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Good Morning, Patriots!

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Double standard

The Republican National Committee (RNC) canceled its contract with NBC after a debate last fall by one of NBC's network siblings, featuring the 2016 Republican presidential candidates, was mishandled.

National Review magazine had withdrawn as co-sponsor of the Fox News Channel (FNC) debate last week, replaced by Google, after *NR*'s latest issue dedicated substantial space (and the cover) to the demolition of Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump.

So when Trump pulled out of the FNC/Google debate lineup last week, due to various conflicts, personal or otherwise, it's now somehow unacceptable?

Wrong direction

Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign logo features a bright blue upper case "H" with a bold red arrow serving as the letter's horizontal crosspiece, oddly pointing to the *right*.

Shouldn't the arrow more appropriately be positioned pointing *left and downward*?

At least that would properly indicate her intentions for our nation, which she has faithfully pursued since she composed her college thesis on her mentor Saul Alinsky's Marxist masterpiece, *Rules for Radicals*. It may pull some voters from Bernie...

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A 'Future to Believe In'?

Just don't 'feel the Bern'

In the 2016 presidential contest, we have candidates running who are Republicans, Democrats, and one Socialist, Senator Bernie Sanders of Vermont.

This candidate has attracted huge numbers of young voters to his campaign, to cheer on a self-proclaimed Socialist for our highest elected office. This could not have happened twenty years ago, and certainly with nowhere near this following.

Which begs the question: "Is our education system teaching the young what Socialism really is and what damage we can expect to our economic freedom if it ever replaces Capitalism in this nation?"

The answer is, emphatically, "NO."

Within American halls of higher education, for quite some time our young have been taught that Socialism is not only just another economic system; it's the only one that's *fair* for everyone. These young students are also taught that Capitalism is *unfair* to the "middle class" and the "poor" – despite the preponderance of historical fact to the contrary. They aren't given instruction in the differences between Socialism (or its more radical sisters Communism and Fascism) and Capitalism. Too few of them take classes in Economics.

America has been a prosperous nation for well over 200 years precisely because of our Capitalist economic system, one that provides the opportunity for individual citizens to pursue their dreams.

Socialism restricts opportunity, only offering what a central government wants to give. It takes from the rich, chiefly through confiscatory taxation; the desired objective the pursuit of "fairness." This makes the rich poorer but fails to make the poor richer. Actually stifling initiative, Socialism suppresses productivity and limits growth, slowing economic advancement. Witness the last seven years of socialist policy.

Capitalism fosters and supports individual economic activity, enhancing the

ability to produce what one chooses based on their skills, talent, knowledge and desire to prosper.

On the other hand, Socialism uses "other people's money" (those who pay taxes into the system) to assist those who don't contribute as much, or not at all. This makes them dependent on the government, killing personal initiative and the desire to succeed; replacing drive with *acceptance*.

As Baroness Margaret Thatcher, former prime minister of Great Britain, once succinctly explained it, "The problem with Socialism is that you eventually run out of other people's money."

Socialism's proponents believe in the Fixed Pie Theory: Those who have more money caused others to have less. They point to the building of wealth and deduce that it was taken from someone else, thereby justifying a "war" on income inequality.

"A Future to Believe In" said the signs held high at a Bernie Sanders rally in Waterloo, Iowa yesterday. The young waving those signs for Bernie have the "believe in" idealism, however misplaced. In "Bernie-land" however, the future won't be so bright.

So we are left with this quandary: "How can our young make intelligent decisions in an election when they aren't taught the differences between various economic systems in the classroom?"

With Marxist professors, they can't.

"Socialism is a philosophy of failure, the creed of ignorance, and the gospel of envy; its inherent virtue is the equal sharing of misery," Sir Winston Churchill, another Brit, warned the West years ago.

After seven years of Barack Obama's socialist transformation attempt, the young should be taught how not to "feel the Bern."

We Be People



At the peak of the Great Depression in the 1930s, 12.8 million Americans were unemployed (24.9% of the labor force).

Today, in the *continuing* "Great Recession," 46 million are unemployed, plus nearly 60 million are not working (no longer looking for work). In 2015, 48% of the labor force was out of work. Of all households, 19% were on food stamps. GDP is flat.

We are paying people not to work with an extensive welfare "hammock" that is a far cry from the liberals' "safety net" that was sold to the country in 1965 as a fundamental part of the LBJ "Great Society." (A long-term program actually creating dependence, destroying self-sufficiency and individual responsibility, aimed at minorities under the pretense that they were *oppressed* by a stacked-deck economy and racial animus.)

Federal and state governments now give people what they need for sustenance – no education or ambition required. The old straw man used by open borders advocates on the Left and their cheerleaders in state-run media regarding "jobs that Americans won't do" comes from the insipid burrowing of the Great Society worm into the American psyche. It's taught in our schools every day, often by conspicuous example, such as meals at public schools, building dependence piece by piece.

We have heard enough from Democrats about the "poor" and why they need their "fair share," forcibly taken from American "earners" (who didn't work for it?).

Consider the economic status of the "poor" in 2016 America:

- 75% have a car or truck
- 92% have a microwave oven
- 67% have cable or satellite TV
- 50% have a personal computer (not a desk-top)
- 43% have Internet access
- 40% have a plasma or LCD TV

Add to that, over 50% of poor families with children owning video gaming systems.

What has made America's "poor" so well off? Capitalism; that economic prosperity generator that progressives love to demonize as a *cause of poverty*... particularly when presidential campaign season comes along.



European multiculturalism self-destructs

Cultural collision

Member countries of the European Union have discovered two important facts over the course of the last year: 1) Borders are necessary to preserve national sovereignty, and 2) Rampant multiculturalism can be dangerous to the host culture, fatal if left unchecked in the pursuit of misguided compassion or mindless desire for equality.

Migrants aren't preferable to residents.

New Year's Eve 2015 saw cities in Germany and other European Union nations reporting dozens of assaults and rapes, forced upon European women by Islamic men, many of whom were recent refugees accepted into those European nations.

Germany's president, Angela Merkel, stated she would welcome 800,000 Muslim refugees per year, after opening her country's borders to a barrage of Middle Eastern Islamic refugees in 2015. German citizens are now in an uproar; officials in some cities in that nation have forced landlords who have space in their buildings to accept Muslim occupants, over their objections. Merkel's "welcome" policy to Muslims has been called *disastrous* by her own citizens who now face an acute cultural crisis.

The response by a Muslim imam in Germany, when asked by the press to explain the sexual attacks by Muslim men upon non-Muslim women in such great numbers, showed little, if any, concern.

His opinion was quite direct; it was the fault of the European women, he said. Their heads were uncovered in public and they were wearing provocative perfumes and suggestive fragrances. The Muslim men were innocent of wrongdoing; when provoked sexually by a non-Islamic woman, such temptation will get a justified response.

The Islamic view of women as subservient to men, in all things, is cultural. Just because the Muslim man is in a foreign country, in a non-Islamic culture, it doesn't matter. Sharia always trumps the culture.

That explanation does not change, even when asking a *female* Islamic scholar, who says that Muslim men can indeed rape non-Muslim women. Admission of this practice was exposed in the *DailyWire*...

In the interview, a "moderate" female professor from Al-Azhar University in Egypt, a mainstream institution of Islamic scholarship, argued that Jewish women in Israel should be targeted for systematic rape and sexual slavery. The Muslim *scholar* referenced Islamic jurisprudence and holy texts to justify her position, and suggested that in "legitimate wars" enemy-friendly women can be punished with rape.

Scandinavian countries experience the same problems with the Muslim "refugees" as their southern neighbors. Both Norway and Sweden have made radical changes to liberal immigration policies after reports by victims of assaults from Muslim males.

As reported by the *Fox News Channel*, Sweden may deport as many as 80,000 of the 163,000 Muslim refugees they allowed into their nation in 2015. According to Anders Ygeman, their interior minister, 45% of the asylum applications are rejected.

Not mentioned in the *Fox* report, however, were non-female assaults in Sweden. Last week, ten Swedish policemen fled from a mob of "migrants" who were protecting a Muslim pedophile who had repeatedly raped a ten year-old boy. The police were armed, but failed to rescue the boy when they withdrew from the Muslim mob, abandoning the child.

Denmark has begun to proclaim that the valuables of Muslim refugees will be confiscated until identity and other documents are provided. The Danes also prohibit immigration by family members of the Muslim refugee for three years.

Examples of the European crisis are ignored by the Obama administration, even as Islamic culture inserts itself into our schools and sharia invades some courts.

The collision of cultures *will* happen here. All cultures are *not* equal; some cannot adapt to an environment of Liberty. Can we ditch our multicultural nonsense in time?

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