the NYPD,' Says Former NYPD Commissioner [Ray Kelly]" was posted at foxnews.com on July 23, 2020.
- An article by Ellie Bufkin titled "What Happened To Union Joe? Biden's Pro-Labor Past Has Evaporated Into a Far-Left Agenda" was posted at townhall.com on July 17, 2020.
- An article by Christopher Jacobs titled "In 'Unity' Platform With Bernie Sanders, Joe Biden Paves Way for Socialist Medicine" was posted at thefederalist.com on July 23, 2020.
- An article by Pauline Cachero titled "Black Lives Matter Co-Founder Alicia Garza Says Joe Biden Is 'Far Away' From the Changes Democratic Voters Want" was posted at time.com on July 16, 2020.
- An article by Janine Phakdeetham titled "Ilhan Omar Could Be Voted Out After Just One Term As Main Primary Challenger Rakes in Millions in Fundraising" was posted at the-sun.com on July 21, 2020.
- An article by Andrew Davenport titled "LA Teachers Union on Opening Schools: Medicare for All, Defund Police, New Wealth Tax, End Charter Schools" was posted at cnsnews.com on July 15, 2020.
- An article by Tom Tapp titled "California Governor Gavin Newsom Orders Majority of State's Schools to Close Campuses, Move to Virtual Instruction Only; Los Angeles County Will Follow Newsom's Lead" was posted at deadline.com on July 17, 2020.
- An article by Joy Pullman titled "La La Land Congress Wants to Give Billions to Public Schools to Stay Closed" was posted at thefederalist.com on July 22, 2020.
- An article titled "Feinstein: States Without Mask Mandate Shouldn't Receive Direct Federal Funds" was posted at feinstein.senate.gov on July 16, 2020.
- An article by Justin Baragona titled "Fox Host Neil Cavuto Cuts Away From Trump Speech to Note It 'Mischaracterized' Obama's Record" was posted at thedailybeast.com on July 16, 2020.
- An article by Beth Baumann titled "It Turns Out CDC Employees Are Bankrolling Dems" was posted at townhall.com on July 19, 2020.
- An article titled "Michigan School Fires Popular Teacher and Varsity Baseball Coach for Saying 'Trump Is Our President' on Social Media" was posted at thenewscommenter.com on July 21, 2020.

- An article by Cassandra Negley titled "Doc Rivers: Maybe NBA Should Send Its COVID-19 Game Plan to White House" was posted at yahoosports.com on July 21, 2020.
- Looking back to June, an article by Karissa Bell titled "Facebook Will Label Posts From Politicians That Break Its Rules" was posted at engadget.com on June 26, 2020.
- Looking back to June, an article by Karissa Bell titled "Advertisers Are Running From Facebook" was posted at engadget.com on June 30, 2020.
- An article by Nathan Ingraham titled "PlayStation Is the Latest to Join the Facebook Ad Boycott" was posted at engadget.com on July 2, 2020.
- An article by Jon Fingas titled "Disney Said to Have 'Dramatically' Cut Ad Spending on Facebook Amid Boycott" was posted at engadget.com on July 18, 2020.
- An article by Aaron Holmes titled "Walmart, McDonalds and Geico Are the Latest Companies to Reportedly Pull Advertising From Facebook Amid Growing Boycott [Due to 'Hate Speech'], Costing the Tech Giant Millions" was posted at businessinsider.com on July 21, 2020.
- An article by Tristan Justice titled "Google Appears to Test Its Ability to Blacklist Conservative Media Ahead of Election" was posted at thefederalist.com on July 21, 2020.
- An article by Ben Collins and Brandy Zadrozny titled "Twitter Bans 7,000 QAnon Accounts, Limits 150,000 Others As Part of Broad Crackdown" was posted at nbcnews.com on July 21, 2020.

Not conceding an election

- An article by Joe Concha titled "Hillary Clinton: 'We Have to Be Ready for the Possibility' Trump Won't Leave Office [Which Was a Clever Political Statement]" was posted at thehill.com on July 14, 2020.
- Looking back to 2008, an article titled "Hillary Clinton Refuses to Concede Despite Barack Obama's Delegate Victory" was posted at telegraph.co.uk on June 4, 2008.
- Looking back to 2016, an article by Ken Thomas and Lisa Lerer titled "Clinton Campaign Ponders: What If Trump Doesn't Concede?" was posted at pbs.org on Oct. 22, 2016.
- Looking back to 2016, an article by Amie Parnes titled "Obama Urged Clinton to Concede [to Donald Trump] on Election Night" was posted at thehill.com on Nov. 25, 2016.
- Looking back to 2017, an article titled "Insiders Account Reveals Obama Twice Phoned Hesitant Clinton, Pushing Her to Concede Election Defeat" was posted at washingtonpost.com on April 18, 2017.
- Looking back to 2017, an article by Haley Britzky titled "16 Things Hillary Clinton Blames for Her Election Loss [in Her New Book]" was posted at axios.com on Sept. 16, 2017.

- Looking back to 2018, an article by Veronica Stracqualursi and Devan Cole titled "Stacey Abrams Refuses to Concede Georgia Governor's Race to Brian Kemp" was posted at cnn.com on Nov. 7, 2018.
- Looking back to 2019, an article by Michael Thielsen titled "Sore Loser Abram's Inspires Hillary Clinton to Whine Some More" was posted at mia.org on Sept. 18, 2019.
- Looking back to 2019, an article by Daniel Chaitin titled "Hillary Clinton Suggests 2016 Election Was 'Stolen' From Her" was posted at washingtonpost.com on May 5, 2019.
- Looking back to 2019, an article titled "Hillary Clinton: Trump Is An Illegitimate President" was posted at washingtonpost.com on Sept. 26, 2019.
- Looking back to June, an article titled "Hillary Clinton on Trump: Everything Has to Be All About Him" was posted at latimes.com on June 30, 2020.

Kamala Harris

- An article by Zack Friedman titled "Kamala Harris: Second Stimulus Checks Should Be \$2,000 a Month" was posted at forbes.com on July 17, 2020.

News about the media

- Looking back to June, an article by Leah Asmelash titled "Black Lives Matter Protests Have Not Led to a Spike in Coronavirus Cases, Research Says" was posted at cnn.com on June 24, 2020.
- An article by Katie Pavlich titled "CNN Lies About Hydroxychloroquine Again" was posted at townhall.com on July 23, 2020.
- Looking back to June, an article by Brian Stelter titled "Conservative Media Is Living in the Past As Unrest Subsides Across the US" was posted at cnn.com on June 10, 2020.
- An article by Danielle Wallace titled "Anti-Cop 'Mob' Swarms Back the Blue Event in Denver, Bloodying Several: Reports" was posted at nypost.com on July 20, 2020.
- An article titled "Michelle Malkin Slams Media for Their Framing of Violent Antifa Attack on Denver 'Back the Blue' Rally" was posted at thenewscommenter.com on July 21, 2020.
- An article by David Bauder titled "AP Says It Will Capitalize 'Black' But Not 'White' " was posted at apnews.com on July 20, 2020.
- An article by Christopher Bedford titled "The *Atlantic* Finally Admits Its Police Abolition Piece [by Derecka Purnell on July 6] Is Based on a False Narrative" was posted at thefederalist.com on July 21, 2020.
- An article by Phil J. Kerpen titled "New York Times-Hyped Korean Report Actually Shows Kids Are Not Spreading Coronavirus" was posted at thefederalist.com on July 22, 2020.

- An article by Dominic Patten titled "Tucker Carlson Returns From Vacation to Go to War With New York Times" was posted at deadline.com on July 20, 2020.
- An article by Will Thorne titled "TV Ratings: Rachel Maddow Interview With Mary Trump Breaks Viewership Record [of Her Show With 5.2 Million Viewers]" was posted at variety.com on July 17, 2020.
- An article by Tony Maglio titled "Joy Reid's 'ReidOut' Debut Wins Time Slot for MSNBC in Total Viewers, But Loses in Key Demographic [Distant Third Place Among Adults 25-54]" was posted at thewrap.com on July 21, 2020.
- An article by Sara Fischer titled "Newsroom Layoffs Will Be Brutal in 2020 [With 11,000 Jobs Already in First Six Months]" was posted at axios.com on July 21, 2020.
- An article by Michael Schneider and Kate Aurthur titled "R.I.P. Cable TV: Why Hollywood Is Slowly Killing Its Biggest Money-maker" was posted at variety.com on July 21, 2020.

General interest

- An article by Suzanne Malveaux, Lauren Fox, Faith Karimi and Brandon Griggs titled "Civil Rights Legend Rep. John Lewis Dead at 80" was posted at cnn.com on July 18, 2020.
- An article by Tom McCarthy titled "US Public Increasingly Skeptical of COVID-19 Death Toll, Poll Finds" was posted at theguardian.com on July 21, 2020.
- An article by Susan Jones titled "CDC: COVID-19 Deaths for Week Ending June 27 Down 91.9% From Mid-April Peak" was posted at cnsnews.com on July 14, 2020.
- An article by Robert Guaderrama titled "Fox 35 Investigates: Florida Department of Health Says Some Labs Have Not Reported Negative COVID-19 Results" was posted at fox35orlando.com on July 18, 2020.
- An article by Susan Jones titled "CDC: COVID Deaths for Week Ending July 4 Down 83% From Peak; Down 9% From Prior Week" was posted at cnsnews.com on July 21, 2020.
- An article by Jordan Culver titled "'Dangerous Road Hazard' [Caltrops, Sometimes Called 'Stop Spikes']: Texas Police Warn Motorists of Tire-Flattening Spikes Scattered on Major Highway [I-20 Near Lindale]" was posted at usatoday.com on July 22, 2020.
- A video and an article by Mercer Baggs titled "Watch: Bryson DeChambeau [Professional Golfer] Hits Tee Shot 423 Yards" were posted at nbcsports.com on July 16, 2020.
- An article titled "Kansas Dog Makes 50-Mile Trek to Her Old Home in Missouri" was posted at apnews.com on July 18, 2020.
- An article by Mark Thiessen and Cheyanne Mumphrey titled "Powerful Quake Shakes Alaska Towns, Creates Small Tsunami" was posted at apnews.com on July 22, 2020.



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.”