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A Religious Revolution Deadly To Men

By Andy Caldwell

I have been doing a three-part series about revolution, including first, the proposed Democratic Socialists revolution in America, along with the bloody history of socialist and communist revolutions in recent times.

We now turn our attention to the Islamic revolution.

For the record, Islamism by contrast is not Islam. It is a revolutionary death cult within Islam. It is a political ideology that reframes Islam not primarily as a faith but as a totalizing political program. Its advocates insist that Islam is not merely a spiritual religion but an all-encompassing system governing politics, law, and society, in a manner that is antithetical to western civilization.

Alexis De Toqueville, who had a lot to say about the French and American revolutions, also studied the religion of Islam, and in 1838 he determined Islamism was detrimental to societal progress. He argued that Islamism encompassed not only religious doctrines but also political and legal frameworks that he believed could hinder the development of democratic societies. He had studied the Quran a great deal. He came away from that study with the conviction that, by and large, there have been few religions in the world as deadly to men as that of Islamism.

We can't, therefore, say we haven't been warned. The brutal truth about Jihad-loving radical Islamism? When it gains power, it gives three choices to infidels and "compromised" Muslims: convert, become a slave, or die.

While the woke left in America denounce our history as one of colonialism, the Muslim Brotherhood is imposing what they refer to as a "Civilization-Jihadist Process," which means that their work in America and in Europe is a kind of grand Jihad in eliminating and destroying the Western civilization from within and "sabotaging its miserable house by their hands and the hands of the believers so that it is eliminated and God's religion is made victorious over all other religions." And that's a direct quote

The Muslim Brotherhood

A 200-page report, published by the Institute for the Study of Global Anti-semitism and Policy (ISGAP), calls on the U.S. to designate the Muslim Brotherhood a terrorist organization to thwart its efforts to penetrate all aspects of American life.

As one scholar put it, the impact of the Muslim Brotherhood lies in something more subtle but ultimately more corrosive than overt violence: shaping the ideological and social environments in which radicalization becomes

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CA Legislature Passes Sen Wiener's Unlawful Bill to Ban Masks On ICE Agents

By Katy Grimes

The Legislature can pass a mask rule and claim it satisfies the discrimination issue, but it cannot compel ICE to obey it

At the Stop Nick Shirley Act rally Wednesday, masked Antifa thugs showed up to harass the rally participants.

Senator Scott Wiener said nothing about that. But he's thrilled that the California Legislature passed his SB 1004, which makes it possible to enforce the No Secret Police Act, the state's ban on extreme face masking from ICE, CBP, and other law enforcement.

Ironically, these are the same people who mandated masks on everyone's faces in California, including babies and children, during the coronavirus flu outbreak, while locking 40 million people down for 3 years.

California's original ICE mask ban, SB 627, the "No Secret Police Act," signed in September 2025, prohibited most local and federal officers—including ICE and CBP—from wearing face-covering masks such as ski masks while performing duties, with exceptions for undercover work, medical masks, and certain tactical gear. State officers, including CHP, were carved out.

A federal district judge in February blocked enforcement of that ban against federal agents. The court held that California has authority, in principle, to restrict masking by officers operating in the state, but the law as written unlawfully discriminated against federal officers by exempting similarly situated state officers.

Sen. Scott Wiener responded by introducing SB 1004 to add state peace officers so the ban would apply evenly to state, local, and federal officers. That was the "make it enforceable" fix the court described.

Wiener said "SB 1004 will put the mask ban in compliance with the judge's order to end secret police masking in California. The bill heads next to the Governor, who must act on it by September 30."

Senator Wiener, a lawyer, knows that California cannot simply order ICE to do anything. Federal officers operate under federal authority. The Supremacy Clause and the intergovernmental-immunity doctrine restrict states from regulating the federal government in a way that discriminates against it or substantially interferes with federal functions. The Justice Department has already sued, argued that states lack power



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to control federal agents' operations, and stated that the federal government does not intend to comply.

"The Federal Government, not California, has authority to control its own agents and activities," lawyers for President Donald Trump's Justice Department wrote in a suit filed in federal court in Los Angeles. They said the two laws "would recklessly endanger the lives of federal agents and compromise the operational effectiveness of federal law enforcement activities," the SF Chronicle reported.

The Globe reported in January 2025:

ICE agents wear masks primarily for their safety, as they face threats and harassment from the public, including doxing and death threats against their families.

But Democrats are now pushing for ICE agents and members of law enforcement to unmask themselves.

California State Senators Scott Wiener (D-San Francisco) and Jesse Arreguin (D-Berkeley) are the authors of SB 627, the "No Secret Police Act" to prohibit law enforcement at all levels from covering their faces while conducting operations in the state of California.

The bill also requires officers to be identifiable on their uniform.

"Secret police behavior tanks trust & must end," Wiener said on X. "We're seeing the rise of secret police — masked, no identifying info, even wearing army fatigues — grabbing & disappearing people. It's antithetical to democra-

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You Say You Want A Revolution?

By Andy Caldwell

Here are a few prescient lines from the Beatles tune “Revolution” written by **John Lennon**.

You say you want a revolution

Well, you know

We all want to change the world

You say you got a real solution

Well, you know

We’d all like to see the plan

You say you’ll change the constitution

Well, you know

We’d all love to change your head

If you go carrying pictures of Chairman Mao

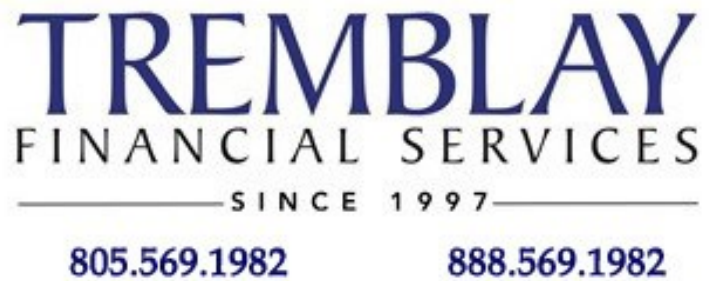
You ain’t going to make it with anyone anyhow.

I am doing a three-part series on revolutions. Last week, I wrote about the Democratic Socialists of America wanting a revolution that would end the constitution, private property, borders, and the Senate, in addition to many other things. Of course, the DSA claims they want to bring about this socialist revolution peacefully, however, that has never happened anywhere else in the world.

We are already witnessing lawfare, subterfuge, and political and judicial corruption as the progressives in America have many of the same goals as the DSA, and they had a head start on them. After all, haven’t the progressives already called for an end to gun rights, the electoral college, free speech that “offends” them, not to mention the plethora of laws, lawsuits, and prosecutions aimed to stop things and people they don’t agree with? Across the pond, their similarly woke cohorts will put people in jail for things they write on social media and if you are stabbed by a Muslim radical, you could be the person who gets handcuffed!

Having said all that, let’s talk comparatively about other revolutions via an amalgamation of various internet sources that include copilot, Wikipedia, Britannica, soviet-union.com, along with several others.

Alexis de Tocqueville came to America in 1831 to determine why the American Revolution was so successful while the French Revolution became a bloody mess. The French Revolution was ostensibly based upon the principles of liberty, equality, and fraternity, which happens to sound a lot like diversity, equality,



and inclusion (DEI), if you care to think about it.

Regardless, the phrase “the revolution eats its own” is a historical and political metaphor describing how revolutionary movements often grow more radical over time, eliminating their own earlier leaders and factions in the process. Of course, the revolution, before eating its own, murders “the establishment.” In the last century, it is estimated that so-called “revolutions for the people” murdered a minimum of 100 million of the people.

In France

The Reign of Terror under **Maximilien Robespierre** targeted not only the old regime but also fellow revolutionaries who opposed his radicalism, leading to the execution of around 1,300 people in just weeks. Ultimately, more than 16,000 were guillotined, including Monsieur Robespierre.

In China

The “eating its own” pattern intensified under Mao’s later policies. The Great Leap Forward (1958–1962) combined collectivization with unrealistic industrial goals, leading to mass famine and political repression. The Cultural Revolution (1966–1976) was a purge of “bourgeois” elements, including intellectuals and party members, to enforce Maoist ideology. These campaigns eliminated moderates and reinforced radical control. Historians estimate that between 35 million and 80 million Chinese died because of **Mao Zedong**’s policies, with the Great Leap Forward famine alone causing roughly 15–55 million deaths. Fast forward to 2026, China demands full control of its citizenry enforced by a 24-hour surveillance system along with social credit scores.

The people are anything but free.

In Russia

The revolution “eats its own” because its revolutionary

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California Is Buying Journalists At \$20,000 Each

By Daniel Greenfield

Most corrupt state in the country will spend millions bribing reporters.

California Democrats are engaging in unprecedented efforts to drastically limit freedom of the press with legislation such as Assembly Bill 1821 to stonewall requests for public records and Assembly Bill 2624 to criminalize investigations of social services fraud even while the state uses non-disclosure agreements signed by elected officials to block reporting on its corruption.

Now the same political machine that blocks journalists and prosecutes is promising to aid journalism by handing out over \$18 million in grants. The idea of corrupt government officials buying off newspapers and creating a friendly media is as old as Tammany Hall. Trading government ads for favorable coverage was a staple of 19th century media corruption, but the 21st century version of it has a new non-profit twist with government and tech money being funneled by partisan groups to buy reporters and newspapers, and control their coverage.

Applications for the California Civic Media Program's \$18.6 million pot will close in late August. The program, funded by California taxpayers and Google, will dispense up to \$20,000 per journalist and as much as \$250,000 per media outlet. In an environment where newspapers, and radio and TV stations are struggling to survive that could make a big difference.

But the agenda is not hard to spot. The draft mission statement for the program states that "the Civic Media Program aims to empower people to participate in civic life."

The cash will be administered by the James B. McClatchy Foundation, a leftist media group focused on radicalizing the more conservative Central Valley, condemning ICE and working to build a "multiracial, multilingual democracy in the Central Valley" through mobilizing the "momentum of community-powered civic non profits during a pivotal election year."

The McClatchy Foundation was proposed by former Clinton White House Press Secretary Dee Dee Myers, the directress of California's 'journalism' initiative, because of its focus on "equity" and "inclusion". McClatchy's Democracy Fund brags of a "Black Men Vote campaign" that "combined community events and strategic media to transform overlooked neighbor-

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hoods into active civic hubs, resulting in higher turnout among registered voters".

The California Civic Media Program rules emphasize that the funds will be directed towards reporting on "inequalities among underserved communities" and "reinforcing the vital role of journalism in our democracy". This isn't journalism: it's a minority media voter turnout operation.

Despite record corruption in California government, with 576 officials convicted of corruption in the last decade, and current investigations targeting the governor, his former chief-of-staff, and the attorney general, none of the funds are being directed towards investigating corruption. But that's only natural since it's a corrupt governor who is under investigation and a corrupt legislature that blocked public disclosure of the money it was spending on defense lawyers that will be disbursing millions of dollars to the media and buying reporters at \$20,000 a head.

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You Can Vote In California But You Can't Fish Without An ID

By Andy Caldwell

When your vote-by-mail ballot arrives in less than two months, you are going to have the chance to vote for Proposition 39: Voter ID. I am hoping you will be prepared to encourage everyone you know to vote for this proposition to ensure election integrity.

Prop 39 requires first-time registrants to present a form of ID that is less onerous than that which the government currently requires to get on a plane or go into a federal building. In California, this ID is called Real ID. During the online REAL ID application process, residents are required to present documents that prove identity (e.g., valid passport or birth certificate) and residency (e.g., utility bill, bank statement).

Prop 39 requires nothing more than a valid CA ID for in-person voting. That would include a CA driver's license or a (free) voter ID card available to any voter who requests one. Under Prop 39, no voter will be required to show a birth certificate, marriage license, etc. to vote. The citizenship verification is all done by the government using existing government data systems.

Citizens wishing to vote by mail can continue to do so and would simply be required to enter the last four digits of their SSN or REAL ID on the ballot envelope to further protect them from the fraud associated with strangers submitting ballots in their name without their permission.

Regardless of this common sense, no-hassle approach, and considering the fact that upwards of 80 percent of all citizens favor voter ID, nevertheless, Democrats and Socialists are opposed.

Why?

The only logical explanation is that they want people to be able to vote without our ability to determine whether it is legal or not for them to do so. That is plain to see because the Prop 39 requirements to vote are not at all arduous compared to other activities that also require an ID.

Making It More Difficult to Cheat

Most Americans want to make it easy to vote but hard to cheat.

Let me repeat that. What we want in our elections is to make it easy to vote but hard to cheat.

Easy to vote means you submit your CA ID when you go to vote. Prop 39 is all about making it hard to cheat



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by requiring newly registered voters to prove their identity as a citizen the first time they register to vote. The left argues that this will disenfranchise minorities and women.

That is not true.

Consider all the other things in life that require an ID. Presenting a driver's license is required for renting a car, opening a bank account, purchasing a car, getting a job, and in some states, you must present your driver's license to donate blood. Women have been able to get a new ID once they get married quite easily. Nobody has claimed that minorities and women can't fly or go on cruise ships; getting a valid ID and/or passport is required for these activities as well, so why the double standard compared to imposing these same or lesser requirements for voting?

Finally, to get something as mundane as a fishing license in CA you must present a DMV ID, passport, green card, or military ID. These requirements are much more onerous than what we currently require to preserve the sanctity of the right to vote.

That is, today it is easier to vote than fish in CA!

AG Bonta's Sleazy Replacement Language

Of course, because we live in the banana republic of CA, it wouldn't be election season without our state Attorney General **Rob Bonta** trying to manipulate and dupe voters by assigning a ballot title to Prop 39 to

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DSA Praises Fidel Castro In 100th Birthday Tribute, Denounces Marco Rubio As ‘Genocidal’

By Jarrett Stepan

The Democratic Socialists of America website called deceased Cuban dictator Fidel Castro a “stalwart symbol of anti-imperialist struggle and self-determination,” while denouncing Secretary of State Marco Rubio as genocidal.

In a tribute to Castro on what would have been his 100th birthday Thursday, the DSA website commemorated the “historic significance of both this day and the man.”

The fast-growing socialist organization that’s made strong inroads in Democratic Party primary elections over the past year, said that they have “a long history of solidarity with the Cuban people, their revolution, and their self-determination.”

The DSA statement said that it used the Castro commemoration to “recommit ourselves to acting in solidarity with the Cuban people,” and to “opposing Marco Rubio’s genocidal war against the Cuban people and US imperialism writ large.”

They blasted the Trump administration but directed particularly strong criticism toward Rubio.

“The Trump Administration, under the leadership of Marco Rubio, is waging an indiscriminate war against the Cuban people and killing women, children, and babies by illegally blockading critical resources from the Caribbean nation. By intentionally imposing conditions calculated to kill a civilian population, Marco Rubio is leading a genocide,” the DSA statement read.

DSA then listed a series of demands.

- an end to the genocidal blockade
- an end to all threats of military violence against Cuba
- an end to all imperialist aggression against Cuba
- the normalization of relations between the United States and Cuba
- reparations payments to be made to Cuba for the trillions of dollars in damages the blockade has cost the Cuban people

the prosecution of Marco Rubio for crimes against humanity

Other socialists also praised Castro this



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week including online influencer Hasan Piker who declared in a recent video, “I love [Vladimir] Lenin, I love Fidel Castro and I love Che Guevara. They are genuinely — heroes.”

Social media users heaped criticism on the DSA for praising Castro and said that it was shameful for the organization to tout human rights while praising a brutal dictator.

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The DSA lunatics are slobbering over Fidel Castro, praising the Cuban revolution and calling him a “stalwart symbol” of self-determination.

Then, without a hint of embarrassment, they pivot to lecturing everyone else about human rights,

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Tears In The Darkness: The Battling Bastards Of Bataan

By Andy Caldwell



After the Japanese navy bombed Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, which drew the United States into battle at the beginning of World War II, the Japanese military set its sights on the Philippines because of its strategic location.

The Battle of Bataan began on January 6, 1942, and almost immediately the defenders were on half rations along with few weapons and meds, because of poor planning by General **Douglas MacArthur**. That is, before the Bataan death march began, after having resisted the Japanese forces for some three months, the troops were already very ill, having been stricken with malaria, dengue fever, and many other diseases. Ultimately, the U.S. surrendered and that action represented the largest single defeat in American military history.

The Bataan Death March was a forced march of some 66 miles that began with 76,000 prisoners of war: 66,000 Filipinos, 10,000 Americans.

During the march, the captives were brutalized and dehumanized, shot, bayoneted, and, in many cases, beheaded; many of those who made it to the first camp in the Philippines later died of starvation and disease.

The book "Tears in the Darkness" by **Michael** and **Elizabeth Norman** is a remarkably

accurate account of the march and its aftermath. *The New York Times* reviewer stated that "if you are not weeping openly by the book's final scenes, then you have a hard crust of salt around your soul."

After the march, the troops were loaded into box cars and transferred onto what became known as hell ships. During the march and the subsequent hell ship

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Is It Time For The Nuclear Option In The AI Race?

By Steve Milloy

AI needs vast amounts of electricity, more than America can reliably deliver. That is becoming hard to miss as data centers spread across the country to feed the AI boom. The trouble is that America has not built enough dependable power for them, much less for the factories, defense production and mineral-processing projects politicians keep promising to bring home.

Nuclear power should be an obvious part of the answer. It generates enormous quantities of electricity on a compact footprint, around the clock. It can power data centers, factories and defense production without blanketing the countryside with windmills, solar farms, batteries and miles of transmission lines.

China is building while America dithers.

Nine of the 10 nuclear reactors whose construction began in 2025 were in China. Chinese and Russian designs accounted for 94 percent of global reactor construction starts over the past decade. While China is building nuclear reactors, America is still buried in paperwork.

The first U.S. nuclear plant took four years to build and ran 25 years. Now the regulatory process is the project. Plant Vogtle's two newest reactors were supposed to cost about \$14 billion and open in 2016 and 2017. They came years late and cost more than \$30 billion. Vogtle's cost overruns and delays do not indict nuclear power. They indict the system that has made building it a costly slog.

America is also sitting on an energy asset it treats as a burden: used nuclear fuel. Near 100,000 metric tons of used nuclear fuel are stored around the country. That fuel contains the energy equivalent of roughly 1.2 trillion barrels of oil. Rather than leave it in place indefinitely, America should put it to work.

Used fuel deserves intelligent management. Recycling can recover valuable material for new fuel, while the remaining fraction can be permanently managed. Recycling can also reduce the waste-management timeframe from more than 100,000 years to less than 300 years. America has already paid for this fuel, already stored it and already knows how to use more of its energy. It is time to treat it like the asset it is.

The right model is a Nuclear Lifecycle Innovation Campus in willing states. Bring used-fuel storage, recycling, fuel fabrication, advanced reactors, long-term

management of remaining material and major power customers together. Put the components of the nuclear fuel cycle in one place rather than scatter them across the country. That reduces needless transportation, avoids a chain of separate approvals and gives power users a direct stake in getting the project built.

The payoff is straightforward. Data centers could obtain dependable power near their operations. Manufacturers could locate where electricity is plentiful instead of fighting for scarce grid capacity. Communities could gain jobs, investment and tax revenue. Investors could finance projects with customers, contracts and revenue rather than another federal subsidy pitch.

America should not choose one company or one reactor design. It should welcome multiple developers, competing technologies and states that want the jobs and investment. Oklo's interest in an integrated fuel-cycle campus is worth watching because it reflects a broader point: the future of nuclear power is not merely another stand-alone reactor project. It is a full system: fuel, power generation, customers and responsible management of what remains.

Nuclear power cannot become the next green energy grift: endless subsidies, endless delays and too little power. Projects should succeed because they deliver electricity that businesses want to buy.

The AI race will not pause while Washington debates used fuel. China is building reactors at a pace America has forgotten is possible. America can keep storing fuel with plenty of energy left in it, delaying projects and hoping an overstretched grid carries a larger load. Or it can build the integrated nuclear system an industrial superpower requires.

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The Kissing Cousins Of The Affordability Crises

By Andy Caldwell

There is no denying the fact that the affordability crisis is real. Our housing costs are beyond the reach of most citizens, especially young adults, and food, fuel, electricity, and even water, are more expensive than in other states too. However, if capitalism was the cause of the affordability crises, as young people have been led to believe, then why does it cost 2-3 times more to live in CA than the rest of the country?

Things cost more in CA because government costs more here, and government costs more in CA because government has served to create artificial shortages rather than abundance. This all started in **Jerry Brown's** first term when he coined the phrase "less is more."

The cost of gasoline, for instance, is now nearly double that in other states because the Newsom government has made it nearly impossible to drill for oil and produce affordable gasoline. Additionally, of course, we went all in with solar and wind, which costs more and delivers less power per dollar spent. These higher costs for fuel and electricity increase the cost of everything else.

Housing is more expensive here because most land in Santa Barbara County – some 90% – is off limits to development. That, plus the regulations, especially CEQA and various zoning machinations developers must go through, is extremely expensive and time-consuming and these costs are passed onto home buyers and renters. For instance, the homes in the Richards Ranch project in Orcutt will cost \$100,000 more per unit, or more, than originally estimated, because of Machiavellian delays in getting the project approved and contrived water shortages by way of government fiat.

Younger voters, who have never been taught eco-

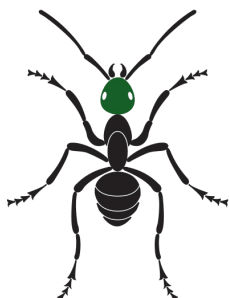
nomics, are nonetheless, being led to believe the affordability crises is a function of capitalism. The truth remains, however, that unhindered capitalism, due to competition, ultimately serves to drive prices down, as competing businesses compete for consumer dollars while creating abundance.

Unfortunately, I can hardly remember when our state government wasn't burdening business owners and entrepreneurs in myriad ways. For instance, most consumers don't know the significance of the cost of litigation against businesses in this state. That is, California has been ranked as the #1 judicial hell hole in America more times than I can count. What does that mean? Businesses in CA have targets on their backs, thanks to our legislature and their creation known as PAGA lawsuits, which set up businesses to be sued by predatory lawyers for any number of minor violations of various laws.

"Free" Stuff Will Cost Even More

Nonetheless, younger voters have been led to believe that socialism will result in a better economy, but little do they know that socialism relies on even more government control of our economy, not less. Absolute government control of an economy, despite the promises of free stuff, always makes things worse by increasing shortages everywhere it has been tried, as the demand for free stuff always outstrips the supply, while robbing producers of incentives. That, plus there is no such thing as free stuff or equal outcomes for one and all. Generations X, Y, and Z missed that lesson as they were all lining up for their participation trophies. Lost on them is **P.J. O'Rourke's** observation, "If you think things are expensive now, wait till they are free."

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Even in countries that embrace a socialist-lite type approach to services, such as Canada's universal healthcare, the wait to see a general practitioner (GP) can range from a few days, if you already have a regular family doctor, to several months or even years if you need a new one. The median wait time for Canadian patients from a general practitioner referral to a specialist is 7 months! That long of a wait is a death sentence for some patients under the guise of "universal health care."

Of course, we already live with socialist-type policies, even though the Democratic Socialists of America are somewhat late arrivals. That is because woke Democrats and members of the DSA are kissing cousins.

For instance, for decades, progressives have sought to undermine the Constitution in any number of ways. The **Nick Shirley** Act, for example, will punish any member of the press who outs a politician on corruption. Freedom of the press? Not in CA. The DSA, for its part, wants to do away with the Constitution altogether as they have no patience for nibbling around the edges of our unalienable rights.

The progressives have used various greenhouse gas mandates to eliminate industry in our state, while the DSA wants to take over control of industry outright.

The latest example of California's stupid and expensive policies has to do with car tires. California is going to eliminate 70% of the tires on the market because they don't roll "efficiently." The DSA, on the other hand, states, "It is time for a new revolution, a revolution against an institution that enslaves Americans — a revolution against cars. Americans have developed Stockholm Syndrome when it comes to cars and turn a blind eye to the pain and suffering they cause."

It is time for Americans to mobilize against the car-centric infrastructure and institutions that our society has created".

Unfortunately, the people complaining the loudest about capitalism will probably never avail themselves of the opportunity to have a talk with any number of people who risked everything to come to America after they escaped the brutal reality of socialism. It has long been noticed that we don't need fences to keep people in our country, but other countries certainly do.

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transport, they were given no water and no food and, in some cases, little to no air to breathe.

Most of the Americans taken prisoner on Bataan died before war's end. Most of those who survived the war experience died before the age of 50 due to the effects of disease, stress, and starvation. Some deaths were attributed to biological experiments on the troops. The death rate for American POWs from the march was over 60%, whereas for those in Nazi POW camps it was less than 2%.

No Man Left Behind?

The Bataan death march survivors believed they were left behind to die, and they were right. That too, took a huge toll. Back in Washington, American and British leaders decided upon a "Europe first" war policy, as it was determined that Germany must be the first of the Axis powers (Germany, Japan, and Italy) to be defeated, because they were the most formidable.

So, what about the men and women left behind in the Philippines? The answer to that question attributed to Secretary of War **Henry Stimson** was "there are times when men must die," as reported in the book, "When Men Must DIE Live" (another excellent read), by Bataan death march survivor **James T. Murphy** and his son, **Kenneth Murphy**, who I had the honor to meet and interview.

Listen to These Words:

*We're the Battling Bastards of Bataan,
No Mama, No Papa, No Uncle Sam,
No aunts, no uncles, no cousins, no nieces,
No pills, no planes, no artillery pieces,
And nobody gives a damn!*

My father was on the death march and it was about this time 81 years ago that the severely emaciated POWs began to be rescued and released, but, unfortunately, the majority of those who made it home died before their 50th birthday due to the horrors, torture, starvation, and deprivations, they were forced to endure. My father died at age 47. I will always be grateful for his and his fellows' sacrifices, and I am extremely grateful that Mr. Murphy located my father's POW records for me.

Finally, as Mr. Murphy writes, "As we approached the USS RESCUE, we all looked up and shouted in unison "There's Old Glory"! As we focused our eyes on the first American flag that we had seen in the last forty-one months, we survivors of the Hanawa prison camp wept unashamedly at the spectacle waving in the breeze at us. To a person, we felt as if those stars and stripes were saying, "Welcome back. You are safe now."

Andy Caldwell, Executive Director, COLAB



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DSA commemorates the centenary of Fidel Castro and demands an end to the genocidal blockade.

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The State Department recently reported that Cuba has been a major source of far-Left activism and even terrorism in the United States and around the world since Castro came to power.

In a July report titled “Cuba: The Capital of 21st Century Communism,” the State Department explained how the small island nation has mastered spreading ideology as its chief export.

“To mistake Cuba’s poverty for harmlessness is to misunderstand the threat entirely,” the report argued. “Its material weakness was never the measure of its danger. Its power was always ideological, subversive, and parasitic—and it has proven remarkably durable, outlasting the Soviet empire that helped build it and grafting itself onto every new enemy of the United States that has arisen since.”

Rubio himself wrote on X Friday that Castro, “was a complete failure at everything except destroying Cuba and impoverishing, jailing and murdering his own people.

Marco Rubio@marcorubio

Fidel Castro was a complete failure at everything except destroying Cuba and impoverishing, jailing and murdering his own people

I strongly suggest that anyone tempted to try and fol-

low his example should carefully reconsider, because if they do they would be dooming themselves Show more

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Rep. Carlos A. Gimenez, R-Fla., responded to Rubio, saying that Castro was a “serial-killer” who destroyed what was good about Cuba.

“Those who praise Castro belong with him in the ash heap of history!” he wrote.

Despite praising Castro, the DSA has reportedly said that it rejects “authoritarian visions of socialism.”

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You Can Vote In California But You Can't Fish Without An ID *Cont.*

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confuse and dissuade voters as to the true intentions and goals of the proposition.

How so?

Bonta knows that some people will only read the title of the proposition to determine how they will vote.

As reported by **Katy Grimes** of the California Globe: The original FAIR Prop 39 title, on September 19, 2025, was as follows:

Establishes Additional Voter Identification and citizenship Verification Requirements.

Initiative Constitutional Amendment. This measure would amend the California Constitution to further require that voters present government-issued identification at the polls or the last four digits of a government-issued identification number when voting by mail; the State provide voter identification cards on request; and elections officials annually report percentage of each county's voters whose citizenship they have verified.

Attorney General Rob Bonta replaced that language with this:

Revised dishonest Prop 39 Title as of July 21, 2026:

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California Is Buying Journalists At \$20,000 Each *cont.*

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What's in it for Google? California Dems had blocked Assembly Bill 886: The Journalism Preservation Act which would have forced Google to pay out far more than \$10 million to the media. Participants in the push included some of the same media figures sitting on the advisory board of the California Civic Media Program including the general counsel of the LA Times.

This would appear to be a massive conflict of interest in what is already a corrupt mess.

Assembly Bill 886 had been opposed by Free Press, a media organization founded by Robert McChesney, a Marxist who had argued that "any serious effort to reform the media system would have to necessarily be a part of a revolutionary program to overthrow the capitalist political economy", arguing that most of the money would go to FOX News and other popular media, and that it should be replaced by something like the California Civic Media Program.

That's the "revolutionary program" of state-funded media to overthrow the capitalist economy.

The model was the California Local News Fellowship, which intersects with Free Press, and which uses the UC Berkeley School of Journalism to spend \$15 million a year in taxpayer money funding "local journalism" in "under-represented communities from Humboldt to the Imperial Valley". Lest there be any doubt whatsoever that this represents absolute state media, the introduction claimed that its activist reporters "like our state lawmakers" are "holding power to account, bearing witness and documenting the stories of those who can be overlooked."

California's heroic "state lawmakers", at least those yet to be indicted, funded more of the same.

Even while California businesses are fleeing the state at record rates due to the corruption and mismanagement of the political leadership, Gov. Gavin Newsom exploited the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz) to set up a multi-million dollar fund to subsidize a voter turnout operation in Republican areas under the guise of helping local papers.

The other partner for the California project will be Journalism Funding Partners, a left-of-center organization that works with left-wing foundations to parachute reporters to promote its political agenda into local newspapers. For example, *The Raleigh News and Observer* announced that JFP and two foundations had embedded Lily Carey, a 'climate change reporter', into the paper where she promptly filed an article warning about the environmental impact of a data center.

The media is already heavily biased leftward and there's nothing new about politically skewed non-profit journalism such as operations like ProPublica, which allow donors to fund hit pieces on political targets like supreme court justices, but political non-profits embedding activist reporters into established newspapers is a further corruption of what's left of the media.

Nonprofits like Journalism Funding Partners, which was selected by Google to administer \$10 million of the California media fund, are out to radicalize and

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corrupt newspapers while fundamentally changing their function from reporting to advocacy while in the process creating new activist fields such as 'Climate Change Reporter' or 'First Amendment Reporter'.

Angele Latham, billed as the country's "first-ever First Amendment reporter", was embedded by JFP and the Freedom Forum into *The Tennessean* where she files 'stories' complaining that professors who defended Charlie Kirk's murder were fired. There's been no parallel coverage of leftist restrictions on free speech making the 'First Amendment' part into a partisan farce.

The work of the California Civic Media Program and Journalism Funding Partners poses a threat to the First Amendment as government officials collude to restrict and criminalize journalism that holds them accountable while offering \$20,000 a piece to 'journalists' who will promote their political agenda. Liberal journalists used to warn about the separation of media and state, but now that the state funds them, they eagerly promote the rise of a state media.

From the LBJ administration's Great Society relic of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting to the Obama administration's decision to allow the use of Voice of America programming domestically, state media has been a longtime left-of-center project that threatens the press.

California desperately needs journalism: instead there are a handful of reporters like Ashley Zavala at KCRA still challenging elected officials on their corruption and abuses even as the unchallenged ruling party aims to spend millions of dollars buying up reporters and outlets.

What kind of journalist will sell him or herself to the state for \$20,000? We'll find out soon.

Daniel Greenfield, CEO at the David Horowitz Freedom Center, investigative journalist at FrontPage-Mag.com and author of, "Domestic Enemies: The Founding Fathers' Fight Against the Left"

You Say You Want A Revolution? *Cont.*

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aims — democracy, equality, and liberation (DEI again!) — were undermined by the very means it used to achieve power: authoritarian control, repression, and centralization. The state it created was more oppressive in many ways than the one it overthrew, fulfilling the paradox of self-destruction. To win the Russian Civil War, the Bolsheviks relied on mass mobilization, mass executions, and terror — tactics that entrenched authoritarianism and deepened mistrust between the state and the population. Estimates of Russians killed under Stalin range from around 6 million to as many as 20 million, depending on the inclusion of famine, executions, Gulag deaths, and deportations.

In Venezuela

The current-day revolutionary darling of Hollywood, the courts, legislature, and electoral processes were politicized. Opposition activists were marginalized or imprisoned.

Informal armed groups were empowered in neighborhoods loyal to the government. Chávez suspended Congress's ability to pass laws and began a crack-down on the judiciary, including packing the Supreme Court (where have we heard that before?). The bicameral Congress (Chamber of Deputies and Senate) was converted into a unicameral National Assembly and stripped of many of its former powers, which is exactly what the DSA wants to do in the United States.

The non-governmental Venezuelan organization Provea reports that "the Maduro Government stifled the rights to personal freedom, life, and personal integrity with extrajudicial executions, torture, and arbitrary detentions. Between 2013 and 2023, there were registered 43,003 victims of violations of personal integrity, which include 1,652 victims of torture and 7,309 victims of cruel, inhuman, and degrading treatment or punishment. Moreover, according to Provea records, between 2013 and 2023, at least 10,085 people were murdered by security agents, the majority of these cases remain "uninvestigated," the report adds.

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On top of all that, according to a United Nation's Report, "due to a prolonged economic, political, and human rights crisis, approximately 7.9 million Venezuelans have left their country since 2015, making this the largest displacement crisis in Latin America's modern history. Inside the country, around 7–7.9 million people—about one in four Venezuelans—require humanitarian assistance to meet basic needs such as food, healthcare, water, and education."

Nonetheless, in the wake of Chavez's death, **Sean Penn** declared, "Today the people of the United States lost a friend it never knew it had. And poor people around the world lost a champion." **Danny Glover** praised Chavez, calling him "a social champion of democracy, material development, and spiritual well-being".

Back to de Tocqueville

A central theme in de Tocqueville's "Democracy in America" is that the American Revolution succeeded in embedding the protection of property and individual rights into the nation's political culture. Tocqueville saw this as a key reason for its longevity — the rule of law and secure property rights gave citizens confidence and reduced the risk of tyranny.

Tocqueville observed that American society fostered civic virtue, mutual respect, and a shared commitment to the Constitution. This cultural foundation, rooted in the Revolution's ideals, helped sustain political stability and public trust in government.

That begs the question, why would we want to replace what we have when it has proved so successful for 250 years? I am sticking with our founding fathers and John Lennon on this one.

Next week, we will discuss the Islamic Revolution.

Andy Caldwell, Executive Director, COLAB

CA Legislature Passes Sen Wiener's Unlawful Bill to Ban Masks On ICE Agents *Cont.*

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cy & harms communities. The No Secret Police Act can help end the fear & chaos this behavior creates in communities."

No word from Sen. Wiener on the criminal illegal aliens ICE is arresting and deporting.

In June 2025, Sen. Wiener said, "The recent federal operations in California have created an environment of profound terror. If we want the public to trust law enforcement, we cannot allow them to behave like secret police in an authoritarian state. Law enforcement officers do critically important work to keep our communities safe, and they should be proud to show their faces and provide identifying information when doing so. It boosts trust in law enforcement, which makes it easier for law enforcement to do their jobs and makes California safer for all of us."

Right.

Here is Sen. Wiener's statement today:

"California must use every available tool to stand up for our communities under attack from ICE's secret police terror campaign," said Senator Wiener. "We have clear guidance from a federal judge for how to move forward with our face mask ban, and SB 1004 takes those important steps."

The game being played by Senator Wiener is while the Legislature can pass a broader, even-handed mask rule and claim it now satisfies the discrimination problem the judge identified, it cannot compel ICE to obey it.

States cannot dictate federal law enforcement uniforms and have no jurisdiction over what federal law enforcement does.

Why do Democrats play these games and waste everyone's time?.

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more likely. Make no mistake about it, the Civilization-Jihadist process serves as nothing less than the preparation for violent jihad.

The report first makes it very clear, there is a firm distinction between Islam and Islamism as follows: Islam is a religion that inspires Muslims to practice their faith in diverse ways, and for the vast majority of them, Islam provides a framework for devotion and moral living that is fully compatible with democratic values, pluralism, and modern life.

The most significant promoter of Islamism is the Muslim Brotherhood. Egypt, the Brotherhood's birthplace, has banned the movement and designated it a terrorist organization after decades of political confrontation and violence. Saudi Arabia, the custodian of Islam's two holiest cities, has likewise outlawed the Brotherhood, describing it as a source of division and extremism. The United Arab Emirates has gone even further by proscribing the Brotherhood and related groups as threats to national security and social cohesion.

These actions clearly demonstrate that criticism of the Brotherhood does not stem from hostility to Islam itself. On the contrary, they reflect the recognition by Muslim governments and scholars that the Brotherhood distorts religion for ideological purposes, undermines legitimate religious authority, and *destabilizes societies*.

The Institutional Entrenchment Tactic

Tamkeen is one of the Brotherhood's most important doctrines. It refers to a deliberate process of institutional entrenchment and empowerment. Rather than seeking immediate revolution, it calls for embedding Islamist influence within civil society, consolidating authority inside Muslim communities, and normalizing Islamist discourse in the wider public arena. *Tamkeen* is not simply a tactic of survival; it is a long-term program of transformation in which Islamist movements position themselves to shape the environment around them until they are sufficiently entrenched to advance their wider ideological objectives.

Muslim communities have also been among the first to suffer from Islamist authoritarianism, sectarianism, and violence. This demonstrates that Islamism is not a defense of Islam but an imposition upon it.

Another organization, Fondapol, a French think tank, hosts the definitive website on the Islamic revolution through the lens of terrorist attacks.

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Islamism's Bloody Trail

The following quotes from their research highlights the fact that the revolution is leaving a bloody trail across the *Muslim-majority* Middle East and Africa, as well as Europe.

The Middle East and North Africa, South Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa accounted for 96.7% of Islamist attacks between 1979 and April 2024. The report cites the deadliest terrorist organizations, taking into account their various offshoots, were the **Taliban** (71,965 deaths), the **Islamic State** group (69,641 deaths), **Boko Haram** (26,081 deaths), **al Shabaab** (21,784 deaths), and **al Qaeda** (14,856 deaths). These five terrorist groups were responsible for more than three-quarters (81.8%) of the victims of Islamist terrorist attacks between 1979 and April 2024.

In Europe (excluding Russia), since 1979, there have been 209 attacks and 802 deaths.

The research cited from Fondapol doesn't include the statistics involving Muslim "rape gangs," individual knife attacks, and honor killings, among other phenomena attributed to individual Muslim immigrants against the native population in Europe. For instance, as **Daniel Greenfield** has reported in *Frontpage* magazine, a poll in Sweden indicated that one in ten women have been raped, which is similar to a poll indicating the same statistic in the UK.

Acceptance of Islamism's "Rape Culture"

The Restore Britain organization has released "The

Rape Gang Inquiry Report" which details in shocking horror white British girls as young as 11 years old suffering from systemic sexual abuse, trafficking (some were trafficked to the Middle East), torture, pregnancy, forced Islamic conversion, and forced marriages by Islamic immigrants. According to the report, 250,000 women have been victimized. It is estimated that a minimum of 87% of the perpetrators are Muslim. Complaints by the victims have been largely ignored because the authorities did not want to offend the immigrant's "culture."

What is that "culture"? **Edward D. Andrew**, author of many books on Islam, writes, "At the deepest level, Shariah's allowance of sexual use of captives rests on a particular theology of the non-Muslim. In this view, the unbeliever—especially the polytheist or idol worshiper—is fundamentally unclean. His life, property, and family are subject to the claims of jihad.

"When Muslim armies fight 'in the path of Allah,' they are entitled to the spoils of war. This includes not only land and goods, but also human beings. Women from conquered peoples are thus redefined. They are no longer seen as wives and daughters within their own communities but as loot—gifts from Allah to the victorious. Their previous religious ties and marital vows are considered null. Islamic jurists argue that by capturing them, Muslims have severed their old allegiances and placed them under a new legal order. Within that order, a Muslim man owning a slave is seen as bringing her under the protection of Islam, even while violating her sexually. Consent is not central to this theology."

Abiding the Death of Western Civilization

On a side note, the movie "Taken" was an accurate

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account of this phenomenon. The kidnapping, rape, and trafficking, of white girls depicted in the movie is based upon true accounts. The only thing fictional was their rescue. That is, *nobody* is coming to rescue these victims.

The reason all this abuse has gone on for so long with few prosecutions and even fewer convictions had to do with the fear of British authorities being labeled "Islamophobic." That is, multi-cultural wokeness was manipulated to the point of ignoring abhorrent behavior which has served to traumatize an entire generation of young British women. The root of this inane clash of civilizations is rooted in Western tolerance versus the Islamist belief that "white trash merit punishment."

The Muslim Brotherhood is using democratic freedoms—freedom of association, speech, and civic participation, to eventually impose their authoritarian control and abuse of people, institutions, and civilizational norms. As is the case with the DSA attempt to overthrow the U.S. Constitution, America must come to grips with the fact that a slow-moving revolution is still a revolution and it must be dealt with as such. As a wise man once observed, culture is not just what people value, but what society tolerates repeatedly.

In the case of Islamism, that means "tolerating" the rape, pillage, plunder, and death of Western Civilization, or what's left of it.

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