# Eye on the World June 19, 2021

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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).

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An article by Douglas Broom titled "Global Solutions: Four Things That Came Out of the G7 Summit" was posted at weforum.org (World Economic Forum) on June 15, 2021. Following are excerpts of the article.

- A billion doses of covid-19 vaccine
- No more coal
- America is back at the table
- Tech giants and tax havens targeted

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An article by Dominque Soguel titled "Vaccine Passports: Why Europe Loves Them and the U.S. Loathes Them" was posted at csmonitor.com on June 11, 2021. Following is the article.

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Back in 1992, Yiannis Klouvas converted an old cinema into the Blue Lagoon restaurant, which garnered a strong reputation for live music. There is no music now. The business, like so many others on the Greek island of Rhodes, is struggling due to the pandemic's restrictions on travel.

"If we see a tourist on the street these days," he says, "we take a photo to remember them."

Mr. Klouvas is now banking on the EU Digital covid Certificate, also known as the "green passport," to save the summer. Starting July 1, all EU member states will accept the certificates as proof of covid-19 vaccination, a recent negative test, or recovery from the disease. The plan got a resounding yes at the European Parliament on June 9. All EU member states, Liechtenstein, and Norway will implement the passport.

But across the Atlantic, the idea faces strong head winds, whether for travel or domestic use. The Biden administration has ruled out introducing vaccination passports, and some states even ban them. Fox News talk show host Tucker Carlson likened the use of them to segregation. "Medical Jim Crow has come to America," he said.

Prioritizing freedom and fears of government overreach underpin the rejection of vaccine certificates in the U.S., while European societies have grappled more with issues of privacy and fairness. And so as Western countries savor a return to the old, this phase of post-pandemic mobility is being shaped by cultural attitudes—like Europeans' tendency to make the most of having entirely different cultures within a few hours' drive—and the initial responses to the pandemic.

"Alabama never closed the border to Mississippi in the way Finland closed the border to Sweden," points out Anders Herlitz, a researcher at Sweden's Institute for Futures Studies. "Here in the EU, the vaccine passports are seen as a necessary evil to get rid of other, much more extensive, limitations to people's freedom, whereas in the U.S., they would not help getting rid of other limitations, but only cause new limitations."

Jen Kates, director of global health and HIV policy at the Kaiser Family Foundation in Washington, says previous pandemic plans didn't account for cultural variations and responses.

"One thing we know from how covid has played out globally is that culture matters," she says. "Politics, culture, all the differences that we know that structure people's lives have to be taken into account, both for getting back to normal and for preparing for the next pandemic."

## Europe's green passport

Nine European countries, including Greece and Germany, are already using the EU covid-19 passport. When the Greek government unveiled the passport, Prime Minister Kyriakos Mitsotakis trumpeted the opening of a "fast lane" to facilitate travel. Everyone realizes two years without tourists would be an economic disaster for the Mediterranean nation.

"Greece is very strongly pro-vaccine passport, especially as far as foreigners are concerned," says Paris Kyriacopolous, chairman of Motodynamics and Lion Rental, which operates Sixt Rent a Car in Greece.

Ipsos polling data suggests the dominant attitude toward covid-19 vaccine passports across Europe is equally positive. When it comes to using them

domestically, citizens are more concerned by questions of fairness than by privacy issues, and pockets of society are ambivalent about or opposed to vaccines. But when it comes to travel, the view is clearly pro.

Even Germany, which had more rigorous ethical debates on the issues and boasts stringent data privacy laws, got behind the idea of digital health certificates. More than 60% of Germans now support implementing them, according to a recent YouGov poll, even though less than half the population has had a first jab.

Malcolm Jorgensen, an academic who is providing administrative assistance at one of Berlin's six vaccination centers, is fully vaccinated as of this week. His vaccination card has allowed him to shop at markets and visit the gym without flashing a coronavirus test result. He says the move from a paper card to a digital passport isn't much of a leap.

"There's already informal digitization," says Dr. Jorgensen. "At the gym I can just show a photograph of my vaccination booklet, rather than the booklet itself. Digitization is inevitable."

In Germany, debates over the passports have had less to do with privacy concerns than with equity of access for people who choose not to or cannot be vaccinated. Analysts note that medical insurance companies already have individuals' health details.

"It's an ethical question," says Olga Stepanova, a data protection attorney with WINHELLER Law. "Each government needs to decide what kinds of access limitations may be imposed to protect others, while not limiting freedoms of non-vaccinated people in an inappropriate way."

## Concern about privacy

The freedom debate has been particularly fierce in the U.S. Much like other issues throughout the pandemic, the vaccine certificate has become deeply polarizing.

The divisions fall along partisan lines—just as they did with stay-at-home orders and mask mandates—and so different states have moved toward normalcy in distinct ways. New York was the first to introduce its Excelsior Pass, which allows residents to prove their vaccination status to gain access to certain social venues. But several states, including Florida and Texas, ban such passes outright.

The state of Michigan has been one of the most closely watched during the last year, ever since former President Donald Trump notoriously tweeted "Liberate Michigan" last spring in regard to tough anti-lockdown measures implemented by Democratic Gov. Gretchen Whitmer. This spring, as the state coped with one of the worst spikes of covid-19, a bitter debate over vaccine passports broke out.

This month the Michigan House approved legislation to ban so-called vaccine passports in the state—even though the governor has repeatedly said she has no intention of introducing them. "The threat of government controlling one's daily life through identification of whether one is immunized or not is frightening," said Rep. Sue Allor, who proposed the bill.

Like the rest of the country, the state is divided. The University of Michigan has mandated that students living in dormitories must prove vaccination. Since Michigan is a border state, some Democrats have pushed for passes as a way to travel more easily to Canada and avoid guarantines.

Dave Boucher, a government and politics reporter with the Detroit Free Press, says opposition centers around freedom of choice. It's about "the government 'telling me what I can and can't do,'" he says. "And there's always the slippery slope argument where if the government is endorsing vaccine passports now, then they're going to get vital information about you and track that information and use it in unknown, nefarious ways."

Rich Studley, president and CEO of the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, says the vast majority of his members are committed to a safe reopening and return to normal, but don't see passports as a way to do it.

"There is no groundswell of support that would be in favor of mandatory vaccines and vaccine passports," he says. "If there is one thing businesses have learned over the past year in Michigan, other than how to survive, it is how to operate their business safely to protect employees and customers."

In general, Americans—much like Europeans—are more accepting of passports to travel than they are for domestic use, according to polls. Some analysts believe they are an inevitable part of post-pandemic mobility.

"Digital health certificates are already available in the EU, and my guess is that they will be widely used, even without being adopted by the U.S.," says Chris Dye, a professor of epidemiology at Oxford University in Britain.

As other parts of the world move forward with passes, the U.S. might find itself playing catch-up. "It'll be really interesting to look ahead three to six months and see as other parts of the world are going forward and using these kinds of mechanisms, if there will be a change," says Dr. Kates.



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

## **Comments about G-7 meeting**

- An article by Christina Wilkie titled "Biden and G-7 Leaders Will Endorse a Global Minimum Corporate Tax of at Least 15%" was posted at cnbc.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article titled "Landmark G7 Agreement Pledges 870 Million Covid-19 Vaccine Doses" was posted at news.un.org on June 13, 2021.
- An article titled "G7 Covid-19 Vaccine Pledge 'Is Not Enough' Says WHO, IMF" was posted at euronews.com on June 13, 2021.

#### Comments about Israel

- An article by Jeffrey Heller and Maayan Lubell titled "After 12-Year Run, Benjamin Netanyahu Replaced as Prime Minister of Israel [Naftali Bennett]" was posted at thewire.in on June 14, 2021.
- An article by Tzvi Joffe titled "Hamas Calls for 'Day of Rage' to Confront Jerusalem Flag March" was posted at jpost.com on June 14, 2021.
- An article by Staff titled "Israel Bombs Hamas Targets in Gaza [for Second Time This Week] After Arson Balloon Attacks" was posted at jpost.com on June 18, 2021.
- An article titled "Israeli Forces Attack Al-Aqsa Protesters During Prophet Rally" was posted at aljazeera.com on June 18, 2021.

#### **Comments about Iran**

- An article by Charles Kim titled "Sen. Rubio Demands 'Forceful' Action Against Iranian Ships in Atlantic Ocean" was posted at newsmax.com on June 12, 2021.
- An article by Ben Evansky titled "Calls to Boycott Iran's Election Grow as Protesters Call on Biden to Halt Return to Nuclear Deal" was posted at foxnews.com on June 17, 2021.

#### **Comments about Saudi Arabia**

■ An article by Natalie Musumeci titled "Saudi Arabia Executes 26-Year-Old Man for Protesting Against the Government When He Was a Teen, Human Rights Groups Say" was posted at businessinsider.com on June 15, 2021.

#### **Comments about China**

- An article by John Hayward titled "Amnesty International: Chinese Concentration Camp Victims Endured Months of Torture" was posted at breitbart.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Gabrielle Reyes titled "Japan Prime Minister Outrages China by Calling Taiwan a 'Country' " was posted at breitbart.com on June 11, 2021.

#### Comments about Russia

- An article by Joshua Zitser titled "Putin Says Trump Is an 'Extraordinary' and 'Talented Individual' Who Is an Outsider to the U.S. Political Establishment, Unlike 'Career Man' Biden" was posted at businessinsider.com on June 12, 2021.
- An article by Susan Jones titled "Putin: 'We Do Not Believe China Is a Threat to Us' " was posted at cnsnews.com on June 14, 2021.

#### Comments about U.S-Russia Summit

■ An article by Emily Jacobs titled "Russia Provokes U.S. in Largest Military Exercises Since Cold War Before Biden-Putin Meeting" was posted at nypost.com on June 16, 2021.

- An article by Courtney Subramanian and Kim Hjelmgaard titled "'I Did What I Came to Do': Biden, Putin Leave Summit With Agreements, but Clear Tensions Remain" was posted at usatoday.com on June 16, 2021.
- An article titled "A 'Successful Diplomatic Trip': ['The Morning Show' Panel] Breaking Down Biden's Summit With Putin" was posted at msnbc.com on June 17, 2021.
- An article by Frances Martel titled "Russian Media: Summit a 'Victory' for Vladimir Putin Over 'Confused' Biden" was posted at breitbart.com on June 17, 2021.
- An article by Matthew Chance and Luke McGee titled "Putin Got Exactly What He Wanted From Biden in Geneva" was posted at cnn.com on June 17, 2021.
- An article by Robyn Dixon titled "To Russians, Putin Got What He Wanted From Biden" was posted at washingtonpost.com on June 17, 2021.

## Comments about other international nations

- Looking back to May, a Reuters article by Bart Biesemans titled "Battleship Diplomacy: Britain's New Aircraft Carrier Joins NATO, Has Message for China" was posted at reuters.com on May 28, 2021.
- An article titled "About 350,000 People in Ethiopia's Tigray in Famine; U.N. Analysis" was posted at yahoo.com on June 10, 2021.
- An article by Gabrielle Reyes titled "Nigerian Congressman Accuses Twitter of Promoting [Jihadist Organization] Boko Haram" was posted at breitbart.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Staff titled "Hungary Passes Law Banning LGBT Propaganda From Children Under Age 18" was posted at cnsnews.com on June 15, 2021.

#### Comments about international covid news

- Looking back to May, an article by Faycal Benhassain titled "France Prepares to Introduce Covid-19 Health Pass; Places New Restrictions on Arrivals From UK" was posted at breitbart.com on May 27, 2021.
- An article by Gabrielle Reyes titled "Report: Police in Rural India Force Unvaccinated to Wear Skull and Crossbones Signs" was posted at breitbart.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Victoria Friedman titled "'Not a Huge Deal' to Wear Masks Forever, Says 'Communist Party' Scientist [Susan Michie at University College in London] Advising UK Government" was posted at breitbart.com on June 11, 2021.
- Looking back to April, an article by Mason Boycott-Owen titled "Government Scientist [Susan Michie] Who Has Advocated for More Covid Controls Is Member of the Communist Party" was posted at telegraph.co.uk on April 25, 2021.
- An article by Jon Brown titled "'Give Unto Caesar': Alberta Pastor Jailed Again After Police Helicopter Finds Secret Church Gathering; Officer Quotes Jesus to Justify Arrest" was posted at dailywire.com on June 15, 2021.



An article by Michael Brown titled "The Moment of Silence Heard Around the Nation" was posted at townhall.com on June 15, 2021. Following is the article.

On Monday, Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis signed HB 529 into law, mandating between one and two minutes of silence to start each day in the state's public schools. Said DeSantis, "The idea that you can just push God out of every institution and be successful, I'm sorry, our Founding Fathers did not believe that."

As for the purpose of the moment of silence, he stated at a news briefing, "We think it's something that's important to be able to provide each student the ability, every day, to be able to reflect and to be able to pray as they see fit."

As for the involvement of teachers, the bill is explicit: "A teacher may not make suggestions as to the nature of any reflection that a student may engage in during the moment of silence."

So, the children will be told to remain silent for the designated period of time, during which time (within obvious parameters) they can do what they like. They can pray in whatever form they desire. They can close their eyes and rest. They can think about what's coming the rest of the day. They can imagine whatever they want to imagine.

There are no guidelines and no restrictions, other than the fact that, for at least one minute but not more than two, they cannot talk. Or interact with each other in other ways. Or use their cell phones. Just silence.

To quote the bill more fully, "Legislature finds that in today's hectic society too few persons are able to experience even a moment of quiet reflection before plunging headlong into the activities of daily life. Young persons are particularly affected by the absence of an opportunity for a moment of quiet reflection. The Legislature finds that our youth, and society as a whole, would be well served if students in the public schools were afforded a moment of silence at the beginning of each school day."

As to who can give suggestions to the students as to how they spend the daily moment of silence, the bill presents this radical idea: "Each first-period classroom teacher shall encourage parents or guardians to discuss the moment of silence with their children and to make suggestions as to the best use of this time."

Can you imagine that? The schools asking the parents or guardians to give input into their children's lives while at school? These days, that sounds almost revolutionary. Three cheers for asking for parental influence!

Of course, not everyone is happy with the bill, with one disruptive protester claiming, "You're playing political games with our freedom of speech! You're playing political games!"

But, how, pray tell, does a moment of *silence* impact a student's freedom of speech? And isn't it ironic that, in these days of *compelled speech* in our classrooms, that this protester is upset about compelled silence?

Before the bill was signed into law, some Democratic legislators raised concerns that HB 529 would violate the separation of church and state. Senate Minority Leader Gary Farmer, said, "It would be a good thing if we could all take a moment of silence every day and reflect and meditate a little bit on things that are important to us. However, the framers of our Constitution were very careful to separate church and state."

But not only has Farmer grossly overstated both the letter and the spirit of the framers, who lived in a much more "Christian" world (especially when it came to children's education). Even Wikipedia noted that, "In the 18th, 19th and early 20th centuries, it was common practice for public schools to open with an oral prayer or Bible reading."

Farmer has also mistaken a moment of silence, during which a kid could think about playing video games or asking someone out on a date, for mandated prayer.

Really now, isn't that the whole strategy behind simply having a moment of silence rather than a time of mandatory prayer?

But Farmer was not alone in his concerns. Sen. Lori Berman said, "I understand that this is a moment of silence, but I also want us all to think about what could happen in a moment of silence. Could children take out rosaries and start doing the sign of the cross and (make) other children feel uncomfortable? Could a child take out a prayer rug and start using a prayer rug?"

On the one hand, the bill does state that "students may not interfere with other students' participation" in the moment of silence, so it is clear that they could not try to distract each other. As to what liberties the students should have (from making the sign of the cross to taking out rosary beads to taking out a prayer rug), I'm not sure how the legislators (or school administrators) will address this question. Perhaps the solution will be that no item of any kind can be used during the moment of silence.

Either way, it is unimaginable to me that a student would be disallowed from making the sign of the cross for fear that it would make "other children feel uncomfortable." Seriously? This is now a terrible threat? This is something against which we must be vigilant?

Is this what America has come to? Or should a student not be allowed to make the sign of the cross before engaging in school sports? (Many professional athletes engage in this very public practice to this day.)

Again, this hyper-sensitivity is even more hypocritical when we realize that, on a daily basis, students who practice a conservative religious faith are made to feel uncomfortable by the aggressive, activist curricula and agenda of the school, which is literally shoved down their face. No problem with that! But God forbid a student should make the sign of the cross while uttering a silent prayer to start the day. That would be a real threat to the psychological and emotional wellbeing of other students.

In this light, it will be interesting to watch just how hysterical and irrational the reactions to this bill will be in the coming days. It will also be interesting to see how much of a crisis this period of silence will present to some students for whom two minutes of solitude will feel like an eternity.

Welcome to America, 2021.



An article by Jerry Newcombe titled "One Nation Under Allah?" was posted at townhall.com on June 17, 2021. Following is the article.

Recently, a student of Justice High School in Fairfax, Virginia led the graduation ceremony in the Pledge of Allegiance. In this public school setting, when she got to the part about "one nation under God," she said, instead, "one nation under Allah." This was apparently without any permission from school officials.

The idea of "one nation under Allah" is a natural outgrowth of the idea of "multi-culturalism," but is inconsistent with our history. It is true that in some Muslim-dominant nations, Christians there use the name "Allah" for God. But it's also true that the Allah of the Qu'ran is different than the God of the Bible. Presumably the student used the opportunity to tweak the noses of those who believe in the Judeo-Christian tradition of America as "one nation under God."

"One nation under God" allows the Muslim, the Buddhist, the atheist to practice what they wish.

"One nation under Allah" restricts freedom of those who disagree—even fellow Muslims of a slightly different stripe.

The idea of multi-culturalism may sound good to the naïve. While we can learn something from virtually every culture, to say that all cultures are the same is ignorant. They are not.

In places where the worship of Allah is compulsory, there is little room to disagree. Even many Muslims find restrictions under strict Islam troubling. There are many Iranians and Pakistanis and Afghanis lining up to try and live in America. But we don't have a lot of Americans lining up to go live in Iran or Pakistan or Afghanistan.

Here's what Rabbi Daniel Lapin once told me in a television interview for D. James Kennedy Ministries video, What If Jesus Had Never Been Born?, "The easiest way to answer the question of whether life on planet earth is better because Jesus walked Jerusalem or not is very simple, and that is: Just watch the way people vote with their feet. Watch where the net flow of immigration is in the world today. Is it from Christian countries to non-Christian countries or the other way around? It is so obvious."

America shines like a beacon because America is "one nation under God."

Although the secularist denies it and gnashes his teeth at the idea that the Christian God had anything to do with the founding of America, the evidence abounds in the actual documents of America's settling and founding eras, e.g., as found in *The Annals of America* (Encyclopedia Britannica, 1976) or the Avalon Project (on-line) of Yale University.

#### In their own words:

- The Pilgrims came "for the glory of God and the advancement of the Christian faith." (Mayflower Compact, 1620).
- The Puritan founder of Boston, Rev. John Winthrop, said (quoting Jesus), "For we must consider that we shall be like a City upon a hill; the eyes of all people are on us." ("A Model of Christian Charity," 1630).
- The Fundamental Orders of Connecticut (1639), which historians believed was a direct ancestor to *the* Constitution, notes that the purpose of their settlement was for "the liberty and purity of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus." This is why Connecticut is called "the Constitution state."

## And on it goes.

The Pilgrims, Puritans, and Quakers who founded British North America fled Mother England and other countries to get away from religious tyranny—in that case tyranny from professing Christians.

James Madison, a key architect of the Constitution, wrote the "Memorial and Remonstrance" (1785). In this document, he notes that as Christians we must have tolerance for those who have not yet been enlightened by the Gospel of Christ.

Said Madison, "Whilst we assert for ourselves a freedom to embrace, to profess, and to observe the religion which we believe to be of divine origin, we cannot deny an equal freedom to those whose minds have not yet yielded to the evidence which has convinced us. If this freedom be abused, it is an offence against God, not against man: To God therefore, not to men, must an account of it be rendered."

And thus, the founders established a nation where there would be no "establishment" of religion—nor would the free exercise of religion be squelched. This was understood for the first 150 years of American jurisprudence as meaning there would be no national church in America. In Britain, they have the Church of England. But there's no Church of America.

But now the secularists have been imposing in effect a religious system of secular humanism. Rabbi Lapin calls them "the secular fundamentalists." They are like the mullahs of Islam, only they seek to impose secular orthodoxy, including sexual libertinism.

And so, an "enlightened" student in America calls this country "one nation under Allah." But that is so far from our history and is totally anathema to freedom. Only as "one nation under God," do people enjoy liberty in America.

An article by Ann Coulter titled "The John Lewis Act Is the Democrats' Path to Permanent Power" was posted at anncoulter.com on June 16, 2021. Following is the article.

The official position of Fox News is that the Democrats' John Lewis vote-stealing bill is "narrower" than the Democrats' "For the People" vote-stealing bill. (This will be an exhibit in my museum titled, "Stupid People Can Never Help Your Cause.")

Yes, it's "narrower" in the sense of being 1 MILLION times worse. The John Lewis bill will do everything the "For the People" bill does—and so much more! They just don't tell us what, exactly. The language of the bill is full of anodyne, uplifting language about equal voting participation—but the details will be turned over to left-wing zealots at the Department of Justice, suddenly empowered to enforce voting rules so insane that no elected official would dare vote for them.

Inasmuch as nearly every congressional Democrat is fine with the provisions in the "For the People" bill—which are ludicrous—imagine how much worse the "You Can't Blame Me" bill is.

It will be faceless bureaucrats at the Department of Justice who give meaning to the happy words in the John Lewis bill. Federal government employees—i.e., the people actually making the rules—cannot be voted out of office. (Or fired—this is government work.) Indeed, these are people who could never be elected to any office on account of their repellent political views and, often, repellent physical appearance.

This is how Democrats impose fascistic rules on the citizenry without ever having to cast a dangerous vote: They write laws with vague statements of high principle, then dump the actual rule-making onto a government agency, where refugees from the ACLU issue edicts outlawing private property, due process, free speech and honest elections.

#### Recall:

- It wasn't elected members of Congress who ordered a nice Idaho couple to halt work on their home because it was allegedly on a protected wetland (in the middle of a subdivision with many other homes). That was environmentalist wackos at the EPA.
- It wasn't elected members of Congress who required universities to deny basic due process rights to students accused of rape. That was feminist loons at the Department of Education.
- It wasn't elected members of Congress who directed Obama's IRS to target groups with "tea party" or "patriots" in their names. That was liberal ideologue Lois Lerner and other civil service functionaries.

The lunatics at these agencies look like Reason Personified compared to the DOJ's voting rights attorneys.

In 2013, author Charlotte Allen described one fair-minded DOJ staffer, whose job it was to rewrite state voting laws: "On the morning of January 21, [2013] just before President Obama's second inauguration, Rep. Paul Ryan . . . was roundly booed by the gathered crowd as he left the Capitol to attend the ceremonies . . . Within minutes Daniel J. Freeman, a young career trial lawyer with the Voting Section of the U.S. Justice Department's Civil Rights Division . . . took credit in a Facebook post for instigating the anti-Ryan derision."

- 1. Paul Ryan? Pencil-necked, open borders, Never-Trump Paul Ryan? That's the guy who got Freeman so riled up?
- 2. The obnoxious Freeman is no longer a young career trial lawyer at the DOJ. Now he's a *senior* career trial lawyer at the DOJ.

Among the innovations dreamed up by fanatics like Freeman, Arizona was informed it could not ask for identification from people delivering more than 10 early ballots. Nothing fishy about that!

Arizona's voting laws were subject to federal oversight because of its well-known history as a slave state and avid practitioner of Jim Crow. (I may have to check my notes on that.)

Actually, Arizona was bossed around by liberal activists at the DOJ for 40 years because back in 1972, it didn't have bilingual ballots. Those weren't instituted until 1974. They may as well have donned white hoods and burned crosses!

Oddly, Mississippi's election laws were also subject to approval by the DOJ—despite the fact that blacks already voted at far higher rates than whites in that state. By contrast, Massachusetts did not require oversight of its voting laws, although in that fancy liberal state, black people voted at much lower rates than whites.

It's almost as if only red states have their voting laws nitpicked by left-wing lawyers in Washington. I wonder if that would help Democrats win presidential elections?

Ironically, meaning totally predictably, the original 1965 Voting Rights Act was necessary because Democrats were trying to prevent black people from voting. Today, Democrats are using these new "voting rights" bills to ensure that 110% of black people vote, even if they are convicted felons, don't live in the state, didn't actually fill out a ballot or are dead.

It wasn't until 2013 that the Supreme Court mercifully overturned key portions of the 1965 Voting Rights Act. (Citing the overwhelming Senate vote for the wonderfully named Voting Rights Act, Justice Antonin Scalia remarked at oral argument: "This is not the kind of a question you can leave to Congress.")

While it's great that ideologues like Dan Freeman had their wings clipped by the Court, the previous 40 years of their harassment tells you what they want to do. The John Lewis voting rights bill will put them back in the saddle!

States will be ordered to keep dead voters on the rolls, give violent felons the right to vote and jettison any voter I.D. requirements. (Interestingly, even after all the media demagoguery, black people still overwhelmingly support voter I.D. laws.)

There's no disincentive to government lawyers pursuing frivolous cases to the end of the Earth. Even if they eventually lose, they don't have to worry about court costs or legal fees. They don't pay 'em. You do.

The "For the People" voting rights bill is the floor of what these petty bureaucrats will require. Those are the bare-minimum "voting rights" that will be imposed on the states by the DOJ. That's the level of absurdity Democrats are willing to vote for in plain sight. What great ideas does Dan Freeman have that even Democrats couldn't endorse on the record?

What *is* the voting "rights" equivalent of the EPA's relentless persecution of homeowners, the Duke lacrosse case or the IRS's abuse of power? Because that's what the John Lewis voting rights bill will deliver.

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An article by Ben Shapiro titled "How Blue City Governance Is Destroying Blue Cities" was posted at creators.com on June 16, 2021. Following is the article.

This week, a video from a San Francisco Walgreens went viral on Twitter. The video depicted a man standing next to his bicycle, loading up a garbage bag with products. The man then rides his bicycle down the aisle, past a security guard, who limply throws out a hand to try to grab the bag; the shoplifter

simply brushes past him, then rides out the door.

This sort of thing has become exceedingly common in San Francisco. In late May, Thomas Fuller wrote in The New York Times, "At a board of supervisors hearing last week, representatives from Walgreens said that thefts at its stores in San Francisco were four times the chain's national average, and that it had closed 17 stores, largely because the scale of thefts had made business untenable." Employees at Walgreens had been told to stand aside as shoplifting took place because security officers had been assaulted repeatedly.

All of this is the result of a 2014 California ballot measure that reclassified non-violent theft as a misdemeanor, so long as the thief took less than \$950 worth of material. Thieves quickly hit on a strategy: Hit up different stores for less than \$950 worth of stuff. Then, amid the Black Lives Matter protests and riots of 2020, San Francisco decided to crack down on the police. Mayor London Breed announced that booking photos would no longer be released, lest the prevalence of Black and brown faces lead to stereotyping; she announced a \$120 million cut to the police and sheriff's department over the next two years, in the interest of "prioritizing investments in the African American community"; in the first six months of 2020, 23 officers resigned from the force.

Property crime has skyrocketed. It's not just shoplifting: burglaries increased nearly 50% year-on-year in 2020, and car theft jumped 34%. Meanwhile, the streets are littered with garbage, and have been for years thanks to lax law enforcement. In

2018, a survey of 153 blocks in downtown San Francisco showed trash on every block, 41 blocks "dotted with needles" and 96 blocks with open human feces.

This form of governance has become all too common. Los Angeles, my former hometown, has steadily declined in terms of livability. Suburban areas have been inundated with homeless vagrants, often openly shooting up, while the police have been directed to do nothing; Venice Beach has become an enormous openair homeless encampment. Seattle has morphed from the Emerald City into a refuge for those living on the street, regardless of the risks to other citizens.

There is a reason why Americans are fleeing America's major cities. The problem predated covid-19, and it will post-date it, too. Americans like having a Walgreens in their neighborhoods. They enjoy being able to walk down the sidewalk without severely mentally ill homeless people—who should be in institutions where they can receive actual care—urinating on curbs. They should not have to instruct their children to hop over used needles on street corners.

Yet the governance of "compassion" continues. So does the migration away from such foolhardy policy. The top outbound states in America, according to North American Moving Services, were all deep blue: Illinois, New York, California, New Jersey and Maryland. The top inbound states were all red or purple: Idaho, Arizona, South Carolina, Tennessee and North Carolina.

At some point, there will be no more Walgreens in San Francisco. Then we will undoubtedly hear about how this is the product of systemic racism and white privilege; we will hear tell of the brutality of American capitalism. The truth is far simpler: Where Leftist governance reigns, criminality thrives. And where criminality thrives, Americans flee.



An article by Dennis Prager titled "The Moral and Religious Case Against Unconditional Love" was posted at townhall.com on June 15, 2021. Following is the article.

Unconditional love is neither biblical nor rational nor moral. Can you name anything good that is or should be given with no moral or ethical conditions?

Take salary, for example: Do you see a problem with continuing to pay employees no matter how they perform? In other words, do you see a problem with unconditional salaries?

The question is rhetorical.

If people believe they will receive the same salary no matter how well or poorly they work, few will work hard. The fact that a worker can be fired is precisely what prevents most people from slacking off.

Furthermore, paying the same salary to the lazy and careless worker as to the hardworking and responsible one is so unfair that it would completely undermine workplace morale. Now substitute love for salary.

If everyone received the same amount of love no matter how terrible or beautiful their actions, wouldn't that create the same problems as unconditional salaries?

If we gave everyone the same amount of love no matter how they behaved, what would motivate anyone to behave better? And would it be fair? If kind, self-sacrificing, responsible people were to receive no more love than narcissists, murderers and thieves, the world would be a far more unjust place than it already is.

Unconditional love is no more desirable, no more fair and no more goodness-inducing than unconditional salary. Yet, remarkably, unconditional love has become the great human and even divine ideal.

This is a recent development.

Google charts the use of words and terms in English-language books from the beginning of the 19th century until the present. If you look at its chart for the term "unconditional love," you will learn that until the 1970s, the term almost never appeared in English-language books. And then, all of a sudden, it was everywhere.

In other words, when America was religious, no one used the term "unconditional love." Only as America became less religious, its culture more secular, did usage of the term soar. This alone should help dispel the widespread notion that unconditional love is a religious ideal.

It isn't. In a lifetime of teaching Judaism and now writing volume four of a five-volume Bible commentary, I have never come across the concept of unconditional love. In fact, God makes it clear that His love is conditional on obeying Him.

For example, He tells the Israelites: "If you will obey Me faithfully and keep My covenant, you shall be My treasured possession." He said *If.* 

The Book of Psalms makes this even clearer: "(God) hates all evildoers. You doom those who speak lies; murderous, deceitful men the LORD abhors" (Psalm 5:6-7). Obviously, God doesn't give unconditional love.

As for Christianity, many Christians assert that unconditional love is the ideal for humans to aspire to. Yet, I could not find a single direct statement about unconditional love—divine or human—in the New Testament. As a Canadian Christian pastor and theologian, George Sinclair, wrote: "The Bible does not teach that God loves unconditionally or that you should love unconditionally."

Why modern Christians so frequently speak of God's unconditional love and of unconditional love as what humans should aspire to is a mystery to me. The very fact that according to Christian theology, only those who believe in Christ are saved from hell should make it clear that salvation is conditional. Some Christians respond that God continues to love the nonbeliever even as he descends to hell—because it is the nonbeliever, *not God*, who has sent himself to hell by rejecting God's love through His offer of salvation. However, that hardly argues against God's conditional love—that love (and the salvation prompted by it) is conditioned on the human being's acceptance of God's terms.

It is true that countless people who have strayed far from a righteous life have been immensely helped by the belief that God loves them—but they must repent to benefit from that love.

Unconditional love is, in the final analysis, a bad secular idea.

Aside from undermining people's reasons for pursuing excellence and undermining group morale—as we saw in the example of unconditional salaries—there are three other reasons it's a bad idea.

- First, if people are loved no matter how immorally they act, love becomes the one thing in life that is completely divorced from morality. *Unconditional love makes love amoral.*
- Second, what means more to you—someone who loves you because they love everyone unconditionally or someone who loves you because they consider you special?
- Third, unconditional love often leads to very unloving behavior. If husbands and wives, for example, know they will receive the same amount of love no matter how they treat their spouse, do you think this is likely to lead to spouses acting better or worse?

But, many people will respond, don't parents have unconditional love for their children?

And isn't that the ideal?

Yes, many parents do love their children unconditionally—because it is instinctive in most people to so love their children. But is this a good message to convey to your children: "No matter how you treat your siblings or even us, your mother and father, not to mention non-family members, we will love you just the same"?

And even if parents' love for their child is unconditional, why should that be a model for how we ought to feel toward every other person on the planet?

Would your children be happy to know that you loved everyone just as much as you love them?

Should you? There would actually be something psychologically and morally wrong with a parent who loved everyone as much as they loved their child.

Yes, babies should receive unconditional love. The rest of us should want to grow up.

As for God, I have never believed I was the recipient of unconditional love from Him, nor have I ever sought it. I seek His approval. That's a better way to live.

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An article by Jeff Harris titled "Life Insurance and Covid-19; Something Doesn't Make Sense" was posted at ronpaulinstitute.org on May 26, 2021. Following is the article.

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You would think that during the worst Pandemic since the 1918 Spanish Flu life insurance companies would be hedging their bets to avoid major losses from covid-19. I haven't written a life policy for several years so I was wondering what was going on? I called one of the brokers I deal with that interacts with hundreds of big life insurers to get an inside look into how the covid crisis has changed their business.

Imagine my surprise when she said it was pretty much business as usual! Last year when the hysteria was just getting ramped up she did say the companies temporarily tightened up underwriting and reduced the amount of coverage they would offer. But as time went by and the hard data came rolling in those same companies went back to business as usual.

I asked her specifically if life insurers wanted a covid test as part of the underwriting process and she said none that she was aware of. Hmm, that's pretty interesting isn't it? The most lethal pandemic in decades descends on the globe with deadly mutations taking millions of innocent lives and the life insurance companies couldn't care less.

I also asked if the cost per thousand of coverage had increased due to covid and again she said no. Rates were pretty much the same as they were before the covid pandemic ravaged the earth. Life Insurance companies are very risk adverse. They don't like losing money to unnecessary claims. The fact they're treating covid as a nonevent should be an indicator that something is very wrong with the whole narrative.



An article by Scott Morefield titled "Did Andrew Cuomo Just Use Real Science to Demolish Their Whole Vaccine Narrative?" was posted at townhall.com on June 14, 2021. Following are excerpts of the article.

Andrew Cuomo said: "Get a vaccine. If you get a vaccine, you don't have to worry about unvaccinated people, because you have the vaccine. I am vaccinated. You may not be vaccinated. But you don't pose a risk to me because I am vaccinated. So if you are vaccinated, what do you worry about? The only question is the effective rate of the vaccine, which is 80-90%, whatever it is. So if you're concerned about that, get a vaccine. [You may say] 'Well, there will be unvaccinated people.' That's their problem. They have to worry about catching covid, not you."



An article titled "Population Change in 2020: The Most Deaths, Fewest Births and Fewest New Immigrants in a Decade" was posted at usafacts.org on May 14, 2021. Following are excerpts of the article.

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The US population was an estimated 329 million on July 1, 2020, growing by 1.2 million in a year, according to newly released estimates from the Census Bureau. This annual growth was a decrease of 22% since 2019. The 0.4% annual growth rate is the lowest since 1918, the year of the Spanish flu pandemic.

The Census Bureau conducts various surveys, estimates, and counts that yield different results. The data comes from the Population Estimates Program, which annually estimates population on July 1. It is based on the 2010 census.

National population growth is calculated by combining natural population change and immigration.

Natural population change is the number of births less the number of deaths. There were 3.7 million births in 2020, a decrease of 0.6% since 2019. The nation recorded 3.1 million deaths, an increase of 8%. (Estimates are based on July 1 populations, and excludes deaths that occurred in the second half of 2020.) As a result, natural population change led to a net increase of 677,000 people, dropping 27% from 2019 population growth and 54% from 2011.

Population growth from net international migration increased from 795,000 in 2011 to more than 1 million in 2016—then fell to a decade-low 477,000 in 2020.

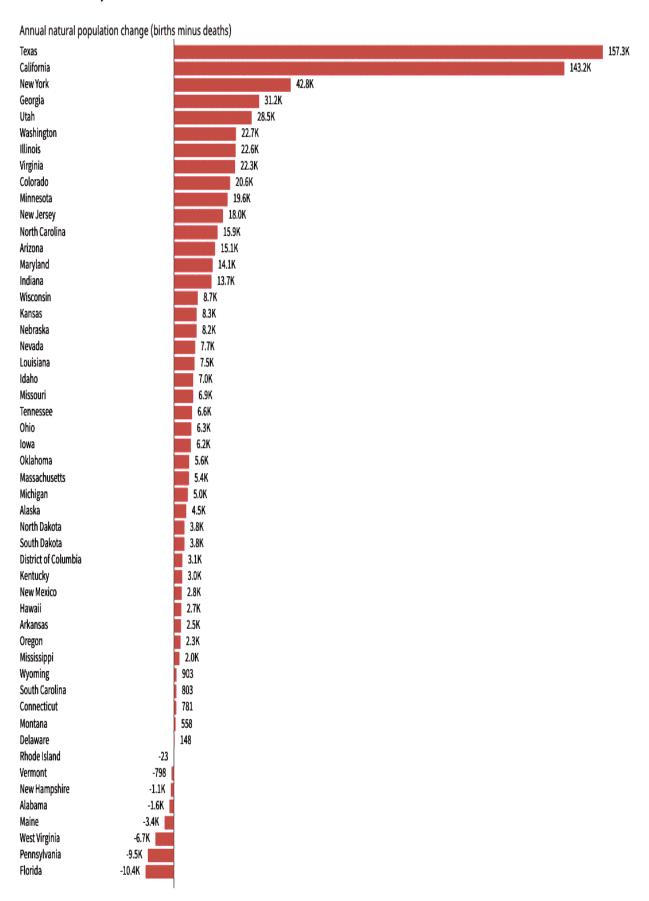
Meanwhile, immigration accounted for an increasing share of total population growth. Immigrants contributed 35% of total population growth in 2011 and increased to a high of 46% growth in 2016. The percentage of immigrants of total population growth declined to 41% in 2020.

The Census data also shows national demographic changes, breaking down states into four regions: Northeast, Midwest, South, and West.

- Northeastern states lost citizens for the second consecutive year. The population decline in the Northeast almost doubled from 82,000 in 2019 to 153,000 in 2020. While the region gained 110,000 people from international migration and 52,000 from natural population growth, 315,000 moved to other regions. The greatest populations drops were in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut.
- Midwestern states also lost citizens for the first time. The Midwest population dropped by 23,000 people in 2020 after gaining 77,000 in 2019. Illinois had the largest decline: 113,000 people left in 2020, more than the 23,000 people it gained through natural population growth and the 11,000 new immigrants.
- Meanwhile, people have moved to the West and the South. Florida, Texas, and Arizona have the greatest combined domestic migration and immigration gains.

A decade-high eight states and Puerto Rico experienced negative natural growth. West Virginia experienced more deaths than births every year for the entire decade. Maine experienced negative natural growth in all but one year since 2011. New Hampshire, Vermont, and Puerto Rico had negative natural growth starting in 2017. Florida, Pennsylvania, Alabama, and Rhode Island first experienced negative natural growth this past year.

# Texas had 157,000 more births than deaths in 2020.



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An article by Andrew Kerr titled "Media Downplayed or Ignored These 8 Lab-Leak Theory Facts for Over a Year" was posted at dailycaller.com on May 27, 2021. Following are excerpts of the article.mmm

■ China arrested doctors for telling the truth about covid-19.

- Wuhan's top bat-based coronavirus researcher [Shi Zhengli] said she lost sleep worrying the virus came from her lab.
- China's 'Bat Woman' [Shi Zhengli] expressed shock that covid-19 broke out in Wuhan.
- Chinese researcher [Botao Xiao] published—then deleted—a study concluding covid-19 probably originated from Wuhan lab in February 2020.
- Deadly viruses have a history of escaping from Chinese laboratories.
- China deleted early samples of covid-19 [in May 2020].
- Key American defender of Wuhan lab [EcoHealth Alliance President Dr. Peter Dazsak] had a clear conflict of interest.
- Prominent American virologist [Rutgers University professor of chemical biology Richard H. Ebright] said [as early as February 2020 that] lab-leak theory shouldn't be dismissed.



An article by Jacob Pramuk titled "11 GOP Senators Back Bipartisan Infrastructure Plan, Boosting Its Chances of Moving Forward" was posted at cnbc.com on June 16, 2021. Following are excerpts of the article.

■ Richard Burr of North Carolina

- Bill Cassidy of Louisiana
- Susan Collins of Maine
- Lindsey Graham of South Carolina
- Jerry Moran of Kansas
- Lisa Murkowski of Alaska
- Rob Portman of Ohio
- Mitt Romney of Utah
- Mike Rounds of South Dakota
- Thom Tillis of North Carolina
- Todd Young of Indiana

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"Eye on the World" comment: The following headlines are about articles that involve the United States. The articles were not posted, but the headlines give the essence of the story.

## **Deficit**

■ An article by Craig Bannister titled "Republican Senators Say Congress 'Should' Balance the Budget, Skeptical Democrats Say It'll Take Higher Taxes" was posted at cnsnews.com on June 16, 2021.

## **Comments about abortion**

- An article by Dr. Susan Berry titled "Ron DeSantis: Non-Pro-Life Politicians 'First Ones' to 'Sell Out to the D.C. Establishment' " was posted at breitbart. com on June 10, 2021.
- An article by Bill Donahue titled "Biden Wavers on Killing Convicted Murderers, but Not Innocent Babies" was posted at cnsnews.com on June 15, 2021.
- An article by Staff titled "Pro-Life Scholar [Michael New]: Biden Regime Is Pushing Abortion Even More Than Obama" was posted at lifesitenews.com on June 16, 2021.
- An article by Brianna Lyman titled "[North Carolina] Court Rules North Carolina Ban Unconstitutional" was posted at dailycaller.com on June 16, 2021.
- An article by Julia Johnson titled "Is a 15-Week-Old Unborn Baby a Human Being? Senator [Tammy] Baldwin: 'The Question Will Revolve Around a Previous Precedent in Roe' " was posted at cnsnews.com on June 15, 2021.
- An article by Julia Johnson titled "Is a 15-Week-Old Unborn Baby a Human Being? Senator [Richard] Blumenthal: 'I'm Going to Wait for the Supreme Court Decision' " was posted at cnsnews.com on June 15, 2021.
- An article by Elisabeth Nieshalla titled "Is a 15-Week-Old Unborn Baby a Human Being? Senator [Bernie] Sanders: 'I Believe Very Strongly in Roe v. Wade' " was posted at cnsnews.com on June 16, 2021.
- An article by Elisabeth Nieshalla titled "Is a 15-Week-Old Unborn Baby a Human Being? Senator [Mazie] Hirono: 'The Supreme Court Has Said . . . a Woman Has a Right to Choose' "was posted at cnsnews.com on June 16, 2021.
- An article by Ashlianna Kreiner titled "Is a 15-Week-Old Unborn Baby a Human Being? Senator Feinstein: 'I'm Not Going to Get Into That at All' " was posted at cnsnews.com on June 16, 2021.
- An article by Julia Johnson titled "Is a 15-Week-Old Unborn Baby a Human Being? Senator [John] Kennedy Says 'Yes' " was posted at cnsnews.com on June 16, 2021.
- An article by Julia Johnson titled "Is a 15-Week-Old Unborn Baby a Human Being? Senator [John] Hoeven: 'Life Begins at Conception' " was posted at cnsnews.com on June 16, 2021.
- An article by Julia Johnson titled "Is a 15-Week-Old Unborn Baby a Human Being? Senator Ted Cruz: 'Absolutely' " was posted at cnsnews.com on June 16, 2021.

- An article by Julie Johnson titled "Pelosi Dodges Question on Whether a 15-Week-Old Unborn Baby Is a Human Being" was posted at cnsnews.com on June 17, 2021.
- An article by Staff titled "Sen. Ted Cruz: 'Barbaric; Speaker Pelosi Refuses to Say an Unborn Baby at 15 Weeks Is a Human Being' "was posted at cnsnews.com on June 17, 2021.

## Comments about government snooping

- An article by Charlie Spiering titled "Biden Administration Asks Americans to Report 'Potentially' Radicalized Friends and Family" was posted at breitbart.com on June 15, 2021.
- An article by Ryan Mills titled "Massachusetts Public School District Encourages Students to Report Peers, Teachers for 'Bias' Violations" was posted at nationalreview.com on June 15, 2021.

## **Comments about corporate censorship**

- Looking back to May, an article by Kelli Ballard titled "Facebook Doubles Down on Censorship, but Backtracks on Covid" was posted at libertynation.com on May 28, 2021.
- An article by Mollie Hemingway titled "YouTube Bans Sen. Ron Johnson for Discussing Early Treatment of Covid-19" was posted at thefederalist.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by John Nolte titled "[Actor and Comedian] Jon Lovitz Says Cancel Culture Is 'No Different Than McCarthyism' "was posted at breitbart.com on June 12, 2021.
- An article by Jonathan Bucks and Daniel Bates titled "Facebook 'Fact-Checkers' Could Be Politically Biased Themselves, Admits the Tech Giant's Vice-President Nick Clegg" was posted at dailymail.co.uk on June 12, 2021.
- An article by Melanie Arter titled "DeSantis: What Facebook Censored Was Actually True; It Was Acting As an Arm of the State" was posted at cnsnews. com on June 14, 2021.
- An article by Jordan Davidson titled "Wikipedia's Quiet, Big-Tech-Funded Grip on Internet Knowledge Gives It Too Much Power" was posted at thefederalist.com on June 15, 2021.

# Kamala Harris and illegal immigration

- An article by Wendell Husebo titled "Kamala Harris Will Travel South to Promote Vaccines Next Week, Avoids Inspection of Southern Border" was posted at breitbart.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Jeff Crouere titled "Calamity Kamala Is an International Laughingstock" was posted at townhall.com on June 13, 2021.

- An article by Reagan McCarthy titled "Kamala Harris Slammed for Visit to South Carolina While Ignoring Border Crisis" was posted at townhall.com on June 14, 2021.
- An article by Craig Bannister titled "[Arkansas] Sen. [Tom] Cotton: Kamala Harris 'Gallivanted Around' Looking for Illegal Immigration's 'Root Causes'— 'They're Right Up the Street' "was posted at cnsnews.com on June 15, 2021.
- An article by Brandon Morse titled "Greg Abbott: Kamala Hasn't Contacted Me on the Border, Texas Is Alone in Dealing With the Crisis" was posted at redstate.com on June 15, 2021.

## Illegal immigration

- Looking back to May, an article by Melanie Arter titled "Maryland Governor [Larry Hogan] Vetoes Bill Making Maryland a Sanctuary State" was posted at cnsnews.com on May 27, 2021.
- An article by Julia Marsh and Nolan Hicks titled "Next Mayor Wants NYC to Be Even More of a 'Sanctuary' for Illegal Immigrants [Because All Eight Democrats Running for Mayor Vowed to Protect Illegals]" was posted at nypost.com on June 2, 2021.
- An article by Rebecca Downs titled "The Biden Administration Continues to Spin Record-High Border Crossing Stats" was posted at townhall.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Randy Clark titled "Border Patrol Got-Away Total Reaches 250,000 in 2021" was posted at breitbart.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Neil Munro titled "[Homeland Security's Alijandro] Mayorkas: Illegals to Get Aid From DHS Office for U.S. Victims of Migrant Crime" was posted at breitbart.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Joshua Caplan titled "FBI Director [Christopher] Wray Says Mexico Cartel Activity 'Spilling Over' Into U.S. As Border Crisis Continues" was posted at breitbart.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Matt Vespa titled "Do Liberals Know That Biden Is Keeping Illegals Separated From Their Families?" was posted at townhall.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Staff titled "Virginia Will Give Higher Education Assistance to Illegal Immigrants" was posted at justthenews.com on June 15, 2021.
- An article by Spencer Lindquist titled "Ron DeSantis Sends Florida Law Enforcement to Aid Texas, Arizona at Southern Border" was posted at thefederalist.com on June 16, 2021.

#### Texas border wall

- An article by Bob Price titled "Texas to Build Its Own Border Barriers, Says Governor [Greg Abbott]" was posted at breitbart.com on June 10, 2021.
- An article by Jordan Davidson titled "Gov. Greg Abbott Says Texas Will Build a Wall Because Biden's Border Crisis 'Is No Laughing Matter'" was posted at thefederalist.com on June 11, 2021.

- An article by Peter Weber titled "Texas Governor Redirects \$250 Million in Taxpayer Money to Kickstart His State Border Wall" was posted at theweek.com on June 16, 2021.
- An article by Bob Price titled "Texas Governor Demands Biden Return Land Seized by Feds for Border Wall" was posted at breitbart.com on June 16, 2021.

## **Supreme Court decisions**

- An article by Tyler Olson and Bill Mears titled "Supreme Court Sides With Catholic Foster Agency That Excludes Same-Sex Couples in 9-0 Ruling" was posted at foxnews.com on June 17, 2021.
- An article by Ronn Blitzer titled "Supreme Court Upholds ObamaCare Law [7-2], Dismissing Challenge From Red States [Texas and 17 Other States]" was posted at foxnews.com on June 17, 2021.

#### **Comments about Joe Manchin**

- Looking back to March, an article by Haris Alic titled "Biden Nominates Swing Vote Sen. Joe Manchin's Wife for \$160,000 Federal Job" was posted at washingtontimes.com on March 26, 2021.
- An article titled "Civil Rights Advocates Plan 'Moral March on Manchin' as Attorney General Merrick Garland Urges Congress to Pass Voting Rights Legislation" was posted at msnbc.com on June 13, 2021.
- An article by Susan Jones titled "Pelosi: 'I Don't Give Up on Joe Manchin'; 'I Think He Left the Door Open' " was posted at cnsnews.com on June 14, 2021.

## **Election law for Georgia**

- An article by Larry Neumeister titled "Judge Rejects Effort to Return MLB All-Star Game to Georgia" was posted at apnews.com on June 10, 2021.
- An article by John Solomon and Daniel Payne titled "Georgia Audit Documents Expose Significant Election Failures in State's Largest County [Fulton]" was posted at justthenews.com on June 17, 2021.

## Comments about election laws

- An article by Lawrence Richard titled "Half of the Pandemic's Unemployment Money May Have Been Stolen by Criminals and Funneled Out of the Country" was posted at washingtonexaminer.com on June 10, 2021. (Question—Do you want these people running an unverified election?)
- An article by James Samson titled "Stacey Abrams Outrageously Claims [on MSNBC That] 'The Insurrection Is Continuing' With GOP Voting Laws" was posted at lifezette.com on June 15, 2021.
- An article by Rebecca Downs titled "President Joe Biden Claims He Hasn't Seen 'Such Outward Assault on Voting Rights' Since 'the Civil War' " was posted at townhall.com on June 16, 2021.

#### Comments about Senate filibuster

- Looking back to April, an article by Chelsey Cox titled "[Joe] Manchin [of West Virginia]: 'No Circumstance' in Which I'll Vote to Eliminate or Weaken the Filibuster" was posted at usatoday.com on April 8, 2021.
- An article by Reagan McCarthy titled "AOC Puts Pressure on Vulnerable Dems to Eliminate Filibuster" was posted at townhall.com on June 10, 2021.

#### An orchestrated reset

- An article by Julio Gonzalez titled "The Rule of Law Is Being Replaced by the Rule of the Left" was posted at townhall.com on June 10, 2021.
- An article by Jeff Stein, Juliet Eilperin and Tyler Pager titled "[Al] Gore Pressed Biden to Stick With Climate Plans as Liberals Fear White House Is Softening Its Agenda" was posted at washingtonpost.com on June 10, 2021.
- An article by Staff titled "Schumer: 'Nothing Poses a Greater Danger to Our Planet Than the Climate Crisis' " was posted at cnsnews.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Matthew Foldi titled "Major Proterra [Electric Vehicle Technology Manufacturer] Investor Al Gore Lobbies White House on Infrastructure" was posted at freebeacon.com on June 15, 2021.

## **Government spending**

- An article by Ayelet Sheffey titled "Biden Tells Chuck Schumer to 'Go Ahead' With Calls for \$50,000 in Student-Debt Cancellation" was posted at businessinsider.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Joel B. Pollak titled "Biden Gives Nearly \$1 Billion Back to California After Trump Rescinded Grant for Defunct Bullet Train" was posted at breitbart.com on June 11, 2021.

#### Politicians return to "earmarks"

■ An article by Sean Moran titled "Conservatives Launch Crowd-Funded 'Congressional Pork Map' to Expose 'Corruptive' Earmarks" was posted at breitbart.com on June 16, 2021.

#### **Government taxation**

■ An article by Ashlianna Kreiner titled "[Senator] Feinstein: 'The Budget Is Balanced in [That] It's Going to Be Paid For, Taxpayers Will End Up Paying for It, Is the End Result' "was posted at cnsnews.com on June 10, 2021.

## Rich people are getting richer

■ Looking back to May, an article by Gregory Wallace titled "Energy Secretary [Jennifer Granholm] Sells Off Proterra [Electric Vehicle Technology Manufacturer] Stock for \$1.6 Million" was posted at cnn.com on May 27, 2021.

#### **Finances**

- An article by Audrey Conklin titled "New Home Listing Prices See 43rd Straight Week of Double-Digit Growth" was posted at foxbusiness.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Marcy Nicholson titled "Lumber Prices Post Biggest-Ever Weekly Drop With Buyers Balking" was posted at bloomberg.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by David Koenig titled "Travel Rebound: 2 Million People Go Through U.S. Airports" was posted at apnews.com on June 12, 2021.
- An article by Tom Ozimek titled "Judge Halts Debt Relief Program for Farmers of Color, Says It's Likely Unconstitutional" was posted at theepochtimes.com on June 12, 2021.
- An article by Salena Zito titled "South Dakota Rocked Again as a Wind Turbine Plant [in Aberdeen] Shuts Its Doors" was posted at washingtonexaminer.com on June 13, 2021.
- Looking back to March, an article titled "China Takes Up 7 Spots Among the World's Top 10 Wind Turbine Manufacturers for Wind Power" was posted at evwind.est on March 13, 2021.
- An article by Gary Gastelu titled "Pandemic Pushes Average Age of American Cars to Record 12.1 Years" was posted at foxbusiness.com on June 14, 2021.
- An article by Scott Yenor titled "Flying the Misogynist Skies? [As United Airlines Announced That at Least 50 Percent of Future Pilots Will Be Women and People of Color]" was posted at cnsnews.com on June 14, 2021.
- An article by Alexandra Steigrad titled "Producers, Actors Strike Deal to Reopen Live Theater Events This Summer" was posted at nypost.com on June 15, 2021.
- An article by Charlie Gasparino titled "Wall Street Workers Want Florida Transfers as Job 'Waiting Lists' Grow" was posted at foxbusiness.com on June 15, 2021.
- An article by Timothy Puka and Katy Stech Ferek titled "Federal Judge [in Louisiana] Stops Biden Administration From Blocking New Oil and Gas Leases" was posted at wsj.com on June 15, 2021.
- An article by Nicole Friedman titled "U.S. Housing Market Needs 5.5 Million More Units, Says New Report" was posted at wsj.com on June 16, 2021.

# **Unemployment benefits**

- An article by Hans Bader titled "Foreign Criminals Got Up to \$300 Billion From America's Covid Relief Program" was posted at cnsnews.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Brad Polumbo titled "Unemployed Households Can Earn \$25/Hour on Welfare in 21 States, New Study Finds" was posted at fee.org on June 15, 2021.

## Stimulus checks

■ An article by Joseph Zeballos-Roig titled "Most Democrats Want to Permanently Send \$300 Monthly Checks to Families, but Some Centrist Senators May Push Big Cuts in Biden's Infrastructure Plan" was posted at businessinsider.com on June 9, 2021.

#### **Green New Deal**

- Looking back to July 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 Gabe Kaminsky titled "Biden's Climate Change Stance Exposes a Delusional Administration" was posted at thefederalist.com on June 12, 2021.

## **Business challenges with China**

■ An article by Will Yepez titled "Robust Competition Policy Will Do More to Counter China Than Big Government Spending" was posted at townhall.com on June 16, 2021.

## Comments about educating our youth

- An article by Rick Moran titled "Teen Mental Health Emergency Room Visits Skyrocketed During Pandemic" was posted at pjmedia.com on June 12, 2021.
- An article by Matt Vespa titled "When a North Korean Defector Torches the 'Woke' Schools, You Know Things Have Gone Off the Rails" was posted at townhall.com on June 15, 2021.
- An article by Jake Dima titled "College Enrollment Sees Largest Decline Since 2011: Student Clearinghouse" was posted at washingtonexaminer.com on June 15, 2021.

#### Comments about teacher unions

■ An article by Staff titled "Wisconsin's Top Court Rules City Health Agency [in Madison] Lacks Power to Close Schools Over Covid" was posted at justthenews.com on June 12, 2021.

# Leftists identify 'white supremacy'

- An article by Charlie Spiering titled "Joe Biden: 'Terrorism From White Supremacy' the 'Most Lethal Threat to the Homeland' " was posted at breitbart.com on June 1, 2021.
- An article by John Murawski titled "The Left's Logic-Defying Race Rhetoric Is Making Normal People's Heads Spin" was posted at thefederalist.com on June 17, 2021.

# **Comments about critical race theory**

- Looking back to March, a video and an article titled "Watch: One Teacher Had the Courage to Stand Up to School Board [in Loudoun County, Virginia] for Forcing Racist 'Critical Race Theory' on Students" were posted at en-volve.com on March 13, 2021.
- An article by Mary Grabar titled "Axing Critical Race Theory Allows for Teaching Honest History About the Tulsa Violence 100 Years Ago" was posted at thefederalist.com on June 10, 2021.

- An article by Alana Mastrangelo titled "Chinese Immigrant Mother: Critical Race Theory Is American Version of Mao's Cultural Revolution" was posted at breitbart.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Paulina Enok titled "NJ Prep School Teacher Resigns Rather Than Teach Racist Critical Race Theory" was posted at thefederalist.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Kyle Olson titled "Georgia's Second Largest School District [in Cobb County] Bans Critical Race Theory Lessons" was posted at breitbart.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Dr. Susan Berry titled "North Carolina School Board [in Brunswick County] Bans Teaching Tenets of Critical Race Theory" was posted at breitbart.com on June 11, 2021.
- A video and an article by Mia Cathell titled "Watch: Dinesh D'Souza Reveals How Critical Race Theory Distorts History, Omits 'Inconvenient Facts' About Democrats" were posted at the postmillennial.com on June 14, 2021.
- An article by Ashlianna Kreiner titled "Iowa Passes Law Barring 'Discriminatory Indoctrination' by State and Local Governments, Schools" was posted at cnsnews.com on June 15, 2021.

## Comments about infamous 1619 project

- An article by Lindsey Ellefson titled "NY Times Defends '1619 Project' as States Seek Ban on Critical Race Theory in Schools" was posted at thewrap.com on June 15, 2021.
- An article by Josh Chapin titled "Sen. Thom Tillis [of North Carolina] Co-Sponsors Bill to Defund K-12 Schools Teaching '1619 Project' " was posted at abc11.com on June 16, 2021.

#### Media comments about Tucker Carlson

- Looking back to March, an article by Carly Ortiz-Lytle titled "[CNN Host] Brian Stelter Says Tucker Carlson is the 'New Donald Trump': He's Taken His Place 'As an Outrage Generator' " was posted at washingtonexaminer.com on March 14, 2021.
- Looking back to May, an article by Frank Bruni titled "The New Trump? Easy, It's Tucker [Carlson]" was posted at nytimes.com on May 1, 2021.
- An article by Matt Vespa titled "Tucker Carlson Tore Anthony Fauci to Pieces Over His Damning Covid Emails" was posted at townhall.com on June 12, 2021.
- An article by Staff titled " 'We Won't Shut Up, and We Shouldn't': Tucker Carlson Wants Answers on the FBI's Potential Involvement in the Capitol Riot" was posted at the postmillennial.com on June 18, 2021.

## Media was wrong about Trump and Lafayette Park

■ An article by Glenn Greenwald titled "Yet Another Media Tale—[That] Trump Tear-Gassed Protesters for a Church Photo Op—Collapses" was posted at greenwaldsubstack.com on June 9, 2021.

- An article by Matt Vespa titled "CNN's Jim Acosta Was Not Happy That He Had to Eat Crow After IG Report Debunked His Lafayette Park Narrative" was posted at townhall.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Christopher Bedford titled "The Media Didn't 'Get It Wrong' on Lafayette Park, They Lied to America—And They're Still Lying" was posted at thefederalist.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Robert Kraychik titled "Mollie Hemingway: 'Media Hysteria' Over Lafayette Square Contributed to Dozens of Deaths, Billions in Damage in 'Summer of Violence' " was posted at breitbart.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Mollie Hemingway titled "Flashback: DC Mayor [Muriel Bowser] Honored at DNC for Riot Response; New Reports Reveal She (Not Trump) Teargassed Protesters" was posted at thefederalist.com on June 14, 2021.

#### **Media and Tom Hanks**

- An article by Eric Deggans titled "Tom Hanks Is a Non-Racist; It's Time for Him to Be Anti-Racist" was posted at npr.org on June 13, 2021.
- An article by Cortney O'Brien titled "NPR Writer [Eric Deggans] Doubles Down, Says He's 'Proud' of Panned Piece Urging Tom Hanks to Be an 'Anti-Racist'" was posted at foxnews.com on June 13, 2021.
- An article by Brandon Gillespie titled "[Fox News Contributor] Joe Concha Blasts NPR Op-Ed Criticizing Tom Hanks on Race; 'So Profoundly Stupid' "was posted at foxnews.com on June 14, 2021.

## Chicago's anti-white media policy

- An article by Dylan Housman titled "Chicago Lawyers Say Lightfoot Only Discriminated Against White Reporters for Two Days" was posted at dailycaller.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Julio Rosas titled "Lori Lightfoot Says This Is Why Only Allowing Non-White Reporters to Interview Her Was a Good Thing [Because It Started a Much-Needed Conversation]" was posted at townhall.com on June 11, 2021.

## Other news about the media

- Looking back to May, an article by Jeff Charles titled "Confused CNN Lauds Its Intolerance as Principled Journalism" was posted at libertynation.com on May 25, 2021.
- Looking back to May, an article by Kelli Ballard titled "Migrant Minors Living in Appalling Conditions—Media Silent" was posted at libertynation.com on May 26, 2021.
- An article by staff titled "Brian Stelter's [CNN] Ratings Continue to Plummet as Viewers Reject Far-Left Propaganda" was posted at the postmillennial.com on June 2, 2021.
- An article by Virginia Kruta titled "[Brian Stelter Asked] 'What Does the Press Get Wrong?': Brian Stelter Redefines 'Softball' [Easy Questions] and Fishes for Compliments in Psaki Interview" was posted at dailycaller.com on June 6, 2021.

- An article by Hannah Nightingale titled "Brian Stelter [of CNN] Mashed by Competition, Suffers Worst Ratings of 2021" was posted at the postmillennial.com on June 15, 2021.
- An article by Scott Whitlock titled "Corrupt ABC, CBS Avoid VP's Border Disaster, Press Psaki to Sideline GOP" was posted at newsbusters.org on June 10, 2021.
- An article by Christopher Bedford titled "Hate Crimes Against Catholics Are Multiplying (But Politicians and Media Don't Want to Talk About It)" was posted at thefederalist.com on June 10, 2021.
- An article by Pam Key titled "[Florida] Rep. [Byron] Donalds: Left, Media 'Intolerant' of Black Republicans" was posted at breitbart.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Jordan Davidson titled "New York Times 'Reporter' [Maggie Haberman] Falsely Claims Trump Refused to Encourage Covid-19 Vaccination" was posted at thefederalist.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Warner Todd Huston titled "NBA Semifinals Viewership Crashes Double-Digits From 2019" was posted at breitbart.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Maureen Callahan titled "Author of 'White Fragility' [Robin DiAngelo] Continues Racial Con Job With New Book ['Nice Racism: How Progressive White People Perpetuate Racial Harm']" was posted at nypost.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Rebecca Downs titled "Biden Is Very Different From Trump on Foreign Policy, and the Press Actually Thinks That's a Good Thing" was posted at townhall.com on June 12, 2021.
- An article by Virginia Kruta titled "'Progressophobia': Bill Maher Torches Liberals for Refusing to Acknowledge How Far America Has Come" was posted at dailycaller.com on June 12, 2021.
- An article by Craig Bannister titled "DeSantis Says Partisan Media 'Picking the Wrong People' to Be Their Heroes: They 'Elevated Fauci to Sainthood' "was posted at cnsnews.com on June 14, 2021.
- An article by Brad Slager titled "Left-Wing Media Finally Writes About Hunter Biden's Activities" was posted at townhall.com on June 15, 2021.
- An article by Bridget O'Neal titled "MSNBC Lashes Out: Any Criticism of Kamala Harris Is Sexist and Racist" was posted at newsbusters.org on June 15, 2021.
- An article by David Aaro titled "Biden Mocked After Putin Meeting for Calling on Pre-Approved Reporters" was posted at foxnews.com on June 17, 2021.
- An article by Tony Perkins titled "Nickelodeon Keeps Pushing Woke Propaganda, and Shedding Viewers" was posted at cnsnews.com on June 17, 2021.

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■ An article by Ben Weingarten titled "Vindicated Trump Says [The] Only Lab-Leak Question Is If It Was 'On Purpose' " was posted at thefederalist.com on June 11, 2021.

- An article by Patrick Goodenough titled "Biden: Still Don't Know Whether Covid Came From 'a Bat Interfacing With Animals' or 'An Experiment Gone Awry'" was posted at cnsnews.com on June 14, 2021.
- An article by Joshua Caplan titled "Former CDC Director [Dr. Robert] Redfield Believes Coronavirus Leaked From Lab, Calls W.H.O. 'Compromised'" was posted at breitbart.com on June 15, 2021.
- An article by Robert Kraychik titled "Exclusive—Mike Pompeo: Wuhan Lab Still Operational, Next Virus Could 'Kill Not Three Million, but 30 Million' " was posted at breitbart.com on June 15, 2021.

## Variant coronavirus strains

■ An article by Aria Bendix titled "The Delta Variant Might Pose the Biggest Threat Yet to Vaccinated People" was posted at businessinsider.com on June 17, 2021.

## Supporters of coronavirus vaccines

- An article by Jim Brunner titled "Seattle Is First Major City to Fully Vaccinate 70% of Eligible Residents, [Mayor Jenny] Durkan Says" was posted at seattletimes.com on June 9, 2021.
- An article by Matthew Perrone titled "U.S. Extends Expiration Dates for Johnson & Johnson Covid Vaccine by Six Weeks" was posted at apnews.com on June 10, 2021.
- An article titled "Heart Inflammation Following a Covid Vaccination Is 'Extremely Rare . . .Getting Myocarditis From Covid Itself Is Way More Likely': Doctor" was posted at yahoo.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Renee Cherry titled "The CDC Will Hold an Emergency Meeting About Heart Inflammation Following Covid-19 Vaccines" was posted at yahoo.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Adam Beam titled "California Selects Another 15 Winners in Vaccine Lottery [to Each Win \$50,000]" was posted at apnews.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article titled "American Tourists Living in Asia Flock to Guam for Covid-19 Vaccines" was posted at cbsnews.com on June 12, 2021.
- An article by Taylor Ardrey titled "A Seattle Couple Is Reportedly Requiring All Guests of Their Summer Wedding, Including Vendors, to Be Fully Vaccinated in Order to Attend" was posted at businessinsider.com on June 12, 2021.
- An article by Ivan Pereira titled "Vermont Relaxes Covid-19 Restrictions After Crossing Major Vaccine Milestone [Over 80% Vaccinated]" was posted at abcnews.com on June 14, 2021.
- An article by Gabe Kaminsky titled "This Tennessee College [Rhodes College in Memphis] Is Hitting Unvaccinated Students With a \$1,500 Charge" was posted at thefederalist.com on June 15, 2021.

## Skeptics of coronavirus vaccines

- An article by John Bacon titled "178 Health Care Workers [of 26,000 Employees] Suspended From Houston Methodist Hospital System for Refusing Covid-19 Vaccination" was posted at usatoday.com on June 9, 2021.
- An article by David Heath titled "In First Federal Ruling on Vaccine Mandates, Judge Sides With Houston Hospital, Dismissing Claims From Staff Resisters [178 of 26,000 Employees]" was posted at usatoday.com on June 13, 2021.
- A Reuters article by Michael Erman and Manojna Maddipatla titled "Heart Inflammation in Young Men Higher Than Expected After Pfizer, Moderna Vaccines—U.S. CDC" was posted at reuters.com on June 10, 2021.
- An article by Jeff Poor titled "GOP Rep. [Thomas] Massie [of Kentucky]: CDC Giving 'Bad Advice' on Vaccines for Those With Prior Covid Infection [Saying That Those Who Previously Had the Vaccine Get No Benefit From the Vaccine]" was posted at breitbart.com on June 10, 2021.
- An article by Andrew Dunn titled "Young People Are Experiencing Rare Cases of Heart Inflammation After Getting Coronavirus Vaccines, but Doctors Say the Risk of Covid-19 Is Far Greater" was posted at businessinsider.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Elisabeth Nieshalla titled "Tucker on Vaccine Mandates: 'It's No Longer Your Body, No Longer Your Choice' " was posted at cnsnews.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Connor Perrett titled "5 States [Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee and Wyoming] Pose a Barrier to Biden's Vaccine Goals Because They Have (So Far) Vaccinated Less Than Half of Their Population" was posted at businessinsider.com on June 12, 2021.
- An article by Dr. Joseph Mercola titled "[Canadian Immunologist and Vaccine] Researcher [Byram Bridle]: 'We Made a Big Mistake' on Covid-19 Vaccine" was posted at mercola.com on June 14, 2021.

#### National vaccine data base?

■ An article by Gabe Kaminsky titled "Pentagon Develops Microchip Detecting Covid-19 by Tracking Your Blood" was posted at thefederalist.com on May 3, 2021.

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■ An article by Ethan Huff titled "Vaccine Passports Now Coming to California as State Moves to Implement 'Vaccine Verification System' " was posted at naturalnews.com on June 17, 2021.

## Mask mandates finally being lifted

■ Looking back to March, an article titled "[Texas] Governor Abbott Lifts Mask Mandate, Open Texas 100 Percent" was posted at texas.gov on March 2, 2021.

- Looking back to May, an article by James Call titled "Florida Governor Ron De-Santis Invalidates Covid-19 Restrictions Statewide, Says There's No Need 'To Be Policing People at This Point' " was posted at usatoday.com on May 3, 2021.
- Looking back to May, an article by Steven Petrow titled "Fox News Should Fire Tucker Carlson Before His Bullying on Covid Masks Gets Someone Killed" was posted at usatoday.com on May 4, 2021.
- An article by Oma Seddiq titled "House [of Representatives] Lifts Mask Mandate for Fully Vaccinated Lawmakers and Capitol Staff" was posted at businessinsider.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Scott Morefield titled "'Huge Legal Win': Florida Appeals Court Just Dealt a Devastating Blow to Forced Masking" was posted at townhall.com on June 12, 2021.
- An article by Kaia Hubbard titled "These States Have Covid-19 Mask Mandates" was posted at usatoday.com on June 14, 2021.
- An article by Tom Trapp titled "As California Reopens, Disneyland Sees Massive, Mostly Maskless and Non-Socially Distanced Crowds" was posted at deadline.com on June 16, 2021.

## **Coronavirus and leadership hypocrisy**

■ An article by James Delingpole titled "No Masks, No Distancing—the Disgrace-ful Covid Hypocrisy of the G7 Elite" was posted at breitbart.com on June 12, 2021.

#### **Comments about harassment of Asians**

- Looking back to May, an article by Bhagyasri Chaudhury titled "Baltimore Black Man, 50 Bashes 2 Asian Sisters With Cement Block for Closing Liquor Shop" was posted at meaww.com on May 4, 2021.
- Looking back to May, an article by Kevin Dolak titled "Asian American Man Shoved Onto Subway Tracks in Brazen New York City Attack" was posted at yahoo.com on May 26, 2021.

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■ An article titled "4 Police Officers [in Glendale, California] Placed on Administrative Leave After Video Goes Viral" was posted at yahoo.com on June 10, 2021.

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- An article by Yaron Steinbuch titled "BLM Co-Founder Patrisse Cullors Reportedly Builds Fence, Gate Around \$1.4 Million Home" was posted at nypost.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Solange Reyner titled "BLM Chapters Call for Transparency Behind Co-Founders' Lavish Purchases" was posted at newsmax.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Matt Vespa titled "Black Lives Matter Co-Founder's Real Estate Spree Has Sparked a Little Civil War Within the Movement" was posted at townhall.com on June 14, 2021.

■ An article by Erum Salam titled "Black Lives Matter Protesters Make Palestinian Struggle Their Own" was posted at the quardian.com on June 16, 2021.

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- An article by Savannah Eadens titled "Portland Man Who Pleaded Guilty to Setting Fire Near Police Precinct Gets 5 Years in Prison" was posted at oregonlive.com on June 14, 2021.
- An article by Ivana Saric titled "Entire Portland Police Rapid Response Team Quits After Officer's Indictment" was posted at axios.com on June 17, 2021.
- An article by Tristan Justice titled "[Indiana Republican Jim] Banks Rails at Attorney General Over DOJ Treating Portland Anarchists Better Than Capitol Rioters" was posted at thefederalist.com on June 17, 2021.

#### **Comments about other riots**

- An article by Ari Hoffman titled "Shooting Victim [Near Seattle] Revealed to Be Father of Teen Killed in Seattle's Autonomous Zone Last Year" was posted at thepostmillennial.com on June 13, 2021.
- An article by Stephen Moore titled "The Insurrection in Chicago" was posted at creators.com on June 15, 2021.

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- Looking back to May, an article by John Frank titled "'Defund the Police' Debate Continues in Denver, but Opposition Remains" was posted at axios.com on May 27, 2021.
- An article by Sgt. Sean Larkin titled "Why Good Cops Increasingly Fear Getting 'Canceled' for Being Bad" was posted at nypost.com on June 12, 2021.
- An article by Guy Benson titled "Surprise: Violent Crime Soars in Atlanta Amid Reduced Police Presence and Morale" was posted at townhall.com on June 15, 2021.
- An article by Ian Hanchett titled "Tim Scott: Defunding and Demonizing Police Causes Crime and 'the Victims of These Crimes Are Black Too' " was posted at breitbart.com on June 16, 2021.

## **Comments about weapons**

- An article by Jeanne Kuang titled "[Missouri Governor Mike] Parsons Will Sign Second Amendment Bill Declaring Federal Gun Laws 'Invalid' in Missouri" was posted at kansascity.com on June 10, 2021.
- An article by Laura Widener titled "Texas Governor Abbott Signs Permitless Gun Carry Into Law" was posted at americanmilitarynews.com on June 16, 2021.

■ An article by Doha Madani titled "St. Louis Couple [Mark and and Patricia McCloskey] Who Flashed Guns at Protesters Plead Guilty, Surrender Firearms" was posted at nbcnews.com on June 17, 2021.

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■ An article by Sarah Gamard titled "Delaware General Assembly Passes \$15 Minimum Wage, Sends Bill to Gov. John Carney" was posted at delawareonline.com on June 17, 2021.

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- An article by Craig Bannister titled "Florida Governor DeSantis: 'I'm Very Much Opposed to Chemical Castration of Minors' " was posted at cnsnews.com on June 10, 2021.
- An article by Warner Todd Huston titled "Shows Aimed at Children See 222 Percent Increase in LGBTQ Characters and Stories in Just Two Years" was posted at breitbart.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Elisabeth Nieshalla titled "Court Rules in [Loudoun County] Virginia Teacher's Favor, Okay to Express Religious Opposition to Transgender Policy" was posted at cnsnews.com on June 9, 2021.
- An article by Craig Bannister titled "14-Year-Old Girl Blasts [Loudoun County, Virginia] School Board's Trans Bathroom Policy: 'Everyone Knows What a Boy Is—Even You' " was posted at cnsnews.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Elisabeth Nieshalla titled "Loudoun County [Virginia] Public Schools to Appeal Reinstatement of Teacher Who Opposes Transgender Policy" was posted at cnsnews.com on June 14, 2021.
- An article by Melanie Arter titled "[HHS Secretary Xavier] Becerra: Budget Says 'Birthing People' Not 'Mothers' Because Some 'Do Not Categorize Themselves as Being Male or Female' " was posted at cnsnews.com on June 16, 2021.

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- Looking back to February, an article by John L. Dorman titled "'Slavery Ended Over 130 Years Ago': Former NFL Player Herschel Walker Says Black Americans Shouldn't Get Reparations" was posted at businessinsider.com on Feb. 21, 2021.
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- Looking back to July 2020, an article by Chris Enloe titled "North Carolina [Ashville] City Council Votes Unanimously in Favor of Paying Reparations to Residents Over Slavery" was posted at theblaze.com on July 15, 2021.
- Looking back to March, an article by Chris Enloe titled "Illinois City [Evanston] Prepares First Round of Reparations to Black Residents, but Activists Say It's Not Enough" was posted at theblaze.com on March 13, 2021.

- Looking back to March, an article by Chris Enloe titled "Illinois City [Evanston] Becomes First in America to Approve Reparations Program for Black Residents" was posted at theblaze.com on March 23, 2021.
- An article by Derek Lacey titled "Asheville [North Carolina] Recognizes Juneteenth, Commits \$2.1 Million for Reparations" was posted at citizen-times.com on June 9, 2021.

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- An article by Penny Starr titled "NAACP Mum on Hunter Biden's Use of the N-Word in Text Messages" was posted at breitbart.com on June 10, 2021.
- An article by Gianno Caldwell titled "Why Isn't Hunter Biden Being Condemned for Unacceptable Use of the N-Word?" was posted at nypost.com on June 12, 2021.

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- An article by David Marcus titled "Covid Rules That Make No Sense—and the Politicians Who Refuse to Give Up Control" was posted at nypost.com on June 10, 2021.
- An article by Rebecca Downs titled "Biden 'Jokes' to Military Personnel: 'I Keep Forgetting I'm President' " was posted at townhall.com on June 10, 2021.
- An article by Patrick Goodenough titled "'Islamophobia' Charges Fly as Ilhan Omar Again Stokes Democrat Divisions" was posted at cnsnews.com on June 10, 2021.
- An article by John Nolte titled "Failed Bidenomics Threatens to Return U.S. to Jimmy Carter's 1970s" was posted at breitbart.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Staff titled "Democrat Infighting Over Israel Exposes the Left's Incoherent Politics" was posted at thefederalist.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Staff titled "Catholic Bishop: Biden Is 'Catholic Who Promotes the Evils of Abortion, Same-Sex Marriage and Transgenderism'" was posted at cnsnews.com on June 14, 2021.
- An article by Julio Rosas titled "Brazen Shoplifting in San Francisco Walgreens Exemplifies the City's Lawlessness" was posted at townhall.com on June 15, 2021.
- An article by Craig Bannister titled "[Ohio Republican] Jim Jordan: Dems Can't Talk About Border, Taxes or Our Liberties; So, They 'Have to Talk About Things That Divide Us' " was posted at cnsnews.com on June 16, 2021.
- An article by Joe Schoffstall titled "Soros Quietly Drops \$200,000 Backing Another Far-Left Prosecutor [Ramin Fatehi] in [Norfolk] Virginia" was posted at foxnews.com on June 16, 2021.
- An article by Libby Emmons titled "Biden Signs Juneteenth National Independence Day Act to 'Remember Moral Stain' of Slavery" was posted at the postmillennial.com on June 17, 2021.

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- An article by John Nolte titled "Media Matters [a Tax-Exempt Far-Left Group] Forced to Retract Fake Story Smearing Texas Republican" was posted at breitbart.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Jordan Davidson titled "New Video Shows Capitol Police Letting Jan. 6 Rioters Inside—and Sen. Ron Johnson Is Demanding Answers" was posted at thefederalist.com on June 11, 2021.
- An article by Charlie Spiering titled "Fact Check: Joe Biden Falsely Claims Trump Supporters 'Killed a Police Officer' During Capitol Riot" was posted at breitbart.com on June 16, 2021.
- An article by Jim Hanson titled "White House 'Domestic Extremism' Report Puts Target on Democrats' Political Opponents" was posted at thefederalist.com on June 17, 2021.

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- An article by Julia Johnson titled "Trump and O'Reilly to Team Up Onstage at Four-Stop 'History Tour' " was posted at cnsnews.com on June 7, 2021.
- An article by Nick Monroe titled "Trump to Visit Southern U.S. Border on June 30" was posted at the postmillennial.com on June 15, 2021.
- An article by John L. Dorman titled "MyPillow CEO Mike Lindell Says Trump Is the First President in His Lifetime 'Who Wasn't In It for the Ego' " was posted at businessinsider.com on June 14, 2021.
- An article by Craig Bannister titled "Actor Kevin Sorbo Calls Donald Trump 'the Best President of Modern Times' " was posted at cnsnews.com on June 14, 2021.
- An article by Staff titled "Nancy Pelosi: 'January 6th was Unquestionably One of the Darkest Days in the History of Our Democracy' " was posted at cnsnews.com on June 16, 2021.

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- Looking back to May, a Reuters article by Richard Valdmanis titled "U.S. Urges Change in Fishing Practices to Save Endangered Whales [With Less Than 400 Remaining]" was posted at reuters.com on May 27, 2021.
- An article by Amanda Krause titled "Disney World's Skyliner Gondolas Have Crashed for the Third Time Since Opening in 2019" was posted at businessinsider.com on June 9, 2021.
- An article by David Strege titled "Black Bear Uses 'Powerful Exit Strategy' When Confronted by a Grizzly" was posted at usatoday.com on June 15, 2021.
- An article by Sudiksha Kochi titled "Grizzly Bear 'Felicia' and Her Cubs May Be Euthanized for Being Too Close to Wyoming Road" was posted at usatoday.com on June 18, 2021.



**Isaiah 55:6-11**—"Seek you the Lord while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, and He will have mercy on him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon. 'For My thoughts are not you 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."