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## The Chinese Communist Party by D.W. Wilber

So what's all this concern about Communist China?

Well, let's start with a little history lesson. From 1966 until 1976 the great "Cultural Revolution" took place in Communist China. Led by the Communist Party leader Mao Zedong, the end result was that upwards of twenty million Chinese citizens simply ceased to exist.

Killed by their masters in the Communist Chinese Party for such crimes as "independent thought." Of course, there were many other crimes against the people for which Chinese citizens were accused, tortured, and executed, but primarily they were killed at the whims of the local party officials in their small community or region. The blood flowed freely in China, all of it the blood of innocent Chinese citizens.

In 1978, two years after Mao died, the new Chinese Communist Party leader Deng Xiaoping began to dismantle the Maoist policies that had led to so much bloodshed. He began to implement reforms that helped China recover somewhat from the damage inflicted by the Communist government during the Cultural Revolution.

Today the Chinese economy is one of the strongest in the world, and China's military is one of the worlds' largest, and is also well equipped. China has gone full speed ahead to try to gain any economic and military advantage that it could by stealing Western technology at an unprecedented rate. If it has some value to the Chinese government and it isn't bolted to the floor, there's a good chance the Chinese Intelligence service will steal it. They've even been known to bring a pair of bolt cutters along with them to steal what's bolted to the floor.

China's Intelligence service has infiltrated every corner of American life. Politics, academia, the news media. They are very active on college campuses, and not only involved in academic pursuits but are also involved in stirring up dissent and recruiting impressionable young minds.

We already now know how Communist China has made an effort to recruit American politicians, starting at the local level and supporting candidates who appear to exhibit promise and the potential for higher office, and those who also exhibit vulnerability and character defects that can be exploited later. Democratic Senator Diane Feinstein and Congressman Eric Swalwell are just two of the most recent examples. Who knows how many more have yet to come to light.

Many colleges and universities are involved in government research work which the Chinese have been successful at gaining access to, through willing participants from the research and academic community involved in these government projects.

Many have been recruited by and are cooperating with and providing information and program access to the Chinese Intelligence service. The research which costs the US government billions of dollars in funding is quickly stolen by the Chinese Intelligence for a negligible cost.

A few thousand dollars into someone's pocket, some sexual payoffs to someone else. A mere pittance compared to what it would cost the Chinese to fund the research and development out of their own pockets. Not to mention the years spent doing the hard work that China can just skip right over and steal the finished product. It's happened regularly in the past and is ongoing.

When considering the threat Communist China poses to our nation all one has to do is look on the streets of America in recent years. Much of the civil strife and unrest that we have been and continue to experience has the fingerprints of Communist China all over it.

ANTIFA, BLM, and any other leftist organizations are most certainly quietly influenced, if not outright infiltrated and getting their marching orders from Communist China. China's participation may be hidden, using third parties—some very high profile, maybe even well-known former political figures—but China's hand is there nonetheless. And China will continue their efforts to destroy our country from within, based on the success they have experienced thus far.

Make no mistake about it, Communist China is "all in" on this effort. They have crossed a line and there's no turning back for them. To do so would be to admit defeat and lose face. China believes that they are getting close, and that victory is within their grasp.

With a Biden Administration, they may well be correct. And one day not long after, America may also experience its own "cultural revolution."

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## **Slouching Toward Socialism** by Eileen F. Toplansky

In 1972, one of the most celebrated ballet teams Valery Panov and his wife Galina Ragozina, sought to leave Leningrad for Israel.

After his dismissal from the Kirov Ballet, Panov was jailed for ten days, placed under surveillance and repeatedly refused a visa, despite a 21-day hunger strike. In essence, he became a "living corpse." His crime—the unquenchable desire to be free from a communist dictatorship.

He was denied any work as a dancer, had to deal with constant harassment, the rejection and treachery by colleagues, imprisonment, threats to break his legs, and even an attempt at poisoning. In 1972, he was imprisoned during President Nixon's visit to the Soviet Union. He was considered a parasite—the authorities would not let him work, but simultaneously punished him for not working. Fellow dancers would cross the street to avoid him and his wife.

Panov would spend his "days playing tag with the KGB." But during the nighttime he would write his autobiography titled, *To Dance*. It was only with the help of an international campaign on their behalf by celebrities, artists, Western statesman and other supporters, that the Panovs were finally able to leave and settle in Israel.

Back then, it was clear that communism was the enemy of all people both in body and soul. In 1985, the 99th American Congress pledged support for Soviet Jews. Newspapers were eager to tell the stories of the dissidents who were confronting the evil of the USSR. Those in the arts inherently understood the danger to their vocational pursuits.

But today these same groups have fallen under the spell of tyranny. The Hollywood crowd has abandoned any pretense for protecting the arts. Thus, "one Hollywood producer told PEN America that suggestions for projects critical of China aroused the fear that 'you or your company will actively be blacklisted, and they will interfere with your current or future project. So not only will you bear the brunt [of your decision], but also

your company, and future companies that you work for. And that's absolutely in the back of our minds."

The sports world has also been compromised by the communists. The "relationship between sport, politics, and diplomacy in communist China . . . has been profound. Sport has assisted the acceptance, implementation, and endorsement of ideology. What has happened on the sports grounds and arenas of China has clearly demonstrated that sport is vulnerable to political exploitation, since it is one of the most powerful ways of implementing political ideals, ideas, and policies. Sport had proved extremely valuable, too, as a diplomatic resource. It has enabled communist China to make approaches to Western opponents through a medium with a non-political image[.]" Hence, sports figures ignore the connection between their endorsement of Nike sneakers and communist China's slave labor and other atrocities.

But here in the USA, the PGA plans to move the 2022 championship away from Trump's Bedminster, New Jersey golf course as cancel culture is alive and well.

Moreover, one would think that the media would be daily headlining the horrors being dealt upon China's minority in its far west, its Uighurs. After all, "the detainees, from the province of Xinjiang, are treated to a strict 're-education' program that includes what one escapee described as horrific physical abuse, including forced organ removal, abortions, and medical 'experiments."

Yet, the Nazi-like behavior is only bandied about when referring to Trump and his conservative supporters.

In his memoir *The Captive Mind*, Czeslaw Milosz "grappled with how liberal intellectuals came to collaborate with and work alongside, Poland's communist party. Milosz stated that: "It's as if we all took a magic pill, became temporarily enchanted and went along with this ridiculous thing.""

Milosz writes that [i]t's very difficult, now, to think back into that time, when people had very limited choices. If you chose to oppose the regime, that might mean you couldn't get medicine for your sick mother, your children couldn't go to school and you might get kicked out of your apartment. We don't have to face those choices."

Oh really? Think again.

Americans across the country are now being fined, detained, and arrested for speaking out against lockdown restrictions, not wearing masks, and daring to operate their businesses. Professors who speak against the inherently racist critical race theory are being forced out. Teachers in Jefferson County, West Virginia who attended the rally in Washington, D.C. are now being threatened with termination.

But Marxist Black Lives Matter violent mobs are given a free pass.

As we enter a new era for America, many of us already attuned to the totalitarian bent of the Biden/Harris administration are acutely aware of what may await us. Thoroughly assisted by social media technology, the new administration will continue to ensure that we will suffer the "imperviousness of the tyranny" that is taking hold in this country.

In his book *Madness and Terror*, Rafael M. Madalozzo (p. 124) asserts that under Stalin "the goal was manifest: to make clear to everyone the helplessness of the individual vis-à-vis the omnipotent state, from which nothing could escape, not even time itself. The state could control the present, the past, the future, and even one's thoughts, and everyone was conscious of the fact they could be executed, tortured, or imprisoned for life at any moment [.]"

With increasing surveillance of our lives, will we become more like China, where "using a ride-hailing service in Beijing, such as Uber or local Didi Chuxing, won't be possible without first scanning our health records?

We are, as Chris Farrell writes, "slouching towards the socialist states of America" where the Democratic Party ". . . will pack the courts, including the Supreme Court, with politically friendly judges, so that the judiciary will be an extension of one political party rather than part of a system of checks and balances [.]"

Democrats openly say "they will remove the Electoral College, so that sparsely populated, rural states would be totally outvoted by cities." In addition, they want to "add more states, such as Washington D.C. and Puerto Rico, to provide it with more senators to create a permanent one-party rule." And finally, the Democrat leaders assert they will "reverse core parts of our Bill of Rights so we could be jailed for free speech, or for owning a gun to defend ourselves, as the Minutemen did, against 'enemies foreign and domestic."

After all, Biden promises to "defeat" the National Rifle Association (NRA).

Recently, "Russian dissident Alexei Navalny offered a lengthy denunciation of Twitter's decision to permanently ban President Trump [.]

"I think that the ban of Donald Trump on Twitter is an unacceptable act of censorship. Don't tell me he was banned for violating Twitter rules. I get death threats here every day for many years, and Twitter doesn't ban anyone (not that I ask for it).

"Of course, Twitter is a private company but we have seen many examples in Russia and China of such private companies becoming the state's best friends and the enablers when it comes to censorship."

In fact, Navalny "warns that authoritarian nations would look at the decision by Twitter and use it to justify

similar crackdowns of dissenting voices in their own countries."

Almost 50 years ago, Valery Panov wanted to "show the Russian people as an enslaved people on their knees. If you raise this mass, it begins to destroy everything. I am convinced the historical mission for the Russian people is a destructive one. You can't arouse the people and expect calm. I am convinced destruction will come from within."

As we continue to see the clamp down of our civil liberties via lockdowns, the tech giants quashing speech, and the impending total control of our health care, the American people may soon find themselves in an enslaved state as well.

In fact, never have so few been bent on hurting so many in America.

The massive 75+ million vote for Trump is the mass that has been aroused. They may be the only firewall remaining to protect American constitutional values. Trump led the way. We must continue. Now is not the time to go wobbly.

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#### **Rules for Revolutionaries**

by Caren Besner

Since George Floyd's death, events seem to be spiraling out of control. For weeks, Americans were bombarded, almost on a daily basis, with reports of large protests in major cities, accompanied by rioting, looting, burning, assaults, and even murders.

Observing these events unfold, average US citizens, watching TV from the purported safety of their home, might be bewildered by these transformative events, the purpose of which is nothing less than a "re-imagining" of America. To better understand exactly what is happening, let's take a cue from my 21st Century Revolutionary Handbook. There are ten rules to explain what the radical left is planning.

#### #1: Inertia is fatal to a revolutionary movement.

The overtures of the late 60s movement are eerily similar to what is happening today. The problem for leftists was that, back then, the revolution centered around the anti-Vietnam War Movement. Once peace came, the revolution's impetus died out. The 2008 Occupy Wall St Movement had the zeal, but cold winter months in New York were not conducive to this type of protest.

The lesson: choose your cause carefully. Today's *cause célèbre* is "systemic racism" and its offshoots. Racism can be recycled perpetually. Recently, for example, the Mayor of Louisville, Kentucky, declared racism to be a public health crisis.

# #2: Do not identify your ideology by name, nor state exactly what you will do after you are in power. Speak only in vague generalities and use simple two-or three-word phrases the public can identify with.

Terms such as "Socialist," "Communist" or "Marxist" generally have a negative connotation and, while millennials like them, the population at large does not. Do not look to antagonize ordinary Americans more than is necessary. The revolution will need its army of "useful idiots" for the future.

Instead, use terms such as "progressive" or "social justice warrior" to describe yourself. These are far less threatening to the average American. Fidel Castro initially identified himself as a "humanist." Only after he felt secure in his new position did he announce to the world: "I am a Marxist Leninist."

### #3: The revolution must get control over mass media and the education system.

Truth is defined by whatever the revolution says it is, and anyone who dares speak out is immediately silenced. Only information advancing the revolutionary cause may be heard and taught. Once the revolution gains control over mass media, it controls *all* the information that is disseminated, and once the revolution gains control over the education system, it controls the future.

## #4: All the apparatus of the state: the ministries, civil service, justice system, military, and law enforcement must be brought under control.

This rule is simple. Whatever the revolution cannot control could eventually be used against it. Hitler, Stalin, and Mao all dealt with the problem of possible anti-revolutionary activists through purges aimed at crushing *all* potential opposition, which extended even to family members. Stalin allegedly remarked that it was fine if innocents were punished along with the guilty, because "that sends an even stronger message."

# #5: All vestiges of the old must be destroyed in order to build the new. This includes all history, traditions, culture, and iconography that cannot be made to conform to the new ideals.

"Who controls the past controls the future; who controls the present controls the past." George Orwell, 1984

In the late 1950s, Mao unleashed the cultural revolution on China. It repudiated what Mao called the "four olds": old ideas, customs, habits, and culture. Estimates vary as to the number of people killed but it was most certainly in the millions. Coming as it did after the disastrous policies of the "Great Leap Forward," China was left an economic and cultural wasteland.

#### #6: Conventional ideas about religion and family are anathema to a revolutionary movement.

Absolute loyalty to the revolution must come first; this extends to one's family. Children are encouraged to inform on their parents if they hear anything that can be interpreted as "counter-revolutionary." Organized religion must also go. The revolution cannot have lovalty to God supersede lovalty to the state.

#### #7: The revolution can only succeed in times of extreme economic, political, and social unrest.

This is an important point. A generally content, gainfully employed, and prosperous populace is not likely to support a revolutionary movement aimed at overthrowing the government, party, or individual that has provided these benefits. For the revolution to be successful, the population must be brought low and kept in a state of abject misery. Years ago, former White House Chief of Staff and Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel stated: "Never let a good crisis go to waste." Activist/actress Jane Fonda brought this up when she noted: "COVID is God's gift to the left."

#### #8: Ultimate victory in the revolution will go to that segment of the revolutionary body that is the best organized, best financed, and most ideologically dedicated.

A revolutionary movement can be composed of many divergent groups, each of which has a peeve with the central government. In our country we have, among others, minorities, LGBTQ, and feminists all rubbing shoulders with liberals, socialists, anarchists, globalists, Islamists, and hardcore Marxist revolutionaries. The last group is the best organized and funded. They are completely devoted to the "righteousness" of their ideology and even have their own para-military group—Antifa. Their goal is the complete destruction of the American political and economic system.

#### #9: You don't need a majority to force your will on an entire population.

Most people assume that any revolution must have popular support to succeed. This may have been true in some cases, but not all. The Bolsheviks swept into power in Russia in Nov 1917 with a simple slogan: "Peace, Land, Bread." Although one cannot be certain of the precise number of hardcore committed Communists among the masses of disaffected citizenry, it would have been comparatively small. The Nazis, for their part, never got more than 38% of the popular vote.

### #10: After victory, the revolution will turn in directions not initially anticipated.

In addition to exacting revenge on their opponents, revolutions usually turn on many of the very people who were their most ardent supporters. One only must look at Hitler's "Night of the Long Knives," Stalin's "Gulag Archipeligo, and Mao's "Cultural Revolution", for examples.

Some of the above rules already apply to America; others will soon. There is no doubt that as a society we have made enormous strides in the last half-century, yet we are still struggling to come to grips with our past.

Sixty years ago, electing an African-American with the unlikely name of Barack Hussein Obama to the highest office of the land would have been impossible. The same is true about the minorities and women now seated in the House, Senate, and even Vice President-elect's position.

Do we now throw all that away and adopt the failed economic and political system of our former Cold War adversaries? I hope not.

There is *no* perfect economic or political system, but there are systems that generally work better for more people than others. As imperfect as it is, capitalism works better than communism. Capitalist systems encourage innovation, individualism, personal responsibility, and independence.

Marxist systems mandate conformity of ideas, thought, belief, and speech. As always, they admit nothing, deny everything, make counter-charges, and in the final analysis, double down on their ideology. Whatever our many problems, allowing the left to implement the Rules for Revolutionaries, overthrowing our entire system, is not the answer.

As for the revolution itself, George Bernard Shaw stated it best when he wrote: "Revolutions have never lightened the burden of tyranny; they have only shifted it to another shoulder."

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## **Slouching Toward Sodom** by Eileen F. Toplansky

In June 2012 George Soros' the Center for American Progress (CAP) published an 84-page document whose introduction asserts that "[e]very day gay and transgender employees face alarmingly high rates of discrimination in the workplace." CAP actively seeks to advance the Democratic Party agenda.

From 2015 on, many LGBT rights advocates moved to support the Equality Act, that would prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity not only in employment, but also housing, public accommodations, public education, federal funding, credit, and jury service.

What is gender identity? To the left, it means at least 71 possibilities. Paul Kengor notes that the "newest project by the progressive left is transgenderism. Like their reinventions of marriage and family and sexuality, leftist human-nature redefiners are now remaking gender in their own image—many genders[.]"

In New York City, for example, "employees are free to fluidly fluctuate among various male-female combinations and derivations. You can change your gender identity not merely once or twice or a handful of times, but you can keep changing it over and over, daily if you'd like, or even hourly—and the government will legally support you in your whims and fancies."

And for those "New York-based businesses that do not accommodate the 'gender' choice, they risk six-figure fines under rules established by the city's Commission on Human Rights. In fact, if you dare not refer to a transgender person by his or her preferred pronoun, regardless of the person's XX or XY chromosomal reality, there are a bunch of angry New York progressives who would fine you and shut you down—in the name of 'tolerance' and 'diversity[.]'"

Ryan T. Anderson at Heritage notes that even liberals with concerns about the transgender agenda are being shunned by the radical left wing.

"The leftwing agenda is bent on ensuring that 'children as young as three years old are being started on hormone treatments to restore their identified gender.' Thus, 'gender identity' refers to an individual's inner sense of being a man or a woman or both or neither. It exists along a spectrum and can be fluid. It's entirely arbitrary and self-disclosed. And rather incoherent, as it's not at all clear what it means to 'feel like' a woman, or how I would know if I felt like one, or why my feeling like a woman (whatever that means) would make me a woman."

This video [linked in original article at AT] encapsulates genuine concerns from groups who would normally have nothing to do with the Heritage Foundation but who are horrified by the transgender epidemic.

Science is shoved aside as "gender affirmation or gender confirmation" becomes the new mantra, despite the damage done to young people's minds and bodies. There is a documentary titled "Transhood" that depicts parents propagandizing their children in radical gender theory. In a guidebook for schools, teachers are told that gender neutral pronouns should be ze, hir, hirs, e.g., This is my friend Sam. Ze came to my house today. I borrowed a book from hir. This book is hirs."

Lesbians who publicly disagree with transgenderism and object to dealing with males who claim to be women are now pariahs.

Always ready with counterarguments, transgender advocates posit the following: "So who decides if a student is transgender? What is to prevent a boy from coming to school one day and simply declaring that he is a girl and changing in the girl's locker room?"

"Schools all over the country are supporting transgender students in these ways and this issue simply does not come up. A transgender student is very different from a young person who is claiming to be a different gender for some improper purpose.

"Any student pretending to be transgender would be easily identified in the planning processes we have established. Our policy of treating transgender students consistent with their gender identity does not permit a student of the opposite sex to enter into the wrong facilities."

And what is the criteria in this rather vague collage of ideas? According to the authors of the guidebook, "when we discuss gender, we talk about what people like to wear, the activities they engage in, and how they feel about themselves. This is not sexuality. Sexuality involves physical intimacy and attraction. Gender is about self-identity. Gender identity is a person's internal sense of where they fit on the gender spectrum."

It is now proven that boys who identify as girls are destroying women's athletic functions as they win female athletic competitions.

As these ideas gain more traction, it affects legal and health records. For example Joshua M. Ferguson of Canada received Ontario's first non-binary birth certificate.

Most destructive is "when bad medicine becomes mandated as a civil right, and good medicine becomes outlawed." Thus, Sari van Anders, chair in social neuroendocrinology, sexuality and gender/sex at Queens' University asserts that "[t]he idea of female and male brains is outdated and never reflected the science.

If we see these ideas to their logical conclusion, then when Henrietta identifies as Henry, when she sees her doctor, will she be given a pap smear or checked for PSA levels?

Far too many children and teenagers are undergoing permanent damaging surgery to change their sense of self. Too late, these young people deeply regret what they have done to themselves.

If the Equality Act becomes law, "women and girls will no longer exist as a coherent category worthy of civil rights protections. Sex-segregated spaces and women's rights will utterly disappear."

These are rarely mentioned as the radical left continues its daily destructive drumbeat to make itself the arbiter of all things. Disparage the nuclear family unit, ignore the reality of biology, demean religion, dismiss any debate, and obliterate women and girls as distinct groups who require safeguards.

Mistaking intolerance for empathy "some religious people give support to these narratives, when they agree to support 'gender identity' laws, provided they get a religious exemption." That won't last long. Recollect how hard the Little Sisters of the Poor had to fight for their religious freedom. Consider the more recent case where radical leftwing governors shut down church services under the guise of health concerns for others.

In the name of "diversity" schools now celebrate a Transgender Day of Remembrance with a panel of alltrans individuals to commemorate those lost to violence against transgender people.

Moreover, Chuck Schumer endorses Biden's plan to force public schools to allow males in female bathrooms. Biden has stated he will "enact the Equality Act to end legal discrimination against LGBTQ+ people, expand economic opportunities for LGBTQ+ people, reform [the] treatment of transgender and gender non-conforming individuals in [the] criminal justice system, ensure access to accurate identification documents, and improve government data collection to better track violence against the transgender community."

Moving forward, the Equality Act will be an unmitigated disaster that will harm many people. As always, it is not about rights; it is about raw power and Soros and his ilk will be gleeful.

—American Thinker, December 28, 2020

#### **Darkness at Noon**

by Nicholas J. Kaster

Darkness at Noon, published in December 1940, stands as one of the most penetrating denunciations of totalitarian ideology ever written. Eighty years later, the novel is still relevant: not only as an expose of Communist ideology but of the ideology that animates the woke progressivism of our age.

The author, Arthur Koestler, was a Hungarian-born journalist who joined the Communist Party in 1932, traveled in the USSR, and became a war correspondent during the Spanish Civil War. He was imprisoned by the Spanish fascists, then later broke with the Communist Party. These experiences were blended together in *Darkness at Noon*, which became Koestler's best-known work.

The inspiration for the novel is the infamous Moscow "show trials" instigated by Joseph Stalin in the 1930s for the purpose of purging various dissidents within the Communist Party. The novel's central figure, Nicholas Salmanovitch Rubashov, is a formerly powerful figure in the Party, a veteran of the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution. The Rubashov character is a composite of several victims of the Stalin purges and the novel is dedicated to their memory.

The novel begins with Rubashov's arrest at his flat in the middle of the night, an arrest he had been expecting: he is dreaming of being arrested when he is awakened by the knock at his door. Rubashov is taken away and imprisoned in an isolation cell. His only means of communication with the other prisoners in the block is by making a series of tapping sounds in a code that relies on the visualization of a grid of letters.

Rubashov is charged with various "counterrevolutionary crimes" against a figure known only as "No. 1" but who is clearly meant to be Stalin. Rubashov is objectively innocent of the charges, yet he later confesses—in part because he is worn down by the sensory deprivations of prison and threats of coercion, but more so by the psychological weight of his own past sins and the residual feeling of loyalty to the Party.

Alone in his cell, Rubashov is forced to make sense of his life and his dedication to the cause that now seeks to destroy him. He has a series of flashbacks in which he recalls how, when he was in authority, he dealt ruthlessly with those who ran afoul of the Party.

In one of these flashbacks, Rubashov tells his victim: "The Party can never be mistaken. You and I can make a mistake. Not the Party. The Party, comrade, is more than you and I and a thousand others like you and I. The Party is the embodiment of the revolutionary idea in history."

During the course of the novel, Rubashov is questioned by two interrogators: his former friend, the sophisticated and worldly Ivanov, and a younger man, the thuggish Neanderthal Gletkin (a character who is thought to have inspired Winston Smith's tormentor O'Brien in Orwell's *Nineteen Eighty-Four*).

His first interrogator, Ivanov, tells Rubashov:

"There are only two conceptions of human ethics, and they are at opposite poles. One of them is Christian and humane, declares the individual to be sacrosanct, and asserts that the rules of arithmetic are not to be applied to human units. The other starts from the basic principle that a collective aim justifies all means, and not only allows, but demands, that the individual should in every way be subordinated and sacrificed to the community—which may dispose of it as an experimentation rabbit or a sacrificial lamb. . . Whoever is burdened with power and responsibility finds out on the first occasion that he has to choose; and he is fatally driven to the second alternative."

But Rubashov is having second thoughts. He responds:

"What a mess we have made of our golden age. . . [I]n the interests of a just distribution of land we deliberately let die of starvation about five million farmers and their families in one year. . . in the liberation of human beings from the shackles of industrial exploitation that we sent about ten million people to do forced labour in the Arctic regions and the jungles of the East, under conditions similar to those of antique galley slaves. . . Our Press and our schools cultivate Chauvinism, militarism, dogmatism, conformism, and ignorance. The arbitrary power of the Government is

unlimited, and unexampled in history; freedom of the Press, of opinion, and of movement are as thoroughly exterminated as though the proclamation of the Rights of Man had never been."

In a later colloquy, Rubashov tells the interrogator Gletkin, "[. . . ] it would be more in accordance with our ideas to tell the people the truth, instead of populating the world with saboteurs and devils."

Gletkin responds: "If one told the people in my village that they were still slow and backward in spite of the Revolution and the factories, it would have no effect on them. If one tells them that they are heroes of work, more efficient than the Americans, and that all evil only comes from devils and saboteurs, it has at least some effect. Truth is what is useful to humanity, falsehood what is harmful." [emphasis added]

In these dialogues, Koestler exposes the ethics of Communism—and that of the Progressive Left. Objective truth and falsehood, guilt or innocence doesn't matter. What matters is embracing the ideology that is "on the right side of history." This is the essence of political correctness: objective truth must be discarded, as "politically incorrect," if it does not advance the worldview of the social justice warrior.

Thus, as social critic Theodore Dalrymple puts it, "[p]olitical correctness is communist propaganda writ small."

Dalrymple draws a parallel between the old traditional Marxists and today's cultural Marxists:

"I came to the conclusion that the purpose of communist propaganda was not to persuade or convince, nor to inform, but to humiliate; and therefore, the less it corresponded to reality the better. When people are forced to remain silent when they are being told the most obvious lies, or even worse when they are forced to repeat the lies themselves, they lose once and for all their sense of probity. To assent to obvious lies is to cooperate with evil, and in some small way to become evil oneself. One's standing to resist anything is thus eroded, and even destroyed."

Dalrymple concluded: "A society of emasculated liars is easy to control. I think if you examine political correctness, it has the same effect and is intended to."

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## The New Nihilism by Lynne Lechter

I studied nihilism in college; it was just another name for an alien world. Like utopia, dystopia, socialism, communism—names for political systems in theory or in places far away.

That was then. Now we live in a nihilistic universe.

Religion is under attack and disdained. Religious services are out for most; riots, looting, and protests are in. The late Justice Ruth Ginsburg's body was laid in state, her funeral a high-profile gathering. But those of Orthodox Jews, who deem funerals a sacred group obligation, are forced to be held in secret and castigated.

Morality is sneered at and trampled. Human traits such as shame and remorse are out. "Good" and "bad" are irrelevant; situational relativity is in. While the Torah exhorts that judges must not favor rich or poor, big-city district attorneys and judges increasingly favor the connected rich and the victim poor.

The curtain has been pulled back—all the institutions are built on pillars of sand. They have crumbled.

It appears that we are governed by people who not only hate half of us, but hate the United States more. Our monolithic left wing—run government schools are turning out good little comrades who then go on to universities; where freedom of speech is dead, history—if it is taught at all—is revisionist; and, it seems, "50 ways to hate America" is a popular major.

Having practiced before great judges in Philadelphia, Montgomery, and Bucks Counties, Pennsylvania, it is incomprehensible to me to witness the cowardice of the justices elsewhere. Wouldn't we all have been better off if cases had been heard, litigated, and lost rather than rejected on procedural mumbo-jumbo?

Senator Ted Cruz in his book, *One Vote Away*, discusses key Supreme Court decisions that were passed by one vote. With prescient accuracy, Cruz also describes the composition of the Court prior to Justice Ruth Ginsburg's death. He details Chief Justice Roberts's sleight of hand in his abominable Obamacare decision: arguing that the mandate was a tax when all along Obama swore it wasn't. Roberts didn't just betray us; he betrayed his oath as an attorney, swearing to uphold the law and Constitution of the United States. Cruz describes Justices Gorsuch and Kavanaugh not in the mold of the late Justice Scalia, but closer to the middle alongside Roberts. Woe unto us.

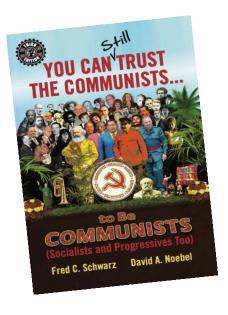
The proof of election fraud is overwhelming; the proof our institutions have failed us is crushing. We have a country divided by one half condoning violence as a means to an end and the other half that put their faith in institutions that have failed.

The pictures of Joe Biden, the presumptive presidentelect, campaigning for the senatorial candidates in Georgia last week in front of a half-empty parking lot should be all the proof one needs that he did not win the election.

America will prevail somehow. She has to. But Joe Biden is not my president.

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