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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).



A Reuters article by Parisa Hafezi titled "Fire at Iran's Natanz Nuclear Facility Caused Significant Damage" was posted at reuters.com on July 5, 2020. Following are excerpts of the article.

A fire at Iran's underground Natanz nuclear facility has caused significant damage that could slow the development of advanced centrifuges used to enrich uranium, an Iranian nuclear official said on Sunday.

Iran's top security body said on Friday that the cause of the fire that broke out on Thursday had been determined but would be announced later. Some Iranian officials have said it may have been cyber sabotage and one warned that Tehran would retaliate against any country carrying out such attacks.

On Thursday, an article by Iran's state news agency IRNA addressed what it called the possibility of sabotage by enemies such as Israel and the United States, although it stopped short of accusing either directly.

Israel's defense minister said on Sunday it was not "necessarily" behind every mysterious incident in Iran.

Three Iranian officials who spoke to Reuters on condition of anonymity on Friday said they believed the fire was the result of a cyber attack but did not cite any evidence.

"The incident could slow down the development and production of advanced centrifuges in the medium term . . . Iran will replace the damaged building

with a bigger one that has more advanced equipment," state news agency IRNA quoted the spokesman for Iran's Atomic Energy Organization, Behrouz Kamalvandi, as saying.

"The incident has caused significant damage but there were no casualties."

Separately on Sunday, Iran's powerful Revolutionary Guards Navy chief said Tehran had built underground "missile cities" along the Gulf coastline and warned of a "nightmare for Iran's enemies".

Iranian authorities have said such sites exist in all provinces of Iran but have unveiled only three bases so far and not disclosed that they have been built along its coast.



An article by Toi Staff titled "Mossad Said to Foil Iranian Attacks on Israeli Embassies in Europe, Elsewhere" was posted at timesofisrael.com on July 6, 2020. Following is the article.

The Mossad spy agency recently foiled planned or attempted Iranian attacks on Israeli diplomatic missions in Europe and elsewhere, according to a report Monday.

The report by Channel 12 said the names of the countries where attacks were prevented remain under censorship, but cooperation with them helped to thwart the attacks.

"Frustration is growing fast in Iran," the report said.

No other details were available, and no sources were named.

In 2012, Iran and its Lebanese proxy, the terror group Hezbollah, seemingly attempted to carry out a number of attacks against Israeli diplomatic missions in India, Georgia, Thailand, and elsewhere.

Monday's Channel 12 report also said that an attack on the Natanz nuclear facility in Iran, credited to Israel, had managed to set back Tehran's uranium enrichment program by two years, citing Western intelligence estimates.

A report by Channel 13 on Sunday claimed the attack only set back the work by a single year.

A Middle Eastern intelligence official was quoted Sunday by The New York Times as saying the fire that damaged a building used for producing centrifuges at Natanz was sparked by Israel.

The unidentified official said the blast Thursday at the nuclear complex was caused by a powerful bomb.

A member of Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps also told the American newspaper that an explosive was used, but did not specify who was responsible.

Former defense minister Avigdor Liberman has hinted that the official cited in the report is Mossad chief Yossi Cohen. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu announced Sunday that he would extend Cohen's term until June 2021, citing unspecified "security challenges."

The spymaster is famed in the Mossad ranks as an operations man. Under his watch, the Mossad has grown in personnel and budget, and has reportedly focused on espionage operations targeting the Iranian nuclear program.

An Israeli TV report Friday night said that Israel was bracing for a possible Iranian retaliation if it determines that Jerusalem was behind the Natanz explosion.

Defense Minister Benny Gantz played down the speculation on Sunday, saying that not everything that happened there could be blamed on Israel.

Iran admitted Sunday that Natanz incurred "considerable" damage from the fire last week, as satellite pictures appeared to show widespread devastation at the sensitive facility.

Iran had sought to downplay the damage from the blaze, though analysts said it had likely destroyed an above-ground lab being used to prepare advanced centrifuges before they were installed underground.

"We first learned that, fortunately, there were no casualties as a result of the incident, but financial damages incurred to the site due to incident were considerable," said Iran's atomic agency spokesman Behrouz Kamalvandi.

He confirmed that the damaged building was a centrifuge assembly center and not an "industrial shed," as earlier claimed.

"More advanced centrifuge machines were intended to be built there," he said, adding that the damage would "possibly cause a delay in development and production of advanced centrifuge machines in the medium term."

Authorities have pinpointed the source of the fire, but are withholding the information for national security reasons, he said.

The building was first constructed in 2013 for the development of advanced centrifuges, though work was halted there in 2015 under the nuclear deal with world powers, he added.

When the United States withdrew from the nuclear deal, the work there was renewed, Kamalvandi said.

He said that the fire had damaged "precision and measuring instruments," and that the center had not been operating at full capacity due to restrictions imposed by Tehran's 2015 nuclear deal with world powers. Iran began experimenting with advanced centrifuge models in the wake of the US unilaterally withdrawing from the deal two years ago.

In 2018, Iran showed off IR-2, IR-4 and IR-6 centrifuges at the site, in what was seen as a warning to Europe to stick to the nuclear deal after the withdrawal from the accord by the US. Pictures have also purported to show IR-8 centrifuges at Natanz, though Iranian officials have also said the site could not yet handle the ultra-advanced centrifuges.

The fire was one of a series of mysterious disasters to strike Iranian sites in recent days, leading to speculation that it may be the result of a sabotage campaign.

Iran long has denied seeking nuclear weapons, though the IAEA previously said Iran had done work in "support of a possible military dimension to its nuclear program" that largely halted in late 2003.

Western concerns over the Iranian atomic program led to sanctions and eventually to Tehran's 2015 nuclear deal with world powers. The US, under President Donald Trump, unilaterally withdrew from the accord in May 2018, leading to a series of escalating attacks between Iran and the US, and to Tehran abandoning the deal's production limits.

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A video and an article by Kurt Zindulka titled "Watch: Black Lives Matter Protest Joins 'Allah Hu Akbar' Chanting Pro-Yemen Demonstration" were posted at breitbart.com on July 8, 2020. Following is the article.

On Sunday, hundreds of pro-Yemeni and Black Lives Matter protesters joined forces in London to demonstrate against "white" capitalism, systemic racism, and the war in Yemen.

In a Breitbart London exclusive video, protesters are seen shouting the Islamic phrase "Allah hu Akbar" (Allah is greater [than your god]), "Justice for Yemen", as well as common slogans to the BLM movement in Britain such as "the UK is not innocent."

A white male activist—who said that he will never truly understand the plight of minorities because he does not "live in a black body"—pointed to the capitalist system as the reason for the world's ills.

"Quarterly return is the god that capitalism continually worships at. The realities are, as Extinction Rebellion well put it, that the profit motive means that you can never have infinite growth on a finite planet," he said.

The left-wing speaker went on to warn of the consequences of unemployment during the economic crisis spurred by the Chinese coronavirus. He said: "The realities are that within the next six months we may well have 50 per cent unemployment in the United Kingdom and when that happens, you're going to see huge, huge social change."

Another activist took aim at the American Declaration of Independence, saying that it was a product of "white capitalist slave owners" and therefore was used to oppress black people.

"We trust in a concept that was built off our backs and built to enslave. Democracy today does not exist, when we have black people dying on the streets, when we have famine in Yemen and occupation in Palestine. Democracy doesn't exist because, in the UK, capitalist interests mean more than the interests of the general public," she said.

Echoing similar rhetoric from previous Black Lives Matter protests in London, a young, self-described "mixed-race" woman said that white people having children with a black person does not mean they are not racist.

"By the way, to you who wants or has a mixed-race kid, I hope you realize that doesn't automatically make you anti-racist. In fact, you're doing the opposite," she said.

"You're, first of all, objectifying and fetishising someone like me and what you are fetishising is a whitewashed blackness... you're saying that's okay or that's trendy, well I am not your f***ing trend," she added.

The far-left rhetoric seen at Black Lives Matter protests and from the leadership of BLM UK has led to one prominent activist distancing herself from the group, saying that the movement has been "hijacked" by a group of Marxists.

"The issue with BLM UK is they have not revealed themselves, they have not been transparent. They are abolitionists, they believe in the removal of prisons, smashing capitalism and abolishing the police,' actress and activist Imarn Ayton told the Mail on Sunday.

"I am just mortified because everyone has given money and they are not going to use that to better the black community. They are going to use it to abolish the police, remove prisons and get rid of capitalism," Ayton added.



An article by Joe Connor titled "BLM's Intentions Sound All Too Familiar" was posted at townhall.com on July 7, 2020. Following is the article.

My father Frank Connor was murdered by the terrorists from whom the organization (not the truism) Black Lives Matter (BLM) descends.

On January 24, 1975, the Marxist Puerto Rican terrorist group Armed Forces for National Liberation ("FALN") blew up New York's historic Fraunces Tavern during a crowded lunchtime.

The FALN appointed themselves my 33 year old father's judge, jury, and executioner, profiling, targeting, and savagely murdering so-called "reactionary corporate executives." The Connor family had planned to celebrate my 9th and my brother's 11th birthday that very night.

Fraunces was targeted by the FALN—who, like BLM for the US, sought to impose a Cuban-style socialist regime in Puerto Rico—for its proximity to Wall Street and for its history as the birthplace of American liberty. Alexander Hamilton and the Sons of Liberty met there. General George Washington bade farewell to his officers at Fraunces after the Revolutionary War.

Links between these FALN terrorists and today's BLM Organization include BLM fundraiser Susan Rosenberg, Marxist Cuba and then VP Joe Biden.

As retired FBI agent Rick Hahn puts it: "Susan Rosenberg was a member of the May 19 Communist Organization, a splinter group supporting the more well known, Weather Underground who bombed, trained and encouraged select minorities to engage in terrorism. These included the FALN (who the Weather Underground materially helped) and a group of thugs and radical females known as 'the Family' or the 'Revolutionary Armed Task Force.' "

Rosenberg's Family engaged in a series of terrorist prison escapes and armored car robberies:

William Morales, chief FALN bomb-maker, likely built the deadly devices used to murder my father at Fraunces. On July 12, 1978, which would have been my dad's 37th birthday, Morales blew off part of his face and nine of his fingers when a bomb he was crafting exploded in his Queens, NY bomb factory.

The apartment contained explosives, incendiary mixtures, tools, FALN communiqués, and even the copy machine used to make those communiqués, including the January 24, 1975, communiqué found after the Fraunces bombing.

Morales was captured, tried, convicted, and sentenced in 1979 to up to 99 years in prison but was broken out of Bellevue hospital prison by The Family.

Morales was located by the FBI in Puebla, Mexico, in 1983. When the Mexican police closed in, he and an accomplice killed a Mexican police officer. Morales was arrested, charged with being an accessory to murder, and imprisoned in Mexico.

In 1988, ignoring President Reagan's extradition demands, the sympathetic Mexican government allowed Morales to travel to Cuba, where he remains a guest of the Castro regime along with scores of murderous and felonious fugitives such as Victor Gerena and Black Liberation Army cop killer Joanne Chesimard (Assata Shakur). According to Politico, the May 19th women also participated in Chesimard's escape from a New Jersey Prison.

The Morales/Chesimard connections remained on U.S. college campuses well into the 21st century. City College of New York (CCNY) incredibly maintained the Morales/Shakur Center honoring these two Marxist terrorists until it was finally shut down in 2013. My father went to CCNY.

CCNY honored a leader of a terrorist group who murdered one of their students! Photos I took of a clinched fist painted on the door of the center are uncannily familiar to the BLM logo itself.

Only days after Fidel Castro's death in 2016, BLM paid tribute to this murderous Marxist by issuing a statement, "Although no leader is free from short-comings, we must respond to right-wing rhetoric and defend El Comandante," Fidel vive!" (Fidel lives!)

Further, The Family pulled off one of the most infamous armored car robberies in U.S. history at the Nanuet, NY mall where they shot and killed Brinks guard Peter Paige.

After escaping, Family members were stopped in Nyack, NY at a police road-block. There, members leapt from the back of a U-Haul truck and fired on police, killing officers Waverly Brown and Sgt. Edward O'Grady.

Several of the terrorists escaped with the help of Susan Rosenberg and other May 19th members. Rosenberg was subsequently caught in Cherry Hill, New Jersey, with weapons and hundreds of pounds of dynamite and other explosives.

Despite being sentenced to 58 years in prison, Rosenberg's sentence was commuted by Bill Clinton in 2001 after only 16 years.

Today, Rosenberg is listed as Vice Chairwoman of Thousand Currents, the organization that handles funding for a Black Lives Matter organization.

Obama/Biden clemency to FALN terrorist

Between 1974 and 1983, the aforementioned FALN claimed responsibility for over 130 bombings in the U.S. and Puerto Rico. Though never prosecuted specifically for the Fraunces bombing, the unrepentant terrorists served only 18 years of prison sentences ranging from 55 to 70 years.

As Hillary Clinton geared up for her 2000 New York Senate run and was looking to connect with New York's Hispanic community, in August 1999 Bill Clinton granted clemency to the FALN, a blatant political gesture orchestrated by then deputy attorney general Eric Holder.

One terrorist, FALN leader Oscar Lopez Rivera, was so dedicated to his cause and his comrades that he refused the 1999 Clinton clemency. However in 2017 he accepted an unprecedented and astonishing second clemency from Obama/Biden.

Granting a second clemency to this unrepentant terrorist was one of the Obama/Biden administration's last acts in office.

Equally astonishing was the Left's plan (including NY Governor Cuomo, Mayor de Blasio and many New York and Chicago Democrats) to bestow at the 2017 Puerto Rican Day Parade a "Freedom Hero" award on this Marxist terrorist who sought to enslave Puerto Ricans in a Cuba-like state.

Fortunately a group of justice-minded Americans proved that We the People still have power by convincing corporates like Goya Foods, Coca Cola, Jet Blue, Telemundo, the New York Yankees and others to withdraw sponsorship.

Unlike the Marxist groups from the past who clearly identified their intentions through their names, ie. "Armed Forces, Communist Organization, Underground and Liberation Army" today's Marxists are more clever, sublime, and covert, using names like "Black Lives Matter" and "Anti-Fascist."

While their names are euphemistic, their intentions are clear and all too familiar.



An article by Chuck Ross titled "Farrakhan Accuses Fauci and Bill Gates of Plotting to 'Depopulate the Earth' With Coronavirus Vaccine" was posted at dailycaller.com on July 4, 2020. Following are excerpts of the article.

Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan trended on Twitter on Saturday after he accused Dr. Anthony Fauci and Bill Gates of trying to "depopulate the Earth" through the development of vaccines aimed at ending the coronavirus pandemic.

Speaking at Nation of Islam headquarters in Chicago, Farrakhan urged African leaders and his followers to avoid accepting vaccines and medications developed by Western scientists.

"I say to my brothers and sisters in Africa, if they come up with a vaccine, be careful. Don't let them vaccinate you with their history of treachery through vaccines, through medication," Farrakhan said during the speech, which he gives annually on the Fourth of July.

"Do not take their medication," the 87-year-old firebrand continued.

This year's speech drew particular attention after Fox Soul, a division of 21st Century Fox, came under fire for planning to stream the event online. Farrakhan has a history of making anti-Semitic remarks.

Farrakhan proposed convening a team of virologists and epidemiologists to inspect whatever vaccines are developed to deal with the coronavirus.

He then pushed a popular but unfounded conspiracy theory that Fauci and Gates are working on a vaccine for the purposes of population control.

"Dr. Fauci, Bill Gates and Melinda—you want to depopulate the Earth. What the [heck] gave you that right? Who are you to sit down with your billion to talk about who can live, and who should die?" Farrakhan said.



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

- An article by Zen Soo titled "Hong Kong Police Granted Sweeping Powers Under Security Law" was posted at apnews.com on July 5, 2020.
- An article by Jamie Tarabay titled "Arrested Under New Law, Hong Kong Protesters Get Swabbed for DNA" was posted at bloomberg.com on July 6, 2020.
- An article titled "Australia Offers Safe Haven to Hong Kongers, Sparking China Fury" was posted at afp.com on July 9, 2020.
- An article by Amber Wang titled "'We're Next': Hong Kong Security Law Sends Chills Through Taiwan" was posted at afp.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article by Kara Scannell and Erica Orden titled "Ghislaine Maxwell, Long-time Jeffrey Epstein Associate, Arrested for Recruiting and Abusing Girls in Sex-Trafficking Ring" was posted at cnn.com on July 2, 2020.
- An article by Tom McCarthy and Daniel Strauss titled "Ghislaine Maxwell Arrest Sends Tremors Through Epstein's Celebrity Circle" was posted at theguardian.com on July 2, 2020.
- An article by Yaron Steinbuch titled "Ghislaine Maxwell to Cooperate As Epstein Pal [75-Year-Old Former Mentor Steven Hoffenberg] Says Prince Andrew Is 'Concerned' [About Behavior Being Revealed]" was posted at nypost. com on July 3, 2020.

- An article by Robert Mendick titled "How Ghislaine Maxwell and Kevin Spacey Relaxed at Buckingham Palace 'As Guests of Prince Andrew' [by Sitting on the Thrones of Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip in 2002]" was posted at telegraph.co.uk on July 3, 2020.
- An article by Patrick Sawer and Robert Mendick titled "Exclusive: Bill Clinton, Ghislaine Maxwell and the Inside Story of Their Trip to Britain" was posted at telegraph.co.uk on July 4, 2020.
- A Reuters article titled "Egypt, France, Germany, Jordan Warn Israel on Annexation" was posted at reuters.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article titled "Saudi Opens Hajj Registration for Foreign Residents in the Kingdom; Will Allow 1,000 Pilgrims" was posted at yahoo.com on July 6, 2020.
- An article by Tzvi Joffre titled "Air Defenses Respond to Rocket Attack on U.S. Embassy in Baghdad" was posted at jpost.com on July 5, 2020.
- A Reuters article by Tim Kelly titled "Strike Capacity, Other Military Options on Table After Japan's Aegis U-Turn [Scraping Two Aegis Ashore Ballistic Missile Defense Systems]" was posted at reuters.com on July 2, 2020.
- Looking back to April, an article by Rosie Perper titled "China Is Injecting Millions Into WHO As the US Cuts Funds; Experts Say Beijing Is Trying to Boost It's Influence Over the Agency and It's 'Deeply Compromised' Chief" was posted at businessinsider.com on April 24, 2020.
- An article by Patrick Goodenough titled "WHO Now Says China Did Not Report Virus Outbreak, But Gave Info Only After WHO Inquired" was posted at cnsnews.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article titled "After India, Now US and Australia Also Looking at Banning TikTok and Chinese Social Media Apps" was posted at yahoo.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article titled "Duterte [Philippine President] Pleads for Calm After Police Fatally Shoot Troops [Four Soldiers, Including Two Officers]" was posted at apnews.com on July 3, 2020.
- An article by Dovs Zakheim titled "Vladimir Putin Becomes Russia's President for Life" was posted at thehill.com on July 5, 2020.
- An article titled "Australia Locks Down High-Rise Apartments As Virus Cases Spike" was posted at afp.com on July 4, 2020.
- An article by Anna Mikhailova titled "Parents [in Britain] Can Be Fined for Not Returning Children to School in September, Official Guidance Says" was posted at telegraph.co.uk on July 2, 2020.
- A Reuters article by Ece Toksabay titled "Turkey Warns It Will Respond If EU Takes Fresh Measures Against It" was posted at reuters.com on July 6, 2020.
- An article by Patrick J. McDonnell and Kate Linthicum titled "The Killing of 26 People at a Drug Rehab Center in Mexico Thought to Be Part of a Gang War" was posted at latimes.com on July 2, 2020.

- An article by Matt Mathers titled "CNN Reporter Mugged at Knife Point Live on Air in Brazil" was posted at independent.co.uk on July 3, 2020.
- An article by Kwasi Oyamfi Asiedu titled "One of Africa's Fastest-Growing Cities [Accra, Ghana] Is Not Prepared for the Earthquake It Knows Is Coming" was posted at qz.com on July 3, 2020.



An article by Dr. Alveda King titled "Independence Day Aspirations—the Challenge to Strive for That More Perfect Union" was posted at foxnews.com on July 4, 2020. Following is the article.

On Independence Day we celebrate the birth of our nation, a nascent state determined to be something different, something better than the nations left behind by those early settlers who first made the trip to the "New World."

We don't celebrate the completion of that experiment or the perfection of our union. We celebrate its aspirations that its people would prosper in liberty and justice.

Admittedly, those aspirations at first and for many years did not encompass the rights of the people who were here for thousands of years before ships began arriving on our shores, or the people brought here in bondage on other ships.

We were an imperfect union then, and we are an imperfect union still. That's to be expected because while we are made in the image of God, we are not God. We are human beings, flawed sinners capable both of great evil and extraordinary righteousness, every one of us, from our Founding Fathers and mothers to all of us alive today at this perilous moment for our nation.

Our union, that grand experiment still unfolding, is in grave danger right now. We are challenged not only by a global pandemic that is sickening and killing more people every day and whose end we cannot predict, but also by a social upheaval the likes of which we have truly never seen.

We have been riven before. The Civil War. The Civil Rights Movement. The Vietnam War protests. All of these have stretched the fabric of our nation but it has not torn. Those challenges made us stronger, better.

I hope and pray we can withstand our current challenges but we won't without God's help, and without being able to find a way to listen to each other.

Our streets are restive. For weeks, protests and rallies that occasionally sparked riots made people afraid to leave their homes or believe they had to defend those homes at gunpoint. No one is listening to anyone in these noisy and chaotic days. No one is being heard.

Similar to the way the #MeToo movement of a few years ago took down another prominent figure every few days, civil rights organizations, student groups and others now are toppling statues of prominent leaders from our nation's past. Even some you would expect to be safe—Robert Gould Shaw, Ulysses Grant, Abraham Lincoln—have become targets. I wake up each day wondering which historical figure is next.

I am not enamored of statues, and I have made my feelings known before. My faith tells me not to worship idols, and a statue can become an idol. When a statue of my uncle, Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., was to be dedicated, I told my family I wasn't sure I could be there. I loved and revered my uncle, the man, but I would not worship his statue.

- Still, it pains me to watch these unruly people, many of them ignorant of history, tearing down statues as if that's an answer to our problems.
- And it pains me to know that our First Amendment rights to free speech are being trampled by a politically motivated Twitter mob that decides what sentiments can be spoken and which must be stifled.
- The extremism of our newly anointed "cancel culture" is terrifying.

It's daunting to realize that this time when we are keeping socially distant from each other is exactly the moment when we need to be coming back together. We have political differences we will never overcome but we are all Americans, whether we believe that's something worth celebrating or not.

We need to relearn civility, to remember when we could disagree without scorching the earth between us.

South Africa found its way back from apartheid. Rwanda found its way back from genocide. The U.S. can find its way back from this unique and disquieting moment, with the help of God and the resolve of a people—one blood, one race (Acts 17:26)—still committed to forming that more perfect union envisioned centuries ago.



An article by Michael Brown titled "This Is Why the Official BLM Statement Is So Disturbing" was posted at townhall.com on July 8, 2020. Following is the article.

Dating back to 2016, I have been urging Christian conservatives and other people of conscience to distinguish between the important affirmation that black lives do matter and the BLM movement.

The statement that "black lives matter" should be shouted loudly and clearly, since through much of our history, black Americans have felt that their lives did not matter to white Americans.

As for the BLM movement, it should be exposed for what it is.

As I tweeted on July 6:

- BLACK LIVES MATTER!
- EVERY BLACK LIFE MATTERS!
- ALL BLACK LIVES MATTER!
- BLACK LIVES DO MATTER!
- GOD HIMSELF AFFIRMS THAT BLACK LIVES MATTER!

■ And the BLM organization is dangerous, anti-Christian, and should be avoided.

Have I made myself clear?

Here's what we know about the BLM movement, especially when we dig a little deeper into their "What We Believe" statement.

When you start to connect the dots, you'll understand why I described BLM as "dangerous" and "anti-Christian." In fact, at the end of this article, I'll connect the BLM movement with the J word—as in Jezebel. (Do I have your attention?)

BLM was founded by three black women: Patrisse Cullors, Alicia Garza, and Opal Tometi.

The first two identify as queer and the third as "a transnational feminist."

Speaking of Cullors, a website celebrating "lesbians who tech" states that, "When Patrisse was 16-years-old she came out as queer and moved out of her home in the Valley."

The official BLM site describes Garza as a "queer Black woman" who states that "we must view this epidemic through a lens of race, gender, sexual orientation, and gender identity."

That's why a June 21, 2020 article on ABC news declared that, "From the start, the founders of Black Lives Matter have always put LGBTQ voices at the center of the conversation. The movement was founded by three Black women, Alicia Garza, Patrisse Cullors and Opal Tometi, two of whom identify as queer."

On a certain level, reading through the official BLM statement, being queer is as much of an issue for the movement as being black.

Accordingly, there are multiple references to "trans," as highlighted here: "We make space for transgender brothers and sisters to participate and lead.

"We are self-reflexive and do the work required to dismantle cisgender privilege and uplift Black trans folk, especially Black trans women who continue to be disproportionately impacted by trans-antagonistic violence."

Even more forthrightly, the statement reads, "We foster a queer-affirming network. When we gather, we do so with the intention of freeing ourselves from the tight grip of heteronormative thinking, or rather, the belief that all in the world are heterosexual (unless s/he or they disclose otherwise)."

Thus, the only references to heterosexuality are negative, as in "cisgender privilege" and "heteronormative thinking," meaning the assumption that heterosexuality is the norm.

So, BLM is not just fighting against white privilege but also heterosexual privilege. Make no mistake about it.

That's why the statement also goes out of its way to include people of "actual or perceived sexual identity, gender identity, gender expression." The leaders have made themselves abundantly clear. But there's more, and this has often been missed in commentary on BLM beliefs.

While there are references to "mothers" and "parents" in their statement, there is not one single reference to fathers. Not one. (Contrast this with the multiple references to queer and trans and gender identity, etc).

As for mention of "men" or the idea of a male-led household, these are only found in totally negative contexts.

Specifically, "We build a space that affirms Black women and is free from sexism, misogyny, and environments in which men are centered" (my emphasis). Oh, those terrible, evil men.

And this: "We make our spaces family-friendly and enable parents to fully participate with their children. We dismantle the patriarchal practice that requires mothers to work 'double shifts' so that they can mother in private even as they participate in public justice work" (again, my emphasis).

Yes, that oppressive, husband-wife, male-female union, that outdated, out-moded patriarchal dinosaur. It must be dismantled. (And note the assumption that if something is "patriarchal" it is unfair to women. A truly fair relationship would have the husband home with the kids while the wife is out doing "public justice work").

This is the language of radical feminism in unabashed, undisguised form. This too is part of the queer, trans-affirming spirit.

As for the third founder, Opal Tometi, she is also described as "a student of liberation theology." And there is now the widely circulated quote from Cullors that she and Garza "are trained Marxists."

As for the connection between liberation theology and Marxism, especially in this context, Prof. Anthony Bradley, himself black, has pointed out that, "Black Liberation Is Marxist Liberation."

So, without question, the official BLM movement is Marxist-based, queer-affirming, trans-activist, traditional-marriage degrading, radical-feminist promoting and more. In a certain sense, it is fatherless as well.

That's why I said that "the BLM organization is dangerous, anti-Christian, and should be avoided."

Now, let's also remember that Cullors is on record saying that their goal is to remove Trump from office: "Trump not only needs to not be in office in November, but he should resign now. Trump needs to be out of office. He is not fit for office. And so, what we are going to push for is a move to get Trump out."

And this leads me to one last important point. When you connect all the dots, the spirit of the official BLM movement is downright Jezebelic, thus in direct conflict with the Alpha Male Trump.



An article by Walter Williams titled "Charter Schools and Their Enemies" was posted at jewishworldreview.com on July 8, 2020. Following is the article.

Dr. Thomas Sowell has just published "Charter Schools and Their Enemies." He presents actual test scores of students in traditional public schools and charter schools on New York State Education Department's annual English Language Arts test and its Mathematics Test.

Sowell gives the results of student tests in charter schools such as KIPP, Success Academy, Explore Schools, Uncommon Schools, Achievement First as well as the traditional New York City public schools.

On the English Language Arts test, a majority of charter school students, most of whom were black or Hispanic, tested proficient or above. Their achievement ratio was nearly 5 to 1. On the Mathematics test 68% of charter schools' 161 grade levels had a majority of students testing proficient.

In the traditional public schools, 177 grade levels, just 10% had a majority of their student testing proficient.

In April 2019, *The Wall Street Journal* reported that 57% of black and 54% of Hispanic charter school students passed the statewide ELA compared to 52% of white students statewide.

On the state math test, 59% of black students and 57% of Hispanics at city charter schools passed as opposed to 54% of white students statewide.

Sowell says: "In a realm where educational failure has long been the norm—schools in low income minority neighborhoods—this is success, a remarkable success. What is equally remarkable is how unwelcome this success has been in many places. What has been especially remarkable is that it has been the most educationally successful charter schools that seem to have drawn the most hostility, both in words and in deeds."

The most common form of that hostility are simple legal limits set on the number of charter schools permitted without regard to whether charter schools are producing good or bad educational outcomes.

The education establishment, having the nation's most powerful labor union, has the ears of political leaders. They see a huge loss potential if more parents are able to opt out of poorly achieving public schools. For example, in New York City there are more than 50,000 students on waiting lists for admission to charter schools.

The per-pupil expenditure tops \$20,000 a year. If all the students on the waiting list were able to be admitted to charter schools, that would translate into a billion-dollar loss by the traditional public schools. A substantial decline in traditional public school attendance would mean fewer teachers employed. That would mean declining union dues since most charter school teachers are not union members. Charter schools' rate of growth since the 1990s has been significant.

From 2001 to 2016, enrollment at traditional public schools rose 1% while enrollment in public charter schools rose 571%.

Sowell points out that not all charter schools are successful. Failing charter schools can have their charters revoked, cutting off access to public funds.

That is in stark contrast to failing and corrupt traditional public schools that continue to dine at the public trough. Successful charter schools are the real threat to traditional unionized public schools.

No charter school in Sowell's study has been more successful than Success Academy charter schools in Harlem, Bedford-Stuyvesant and the South Bronx—and none has been more viciously attacked in words and in deeds.

New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio explicitly campaigned against charter schools saying: "I am angry about the privatizers. I am sick and tired of these efforts to privatize a precious thing we need—public education.

In another venue, Sowell said: "We keep hearing that "black lives matter," but they seem to matter only when that helps politicians to get votes, or when that slogan helps demagogues demonize the police. The other 99% of black lives destroyed by people who are not police do not seem to attract nearly as much attention in the media."

At a 2016 meeting, the NAACP's board of directors ratified a resolution that called for a moratorium on charter schools.

Among the NAACP's reasons for this were that it wanted charter schools to refrain from "expelling students that public schools have a duty to educate" and "cease to perpetuate de facto segregation of the highest performing children from those whose aspirations may be high but whose talents are not yet as obvious."

That is a vision suggesting that no black children receive decent educations until all black children receive decent educations. Black people cannot afford to entertain such a vision and other attacks on educational success.



An article by Bailey Duran titled "Mark Levin: Maybe We Should Use the Left's Defunding Strategy" was posted at cnsnews.com on July 6, 2020. Following is an excerpt from the article.

Levin proposed that cities who are defunding police and not allowing children to go to better schools "should be defunded in every other respect."



An article by Steve Matteucci titled "Yes, Virginia (And All the Other States), There Is Systemic Racism in America" was posted at americanthinker.com on July 2, 2020. Following are excerpts of the article.

Reading conservative media over the past month, I have noticed a pattern develop.

■ More and more writers are arguing that the ubiquitous assumption of systemic racism in America is untrue. (There's never been a better place to live as a minority than in America in the 21st Century.)

- While I agree with many of the arguments made, I have to disagree with the conclusion. Systemic racism is real.
- You see, I have also been listening to the personal histories of individual blacks across the country, and I now see the widespread, systemic racism that infects the United States in 2020.

[The author showed that the Democratic Party was primarily responsible for the following.]

Slavery

Democrats opposed Abraham Lincoln's and the newly formed Republican Party's anti-slavery platform in 1860.

KKK and Jim Crow laws

After the war, the KKK became the militant arm of the Democrats and the Jim Crow laws that grew out of the Reconstruction were administered by Democrat politicians throughout the South.

- The subtle racism of quotas
- Welfare system created by the Great Society.

The black family (which stayed together through slavery, Reconstruction, the Great Depression, and Jim Crow) was splintered apart when government handouts replaced the wages earned by a husband and father.

Legalized abortion

The Supreme Court legalized abortion in 1973, a procedure that has a more racist past than a Confederate statue. Abortion was a key part of the eugenics movement in this country going back to the 1920's, when Margaret Sanger created the precursor to Planned Parenthood.

Abortion was used to purify the white race and eliminate the black race back then, and black women continue to have abortions to at far higher rates than whites and Hispanics to this day.

These deaths have reduced the black population, watered down their representation in society, and eliminated the potential contributions of millions of people to this world.

■ Policies in many large cities

Meanwhile, in most large cities, regulatory and social welfare policies reduced freedom, opportunity, and prosperity for the people living in them, and a lot of blacks live in them.

Basic city services that help people get and keep jobs, like decent roads, public transportation, and affordable housing, have crumbled under policies that prioritize public employee pensions, rent control laws, and entrenched political power.

But the most devastating casualty in these cities has been quality education. The failure of cities to provide a high school diploma that had some worth in the marketplace has hurt black prospects for decades.

Keeping blacks dependent

The modern Democrat politician has raised systemic racism in this country to levels a white plantation owner in the antebellum South could have only dreamed of.

After all, while the plantation owner treated his slaves as property, he also had a self-interest in keeping his slaves healthy and strong enough to do their work.

The Democrats' only self-interest is keeping blacks voting for Democrats, and they will do that most reliably if they are kept weak, poor, and dependent.

Track record of politicians

But I have not even mentioned the crassest form of Democrat racism yet: coopting black leaders with promises of money and power to help promote all these policies among their fellow blacks.

How these leaders could have gotten in bed with the very party that had trampled blacks down for a century is a mystery to me.

With the support of those leaders, Democrats have been able to exploit blacks repeatedly by scaring them that Republicans want to enslave them and teaching them that every setback they encounter is evidence of racism.

Voting against racist policies

I am tired of being called a racist because, as a white man, I am accused of being part of the system that holds blacks down.

The truth is that, as a Republican, I have opposed and voted against the racist policies described in this article since I was old enough to vote.

I am heartbroken over systemic racism and want nothing more than to see the politicians who built it and sustain it stripped of all their power by the very victims of their racist policies.



Information about "BlackOutDay 2020" was posted at blackoutday.org. Following are excerpts from the website.

This is a call to action

This movement is an awakening of the national consciousness of black people in America and abroad. We need economic solidarity in America amongst all black people unequivocally. In order to break free from the chains of financial servility, we will organize days, weeks, months and years if necessary.

Our ASK is that we stop being shot down in the streets.

Our ASK is that racist legislation be purged from the books, and the cancerous ideology that this country was founded upon be rooted out.

Our ASK is that we have equal opportunity to access funding so that we can conduct business and practice group economics amongest ourselves.

Our ASK is that we are allowed to build our own communities and industries and be left alone.

Our ASK is that you stop murdering our leaders when they attempt to unite us as a people.

Blackout day July 7, 2020

This is a call to Action! We need one day of solidarity in America where not one black person in America spends a dollar.

We will systematically and strategically black out until the system is broken, and we have risen to power as a people.

Although this movement is exclusively targeted at empowering and uplifting black people all over the world, we welcome ALL people of color to stand with us in solidarity.

Black people alone account for an estimated 1.2 trillion dollars or more of spending in the economically annually. Together we have 3.9 trillion dollars in economic spending power.

While we welcome allies who choose to stand with us, we make absolutely no apology for the fact this movement is FOR US & BY US.

This is just the beginning

This is only the beginning of a lifelong pursuit of economic empowerment as a reality for ALL BLACK PEOPLE. United, we are an unstoppable force.

We are a nation of people within this nation that at any time can demand our liberation by withholding our dollars.

If we can do it for a day, we can do it for a week, a month, a quarter, a years. And one day we will look up and it will be a way of life.



An article by Michelle Malkin titled "Stand With Steve Baca" was posted at creators.com on July 8, 2020. Following is the article.

If you support the Second Amendment, oppose mob anarchy and reject the monumental madness gripping America, then you stand with Steven Baca.

If you have been outraged by the persecution and prosecution of brave patriots across the country defending their homes, their families, our downtowns, our national heritage and history—like the armed St. Louis couple, or the armed pregnant Michigan mom, or the armed citizens in the Fishtown suburb of Philadelphia, Boise, Idaho, and Provo, Utah, facing down the saboteurs of civil order, then you stand with Steven Baca.

On June 15, Steven and several other friends and neighbors gathered peacefully at Tiguex Park in Albuquerque, New Mexico, to protect a statue of Spanish conquistador Juan de Onate targeted by agitators identified as Black Lives Matter protesters.

What does Onate have to do with St. George Floyd or any of the other clients of race hustler Benjamin Crump? Nothing.

The coordinated violence and chaos unleashed by a toxic convergence of BLM, antifa, jobless college students and garden-variety cop-haters have nothing to do with black lives. Or with "justice." Or police brutality. Or equality.

It's all about making money, securing power and reimagining this nation by eradicating every vestige of the settlers, pioneers, colonizers and founders who made America America.

Esther Rivera, a 14th-generation mixed Hispanic and Native American grand-mother from Albuquerque, showed up to guard the memorial. "I wasn't there to protest," she told me: "I was there to pray for peace and the preservation of these statues and preservation of historical art . . . If we start pulling these down and renaming buildings and burning books, that's fascism."

During the melee at Tiguex Park, as agitators wielded pickaxes and strapped chains to the Onate statue, several belligerent women verbally assaulted Rivera. Some screamed falsely that she was a cop, stirring anger among the cop-hating BLM mobsters.

In several videos of the toppling of the Onate statue, at least two of the thuggish protesters can be seen laying hands on Rivera. She told me one woman tried to steal her phone. As she was pushed to the ground, Baca tried to rescue her. A swarm of women blocked Baca and multiple videos show him trying to peel the women off of him and Rivera. He was a defender, not an aggressor.

Then the scene turned uglier. As the savages ripped the statue from its pedestal, unidentified assailants screamed falsely that Baca was a cop. "I'm gonna f—ing kill you," another yelled.

Baca can be seen retreating from the crowd, separated from Rivera. He ran into the street, where several rioters beat him in the head and body with a large longboard and other unidentified objects. At least one video appears to show an assailant wielding a switchblade or knife.

That is when Baca drew his weapon and fired several shots at his attackers. Initially charged with felony aggravated battery with a deadly weapon, Baca was held in jail for a week before the Bernalillo County district attorney Raul Torrez dropped that charge.

Baca's justified self-defense is plain as day to anyone who watches the videos.

Here's the thing: This story is far from over.

Baca still faces potential reintroduction of the felony weapons charge, as well as aggravated battery charges involving three women—none of whom have

come forward, none of whom the D.A. has located and all of whom can be seen on camera laying hands on Baca and Rivera first.

Here's another thing you need to know: Torrez is not just any run-of-the-mill D.A.

He's one of dozens of George Soros-subsidized subversives who could put "social justice" above equal justice. A Soros front group called the "New Mexico Safety & Justice" PAC—pro-criminal, pro-rioter, anti-cop, anti-Second Amendment—dumped more than \$107,000 into Torrez's campaign in 2016.

Tim Keller, the Albuquerque mayor who has spent the past eight weeks pandering to BLM, defamed Baca as the agitator.

The head of the police union, however, condemned city leaders for creating an "operations plan" that tied the hands of cops, who were "spat upon" and had rocks thrown at them as they tried to secure the riot and crime scene.

I had the privilege of meeting Steven this Independence Day weekend. He is a gentle soul, overwhelmed by his predicament but grateful for the outpouring of grassroots support.

"We now have to wait for the district attorney to complete the investigation. We do not know how long this will take," he told me. "I stand ready to have my conduct and the conduct of others at the protest fully and thoroughly reviewed."

If you stand with Steven Baca, I have created a crowdfunding campaign that you can donate to at: https://fundly.com/stand-with-steven-baca.

This isn't just one statue and one armed American's freedom at stake. If you believe in the sacred right of self-defense and the sovereignty of our nation, then we are all Steven Baca now.



An article by Burt Prelutsky titled "Signs of the Times" was posted at patriot-post.us on July 4, 2020. Following are excerpts of the article.

Once upon a time, Robert Gates, who has at some point held just about every unelected job in the federal government except for Postmaster General, acknowledged that over the past several decades Joe Biden has been wrong on every foreign policy issue, but recently felt called upon to declare that Joe Biden is a man of integrity. Everyone, probably including Joe Biden, knows that's a lie.

[Mr. Prelutsky elaborated upon some of Mr. Biden's public-record flaws.]

This is what passes for a man of integrity according to Robert Gates. Perhaps he figures it will land him a Cabinet position in a Biden administration.

■ Barr and Mueller

But Gates isn't alone in his questionable ability to recognize integrity. William Barr, the current Attorney General, even after Robert Mueller used a phony

dossier, bought and paid for by Hillary Clinton and the DNC, to hound Donald Trump for over two years, insisted that Mueller was an honorable man.

What's more, Mueller is the fellow who vouched for James Comey, giving him two thumbs up.

This is just to let you know that if you ever see someone who has been referred to in gushing terms by a Washington bureaucrat walking towards you, turn around and run in the opposite direction. It just might be John Roberts or Anthony Fauci.

New York city murder rate has doubled

In the wake of Mayor De Blasio rolling out the red carpet for Black Lives Matter and doing away with bail, the murder rate in New York City has doubled in 2020 over last year. In fact, over the past four weeks, there have been 48 murders.

■ Arrested 103 times

In case you missed it, there is a video of a 28-year-old black man suckerpunching a 92-year-old woman on a Manhattan street. That's bad enough, but it's not even half the story.

The schmuck had already been arrested 103 times, and not for jaywalking. He has been arrested 13 times for sexual offenses, including sexually abusing a 10-year-old girl.

Wouldn't the world be a better place if after the 50th or even 100th arrest, creeps like him would be euthanized at the local pound?

■ 250 felons re-arrested 450 times

In the wake of DeBlasio's releasing felons from jail to prevent their coming down with the coronavirus, 250 of the felons have been re-arrested 450 times.

I would feel sorry for New Yorkers except they keep electing these same fatheads. There have been so many shots fired in the Big Apple, all that's left is the stem.

Hatred of the mob

The mob, which consists of not just the salaried members of Black Lives Matter, but local punks looking to cash in on the breakdown in law enforcement, aren't just showing their hatred of cops or white people. They despise western civilization, very much like the Taliban and other Islamic zealots.

At least the Nazis looted great art works, they didn't destroy them. Like smart bombs, they believed in killing people, but leaving paintings and statues intact.

The mobs like their electronic toys, but that's about the extent of it.

They hate Christianity and Judaism. They would normally hate Islam as well, but they recognize that's one religion that hates western values as much as they do. It also helps that most white people despise Islam; enemy of my enemy and all that. The mob also hates art and culture because so much of it has been created by white-skinned devils of European descent. It's only one short step from tearing down statues and burning down stores with impunity to burning books and using poison gas on people.

We're so busy paying lip service to rap with its pornographic lyrics, we forget that we gave the world Shakespeare, Cervantes, Beethoven, Bach, Rembrandt, Twain, Wyeth, Rachmaninoff, Puccini, Gershwin, Milton, Capra, Wilder, Van Gogh, Kern, Verdi, Michelangelo, Da Vinci, Cole Porter and Walt Disney.

Allowed to be bullied

Yet, we allow ourselves to be bullied by illiterates spewing nonsense about white privilege.

Hating the Constitution

These vandals hate the letter and the spirit of the Constitution. Free speech is anathema to them; they find the very idea of speech that questions their nihilistic agenda offensive and would silence it entirely if they could.

They don't like the idea of democracy because it offers no guarantee that they have the numbers to prevail in an election. Which is why they take to the streets so often. When you can't persuade, your only option is to intimidate.

Politicians supported the mobs

Naturally, they try to eliminate the police because those are the only people in society with the legal authority to combat them. At least that was the case until recently when, thanks to seeing how easily it was to cow the voters, politicians decided to cast their lot with the mob and toss the cops under the paddy wagon.

The fact that the BLM goons seem to be riding roughshod over the people who pay the taxes is because the Democratic politicians believe it's to their advantage to play nice with villains and because Republicans are, by and large, afraid to stand up to the mob because they're addicted to the fantasy that blacks will actually wake up one day and vote for them.

Being easily cowed

The Democrats aren't very bright, but they're bright enough to have noticed how easily hundreds of millions of Americans were bullied into staying home, avoiding their friends, wearing masks and washing their hands as incessantly as little beavers. Let's face it, we were as easily cowed as a giant herd of Holsteins.

In fact, to continue the barnyard analogy, we were like a coop full of chickens who had been convinced by the foxes that if we wanted to be safe we should convince Farmer Jones to lock up the dogs at night.

Seattle segregation

Interestingly, in Seattle, the residents of CHOP have taken control of a city park and brought back segregation. They are refusing entry to white people and they're enforcing the rule by having blacks wielding machetes patrolling the grounds.

■ Violence in Portland

In Portland, in the same spirit that has led to statues of Abe Lincoln being defaced and those of Christopher Columbus being pulled down, the mob wrapped an American flag around a statue of George Washington and set it ablaze before pulling it off its pedestal.

The city's officials say there no plans to restore the statue. Or sanity, for that matter.

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An article by Burt Prelutsky titled "Thanks for Nothing, Barack" was posted at patriotpost.us on July 6, 2020. Following are excerpts of the article.

I keep wondering if the current rioting, looting and burning, would have taken place if President Obama hadn't been a race pimp, always ready to demean the police and to provide cover for black hooligans.

This morning, while walking Angel, I encountered a woman walking her dog. She was white, seemed to be in her early 40s and was perfectly pleasant, but she was wearing a Black Lives Matter shirt.

Clearly, she has fallen hook, line and sinker, for the media's message that this is a perfectly fine group of people who are seeking racial justice rather than the gang of left-wing activists we know them to be; street rabble who will do anything in their power to ensure that President Trump isn't re-elected and that America, in the words of Barack Obama, is radically transformed.

Probably didn't know their agenda

I doubt if the lady with the dog knew that the BLM agenda calls for over-throwing the government; paying race-based reparations out of her own pocket; and turning white-owned property (including her home) over to black people. She wears a shirt supporting a racist group, but I'm pretty sure she wouldn't appear in public waving a hammer-and-sickle flag or sporting a swastika armband. It just goes to show how easily villainy succeeds when left-wing politicians and the media get behind a mob of barbarians.

■ Retired generals and former admirals

General Mark Milley, along with all those retired generals and former admirals are making fools of themselves when they essentially link arms with the likes of Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, Ilhan Omar, Rashida Tlaib, Joe Biden, Antifa, Joe Scarborough, John Brennan and Don Lemon, and attack Trump over his tweets or because they regard him as boorish.

Typical day

In Chicago, 14 people, including a 3-year-old black child, were killed and another 88 people were shot but survived over the Father's Day weekend.

But even Al Sharpton said nothing because it was just another typical couple of days of black people killing black people.

Spiking murder rates

Ever since the BLM has called for either defunding the cops or eliminating them altogether, murders have spiked in New York, L.A, Baltimore and Minneapolis.

■ Seattle horror

In the nation of CHOP, located in downtown Seattle, a 19 year old black man was shot by another black man, and other black men prevented the cops from taking him to the hospital. So he bled out on the streets of the newly formed nation.

In Seattle, the mayor and the city council have prohibited the cops from using tear gas or rubber bullets to disperse a crowd, meaning they can only use batons or their service revolvers. Which means, the cops can't do anything because if they're filmed busting black heads or shooting black thugs wielding machetes and AR-15's they know they'll be the ones arrested even if they're trying to rescue a dying black man.

■ Biden reluctant to debate

Donald Trump has requested that there be a fourth presidential debate, but Biden's people aren't going for the bait. In fact, Biden does so much better in the polls when he remains bunkered down in his basement, nobody should be surprised if his handlers try to use the coronavirus as an excuse not to hold any debates.

My suggestion is that if that should come to pass, Trump debate with an empty podium. If they want to go to a little extra trouble, they can have someone wearing a Biden mask deliver Biden's actual statements and allow Trump to respond. Or maybe they could skip the stand-in and just let people hear Biden's voice, perhaps reminding us once again that he's running for the Senate.

But that would be only the beginning. Imagine the fun that Trump could have when over the P.A. system, he hears Biden refer to his former boss as Barack America; that the number one problem facing this nation's middle class is a three letter word, J-O-B-S; or his candid admission that "I can tell you folks, I've known eight presidents . . . three of them intimately."

■ Gutless politicians vs. Israeli approach

Whereas, our elected officials are gutless wonders when it comes to dealing with burners and looters, Israel has come up with a perfect solution. It's even better than the fire hoses I proposed once the pinheads took to the streets in Minneapolis.

Because Israel is constantly having to deal with violent young protesters at their nation's borders, they have developed water cannons that shoot what they call a skunk spray. It is perfectly harmless, even to drink, but it smells like a combination of road kill and human excrement. Even the Arab teenagers and twentysomethings who rarely bathe immediately race for the showers.

Politics as a profession

Although it's not a profession that would appeal to me, mainly because of the sort of people I'd have to associate with, I can see the allure of politics.

For one thing, you don't have to pass any sort of test or even have a high school diploma to qualify. You can be any height or weight; be gay, bi or even a transgender; and while there is generally a minimum age requirement, you're never too old to hold office.

What's more, there's no heavy-lifting involved and you only need to be a little bit brighter than the schmucks who vote for you.

A can of paint

A guy named Mike has come up with a novel idea. He would like to see some enterprising individual with a can of black paint remove the letter "v" from Lives, so those signs painted on city streets would read Black Lies Matter. "Because," as he puts it, "the movement isn't about saving black lives, but is all about spewing lies on behalf of the Democrats."

■ They didn't think about IRS

Steve Maikoski has noted that all you need to do is look at the signs displayed by the BLM to know these are not successful people, they're criminals who want to disband the police. "If they were successful people, you would see signs calling for the abolishment of the IRS."

Prayers for a friend

My good friend and one of my earliest subscribers, Dick Barry, has been in the hospital down in Arlington, Texas, for over a month, fighting pneumonia.

Clearly, my prayers haven't been doing the job, so I'm asking that those of you who have a closer relationship with God than I do to lend a hand.



Looking back to May, an article by Michela Tindera titled "The Billionaires Backing Joe Biden's Campaign" was posted at forbes.com on May 6, 2020. Following are excerpts of the article.

After the first week in March, billionaires looking to support a Democratic candidate for president had essentially two options: Bernie Sanders, the candidate who said, "Billionaires should not exist," and Joe Biden. They chose Biden.

And as the country shut down amid the coronavirus pandemic, Forbes found that more billionaire donors opened their wallets for Biden in March than in any previous month of his campaign.

Thirty-two billionaires and their spouses gave to Biden's campaign in March, including 27 who donated to Biden for the first time, according to a Forbes analysis of the latest Federal Election Commission filings.

Netflix chief Reed Hastings, who reportedly co-hosted a fundraiser for Pete Buttigieg in December, made his first contribution to Biden in March.

Other new donors included Connie Ballmer, who is married to former Microsoft CEO Steve Ballmer, Proactiv acne treatment co-creator Katie Rodan, and Miami real estate scion Jorge Perez.

Tracking billionaire donations over time

Forbes mined Federal Election Commission data for donations from billionaires and their spouses to Joe Biden's campaign committee, searching for all itemized donations of at least \$100.

- Altogether, 94 billionaires and their spouses have donated to Biden's presidential campaign committee.
- Twelve percent of America's billionaires, who together are worth a combined \$380 billion, have pitched in to support Biden's campaign, either directly or through their spouse.

From the coasts

- Most of Biden's donors hail from the coasts.
- More than a third live in New York, including KIND snack bar CEO Daniel Lubetzky and the wives of Estée Lauder heirs, Jo Carole Lauder and Judith Glickman Lauder.
- A little more than a quarter live in California, including director Steven Spielberg and his wife, Kate Capshaw, as well as the billionaires behind Fiji water and Halo mandarin oranges, Stewart and Lynda Resnick.

From 12 industries

- Their fortunes stem from 12 industries.
- Thirty-eight percent of Biden's donors got rich in finance—among them ten hedge fund tycoons and six private equity barons.
- Eleven percent made their money in tech, including Quibi chief executive Meg Whitman and former Google chairman Eric Schmidt.
- One billionaire, George Kaiser, whose fortune stems from stakes in oil and gas, as well as banking, had his contribution returned, according to a Biden campaign spokesperson, because the campaign is not accepting contributions from fossil fuel executives.

From Harris and others

Before Biden became the presumptive Democratic nominee, his campaign already had big billionaire support.

Forbes found that moderate Kamala Harris, with 46 donors, initially had the most billionaire donors, according to FEC filings.

Others, like Cory Booker and Pete Buttigieg, also attracted dozens of billionaire supporters.

Now many of those donors appear to be coalescing around Biden.

Billionaire backers

Here are Biden's billionaire backers, ordered by net worth.

- Connie Ballmer (wife of Steve Ballmer). The spouse's net worth is \$62.6 billion and the source of wealth is Microsoft.
- Jacqueline Mars. Her net worth is \$27.3 billion and the source of wealth is candy and pet food.
- Jim Simons. His net worth is \$21.6 billion and the source of wealth is hedge funds.
- Len and Emily Blavatnik. Their net worth is \$18.1 billion and the source of wealth is diversified.
- Laurene Powell Jobs. Her net worth is \$18.1 billion and the source of wealth is Apple and Disney.
- Judith Glickman Lauder (wife of Leonard Lauder). The spouse's net worth is \$15.3 billion and the source of wealth is Estee Lauder.
- Eric Schmidt. His net worth is \$14.7 billion and the source of wealth is Google.
- Stewart and Lynda Resnick. Their net worth is \$9 billion and their source of wealth is agriculture and water.
- John and Ann Doerr. Their net worth is \$8.8 billion and their source of wealth is venture capital.
- David Geffen. His net worth is \$8.1 billion and his source of wealth is movies and record labels.
- Eli and Edythe Broad. Their net worth is \$6.8 billion and their source of wealth is home building and financial services.
- Ernest II and Joanne Garcia. Their net worth is \$6.1 billion and their source of wealth is used cars.
- David Siegel. His net worth is \$6.1 billion and his source of wealth is hedge funds.
- George Kaiser. His net worth is \$5.8 billion and his source of wealth is banking, oil and gas.
- Katharine Rayner. Her net worth is \$5.7 billion and her source of wealth is media and automotive.
- Mellody Hobson (wife of George Lucas). Spouse's net worth is \$5.2 billion and the source of wealth is Star Wars.
- Michelle Locher (wife of Robert Ziff). Spouse's net worth is \$5 billion and the source of wealth is investments.
- Dirk & Natasha Ziff. Their net worth is \$5 billion and their source of wealth is investments.

- Reed Hastings. His net worth is \$4.6 billion and his source of wealth is Netflix.
- Margot Birmingham Perot. Her net worth is \$4.1 billion and her source of wealth is computer services and real estate.
- Dagmar Dolby. Her net worth is \$4.1 billion and her source of wealth is Dolby Laboratories.
- Neil Bluhm. His net worth is \$4 billion and his source of wealth is real estate.
- Jo Carole Lauder (wife of Ronald Lauder). Spouse's net worth is \$4 billion and the source of wealth is Estee Lauder.
- Sandra Tamer (wife of Tony Tamer). Spouse's net worth is \$4 billion and the source of wealth is private equity.
- Meg Whitman. Her net worth is \$4 billion and her source of wealth is eBay.
- David Bonderman. His net worth is \$3.7 billion and his source of wealth is private equity.
- Katherine Farley (wife of Jerry Speyer). Spouse's net worth is \$3.7 billion and the source of wealth is real estate.
- Jonathan & Mindy Gray. Their net worth is \$3.7 billion and their source of wealth is Blackstone.
- Steven Spielberg & Kate Capshaw. Their net worth is \$3.6 billion and their source of wealth is movies.
- Amos & Barbara Hostetter. Their net worth is \$3.5 billion and their source of wealth is cable television.
- Gabe Newell. His net worth is \$3.5 billion and his source of wealth is video games.
- Jon Stryker. His net worth is \$3.5 billion and his source of wealth is medical equipment.
- Thomas Hagan. His net worth is \$3.3 billion and his source of wealth is insurance.
- Amy Goldman Fowler. Her net worth is \$3.1 billion and her source of wealth is real estate.
- Daniel and Jane Och. Their net worth is \$3.1 billion and their source of wealth is hedge funds.
- Margaret Loeb (wife of Daniel Loeb). Spouse's net worth is \$2.8 billion and the source of wealth is hedge funds.
- Stephen & Susan Mandel. Their net worth is \$2.8 billion and their source of wealth is hedge funds.
- Liz Lefkofsky (wife of Eric Lefkofsky). Spouse's net worth is \$2.7 billion and the source of wealth is Groupon.

- Penny Pritzker. Her net worth is \$2.7 billion and her source of wealth is hotels and investments.
- John Pritzker. His net worth is \$2.6 billion and his source of wealth is hotels and investments.
- Herb & Bui Simon. Their net worth is \$2.6 billion and their source of wealth is real estate.
- Pat Stryker. Her net worth is \$2.6 billion and her source of wealth is medical equipment.
- Daniel & Karen Pritzker. Their net worth is \$2.4 billion and their source of wealth is hotels and investments.
- Eric Zinterhofer (husband of Aerin Lauder). Spouse's net worth is \$2.3 billion and the source of wealth is cosmetics.
- James Dinan. His net worth is \$2.2 billion and his source of wealth is hedge funds.
- Ruth Gottesman (wife of David Gottesman). Spouse's net worth is \$2.2 billion and the source of wealth is investments.
- Bruce and Martha Karsh. Their net worth is \$2.2 billion and the source of wealth is private equity.
- Howard & Nancy Marks. Their net worth is \$2.2 billion and their source of wealth is private equity.
- Kathy Yarbrough (wife of Jon Yarbrough). Spouse's net worth is \$2.2 billion and the source of wealth is video games.
- Timothy & Mary Boyle. Their net worth is \$2.1 billion and their source of wealth is Columbia Sportswear.
- Henry & Marsha Laufer. Their net worth is \$2.1 billion and their source of wealth is hedge funds.
- S. Daniel Abraham. His net worth is \$2 billion and his source of wealth is Slim-Fast.
- Thomas Lee. His net worth is \$2 billion and his source of wealth is private equity.
- Reid Hoffman. His net worth is \$1.9 billion and his source of wealth is Linkedin.
- Jorge Perez & Darlene Boytell-Perez. Their net worth is \$1.9 billion and their source of wealth is real estate.
- Marc Lasry. His net worth is \$1.8 billion and his source of wealth is hedge funds.
- Aileen Roberts (wife of Brian Roberts). Spouse's net worth is \$1.8 billion and the source of wealth is Comcast.

- Hamilton Jones. His net worth is \$1.6 billion and his source of wealth is Blackstone.
- Seth & Beth Klarman. Their net worth is \$1.5 billion and their source of wealth is hedge funds.
- Katie & Amnon Rodan. Their net worth is \$1.4 billion and their source of wealth is skin care.
- Susan Sarofim. (wife of Fayez Sarofim). Spouse's net worth is \$1.4 billion and the source of wealth is money management.
- Jonathan & Lizzie Tisch. Their net worth is \$1.4 billion and their source of wealth is insurance and NFL team.
- Judy Dimon (wife of Jamie Dimon). Spouse's net worth is \$1.3 billion and the source of wealth is JPMorgan.
- Sidney & Caroline Kimmel. Their net worth is \$1.3 billion and their source of wealth is retail.
- George & Judy Marcus. Their net worth is \$1.3 billion and their source of wealth is real estate.
- Joseph Edelman. His net worth is \$1.2 billion and his source of wealth is hedge funds.
- Daniel & Michelle Lubetzky. Their net worth is \$1.2 billion and their source of wealth is KIND Healthy Snacks.
- Greg Mondre. His net worth is \$1.2 billion and his source of wealth is private equity.
- Marta Hall (wife of David Hall). Spouse's net worth is \$1 billion and the source of wealth is automotive technology.
- Laurie Tisch. Her net worth is \$1 billion and her source of wealth is insurance and NFL team.



A Reuters article by Tracy Rucinski titled "How U.S. Airlines Are Trying to Stop COVID-19 on Flights" was posted at reuters.com on July 2, 2020. Following are excerpts of the article.

As some Americans prepare to travel for the July 4 holiday weekend, and airlines slowly ramp up service, the U.S. government has not changed rules for air travel during the pandemic, leaving airlines to implement their own measures.

Most are taking what they call "a layered-approach."

That is the trick, according to infectious disease specialist Dr. William Schaffner of the Vanderbilt University Medical Center: "To implement a series of

measures that work together to reduce risk. You can't rely solely on any one of them because there is no magic bullet that takes care of everything."

Is he personally ready to fly? Not yet: people should still be sheltering in place if they can and avoid unnecessary travel, he said.

"By its very nature when you jam people together into a tube of toothpaste such as a plane, that's close contact and you're going to assume some risk while you do that," he said.

Here is a list of airline policies and what Dr. Schaffner had to say about some.

Masks

Major U.S. airlines all require masks and have threatened to remove a passenger's flying rights for failing to comply.

"If I had to choose one thing, masks would be far and away the single most important thing."

Hepa air filters

These hospital-grade filters are standard on commercial aircraft and filter cabin air about every three minutes, removing 99.97% of airborne particles.

"These do a major job."

■ Middle seats

Delta Air Lines (DAL.N) and Southwest Airlines (LUV.N) are blocking middle seats through at least September. American Airlines (AAL.O) and United Airlines (UAL.O) are not.

"Close intimate contact is the way this virus is spread. You're at risk based on the condition of the fellow passenger in your same row, two rows forward and two rows back."

Deep cleaning

Airlines say they have increased cleaning between flights and overnight, disinfecting high-touch surfaces from seat buckles to overhead bin handles with products approved to kill human coronavirus.

Many also use an electrostatic spray that wraps around aircraft surfaces, killing viruses on contact and forming a protective shield for 30 days.

"These steps take care of the inanimate part of transmission. If you're particularly fastidious, bring some wipes along."

■ Temperature checks

U.S. airlines have called for government-administered temperature checks during the airport screening process but nothing has been agreed. Frontier Airlines began its own screenings last month.

■ Health checklists

Leading airlines are requiring passengers to disclose during the check-in process whether they have any COVID-19 symptoms or have been exposed in the past 14 days.

- Limiting food and drink services
- Decals on floors (6-foot spacing)



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

Deficit

■ The amount of debt on the continuous reported of the debt clock was noted at \$26,501,265,000,000 and counting at usdebtclock.org on July 9, 2020.

Federal reserve

- An article by Jeff Cox titled "Fed's Mester [Cleveland President Loretta Mester] Says Economy Growth 'Leveling Off,' Sees More Help Needed" was posted at cnbc.com on July 7, 2020.
- A Reuters article by Dan Burns titled "Fed Balance Sheet Below \$7 Trillion, Repo Drops to Zero for First Time Since September" was posted at reuters. com on July 9, 2020.

Finances

- An article by Jeff Cox titled "Record Jobs Gain of 4.8 Million in June Smashes Expectations; Unemployment Rate Falls to 11.1%" was posted at cnbc.com on July 2, 2020.
- An article by Nate Rattner titled "Apple Maps Driving Activity [Requests for Driving Directions] Is Slowing Again in Warning Sign for the Economy" was posted at cnbc.com on July 8, 2020.
- An article by Graham Rapier, and Joseph Zeballos-Roig titled "The Weekly \$600 Unemployment Bonus That Millions of Americans Are Relying On Will End on July 31 Unless Congress Can Agree on a Plan to Extend the Payments" was posted at businessinsider.com on July 6, 2020.
- An article by John Bowden titled "TSA: July 4 Weekend Air Travel Down 70 Percent Compared to Last Year" was posted at thehill.com on July 6, 2020.

■ An article by Erica Chayes Wida titled "Dunkin [Doughnuts] Will Permanently Close 450 Store Locations by the End of 2020" was posted at today. com on July 6, 2020.

Stimulus checks

- An article by Thomas Pallini titled "The Federal Government Extended the Paycheck Protection Program After \$130 Billion Out of \$660 Billion Went Uncollected" was posted at businessinsider.com on July 5, 2020.
- An article by Reese Dunklin and Michael Rezendes titled "Catholic Church Lobbied for Taxpayer Funds, Got \$1.4 Billion" was posted at apnews.com on July 10, 2020.

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 Melanie Arter titled "McConnell: House Dems Working on 'Multi-Thousand Page Cousin' of Green New Deal" was posted at cnsnews.com on July 2, 2020.
- An article by Patrick Goodenough titled "Biden-Sanders Issue Vague Platform Recommendations on 'Green Climate Fund' " was posted at cnsnews.com on July 9, 2020.

Coronavirus and civil liberties

- An article by Beth Baumann titled "Californians Send a Very Clear 4th of July Message [With Fireworks and Parades] to Gov. Gavin Newsom" was posted at townhall.com on July 5, 2020.
- A Reuters article by Rollo Ross titled "Coronavirus Survivor Tom Hanks Does Not 'Have Much Respect' for People Who Shun Basic Precautions" was posted at reuters.com on July 6, 2020.
- An article by Susan Jones titled "CDC: COVID-19 Deaths Peaked in Mid-April; Down 86% by Week Ending June 20" was posted at cnsnews.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article by Shawn M. Carter titled "Group of Texas Sheriffs [9 Counties Were Listed, But Others Were Omitted] Won't Enforce Governor's 'Draconian' Coronavirus Mask Rule" was posted at foxnews.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article by Madaline Peltzer titled "Michigan Citizens Seek to Repeal Rogue Governor's Emergency Powers" was posted at townhall.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article by Susan Jones titled "Beto O'Rourke: 'It Would Be Irresponsible for Us to Send Our Kids to School' " was posted at cnsnews.com on July 9, 2020.
- An article by John Jakusbisin titled "Despite COVID-19, Many European Schools Are Already Open Or Will Be Opening in Fall" was posted at cnsnews. com on July 8, 2020.

Coronavirus and religion

- An article by Haven Orecchio-Egresitz titled "Californians Are Banned From Singing or Chanting During Religious Services" was posted at businessinsider.com on July 3, 2020.
- An article by Dean Smith titled "It's Fine to Yell at Protests, But Don't Sing in Church" was posted at opentheword.org on July 5, 2020.
- Looking back to June, an article by Brandon Richard titled "Demonstrators March, Sing in Downtown Memphis on Day 7 of Protests" was posted at wmc.com on June 2, 2020.
- An article by John Melton titled "Colorado AG Serves Cease and Desist Order to Andrew Wommack Event [Right in the Middle of Their Weeklong 'Family Bible Conference']" was posted at stream.org on July 8, 2020.

Coronavirus and sports

- An article by John Marshall titled "Stanford [University] Drops 11 Sports to Cut Costs" was posted at apnews.com on July 8, 2020.
- An article by Ben Kercheval and Matt Norlander titled "Ivy League Scraps College Football and Fall Sports for 2020, Will Evaluate Feasibility of Playing in Spring" was posted at cbssports.com on July 8, 2020.

Comments about racism (real or imagined)

- An article by Julio Rosas titled "Don Lemon Tells Terry Crews: Black Lives Matter Is About Police Brutality, Not About Dead Children" was posted at townhall.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article titled "'Hamilton' [Musical] Star Daveed Diggs on New Video Questioning the Meaning of July 4 for Black Americans" was posted at cbsnews.com on July 3, 2020.
- An article by Krystina Skurk titled "'Hamilton' [Musical] Is the Perfect Answer to the 1619 Project's Attempt to Erase America" was posted at thefederalist.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article by Joshua Espinoza titled "Stephen Jackson [Former NBA Player] Calls for #BlackOutDay on 4th of July: 'We're Not Wearing Red, White and Blue'" was posted at complex.com on July 3, 2020.
- An article by Beth Baumann titled "Kaepernick Is Wanting the Rage Mob to Cancel the 4th of July" was posted at townhall.com on July 4, 2020.
- An article by Alex Corey titled "Because Racism: Charter School System [Knowledge Is Power Program or KIPP] to Remove 'Work Hard, Be Nice' As It's Official Slogan" was posted at townhall.com on July 3, 2020.
- An article by John Stossel titled "[University of Chicago Professor Harald Uhlig] Fired for Speaking Truth [About Black Lives Matter]" was posted at townhall.com on July 8, 2020.

- An article titled "Jason Whitlock [Black Journalist] Slams Professional Sports Owners for Caving to Black Lives Matter's Agenda" was posted at foxnews.com on July 6, 2020.
- An article by Andrew Davenport titled "Fox Sports [Black Journalist] Marvellus Wiley Criticizes Anti-Traditional Family Policy of Black Lives Matter" was posted at cnsnews.com on July 8, 2020.
- An article by Liz Roscher titled "[WNBA Atlanta] Dream Co-Owner [and Georgia Republican] Senator Kelly Loeffler Is Against WNBA's Support of Black Lives Matter" was posted at yahoosports.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article by Matt Vespa titled "A Coach [White Oklahoma State Football Coach Mike Gundy] Got Shredded for a [Conservative] T-Shirt, While [Black NFL Player] DeSean Jackson Almost Skated Away Scot-Free Over Hitler Posts" was posted at townhall.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article by Dan Feldman titled "Report: NBA Approves List of Social Justice Messages for Jersey's" was posted at nbcnews.com on July 3, 2020.
- An article by Bronson Stocking titled "Burgess Owens [Black Retired NFL Player Who Is a Candidate for Congress in Utah] Rips NFL Following Decision to Play 'Black National Anthem' Before Games" was posted at townhall.com on July 4, 2020.
- An article by Zack Frydenlund titled "5 Potential New Names for the Washington Football Team" was posted at complex.com on July 3, 2020. (They are Sentinels, Pigskins, Warriors, RedHogs and Federals.)
- An article by Bryan Armen Graham titled "Dan Snyder Will Change Washington's Name Because of Pressure, Not Integrity" was posted at theguardian. com on July 6, 2020.
- A Reuters article titled "[Chicago] Blackhawks [Hockey Team] Stand by Team Name Amid Scrutiny" was posted at reuters.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article by Darin Gantt titled "Atlanta Braves [Baseball Team] Keeping Name, Discussing Tomahawk Chop" was posted at nbcsports.com on July 8, 2020.
- An article by Jordan Moreau titled "'Dukes of Hazard' Car With Confederate Flag to Remain Displayed in [Volo] Auto Museum [in Arlington Heights, Illinois]" was posted at variety.com on July 5, 2020.

Comments about rioters and looters

- An article by Bishop Aubrey Shines titled "From Christ to Emancipation, the Mob Is Determined to Erase History" was posted at townhall.com on July 8, 2020.
- An article by Madeline Peltzer titled "BLM Mob Repeatedly Attacks a Church in New York [Grace Baptist Church in Tory, NY]" was posted at townhall.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article by Amir Hussain titled "Muslim Americans Assert Solidarity With Black Lives Matter, Finding Unity Within a Diverse Faith Group" was posted at the conversation.com on June 30, 2020.

- An article by Asma Afsaruddin titled "Islam's Anti-Racist Message From the 7th Century Still Resonates Today" was posted at the conversation.com on July 6, 2020.
- An article by Katie Pavlich titled "The Antifa Member Who Organized the Mob Outside the White House Has Been Arrested" was posted at townhall. com on July 2, 2020.
- An article by Jake Gibson titled "Feds Arrest 'Ringleader' in Attack on Andrew Jackson Statue by White House" was posted at foxnews.com on July 2, 2020.
- An article by Katie Pavlich titled "DOJ Announces Fresh Round of Indictments for Rioters" was posted at townhall.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article by Martin Pengelly titled "[Abolitionist] Frederick Douglass Statue [in Rochester, NY] Torn Down on Anniversary of Great Speech [168 Years Ago]" was posted at theguardian.com on July 6, 2020.
- A speech by Frederick Douglass titled "What to the Slave Is the Fourth of July?" is posted at teachamericanhistory.org.
- An article by Timothy D. Dwyer titled "Could the Racist Past of Mt. Rushmore's Creator [Sculptor Gutzon Borglum] Bring Down the Monument?" was posted at latimes.com on July 3, 2020.
- A Reuters article by Rich McKay titled "The World's Largest Confederate Monument [Stone Mountain Confederate Memorial in Georgia Is a Nine-Story Sculpture Depicting Three Confederate Heroes on Horseback] Faces Renewed Calls for Removal" was posted at reuters.com on July 3, 2020.
- An article by Mary Papenfuss titled "Baltimore Protesters Tear Down Christopher Columbus Statue, Dump It in the Harbor" was posted at huffpost.com on July 5, 2020.
- An article titled "Baltimore Police Union Blasts Decision Not to Have Officers Stop Statue Vandalism" was posted at cbsbaltimore.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article titled "NYC Occupy City Hall Protesters Say They're Not Leaving Until Demands Are Met on NYPD, Homelessness, Voting" was posted at foxnews.com on July 2, 2020.
- A Reuters article by Jonathan Allen titled "New York Attorney General [Black Woman Letitia James] Recommends Reducing Mayor's Power Over Police" was posted at reuters.com on July 8, 2020.
- An article titled "Protester Dies, Another Fights for Life After Car [With a 27-Year-Old Black Man at the Wheel] Drives Into Crowd on [Interstate] I-5 [in Seattle]" was posted at kiro7.com on July 4, 2020.
- An article by Grace Hauck titled "There Have Been at Least 66 Vehicle-Ramming Attacks [Into Crowds] in US Since May 27" was posted at usatoday. com on July 8, 2020.
- An article by Michael King titled "Georgia Department of Public Safety Headquarters [in Atlanta, Georgia] Attacked, Damaged by Protesters" was posted in 11alive.com on July 5, 2020.

- An article titled "Police Search for Shooter Who Killed 8-Year-Old Girl Near Burned Wendy's [a Protest Site in Atlanta, Georgia]" was posted at wsbtv.com on July 5, 2020.
- An article by Ryan Pickrell titled "Georgia's [Republican] Governor Is Deploying As Many As 1,000 National Guard Troops After Deadly Shootings in Atlanta Over a Violent Fourth of July Weekend" was posted at businessinsider.com on July 6, 2020.

Comments about police

- An article by Kurtis Lee titled "Convictions of Violent Cops Who Kill Black People Prove Elusive; Dallas Is Becoming An Exception" was posted at latimes. com on July 3, 2020.
- An article by Trace William Cowen titled "Oklahoma Cops Charged With Murder After Using Tasers 'More Than 50 Times' on Victim" was posted at complex.com on July 3, 2020.
- An article by Andrew Naughtie titled "Judge Blocks [Two-Week Restraining Order] Portland Police From Using Physical Force Against Journalists" was posted at independent.co.uk on July 3, 2020.
- An article by William Bredderman titled "[Two Lawyers] Arrested During a Protest [for Throwing a Molotov Cocktail]; Now They Have [Collected] a Half-Million Dollar War Chest" was posted at thedailybeast.com on July 6, 2020.

Illegal immigration

- An article by Bronson Sterling titled "Border Patrol Agents Thwart Drug Smuggling Events Along Southern Border" was posted at townhall.com on July 2, 2020.
- An article by Bronson Stocking titled "CBP [Customs and Border Protection] Arrests 21 From Two Smuggling Boats Along California Coast" was posted at townhall.com on July 4, 2020.

Comments about weapons

■ An article by Awr Hawkins titled "Nearly All NYC June Shooting Victims Were Minorities" was posted at breitbart.com on July 6, 2020.

Comments about Mail-In Ballots

- Looking back to June, an article by Eric Boehm titled "The Feds Sent More Than 1 Million Coronavirus Stimulus Payments to Dead People, GAO Says" was posted at reason.com on June 25, 2020. [Just as dead people receive government checks, dead people can also receive government mail-in ballots.]
- Looking back to June, an article by Andrew Sullivan titled "Government Tax Watchdog [the National Taxpayer Advocate]: IRS Should Not Waste Time Pursuing \$1 Billion in Stimulus Checks Sent to Dead People" was posted at marketwatch.com on June 29, 2020. [Just as dead people receive government checks, dead people can also receive government mail-in ballots.]
- A Reuters article by Trevor Hunnicutt titled "U.S. Supreme Court Blocks Alabama Order Easing Voting Restrictions" was posted at reuters.com on July 2, 2020.

Comments about Trump support

- A letter to the editor by Carol Mingus titled "Stop Blaming Trump for Everything" was posted at tucson.com on July 1, 2020.
- An article by Madeline Peltzer titled "NASCAR Driver Corey La Joie [With Team 'Go Fas Racing'] to Take 'Trump 2020' to the Racetrack" was posted at townhall.com on July 2, 2020.
- An article titled "Nikki Haley: You Don't Have to Like President Trump, But He Gets Results and Raised Americans' Quality of Life" was posted at foxnews. com on July 8, 2020.
- An article titled "Secretary [of Education Betsy] DeVos Releases Statement on the White House Hispanic Prosperity Initiative Executive Order" was posted at ed.gov on July 9, 2020.
- An article by Jose Martinez titled "People Are Saying They're Going to Boycott Goya Foods After CEO [Robert Unanue] Praises Trump" was posted at complex.com on July 9, 2020.
- An article by Louise Hall titled "Florida Governor Ron DeSantis Quietly Signs Controversial Abortion Law [Requiring Girls Under 18 to Get Parents Permission]" was posted at independent.co.uk on July 8, 2020.

Comments about Trump opposition

- Looking back to 2019, an article by Sam Jones titled "Like Him or Not, There Is a Media Bias Against President Trump" was posted at thetowerlight. com on Sept. 3, 2019.
- Looking back to April, an article by Elizabeth Cohen and Dr. Minali Nigam titled "President Trump Is Wrong in So Many Ways About Hydroxychloroquine Studies; Here Are the Facts" was posted at cnn.com on April 11, 2020.
- An article by Maggie Fox Andrea Kane and Elizabeth Cohen titled "Study Finds Hydroxychloroquine Helped Coronavirus Patients Survive Better" was posted at cnn.com on July 2, 2020.
- Looking back to May, an article by Robert Knight titled "Liberal Media Takes Ghoulish Delight Linking Trump to COVID-19 Deaths" was posted at washingtontimes.com on May 29, 2020.
- An article by Nick Gives titled "LA Mayor Garcetti Admits 'Connection' Between Coronavirus Outbreak and Protests, After Downplaying Link" was posted at foxnews.com on July 3, 2020.
- An article by Andrew Korybko titled "It's Tempting to Think Otherwise, But Trump Isn't the Only One to Blame for COVID-19's Comeback" was posted at cgtn.com on July 4, 2020.
- An article by Joshua Klein titled "Grassley: 'The Deep State Is So Deep Its People Get Away With Political Crimes' "was posted at breitbart.com on July 6, 2020.

- An article by Tom Fitton titled "Judicial Watch Sues to Expose Full Truth Behind Obama Unmasking/Spy Abuses" was posted at breitbart.com on July 6, 2020.
- Looking back to June, an article by Eric Bradner, Sarah Mucha and Donald Judd titled "Biden Says He Doesn't Support Defunding Police" was posted at cnn.com on June 8, 2020.
- An article by Katie Pavlich titled "Joe Biden Says Police Have 'Become the Enemy'—'Absolutely' Should Defund Them" was posted at townhall.com on July 8, 2020.
- Looking back to 2012, a video titled "Obama: We Are 5 Days From Fundamentally Transforming America" was posted at youtube.com on Feb. 2, 2012.
- An article by Kyle Olson titled "Joe Biden Promises to 'Transform' U.S. After Vowing to 'Rip the Roots of Systemic Racism Out of This Country' " was posted at breitbart.com on July 6, 2020.
- An article by Caroline Graham titled "Nightmare in New York: How Covid-19, BLM Protests and a Liberal Mayor Are Turning the City Into a No-Go Zone As Murders Skyrocket, Shops Are Looted and 500,000 Middle-Class Residents Flee" was posted at dailymail.co.uk on July 4, 2020.
- An article by Farah Stockman titled "'They Have Lost Control': How Minneapolis Leaders Failed to Stop Their City From Burning" was posted at nytimes. com on July 4, 2020.
- An article by Bailey Duran titled "Pelosi on Christopher Columbus Statue Torn Down by Mob: 'People Will Do What They Do' " was posted at cnsnews.com on July 9, 2020.
- An article by Cortney O'Brien titled "Janice Dean [Fox News Meteorologist Who Lost Both of Her In-Laws in a NY Nursing Home] Reacts to Cuomo Blaming Nursing Home Staff for Fatalities" was posted at townhall.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article titled "Scalise, Brady, Walden Set the Record Straight About Democrats' Half-Baked Nursing Home Report" was posted at scalise.house.gov on July 2, 2020.
- An article by Cydney Henderson titled "'Disgusting Symbol': Justin Timberlake Joins Taylor Swift in Calling for Removal of Confederate Statues" was posted at usatoday.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article by Zack Budryk titled "Robert Redford Backs Biden, Warns of 'Slide Toward Autocracy' If Trump Wins" was posted at thehill.com on July 8, 2020,
- A video and an article by Tony Maglio titled "Eminem Slays Anti-Maskers, 'Dirty' Cops in New Single With Kid Cudi" were posted at thewrap.com on July 10, 2020.
- Looking back to 2018, an article by Brett Bodner titled "Stephen A. Smith Says ESPN Reporters Are 'Stepping Out of Their Lane' When Attacking Donald Trump" was posted at nydailynews.com on Jan. 11, 2018.

- Looking back to 2018, an article by Michael Bohlin titled "Stephen A. Smith Criticizes Donald Trump's Comments on LeBron" was posted at 247sports.com on Aug. 4, 2018.
- An article by J.P. Finlay titled "Stephen A. Smith Suggests Donald Trump's Behavior Allowed Dan Snyder to 'Hold On to the Redskins Name' " was posted at nbcsports.com on July 6, 2020.
- An article by David Catanese and Alex Roarty titled "'Burned to the Ground': Anti-Trump Republicans Set New Goal of Defeating the GOP Senate" was posted at mcclatchydc.com on July 2, 2020.
- An article by Ashley Coltman titled "Meet Mary Trump; the President's Niece Who Is a Life Coach, Apparent Hillary Clinton Fan, and Has Written a Scathing Tell-All [Book] About Her Uncle [Donald]" was posted at businessin-sider.com on July 4, 2020.
- An article by Lachlan Cartwright and Asawin Suebsaeng titled "Former Melania Trump Confidante [Stephanie Winston Wolkoff] to Release An 'Explosive' Tell-All [Book] Before the Election" was posted at thedailybeast.com on July 6, 2020.
- An article by Ed Mazza titled "Botched Trump Campaign Ad Vows to 'Protect' Statue—in Brazil" was posted at huffpost.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article by Terence P. Jeffrey titled "Alito Dissents: Court's Decision [7-2 That the President Is Not 'Absolutely Immune'] Gives 2,300+ Local Prosecutors Power to Subpoena the President" was posted at cnsnews.com on July 9, 2020.
- An article by Amie Parnes titled "Susan Rice Sees Stock Rise in Biden VP Race" was posted at thehill.com on July 5, 2020.
- An article titled "Sen. Cotton: Biden VP Hopeful Susan Rice Was the 'Typhoid Mary' of the Obama Foreign Policy" was posted at foxnews.com on July 6, 2020.
- An article by Brittany Bernstein titled "'We Should Listen to the Argument' for Removing George Washington Statues, Says Senator [Tammy] Duckworth [VP Hopeful]" was posted at national review.com on July 6, 2020.
- An article by Jordan Davidson titled "Democrat Senator [and VP Hopeful Tammy Duckworth]: Founding Fathers and American Heroes Are Dead Traitors" was posted at thefederalist.com on July 6, 2020.

Kamala Harris

- An article by Emily Jacobs titled "Kamala Harris' Wikipedia Page Has Been Edited Over 500 Times Amid VP Rumors" was posted at nypost.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article by David Lightman titled "She Once Called Herself California's 'Top Cop'; Where Is Kamala Harris on Police Reform Now?" was posted at sacbee.com on July 9, 2020.
- An article by Dr. Jason Johnson (Black Political Contributor on MSNBC) titled "Can Biden and Harris Take a Punch? History Says 'No' and Trump Can't Wait" was posted at thegrio.com on July 8, 2020.

News about the media

- An article by John Jakubisin titled "CNN's Don Lemon: 'Jesus Christ, Admittedly, Was Not Perfect' " was posted at cnsnews.com on July 9, 2020.
- An article by Matt Vespa titled "New Study Shows Hydroxychloroquine Saves Lives, and Exposes Why the Media Attacked Trump Over It" was posted at townhall.com on July 3, 2020.
- An article by Brad Slager titled "New Report on Hydroxychloroquine Adds to List of Media Malpractice Regarding Covid-19" was posted at townhall.com on July 6, 2020.
- An article by Matt Vespa titled "Liberal Reporter Documents Minneapolis Devastation and Suggests Why the Media Didn't Really Cover It" was posted at townhall.com on July 2, 2020.
- An article by Christopher Bedford titled "Black Lives Matter Was Violent From the Start; Media and Politicians Knew It" was posted at thefederalist. com on July 8, 2020.
- A video and an article by Beth Baumann titled "Watch: MSNBC Guest Makes An Asinine Argument in Favor of George Floyd Looters" were posted at townhall.com on July 5, 2020.
- An article by Chris Cillizza titled "The 28 Most Outrageous Lines From Donald Trump's Mount Rushmore Speech" was posted at cnn.com on July 4, 2020.
- An article by Matt Vespa titled "The Media Turned the Fourth of July Into An Embarrassing Fiasco" was posted at townhall.com on July 7, 2020.
- An article by Nick Givas titled "CNN Slights Mount Rushmore As "Monument of Two Slaveowners' After Extolling It's 'Majesty' in 2016" was posted at foxnews.com on July 3, 2020.
- An article by Matt Vespa titled "Does the Media Really Want to Have This Mt. Rushmore Fight? It Could Cancel Some Very Prominent Democrats" was posted at townhall.com on July 4, 2020.
- An article titled "CNN Gives Negative Coverage to Trump Mount Rushmore Visit, But Guess How They Treated Obama's Visit" was posted at teaparty247. org on July 5, 2020.
- An article by Lee Moran titled "Fox News' Tucker Carlson Says Black Lives Matter 'Is Poison' " was posted at huffpost.com on July 3, 2020.
- An article by Matt Vespa titled "Fox News' Tucker Carlson Hurls a Question That Democrats Could Never Answer Honestly ['Can You Really Lead a Country That You Hate?']" was posted at townhall.com on July 7, 2020.
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Isaiah 55:6-11—"Seek you the LORD while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, and He will have mercy on him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon. 'For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways,' says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, and do not return there, but water the earth, and make it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; it shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it."