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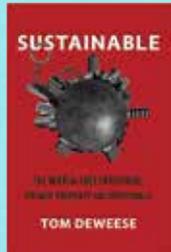
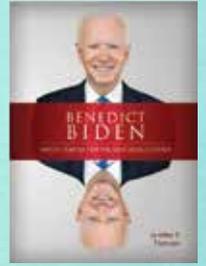


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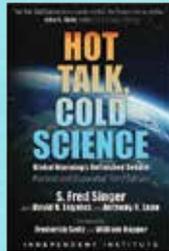
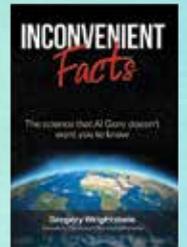


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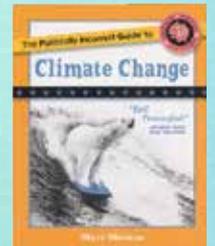


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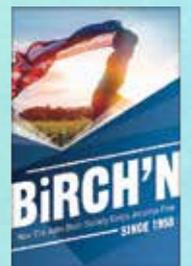


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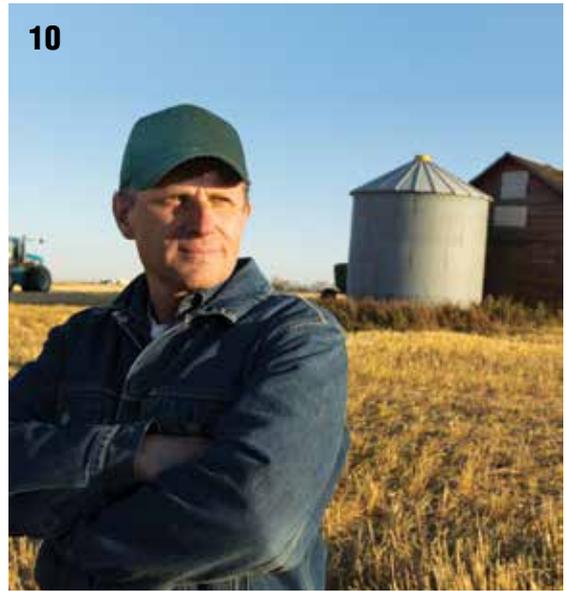
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## Fighting “Carbon Capture” in Iowa

Despite attempts by “green” companies to convince Iowa farmers to allow them to run “carbon capture” pipelines through their property, Iowans, by and large, understand there is no such thing as man-made climate change, global warming, or global cooling problem. Many of them are old enough and have received solid enough educations — untainted by politically correct, environmentalist indoctrination — that they know CO<sub>2</sub> is a normal, necessary component of healthy plant growth and they see through the lies calling CO<sub>2</sub> a “pollutant.” Some businessmen have even told me that they are having “a difficult time finding CO<sub>2</sub> for their products.”

But the more substantial ramification of this pipeline coming through the nation’s most productive farmland is that farmers are learning about protecting their God-given private-property rights, as well as the importance of knowing the Constitution, getting an accelerated education on what Agenda 21/2030 is, who the Deep State players are behind these ploys (which include many Iowa Republicans), and how to work as Americans to defend their country with the foundation the Founders gave us in the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution. This truly is a situation where the globalists meant evil, but Iowans are turning it into good. At an event in Oskaloosa, Iowa, featuring property-rights activist Tom DeWeese (see article on page 27), the event host handed out to every attendee a copy of Art Thompson’s book *The UN’s Agenda 2030: Marxist Stealth Plan for World Government*. Activists across Iowa have been attempting to educate Iowans for years on Agenda 21/2030, and the pipeline has given us an opportunity to confirm the reality of this globalist scheme in a matter of months.

One thing Iowans have learned is that, historically, global-

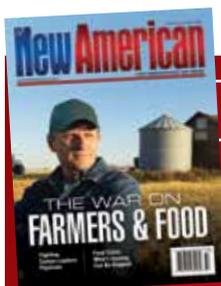
ists knew that our middle class would never go along with the traditional Marxist “clash between the proletariat and the bourgeoisie,” so they had to change the “struggle” to environmentalism. After all, who would want to be against taking care of the environment? Iowans are also learning how our Constitution allowed wealth creation by protecting private property, ideas, and inventions (copyright and patent protections in our Constitution), and that maybe we should look at the enumerated powers and pull the multiple three-letter agencies out of the federal realm and restore such power to the states where it rightfully belongs. Economics is being taught along the way, as Iowans are seeing their tax dollars being used by these entities to “buy them off.” Suddenly we are hearing the word “fascism” being spoken in coffee shops and on local talk radio.

I think the players behind the pipeline are somewhat surprised at the pushback they are receiving regarding the pipeline. These farmers are asking hard questions at their informational meetings and exposing the pipeline spokespersons’ ignorance about soil science, crop production, and even how lack of CO<sub>2</sub> negatively impacts plant growth.

People are joining The John Birch Society and are willing to be engaged like never before. Our very livelihoods are depending on it. Farmers are the salt of the earth. They just want to farm their land, raise their kids, and watch a ball game on the weekend. Maybe this attempt to take over our land will also lead to a great force of new citizen-legislators, well versed in the Constitution. [For more information on this issue, see page 27 — Editor]

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## IRS: Special Agents Must Be Prepared to Use “Deadly Force”

The Internal Revenue Service is boosting its corps of special agents, and one requirement for the job is this: The agents must be ready to shoot to kill.

The latest from the Biden administration is in a job ad the tax bureau posted online. After disappearing briefly, apparently because it caused an uproar, the IRS boldly republished it.

Trouble for the agency began when Ford Fischer posted the two key details of the ad on Twitter August 10: “50 hours per week, which may include irregular hours, and be on-call 24/7, including holidays and weekends,” and “Carry a firearm and be willing to use deadly force, if necessary.”

Fischer helpfully added that the agency purchased \$696,000 in ammunition between March and June of this year.

The ad warns that agents must also “be willing and able to participate in arrests, execution of search warrants, and other dangerous assignments” when investigating such enemies of the public weal as Tucker Carlson and the Trump family.

The agency apparently pulled the ad, but then reposted it after Fox Business asked about it August 10.

The “deadly force” ad surfaced as the agency is about to get an \$80 billion budget boost and 87,000 new employees, whom Biden and his gang claim will not audit anyone earning under \$400,000 — or so Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen told the IRS in a letter obtained by CNN August 10.

“Specifically, I direct that any additional resources — including any new personnel or auditors that are hired — shall not be used to increase the share of small business or households below the \$400,000 threshold that are audited relative to historical levels,” Yellen wrote.

Whether the new enforcement agents, or the new special investigators, will audit and be prepared to use deadly force against House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and her husband, drunk driver Paul Pelosi, or any other Democrat bazillionaire, we are not given to know.

Tax cheat Hunter Biden probably needn’t worry about an audit, either.



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## Poll: 59 Percent of Americans Worried About Biden’s Mental Health

A majority of Americans are seeing that President Joe Biden is not all there mentally, and it concerns them.

According to an Issues & Insights/TIPP poll released August 8, 59 percent of Americans were “concerned” about the president’s mental health. Of them, 36 percent of respondents said they were “very concerned,” and 23 percent were “somewhat concerned.”

The poll opens by stating that Americans started suspecting that Biden’s mental health was far from excellent some time

ago: “Even before he became president, the now-79-year-old Joe Biden faced serious and persistent questions about his mental health. Among average Americans, those questions have become a major issue.”

Indeed, Biden’s condition was obvious to many Americans when he ran for president in 2020. Back in June of 2020, nearly 40 percent of voters thought then-presumptive Democratic nominee Biden had dementia, including 30 percent of Independents likely to vote. One in five Democrats believed it as well, according to a Rasmussen poll.

Subsequent polls confirmed that a hefty percentage of people were at least skeptical of Biden’s mental acuity and ability to execute the duties of the office.

Terry Jones, editor of Issues & Insights, commented on the poll results, “The fact is, based on these polling data, there is genuine concern among virtually all groups over Biden’s cognitive health. It has taken on political urgency with the looming 2022 midterm elections, which, if Republicans prevail, could well turn Biden into a lame duck.”

Jones further noted that even the ever-supportive mainstream media has changed its tune in covering the president’s capacities.

Reportedly, Biden is considering running for a second term in 2024. He already set the record for being the oldest elected president, taking office in 2021 at the age of 78. Should he win in 2024 and be sworn in again in January 2025, he would be 82. If he serves his full second term, he will be 86 when he leaves office.



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## FBI Outlines “Symbols,” Rhetoric of “Militia Violent Extremists”

If you fly the Gadsden flag, you might be a “Militia Violent Extremist.” If you fly the Betsy Ross flag or use “Revolutionary War imagery,” you might be an MVE. And if you talk about the Second Amendment a lot, and worry about government raids that send American citizens to the boneyard, you just might be an MVE.

Those ideas are found in the FBI’s unclassified but exclusively internal “Domestic Terrorism Symbols Guide.”

The leaked document shows just how far the agency is pushing the falsehood that American patriots, whom they call “white supremacists,” “domestic violent extremists,” and now “militia violent extremists (MVEs)” are the main threat facing the country.

Leaked to Project Veritas on August 2, the internal FBI document explains that the symbols, imagery, and language of MVEs involve several common themes “found on propaganda, online platforms, memes, merchandise, group logos, flags, tattoos, uniforms, etc.”

Despite a disclaimer that not everyone who flies a Betsy Ross flag is an MVE, the message is clear: Traditional patriotic and other symbols, particularly those that call to mind the War for Independence, could mean trouble.

Among the modern symbols so-called MVEs use are those of the Boogaloo movement, anarcho-capitalism, the Punisher skull, and the Second Amendment.

According to the FBI, “MVEs justify their existence with the Second Amendment, due to the mention of a ‘well regulated Militia,’ as well as the right to bear arms.”

After symbols, the document says, agents should watch out for famous historical quotes such as “When tyranny becomes law, rebellion becomes duty,” and “The tree of liberty must be refreshed from time to time with the blood of patriots and tyrants.”

Whether the FBI has published similar internal guidance on Antifa and Black Lives Matter, both of which rampaged through American cities after the overdose death of George Floyd, a martyr for anti-white leftists, we are not given to know.



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## CBS Poll: Republicans Will Take House in November, 230-205

The GOP is poised to take over the U.S. House of Representatives in November’s midterm election, a new poll finds.

The latest CBS Tracking survey, released July 31, predicts a 15-seat loss for the Democrats from their 220-strong majority today. The GOP, the poll says, will gain 19 seats (including four currently vacant seats) for a 230-seat takeover.

The poll, which gave the GOP a two-point margin, 45 percent to 43, is consistent with the RealClearPolitics average of generic congressional races, which has the GOP ahead by about a point.

The GOP surge is likely because Democratic voters might not vote, CBS reported in its analysis, and the midterm voter is likely to be older and more conservative. “Like typical midterm electorates, this one is shaping up to be older and more conservative than the country as a whole,” CBS reported.

Also dooming the Democrats is inflation, as 54 percent of Republicans are worried about inflation and gas prices, while just 35 percent of Democrats are.

And, of course, Joe Biden is one reason the numbers look bad for the party of abortion and transgenderism.

Forty-seven percent of voters say how they feel about President Biden is driving a lot of their midterm calculus. “The Biden effect looks net-negative: those weighing him ‘a lot’ in their midterm vote are breaking Republican by two to one — maybe not a surprise given his low approval ratings,” the network reported.

But the House loss could be much worse than 15 seats, Breitbart reported August 1: “Analysts from the University of Virginia Center for Politics, who predict the probable outcomes of House races, recently wrote that the House GOP would gain seats ‘somewhere in the 20s.’... In addition, analysts from the Cook Political Report, who also predict the probable outcome of House races, shifted their outlook on the midterm elections, noting that the net Republican gains could be between 20 and 35 seats.” ■

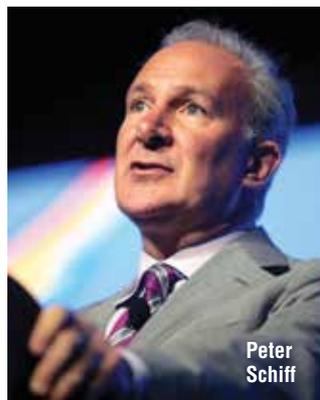


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## Noted Economist Says U.S. Faces Depression, Not a Recession

“I think the economic weakness [of the United States] is going to be so pronounced over such a long period of time that it would not even do it justice to call it a recession. I think depression is going to be a more accurate description of what we’re going to go through. Prices are going to rise much more in this decade than they did in the 1970s.”

*Well respected as a sound analyst of economic matters, Euro Pacific Capital CEO **Peter Schiff** expects a bleak future for America if the Biden administration continues to spend the country toward bankruptcy.*



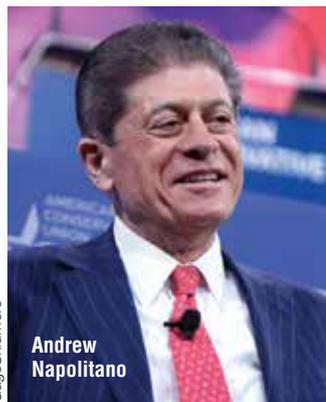
Peter Schiff

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## Columnist Says to Expect the Opposite of What Biden Predicts

“It would also help Democrats if someone cured Biden of his habit of saying things that quickly prove totally wrong. The other day he said there wasn’t going to be a recession. Before that, inflation was temporary. Last summer, it was that the Taliban wasn’t going to overrun Kabul. You can almost know what’s coming by expecting the opposite of whatever he predicts. That’s why I’m confident he won’t run for a second term. He keeps insisting that he will.”

*A regular contributor to The New York Times and a veteran cheerleader for Democratic candidates and stances, **Bret Stephens** nevertheless presents a realistic way of assessing President Biden’s statements.*



Andrew Napolitano

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## Judge Napolitano Questions U.S. Government Aid to Ukraine

“What if the purpose of sending nearly \$60 billion in cash and military aid to Ukraine is to extend the war Ukraine can only win if American troops become involved? What if the government is giving Ukraine more borrowed federal dollars in six months than Ukraine’s entire annual budget? What if the U.S. government wants American troops in this war to take the minds of American voters off the dismal economic, cultural and social mess that America has become?”

*Former New Jersey Superior Court Judge **Andrew Napolitano**, now a columnist, published more than 30 additional questions that no one in the Biden administration wants to answer.*

## TV Star Claims God’s Plan for Women Includes Giving Them the Abortion Option

“God made us smart enough to know when it wasn’t going to work for us. That’s the beauty of giving us freedom of choice.”

*During her regular appearance as a panelist on TV’s The View, **Whoopi Goldberg** spoke for God about the practice of abortion and horrified many in her audience. She later admitted that her relationship with God “is always choppy.”*

## DeSantis Has Questions About the FBI Raid at Trump’s Mar-a-Lago Estate

“The FBI’s raid of Mar-a-Lago is yet another escalation in the weaponization of federal agencies against the Biden regime’s political opponents. Yet people like Hunter Biden get treated with kid gloves. Why didn’t the FBI ever raid Hillary Clinton’s house after she laundered classified information through a private server and then deleted 30,000 emails that were under subpoena?”

*Florida Governor **Ron DeSantis** is surely asking the right questions while pointing to the politicization of the FBI, the formerly respected organization that continues to lose favor with the American people. ■*



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# NO FARMERS NO FOOD

The “green” global elites are aiming for total food control. Their power grab, which is now most evident in Holland, threatens the entire planet — including the United States.

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by William F. Jasper

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Dutch farmers are fighting for their farms, their livelihoods, and their lives. For weeks they have blocked highways, streets, food warehouses, and government buildings with their tractors, trucks, hay bales, and manure. The Dutch government — following the lead of the United Nations, the World Economic Forum, the European Union, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation — is imposing new “green” policies that the government acknowledges will put many farmers out of business. Under the pretext of protecting the environment and global “biodiversity,” farmers face fines and rigid restrictions on their use of fertilizer, and many are being ordered to drastically cull their cattle herds, by as much as 25 to 95 percent.

According to the BBC, “Dutch government proposals for tackling nitrogen emissions indicate a radical cut in livestock — they estimate 11,200 farms will have to close and another 17,600 farmers will have to significantly reduce their livestock.” Although the ongoing Dutch farmer protests are capturing the most media coverage, the European Union’s “net zero” emissions mandates are sparking massive tractor convoys and protests that are also rocking Italy, Germany, Spain, France, Poland, Ireland, and Belgium.

And now, Canada. In July, Justin Trudeau’s government, deciding it too would jump on the fashionable net-zero band wagon, proposed to order a 30-percent reduction in nitrogen fertilizer. Predictably — and understandably — this has caused Dutch-style protests by Canadian farmers, who charge that not only would these draconian nitrogen cuts devastate the country’s farm sector, but would also have dire consequences for food availability and food costs worldwide. Canadian farmers produce and export much of the world’s supply of wheat, oats, barley, flax seeds, peas, beans, lentils, soybeans, canola, beef, pork, and apples.

American farmers may soon be taking their tractors to the streets as well,

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*William F. Jasper is a senior editor of The New American.*

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As quickly becomes obvious, the WEF and the UN are singing from the same sheet music when it comes to controlling global “food systems.” And their plans for control do not bode well for human life and freedom on this planet.



**Fighting for survival:** Facing extinction from EU/UN environmental regulations, Dutch farmers have been staging massive tractor protests, which has inspired similar ongoing protests across Europe.

as Biden’s net-zero policies begin biting deeper (see article on page 17).

Coming on the heels of the devastating impact of the Covid lockdowns, Holland’s new farm mandates threaten to destroy many Dutch farmers, who are the most innovative and productive farmers in Europe and the continent’s largest agricultural exporters. In fact, tiny Netherlands — only slightly larger in area than Maryland — is *second only to the United States* (which is 237 times larger) in agricultural exports. But the government of Prime Minister Mark Rutte is

determined to wipe out Holland’s independent farmers and replace them with corporate megafarms operating under the Food Action Alliance, a program recently launched by the globalist billionaires’ club known as the World Economic Forum (WEF).

The draconian new farming regulations that the Rutte government announced in June were set in motion a year and a half earlier, in January 2021, at the WEF’s annual celebrity soirée in Davos, Switzerland. As one of the WEF panelists on the program entitled “Trans-

The United Nations and the WEF have been cooking up these food-control schemes for many years, but the destructive new mandates being imposed on the Dutch farmers are coming through the European Union's "green" schemes known as Natura 2000 and the European Green Deal.

forming Food Systems and Land Use," PM Rutte proudly revealed that the Netherlands city of Wageningen had been selected by the WEF to be the host of the WEF's new Global Coordinating Secretariat (GCS) for the Food Innovation Hubs of its Food Action Alliance (FAA).

Like Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau — a WEF Young Global Leader who reviled the peaceful Canadian truckers as "racists" and brutally attacked their protests with military and police forces — Rutte has not hesitated to scorn the Dutch farmers as "a\*\*holes" and to send the military and police against them. Rutte, who is in his fourth iteration as

prime minister and leader of a coalition government, clearly sees himself as a servant of the WEF, not the Dutch citizens and taxpayers who elected him.

### Implementing the UN's 2030 Agenda

In September 2021, nine months after Rutte's appearance on the WEF's "food systems" panel, the United Nations held its Food Systems Summit at the UN headquarters in New York City, with UN Secretary-General António Guterres presiding and Professor Louise Fresco of Wageningen University & Research (the new WEF Hub Secretariat) serving as vice chair of the summit's Scientific Group.

As quickly becomes obvious, the WEF and the UN are singing from the same sheet music when it comes to controlling global "food systems." And their plans for control do not bode well for human life and freedom on this planet. Guterres, who was president of the ultra-left Socialist International from 1999-2005, has been a regular WEF participant for decades in his various incarnations: as prime minister of Portugal, president of the European Council, UN high commissioner for refugees, and UN secretary-general.

In 2019, Guterres formalized the already long-standing relationship between the WEF and the UN by signing a Strategic Partnership Framework with WEF founder and executive chairman Klaus Schwab. According to a WEF press release, the agreement outlines "areas of cooperation to deepen institutional engagement and jointly accelerate the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development." And we find on the WEF's Food Action Alliance webpage that "The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development informs the ambition of the FAA to provide an enduring and long-term platform for multi-stakeholder action on food systems to meet the SDGs."

The SDGs referred to above are, of course, the UN's 17 Sustainable Development Goals. These goals hearken back to the 1992 UN Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro. As the UN's own SDG website puts it, "The SDGs build on decades of work by countries and the UN, including the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs. In June 1992, at the Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, more than 178 countries adopted Agenda 21, a comprehensive plan of action to build a global partnership for sustainable development to improve human lives and protect the environment."

That's the UN's spin on it. However, as we have reported extensively over the years, Agenda 21 (and now its successor, Agenda 2030) is a totalitarian plan for complete control and regimentation of the entire planet — and every person on it.

### WEF's "New Vision for Agriculture"

The UN's Agenda 21 vision for planetary regimentation, including total regulation of food production, received



**Dutch Davos man:** Dutch Prime Minister Mark Rutte proudly announced at the World Economic Forum in 2021 that the Netherlands city of Wageningen had been selected to be the host of the new Global Coordinating Secretariat of the Food Action Alliance, the WEF's scheme for global food control.

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**Trudeau vs. Canadian farmers:** In a bow to the UN's Agenda 2030, Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau has announced he will cut Canada's nitrous oxide emissions from fertilizer by 30 percent below 2020 levels, by 2030. This will devastate Canada's farmers economically and severely impact world food supplies.

a giant boost with the WEF's New Vision for Agriculture (NVA) initiative. In 2010, in collaboration with McKinsey & Company, the world's largest management and consultancy group, the WEF released its NVA report titled *Realizing a New Vision for Agriculture: A Roadmap for Stakeholders*.

A new vision for farming is required, say the WEF globalists, because of global warming, population growth, and the need to protect biodiversity. While paying lip service to "market-based" and "market-oriented" approaches, as well as supposed concern for "small and medium-sized enterprises" and "small-holder" farmers, it is manifestly clear that the WEF's "New Vision" is the organization's same old dystopian vision of the world run by soulless corporate oligarchs. "The World Economic Forum's New Vision for Agriculture initiative is led by 17 global companies that are Industry Partners of the Forum," the WEF/McKinsey report admits. It continues, "The 17 global companies that cham-

pioned the initiative are Archer Daniels Midland, BASF, Bunge, Cargill, The Coca-Cola Company, DuPont, General Mills, Kraft Foods, Metro, Monsanto Company, Nestlé, PepsiCo, SABMiller, Syngenta, Unilever, Wal-Mart Stores and Yara International." Besides financial support from these woke corporatists, the WEF's NVA has received generous funding from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and the Rockefeller Foundation, two of the biggest boosters of global political controls over population and food production and distribution. (We have reported previously on the longtime Rockefeller/WEF ties and the Rockefeller Foundation report entitled *Reset the Table: Meeting the Moment to Transform the U.S. Food System*, issued in July of 2020 to coincide with the WEF's Great Reset.)

#### **European Union's Natura 2000: Implementing WEF's Great Reset**

The United Nations and the WEF have been cooking up these food-control

schemes for many years, but the destructive new mandates being imposed on the Dutch farmers are coming through the European Union's "green" schemes known as Natura 2000 and the European Green Deal.

Natura 2000 purports to protect a network of sensitive habitats and waterways throughout the European Union from various forms and sources of pollution. It is the European Union's stealth response to the UN's Convention on Biological Diversity that came out of the 1992 Earth Summit. Few EU residents are even aware of the program or realize that international technocrats and environmentalists have designated their local areas for stringent "protection." The Dutch farmers are being accused of putting too much nitrogen oxide and ammonia into the air and into water runoff near Natura 2000 sites. If the EU politicians and bureaucrats in Brussels have their way, they will be tightening the screws even more. The EU's "biodiversity strategy" for 2030 states, "The EU will enlarge exist-

What the Dutch farmers are feeling are the effects of the Great Reset, the WEF's megalomaniacal scheme to "reset" the entire planet and all humanity politically, socially, economically, morally, spiritually, and biologically.



**WEF-UN partnership:** In 2019, World Economic Forum founder and executive chairman Klaus Schwab signed a "Strategic Partnership Framework" with the United Nations to "jointly accelerate the implementation of the [UN's] 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development."

ing Natura 2000 areas, with strict protection for areas of very high biodiversity and climate value."

However, Holland's farmers protest that they have been spectacularly reducing nitrogen oxide and ammonia for decades, even while greatly increasing meat production.

Author Michael Shellenberger, the founder of Environmental Progress, says the farmers have science on their side. He cites statistics from the Dutch

government showing a dramatic, steady decline in both nitrogen oxide and ammonia pollution since the 1990s. "Data show ammonia pollution from manure has already declined by nearly 70% since 1990. And farmers say they will continue to reduce pollution as they put in place low-cost, common-sense fixes," says Shellenberger, a liberal who describes himself as an "ecomodernist."

Jan Cees Volgelaar, former chairman of Holland's national dairy farmers asso-

ciation, says it's really a sham issue fomented by the militant vegetarian/vegan activists in their war on meat. "There is a small group of left-wing people, many of whom are vegetarians, who have for 35 years made many arguments to reduce livestock," he says. Dr. Jaap Hanekamp, an associate professor of chemistry at University College Roosevelt in the Netherlands, challenges the "science" being used to attack the farmers. "Nitrogen chemicals are nutrients — you need them for growing plants," he pointed out in an interview with *The Epoch Times*. Hanekamp also takes issue with the nitrogen "critical load" designation used to justify the punitive regulation of the farmers and has co-authored a study critically examining the experiments and reports that were used to develop the critical-load criteria.

The EU's Green Deal is focused largely on killing fossil fuels under the pretext of stopping global warming. Its website explains that "The European Commission adopted a set of proposals to make the EU's climate, energy, transport and taxation policies fit for reducing net greenhouse gas emissions by at least 55% by 2030, compared to 1990 levels."

### Forget Meat and Dairy — Just Eat Bugs

What the Dutch farmers are feeling are the effects of the Great Reset, the WEF's megalomaniacal scheme to "reset" the entire planet and all humanity politically, socially, economically, morally, spiritually, and biologically. The WEF is mobilizing its high-powered networks of politicians, academics, scientists, business titans, media allies, religious leaders, and AstroTurf activists to take us to the Orwellian future of Agenda 21 — and beyond.

In that future envisioned by the UN-EU-WEF elites, you and I (and others like us) will eat weeds and bugs — and "ingenious" lab food made from weeds, bugs, algae, and bacteria. But don't worry; it will be made to look, smell, feel, and taste like real meat — or so they assure us. Meanwhile, don't bet that *their* menu will include the same fare. The yachts, jets, penthouses, and palatial estates of the Davos set will most assuredly continue to serve the five-star cuisine to

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which they are accustomed and to which they believe they are entitled.

In January 2019, the WEF came out with its *Alternative Proteins* report, part of its “Meat: the Future” series. According to this WEF report, a bug-based diet has much to commend it — to the common folk, that is:

Insects have also received considerable attention, in particular because they can be reared on feed that is unsuitable for livestock and which otherwise would be wasted or have low economic value, thus contributing to a more “circular” agricultural economy.

Innovation in this area includes the discovery and investigation of new insect species of value for food production, and developments in how they may be produced economically at scale. Insects can be consumed in their natural state, although to increase acceptability in cultures where insect consumption is not traditional, there is also research into developing novel products that contain insects in a different form, for instance as flour.

The WEF’s 2019 promo for yummy bugs attempted to popularize a notion that’s been around for a few years. In 2013, for instance, *The New American* pointed to a new report titled *Edible Insects* put out by the UN’s Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) to sell the meat-eating populations of the developed world on the virtues of a “sustainable” creepy-crawly diet. Interestingly, the FAO report was created in collaboration with Wageningen University in the Netherlands. Yes, the same Wageningen that is the site of the WEF’s new Global Coordinating Secretariat for the Food Innovation Hubs of its Food Action Alliance.

### Recipe for Tyranny

Perhaps you’re beginning to get the picture that this is not just a Dutch farmer thing. Farmers in Denmark, Belgium, Germany, and France are facing the same fate, as are farmers in Canada, Australia, Japan, Sri Lanka, Ghana, Brazil, Ethiopia, and the United States. In fact, farmers and ranchers everywhere are being



**Let them eat bugs:** Over the past decade, globalist elites have accelerated their propaganda for a diet of insects — for the masses, of course, not for themselves. The WEF, UN, FAO, and major media outlets are promoting the idea that “we” must switch from meat to bugs to save the planet from “climate change.”

targeted by the globalists for destruction and *assimilation* into “scalable” China-style corporate megafarms.

However, the pushback to these destructive, climate-obsessed policies is growing worldwide. The overthrow of the government of Sri Lanka may portend similar revolts across the globe. In April 2021, Sri Lankan President Gotabaya Rajapaksa, oblivious to the warnings of scientists and agricultural experts, declared a ban on chemical fertilizers and ordered farmers to immediately switch to organic farming. The catastrophic results for this poor island nation were quick in coming. Sri Lanka’s agricultural sector collapsed. Food prices soared. Food riots ensued. After only seven months, Rajapaksa was forced by reality to reverse course and drop the fertilizer ban. But it was too late; the damage had been done. The nation’s economy went into a tailspin. In May of this year, Rajapaksa addressed the World Economic Forum in Davos, begging for

financial assistance for essential food, fuel, and medicines. In July of this year, hungry mobs stormed the presidential palace and President Rajapaksa fled the country. Sri Lanka’s fate provides a sober warning of the calamitous impact of the schemes of the green elitists. It also provides a warning to the globalist “masters of the universe” that they may face the same fate as President Rajapaksa.

If the globalists are allowed to succeed, millions of independent family farms across the globe will be wiped out and replaced by a few dozen government-favored crony corporatists. Then, based on something resembling Communist China’s “social credit” system, the government-corporate politburo will be able to determine *if* you and your family get food, as well as *when* you get it, what type of food you get, and in what quantities. That is a recipe for absolute tyranny and something all Americans should fight with every fiber of their being. ■

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**Killing family farms:** President Joe Biden and Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack strike concerned poses at a photo op with Illinois farmers in May 2022. Biden administration policies are driving many family farms — our main food producers — into the dust.

Department of Agriculture, and the Department of Energy.

Heavily stacked with former Obama-era hacks, including Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack, Joe Biden's administration is aggressively pushing forward the extreme environmental agenda he helped launch as vice president to Obama. At the top of that agenda is an obsession with "climate change" — and farmers are being cast as major villains in the alleged heating of our planet. On his first day in office, Biden signed an executive order to rejoin the United Nations Paris Climate Agreement; 30 days later we were officially back in.

In 2016, President Obama, fully realizing that he didn't have Senate support for the pact, sidestepped the U.S. Senate — in clear defiance of Article II, Section 2 of the U.S. Constitution — to (illegally) commit America to the onerous document by executive action. In 2017, President Trump made good on his campaign pledge to pull us out of the Paris accord, claiming it would cost the United States \$3 trillion in lost GDP and 6.5 million jobs, while rewarding the world's biggest emitters, China and India, with more favorable treatment. However, like the Eagles' "Hotel California," the Paris accord was designed to make it impossible to leave. "It is indicative of the agreement's shortcomings," notes the Institute for Energy Research, "that it stipulates that no nation can leave for three years after signing, and requires another year after that to actually withdraw, yet allows re-entry just 30 days after notifying the U.N." So it is that even though President Trump announced the termination of U.S. participation in the agreement on June 1, 2017, he was only able to formally announce withdrawal in November 2019. And, even so, the withdrawal still did not kick in until November 4, 2020 — the day after the election that put the "green" Biden regime in power the following January. In other words, it was a totally rigged deal. In the words of the Eagles' iconic song, "You can check out any time you like, but you can never leave."

# BIDEN'S WAR ON FARMERS

Environmental concerns are being used as pretexts to impose regulations that will devastate America's family farms and abundant food supplies.

by *William F. Jasper*

**I**s the Biden administration hellbent on destroying America's food-producing capabilities and making food increasingly unaffordable for the average American family? A reality check of federal policies points directly toward that inescapable conclusion.

First off, the Bidenflation caused by Biden's multi-trillion-dollar spendathon has driven the creation of new money to pay for the programs and has sent grocery and other prices through the roof. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, from April 2021 to April 2022,

U.S. food prices increased 10.8 percent, the largest 12-month increase in 42 years. Even worse have been the price hikes for sources of protein: prices for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs increased 14.3 percent. However, as painful as those prices are already, a raft of Biden administration policies aimed at our agricultural sector is clobbering American farmers and putting food production at risk. While Biden's fiscal policies and anti-fossil fuel policies are devastating our entire national economy, including agriculture, the administration has specifically singled out farmers and ranchers for heavy-handed treatment from the Environmental Protection Agency, the

Despite his regular appeals to the Constitution and “the rule of law,” Biden’s rejoining of the Paris accord has been no more legitimate than Obama’s original constitutional dodge. Nevertheless, he quickly employed the UN program to bludgeon the U.S. energy and farming sectors under the favorite pretext of globalists: saving the planet. In July of 2022, he ratcheted up the rhetoric and the regulatory mayhem by declaring that the “climate crisis” had now become a “climate emergency.” And, like President Obama, he proclaimed that because it is an “emergency” he will not wait for obstructionist Republicans in Congress; he will simply resort to executive orders. Rule by fiat rather than the rule of law — the practice by which republics become dictatorships.

### Davos Megalomania

Only the most clueless naif could believe that mumbling, bumbling, stumbling, grumbling Joe Biden is actually calling the shots at the White House, or that he, on his own, has been coming up with the

grandiose plans for a “new world order,” to which he has made frequent reference over the years. Even before his descent into full-blown dementia, Biden was, as we have previously noted, merely a globalist sock puppet, regurgitating lines dished out by the Council on Foreign Relations (he referred to CFR President Richard Haass as his boss), the World Economic Forum, and the United Nations. For example, his signature campaign slogan “Build Back Better” was completely a rip-and-read catchphrase handed to him by the World Economic Forum/UN propaganda bureau. Suddenly, “Build Back Better” became a global mantra for political leaders and influencers: Tony Blair, Justin Trudeau, Emanuel Macron, Boris Johnson, Bill and Hillary Clinton, Greta Thunberg, Antony Blinken, Bill Gates, Prince Charles, Barack Obama, and more. The Build Back Better (BBB) scheme was put forward by Klaus Schwab and the World Economic Forum (WEF) to exploit the fear and turmoil caused by the Covid pandemic and the phony global-warming

“crisis” to implement what the WEF refers to as the Great Reset. According to Herr Schwab, humanity must follow him and the WEF masterminds as they “reset” the entire planet politically, economically, socially, biologically, morally, and spiritually. A big part of that reset is centralizing political control over “food systems,” a move that is already stirring farmers’ revolts worldwide (see article on page 10).

As we will demonstrate below, Joe Biden’s agriculture policies are totally intertwined with the WEF/UN climate agenda, and if carried through to fruition will catastrophically impact American farmers and American consumers. Even worse, they will almost certainly lead to mass starvation in the developing world.

On February 8, 2022, Joe Biden’s Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack appeared as a virtual panelist on the WEF’s “Food Systems 2022: Bold Actions for Food” event in Davos, Switzerland. While people all over the world are struggling to get food and are worried about how to feed their families, the pampered, privileged panelists of the WEF billionaires club worried about how to utilize the UN’s upcoming COP27 (Conference of Parties on climate) taking place in November to fasten more greenhouse-gas restrictions on farmers and food processors.

“I couldn’t agree more with the folks who suggested that future COPs simply have got to focus on food and agriculture as a critical component to reducing greenhouse gas emissions and getting our arms around the climate challenge we face,” Vilsack said. “In the U.S. we have very aggressive goals,” he continued. “We want to get to net zero for U.S. agriculture by 2050. We want to meet our NDC (Nationally Determined Contribution) by 2030.” Incidentally, appearing with Vilsack on the WEF virtual dais was Qu Dongyu, director-general of the UN’s Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and a member of the Chinese Communist Party leadership. Not surprisingly, comrade Qu Dongyu uses his perch at FAO and his appearances at the WEF to promote CCP-style central planning for agriculture.

Vilsack, who also served as agriculture secretary under President Obama, is a longtime member of the Council on Foreign Relations. Together with Biden’s special presidential envoy for climate John



**Climate czars and billionaires:** Millionaire globalist John Kerry, Biden’s special presidential envoy for climate, has admitted that even if the United States reaches “net zero” — destroying our economy in the process — we won’t prevent global warming.

Kerry (former CFR member), he serves as point man for forcing “climate smart” practices on America’s farmers, although Biden and Vilsack insist it will be *voluntary*. Vilsack told his WEF confreres that the Biden administration is promoting “Climate Smart Commodities” so that when consumers go into a supermarket they will know if the food they’re buying was produced with “climate smart” practices. According to Vilsack, the administration had already committed \$1 billion to this program to facilitate “rapid adoption” of, among other things, tracking GHG (greenhouse gas) reductions and carbon sequestration.

The Biden/WEF climate obsession is taking aim not only at the usual GHG target, CO<sub>2</sub> — which is the “gas of life,” an essential plant food, not a pollutant — but also at methane and nitrogen oxide. Yes, the WEF “experts” are obsessed with supposed planetary dangers posed by the methane burps and flatulence of beef and dairy cattle. In November 2021, Biden and European Union Commissioner Ursula von der Leyen launched the Global Methane Pledge, an initiative to reduce global methane emissions, at the UN Climate Change Conference (COP26) in November of 2021 in Glasgow, Scotland. The increasingly restrictive methane mandates will not only impact farmers directly by restricting the number of cattle they can raise, but indirectly as well, due to the methane mandates being placed on natural gas and oil producers. These will continue to drive up the costs of fuel, fertilizer, and feed, all of which are key inputs for food production.

Likewise, the Biden/EU/WEF/UN fixation on nitrogen oxide is another ludicrous example of “climate science” serving a totalitarian agenda swaddled in alleged environmental concerns. As mentioned in our article on page 10, it is the EU’s nitrogen oxide restrictions that threaten to destroy Europe’s farmers and have brought tens of thousands of them out with their tractors to block roads in the Netherlands, Germany, France, Belgium, Italy, Spain, Poland, Scotland, and Ireland.

Kerry has publicly admitted — in a rare moment of candor — that he and Biden realize that even after destroying our economy with multi-trillion-dollar climate boondoggles, we won’t have much impact on global temperatures. “He knows Paris alone is not enough,” Kerry told report-

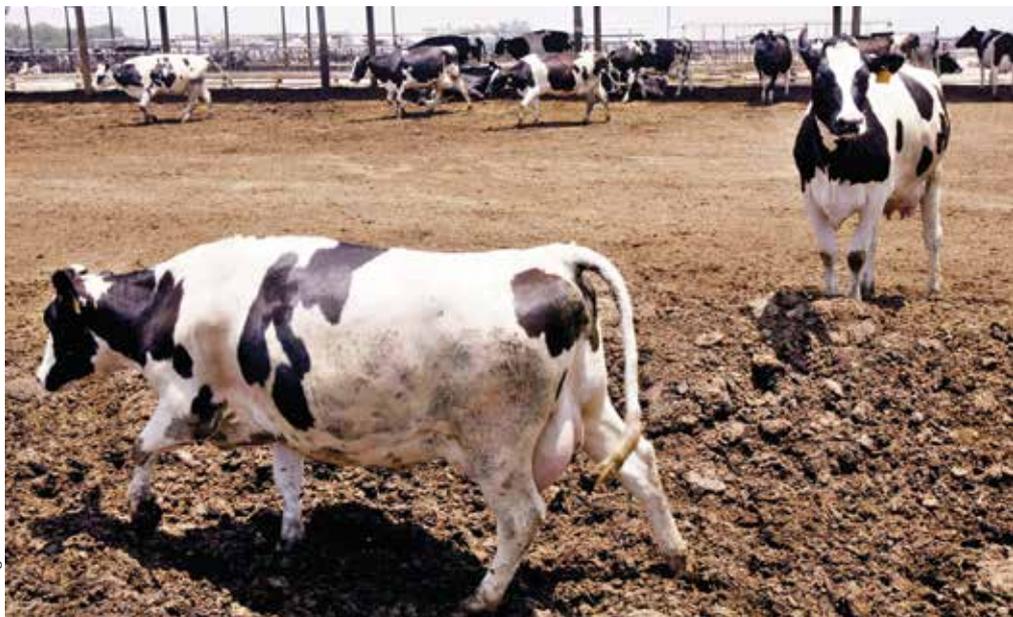
ers at a January 2021 White House press briefing, referring to Biden re-entering the United States in the Paris climate agreement in one of his first acts as president. “Not when almost 90 percent of all of the planet’s global emissions come from outside of US borders. We could go to zero tomorrow and the problem isn’t solved,” Kerry acknowledged. So much for the sacred “net zero” totem. China, India, and Russia will continue to pay lip service, while U.S. taxpayers and consumers pay in real cash — and lost freedoms.

### It Keeps Coming

In June, Biden’s Environmental Protection Agency released its “green” Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) requirements, mandating the largest-ever amount of ethanol

and biodiesel the nation’s refiners must blend into the American fuel supply.

The EPA announced it will require refiners to blend 20.77 billion gallons of ethanol, biodiesel, and other renewable fuel this year. The agency said the decision on the standard reflects “the Biden administration’s commitment to reset and strengthen the RFS, bolster our nation’s energy security, and support homegrown biofuel alternatives to oil for transportation fuel.” In addition, the EPA denied exemptions for nearly 70 small refineries, a move that could force many of them out of business, further harming America’s crucial refinery capacity and making us more vulnerable to Communist China, which has surpassed us as the world’s leading petroleum refiner.



**The bovine flatulence “crisis”:** In November 2021 Joe Biden, along with the EU, launched the Global Methane Pledge to fasten new regulations on farmers for livestock burps, flatulence, and manure, along with new restrictions on methane from oil and gas drilling and production.

Still another Biden attack on American agriculture was unleashed in May of 2021. *The Washington Post* (of course!) was the vehicle used to announce it in dramatic fashion. “Air pollution from farms leads to 17,900 U.S. deaths per year, study finds,” screamed the headline, followed by this subtitle: “The first-of-its-kind report pinpoints meat production as the leading source of deadly pollution.”

Even if the death toll claim were true (it’s not) and the study were not plagued by dodgy science (it was), why the media hyperventilation over “farm dust” while ignoring Biden’s open-border policy that’s swamping our nation with fentanyl and other opioids from China that are killing more than 100,000 Americans per year?

Steve Milloy points out in his junk-science.com blog that “The study is funded by a \$10 million grant awarded by the Obama administration’s EPA, and pretends to examine fine dust and soot emissions (called ‘PM2.5’) from all farm operations — including machinery, tilling, fertilizer use, field burning, livestock movement, waste management and more.”

As Milloy notes, the EPA used the same bogus computer modeling and PM2.5 statistical charade to destroy America’s coal industry, which largely supported Trump and the Republican Party. Now Biden and the Democrats are using all the same tools in their basket to destroy American farmers, who overwhelmingly vote Republican, support Trump, and detest the liberal leftism of the “progressive” coastal elites.

### WOTUS, POTUS, SCOTUS

Of grave concern to farmers, ranchers, and rural communities across the nation is the announcement by the Biden EPA of plans to reopen the Obama administration’s Waters of the United States (WOTUS) regulations. The 1972 Clean Water Act (CWA) grants the EPA and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers power to regulate “navigable waters of the United States.” This was understood to mean coastal waters, bays, lakes, and rivers. However, never underestimate government bureaucrats’ capacities for overreach. The EPA invented a definition of

WOTUS that included streams, wetlands, ponds, and drainage ditches — none of which are “navigable,” and which, in many cases, are *miles* (sometimes *many miles*) from navigable waters. To the great relief of rural folks everywhere, POTUS Trump rolled back POTUS Obama’s WOTUS rule and replaced it with the “Navigable Waters Protection Rule” (NWPR). Now POTUS Biden is moving to reimpose WOTUS, which will bring the controversy before the Supreme Court of the United States (SCOTUS).

Recent SCOTUS decisions, particularly the Court’s June 30 ruling in *West Virginia v. EPA*, give reason for hope that efforts to reinstall WOTUS would be smacked down. In the June 30 decision, a 6-3 majority limited the EPA’s ability to limit carbon emissions from electric power plants. The ruling upheld a fundamental constitutional principle that federal agencies must have clear authorization from Congress before exercising regulatory powers. And in the case of *West Virginia v. EPA*, the Court ruled that the EPA did not have that authorization.

While the conservative majority on the Supreme Court offers some hope of staying the heavy hand of government under POTUS Biden, it can not substitute for a constitutionalist-oriented Congress. Our fast-approaching midterm elections may be the most important in our nation’s history, and we should be doing all within our powers to see that the Pelosi-Schumer forces are swept from the halls of power. Need some encouragement that such an outcome is possible? Consider a recent story from *The New York Times* lamenting that voters have almost zero interest in climate change.

“Still, just 1 percent of voters in a recent New York Times/Siena College poll named climate change as the most important issue facing the country, far behind worries about inflation and the economy,” the *Times* reported on July 17, 2022. “Even among voters under 30, the group thought to be most energized by the issue, that figure was 3 percent.”

The *Times* poll merely confirmed what multiple establishment surveys have been showing for years: After three decades of saturation propaganda, the American public is still not ready to drink the global-warming Kool-Aid. ■



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**Fed grab for water:** On December 7, 2021, the Biden EPA announced its proposed Waters of the United States rule to reimpose the Obama-era grab for control over hundreds of thousands of lakes, streams, marshes, wetlands, livestock ponds, and drainage ditches. The rule had been rolled back by the Trump administration.

# THE FUTURE OF PROTEIN?



## ENDANGERED

Globalists are waging an all-out war on meat — and on the farmers and ranchers who produce this vital source of protein. Chicken, beef, and pork — the three main meat sources — are “unsustainable” and are contributing to “climate change,” we are told by the controlled regime media, who are prepping us for their planned alternative protein: bugs.

## OUR FUTURE?

In 2011, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation awarded All Things Bugs with a grant to develop insects as human food. In 2013, the UN’s Food and Agriculture Organization issued its report *Edible Insects* promoting human consumption of bugs. The World Economic Forum is now a leading advocate for an insect diet as a replacement for meat to “reduce climate change.”



# THE GLOBAL WAR ON FARMERS

There is a war on farmers and ranchers taking out small- and medium-scale agricultural producers worldwide. What follows is a representative list of how this battle is unfolding around the world.



Perhaps nowhere has the war on farmers been as brutal as South Africa, still known as the breadbasket of Africa. For decades, barbaric “farm attacks” and unimaginably gruesome murders have left thousands of farmers and their family members dead. Then-South African President Jacob Zuma and other political leaders routinely encouraged the carnage. Among other absurdities, they sing “struggle” songs with lyrics such as “kill the farmer” and “bring me my machine gun, we’re going to shoot the farmer.” The horror got so bad that even President Donald Trump and Fox News host Tucker Carlson publicly addressed the mass killings of South African farmers encouraged by government and the ruling party. A leading expert on genocide warned a decade ago that the attacks

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were being incited by government and appeared to be genocidal.

Meanwhile, race-mongering authorities continue to threaten “expropriation without compensation” of farms and ranches under the guise of “land reform,” part of the regime’s “National Democratic Revolution.” While black farm workers are occasionally killed, the vast majority of the farm-murder victims and commercial farmers are Afrikaner descendants of Dutch and other Northern-Western European Protestants. The escalating attacks and policy uncertainty threaten to turn the nation into a replica of neighboring Zimbabwe, which went from a major food exporter to famine conditions and dependence on foreign food aid. The South African Communist Party, which rules South Africa in a coalition with the Communist-dominated African National Congress, is a key player in the war on that nation’s highly productive farmers.



# CHINA

Under the guise of improving agricultural efficiency and the environment and alleviating poverty, the mass-murdering Communist Chinese dictatorship is working to force over 250 million peasants off their farms and into mega-cities by 2026. Countless homes and even entire farming villages have already been demolished, and many more are slated for destruction in the years ahead. The regime then sells the land to regime-backed corporate interests seeking to build gigantic mega-farms or other projects. Dubbed the “National New-type Urbanization Plan (2014-2020),” the brutal regime’s scheme also seeks to force rural people into highly controlled, strictly surveilled mega-metropolises. “The intent is to pull these people out of very small villages and put them into these new, concentrated communities,” explained Occidental College Professor Alexander Day, who studies Beijing’s rural policies. “It also allows for the development of land.”

The destruction of rural villages has been going on for decades. Starting in 2003, for example, the province of Zhejiang began the process of “merging” more than 25,000 small villages. While the regime claims it seeks to secure “voluntary” cooperation of the targeted farmers and peasants, in practice, families and whole communities are being forcibly evicted from their farms at gunpoint, even if their ancestors lived there for centuries. *The New American* first reported on this plan in 2013, long before most of the media picked up on it. More than a few critics pointed to parallels with Mao Tse-tung’s “Great Leap Forward,” an effort to “modernize” the nation and its agricultural production that resulted in a catastrophic famine and many millions of deaths. But the carnage continues as China’s ancient small farms are increasingly crushed by the powerful regime.



# BRAZIL

Until conservative Jair Bolsonaro took the Brazilian presidency in 2019 and started pushing back totalitarian forces, the United Nations-backed war on farmers was raging in one of the world’s top agricultural powerhouses. Perhaps the most extreme example of this war was when federal military and police officials, some of them wearing UN insignia, forcibly wiped entire farming communities off the map in the Mato Grosso region. The pretext: Handing hundreds of thousands of rich agricultural acres of land to a small group of native Indians the government claimed once lived there — some of whom publicly said their people never lived in that region or even in that ecosystem.

Citing a series of global agreements, the UN has been very vocally pressuring governments — especially in the Western Hemisphere — to “return” lands to aboriginal peoples. But experts suggested something much more sinister was afoot. “This is just one more case among many,” explained the late anti-communist Brazilian writer and philosopher Professor Olavo de Carvalho, a key advisor to Bolsonaro, in an interview with *The New American* at the time. “The policy of Brazil’s leftist government is to dismantle the country to deliver it all to ‘native reserves,’ which are nothing more than instruments of billionaire foreign Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs).” At the same time, major corporate industrial farms backed by international businesses have been crushing smaller competitors, diverting water supplies, and killing off independent production.



# SRI LANKA

The results of the war on farmers in Sri Lanka are now widely known around the world: Mass hunger, a collapse in food production, violent riots, and the overthrow of the entire regime. What is less well-known is the international nexus and the specific UN-backed policies that destroyed the nation's once-productive agricultural sector and bankrupted countless farmers. In short, efforts to impose "sustainable" farming on the nation, which included a ban on commercial fertilizers and pesticides, were supposed to make Sri Lanka a mecca of organic food production and sustainability.

It was supposed to be a model for the world. In fact, the now-ousted "president," Gotabaya Rajapaksa, boasted of his schemes at the UN COP26 climate summit just months before the fruit became obvious for all to see. "Sri Lanka recently restricted the imports of chemical fertilizers, pesticides, and weedicides due to public health concerns, water contamination, soil degradation, and biodiversity impacts," Rajapaksa bragged, earning international acclaim from governments, NGOs, celebrities, and other global green "elites." "Although opposed by entrenched lobbies, this has created opportunities for innovation and investment into organic agriculture that will be healthier and more sustainable in future."

Far from producing "innovation," "investment," or a "healthier" future, the policies produced a cataclysm that is continuing to cause hunger among virtually the entire population. The policies were actually reversed fairly quickly, but the damage had been done: Nine in 10 families are skipping meals, the government is officially bankrupt, and farmers across the nation have been driven to bankruptcy. Amid shortages of fuel, medicine, and food, it got so bad that citizens invaded the presidential palace and chased the nation's unpopular socialist ruler out of the country. Now, the IMF is coming to the "rescue" with a plan that is expected to allow major foreign agri-businesses and Communist Chinese interests to come in and pick up farms, land, and other assets on the cheap.



# CANADA

Following the lead of Dutch authorities and UN sustainability schemes, the Canadian government is accelerating its war against farmers under the guise of saving the "climate" and reducing nitrogen emissions by further restricting fertilizer. Canada, one of the world's major food exporters, was once recognized for its critical role in feeding the Allies and helping to win World War II. Now, the Justin Trudeau government seems determined to undermine not just food production but other sectors critical to food production, including energy.

In late July, Trudeau's government doubled down on unilateral mandates for provincial governments, forcing farmers to reduce fertilizer emissions by 30 percent by 2030. Provincial authorities responded in late July by warning of devastation. "We're really concerned with this arbitrary goal," said Saskatchewan Minister of Agriculture David Marit, noting that federal authorities had refused to even discuss the matter with provincial leaders and farmers. "The Trudeau government has apparently moved on from their attack on the oil and gas industry and set their sights on Saskatchewan farmers." Meanwhile, Alberta Minister of Agriculture Nate Horner warned of food shortages. "The world is looking for Canada to increase production and be a solution to global food shortages," he said. "The federal government needs to display that they understand this."

Already, trade groups and associations representing the agricultural sector are warning that the policies would devastate farmers, too, causing massive reductions in profitability and income that could force many out of business entirely. Multiple critics of the policy suggested that was the goal: bankrupt independent farmers so their land can be gobbled up by billionaires and Big Business while intensifying the serious food shortages already developing around the world.



# BRITISH ISLES

In Ireland, Britain, and other nations in the British Isles, a variety of government “sustainability” schemes are underway that are expected to result in a massive decline in agricultural output. In Ireland, authorities announced that farmers would be forced to slash emissions of “greenhouse gases” such as carbon dioxide by 25 percent. By 2030, to comply with global targets agreed to at the UN, the “binding sectoral targets” purport to require more than a 50-percent reduction from current levels. “This is a potentially devastating blow for Irish farming and the rural economy,” said Irish Farmers’ Association chief Tim Cullinan. Other agricultural organizations warned that the mandates would bankrupt farms across the nation. President Pat McCormack with the Irish Creamery Milk Suppliers Association warned that the scheme would make “whole classes of farms unviable.” In particular, he said, the targets would “undermine the viability” of the family farm. Of course, it will also mean drastic reductions in the size of livestock herds. Predictably, the environmentalist lobby, apparently oblivious to the need for food, demanded even larger cuts, complaining that the agricultural sector produces outsized emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> relative to its portion of the nation’s GDP.

In England, meanwhile, authorities recently began offering huge tax-funded payments to farmers who agree to stop farming so their land can be transferred away or planted “with trees under a woodland creation scheme,” as the Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs put it. Under the guise of fighting “climate change,” politicians and government-funded environmental groups are working on similar policies to undermine agricultural production in Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland as well.



# THE NETHERLANDS

Unlike many of the fronts in the war on farmers that have emerged quietly and out of the public eye, an historic uprising by Dutch producers involving blocking highways with tractors and spraying government buildings with animal manure gained worldwide attention. The Dutch are among the most productive farmers in the world, with their tiny nation second only to the United States in agricultural exports by value. But now, government wants to quash that. Under the guise of solving an alleged “nitrogen” problem, Dutch authorities are working to crush much of the nation’s agricultural sector. Officials claim the goal is to reduce ammonia emissions to protect the environment in compliance with EU and UN agreements. To do that, drastic limits have been ordered for farmers that will force countless family farms to shut down forever as massive numbers of cows and other animals are culled. Many of the farms — perhaps a third or more — are set to be expropriated by the government. “The expropriation plans of the cabinet are a downright declaration of war on the agricultural sector,” Dutch Member of Parliament Gideon van Meijeren with the Forum for Democracy party was quoted as saying by *De Dagelijkse Standaard*. “Under false pretenses, farmers are being robbed of their land, centuries-old farms are being demolished and farmers’ families are being totally destroyed.”

Other lawmakers have pointed out that the government is hoping to use the former farms to build housing for the growing number of Africans and Middle Easterners being imported by authorities. The World Economic Forum has also emerged as a key player in the saga. Dutch Prime Minister Mark Rutte boasted to the WEF last year that the Netherlands would host the “Global Coordinating Secretariat of the World Economic Food Innovation Hubs.” In other words, Dutch farmers are the canary in the coal mine for agricultural producers around the world.



# THE UNITED STATES

The war on small farmers and ranchers has been raging in the United States for many years under various pretexts, ranging from protecting endangered species and preserving habitats to — ironically — “helping” farmers. Consider the Bundy Ranch fiasco. After decades of government driving ranchers off the land, the Bundy family operated the last major cattle ranch in southeastern Nevada. Under the guise of “protecting” a supposedly endangered desert tortoise, the family was ordered in the 1990s by the federal government to limit the grazing of cows across lands they had been using since the 1800s, potentially destroying the family ranch. Naturally, Bundy, pointing to the constitutions of Nevada and the United States, refused to submit. And so, the federal government showed up with heavy weapons to force the issue and began rounding up his cattle. If it had not been for the intervention of concerned (and heavily armed) citizens from across the nation, there would be no more Bundy ranch and no more cattle ranches at all in that area of Nevada. But it is hardly an isolated phenomenon. In fact, cattle ranchers across the country have told *The New American* about how Big Business and Big Government are colluding to crush them.

And now, the war is going into overdrive. Just this year, the Biden administration’s Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) proposed a new rule to force public companies to disclose their “environmental, social, and corporate governance” metrics along with reporting their “emissions.” Known as “Enhancement and Standardization of Climate-Related Disclosures for Investors,” the regulations apply to “upstream” and “downstream” emissions,

meaning any farm doing business with a public company would have to find a way to track all its “emissions” so they could be reported to the SEC. Farm associations and more than 115 members of Congress on both sides of the aisle pointed out that the plan would literally bankrupt owners of small and medium-size farms. “The SEC has clearly overstepped its bounds and proposed a rule that would have devastating effects on our farmers,” Congressman John Rose (R-Tenn.), who wrote the letter to the SEC boss, said in a statement. “They should listen to farmers and reverse this terrible proposal before putting our entire nationwide supply of safe and affordable food and agricultural products at risk.”

At the same time, dozens of critical food-processing facilities have mysteriously blown up or burned down in recent months. And economic sanctions on various nations, combined with unprecedented decisions by railway operators to limit shipments, are causing drastic shortages of fertilizer.

Top U.S. officials seem overjoyed at the pain being caused. USAID administrator Samantha Power, for instance, sounded very pleased with the escalating global fertilizer shortages that are expected to produce widespread food shortages worldwide. “Fertilizer shortages are real now,” she said. “As a result, we’re working with countries to think about natural solutions like manure and compost, and this may hasten transitions that would have been in the interest of farmers to make eventually.... Never let a crisis go to waste.” Then-U.S. National Security Advisor Henry Kissinger contemplated in the early 1970s using food as a weapon of foreign policy to get governments to limit population. It seems the tactic remains in vogue among the ruling class. ■

# Faith FAMILY FREEDOM

## FIGHTING CARBON-CAPTURE PIPELINES: STOPPING ENVIRONMENTAL IDIOCRACY

by Tom DeWeese

I have just returned from barnstorming the state of Iowa. I was there to rally the citizens and warn them that their property rights are in jeopardy.

In Iowa, along with North and South Dakota, Minnesota, and Nebraska, the push is on to capture carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) and bury it in the ground. The excuse is to protect the Earth from climate change!

In my years of fighting the lies and insane policies of the radical environmental movement, this is undoubtedly their dumbest plan. It's also one of the most dangerous that we have ever faced.

The drive to build these destructive, useless pipelines is ludicrous. Private companies would have no reason to build them if

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not for the big bucks they're getting from Biden's \$1.2 trillion "infrastructure" bill in support of his "Build Back Better" agenda.

### The Scheme

Thousands of acres of privately owned, food-producing Midwest Corn Belt farmland are targeted for a new 1,300-mile-long pipeline. It's not a pipeline to bring us desperately needed fuel oil, but to capture carbon dioxide and transport it underground!

Two private companies are pushing these CO<sub>2</sub> pipelines — Summit Carbon Solutions and Navigator CO<sub>2</sub> Ventures. They have already sent out letters explaining the project to farmers across the above-named states. One example reads:

Navigator is proposing to build a large-scale carbon capture pipeline system spanning more than 1,300 miles across five states in the Midwest. The pipeline system ... will capture carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) emissions from local facilities before these emissions reach the atmosphere, and transport the CO<sub>2</sub> safely via pipeline to a permanent and secure underground sequestration site in Illinois.



**Barnstorming Iowa:** Tom DeWeese, president of the American Policy Center, addresses farmers in Iowa, warning them of the imminent threat to their property rights posed by Biden's "Build Back Better" agenda.

The letter goes on to explain that “the pipeline will materially reduce the participant’s carbon footprint and further the global goal of carbon neutrality.”

These are *private* companies, not public utilities. Yet their letter to property owners also contains this threat:

We intend to file a petition with the Iowa Utilities Board for permission to build the pipeline.... Our goal is to reach voluntary agreements with all landowners along the Project route, though if we are unable to do so, we may need to request the right of eminent domain (condemnation) from the Board.

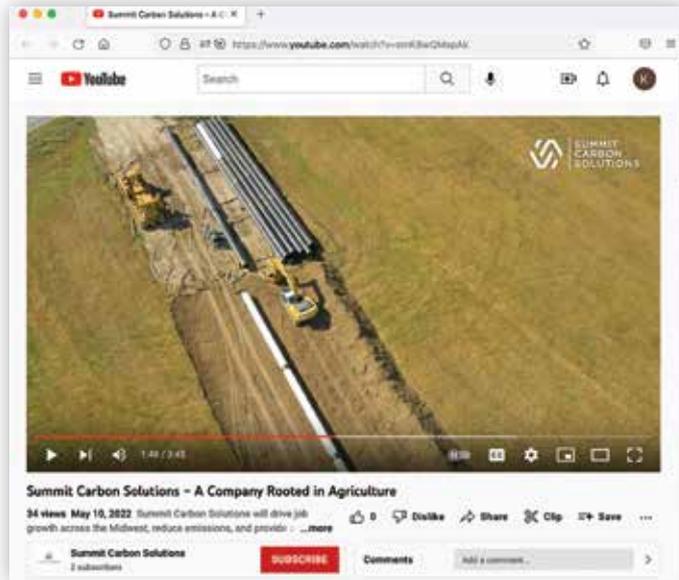
The message is clear to property owners: Be real nice and give up your land voluntarily, or we will just take it!

This pipeline project is part of the great plot I’ve been warning about for more than 30 years. The same scheme is repeated in Agenda 21, Agenda 2030, the Green New Deal, and now the Great Reset. President George H.W. Bush signed us into Agenda 21 at the United Nations Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro in 1992. In the subsequent book *Agenda 21: The Earth Summit Strategy to Save Our Planet*, its radical promoters wrote that “effective execution of Agenda 21 will require a profound re-orientation of all human society, unlike anything the world has ever experienced.”

America’s farmers are now on the front lines of the ground war to force that reorganization. Pipeline planners won’t build along the edges of farmland; the pipeline will drive right through the middle, rendering much of the property useless. As their land is confiscated, farmers won’t be allowed to grow food. Crops wouldn’t grow anyway, because the first step to installing pipelines is ripping up topsoil.

If they sign easements to voluntarily give up their land, farmers are promised that they will be paid, in the next year, 80 percent of what crop production would have garnered. Sixty percent is promised for the second year, and 40 percent for the third year. Little is mentioned regarding compensation after that.

As less farmland is available, the Great Reset scheme is to grow most of our food inside factories, providing only synthetic substitutes such as the fake meat currently on the market. It’s interesting to note that Bill Gates is right in the middle of



**Carbon capture means property theft:** Private companies are threatening to use eminent domain, courtesy of state utility boards, to seize private farmland and install thousands of miles of dangerous and destructive carbon-capture pipeline.

this scheme. He’s been busy buying up millions of acres of farmland, and he’s one of the biggest promoters of synthetic beef.

### The Hoax

The climate-change threat is a complete hoax, designed to create fear and get you to voluntarily give up your liberties. There is no scientific evidence whatsoever to back up the claims of catastrophic man-made global warming.

Yet the alleged goal of eco-radicals is to reduce mankind’s “carbon footprint.” That is the drive behind carbon-capture pipelines as well as the push to claim thousands more acres for wind and solar farms. These latter will supposedly replace oil

and gas power plants, facilities that take up only a few acres each.

The manufacture, operation, and maintenance of wind and solar require huge amounts of resources: oil, copper, iron ore, limestone, steel, lithium, aluminum, graphite, cobalt, silicon, nickel, chromium, zinc, and other rare earth metals. A World Bank study published in 2017 admitted that “clean energy” technology is “significantly more material intensive” than hydrocarbon energy sources, and that estimate didn’t even consider farmland destruction.

Wind and solar farms destroy the environment by cluttering formerly scenic views, and setting up thousands of acres for potential dust-bowl conditions. Turbines kill birds; nothing grows under solar panels. Valuable habitat is destroyed.

So is farmland. Today, the same forces behind wind and solar schemes push carbon capture. The most important food-producing farmland in the nation is about to be confiscated for the supposed cause of environmental protection. What it will produce is environmental degradation and food shortages.

And there is this shocking news: Carbon-capture pipelines are proven to be major health hazards to people living close to them. A pipeline in Mississippi ruptured near the small town of Satartia. A green cloud descended over the town, blocking oxygen and creating a foul smell. Dozens of people became disoriented, nauseated, and dazed. Many collapsed in their homes. First responders had no idea how to deal with it. Even car engines shut off, because they also need oxygen to run. Months later, people are still dealing with mental fogginess and other health problems.

## The Victory

Opposition across Iowa and other affected states is strong. Public meetings designed to sell the idea are filled with citizens and property owners who oppose the scheme. Many county supervisor boards have written letters to the Iowa Utilities Board (IUB) to express opposition.

However, when it comes to stopping the pipeline altogether, their commitment is weak. Some county officials have already surrendered to this tyranny, saying, "There's not much we can do. It looks like it's just going to happen." One newspaper reported that "local governments have no legal power to stop carbon dioxide pipelines."

They are wrong!

That's why, with the help of John Birch Society chapter leaders, I went to Iowa and barnstormed the state. The good news is that no land has yet been taken. Pipelines are still in the planning stage. I provided a series of plans on how citizens can organize and make this a very public issue.

They don't have to just accept it! Plus, I gave elected officials a full game plan for fighting this in local and state government.

First, citizens and their elected representatives must understand that these companies behind the pipeline are *private*. They don't have the power to enforce eminent domain. They must have government force behind them. That's why they are looking to the Iowa Utilities Board as their ace to take the land. I have a plan to stop that.

Speaking directly to county supervisors, I didn't pull any punches. Frankly, I was appalled that most of the county boards across the state have taken such a weak stand against the pipeline.

One county had written to the Iowa Utilities Board, pleading with them not to invoke eminent domain. The letter ended: "we respectfully ask that you refrain from utilizing eminent domain in your pursuits."

I read that line to them in my public meeting and asked, "This is how you repre-

sent your people? By pleading? Shameful!"

"You are the body directly elected by the people to protect their rights," I told them.

"You must take direct action to do that!"

Here's how: First, stop taking the coward's way out by hiding behind an unelected, appointed board that doesn't represent the people.

Second, prepare solid legislation to protect the property rights of those in the path of the pipeline. Quite simply, declare your county protected from the pipeline.

Third, reach out to other county boards. Encourage them to take the same action in their counties. Then, counties can lock arms and stand firm. They will create an impenetrable wall in their state, which private companies and appointed boards cannot pierce.

One more piece to the puzzle will end the threat and assure victory. Strongly constitutional sheriffs will enforce property-rights legislation and arrest any representatives of these companies that come on private land to map it and pressure landowners.

To assure these tactics are used, dedicated local citizens must demand that their elected representatives act. Then the citizens must organize to support them. Working together in that way, community by community, will result in this outrageous carbon-capture pipeline never being built!

I must tell you, the response from my audiences was powerful. As I write this, they are now working to build the effective organization I recommended. Citizens must do the work to convince their county boards of supervisors to act. I am now getting reports from citizen leaders that this is starting to happen. Opposition is building.

In fact, after I returned home, I was thrilled to receive a report that two counties in South Dakota (Brown and Spink) have just passed moratoriums blocking any permits or construction on the pipeline!

This is what we can accomplish when we take a strong stand and refuse to buckle under. ■



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**Their future is not bright:** Eco-radicals propose replacing hydrocarbon energy sources such as oil and gas with millions of acres of inefficient solar farms, destroying the farming potential of that land.



## THE GOODNESS OF AMERICA

### Returned Purse

When 17-year-old Adrian Rodriguez found a purse in a grocery store parking lot, he did the right thing and was rewarded handsomely for it.

Rodriguez found a green handbag in the parking lot of a Ralph's grocery store in Chula Vista, California, in July and decided to return it to the woman himself using the address he found inside her wallet. The owner, Eliana Martin, was not home at the time, but Rodriguez left the purse with Martin's roommates.

When Martin realized her purse was returned with everything still inside, she and her roommates decided they wanted to track down the young man and show him their gratitude for his good deed.

Using the image that they pulled from their Ring camera, the women posted on social media and managed to track Rodriguez down.

Rodriguez was humble and explained that his mother always taught him to "do the right thing when nobody's around" without the expectation of anything in return.

"If someone found my stuff, I'd want them to bring it back to me," he told NBC News.

But Martin and her friends wanted to do something more for Rodriguez. They set up a GoFundMe campaign to raise money to reward Rodriguez for his honesty. And with the help of nearly 800 donors, the page raised \$17,000.

Martin's roommate, Melina Marquez, is hopeful that Rodriguez's story will inspire other young people to act kindly toward others.

### Beloved Employer, Faithful Employees

Tony Philiou is a McDonald's franchise owner in Mayfield Heights, Ohio, and everyone's dream employer.

When Philiou decided to close, remodel, and rebuild one of his restaurants, his workers were concerned about being out of work for too long. As it turned out, their fears were unfounded. Philiou had already intended to pay all 90 of his employees throughout the duration of the renovations.

In a speech to his employees prior to closing the restaurant on March 28, he said, "You're going to sit home. You're going to get paid."

According to the store's general manager, Ed Kocsis, employees were in a state of disbelief.

But for Philiou, the decision was a no-brainer.

"I have people here that make a living here and go from week-to-week pay," he told WKYC News. "How can I tolerate for them to not have a paycheck?"

Philiou immigrated to the United States from Greece as a child and enlisted in the U.S. Army as an infantryman during the Korean War, the *New York Post* reported. He began working at McDonald's in 1962 as a part-time fry cook at the very same Mayfield Heights location he now owns. It was meant to be supplemental income while he worked full-time at an area automotive- and aerospace-parts manufacturer. By 1977, he owned the McDonald's.

Over the years, Philiou owned and operated multiple McDonald's restaurants, but eventually decided to put his focus on the Mayfield Heights location.

On July 6, Philiou's McDonald's reopened with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. News coverage of the ceremony showed Philiou surrounded by happy employees and restaurant patrons who were thrilled to see him again. Philiou's McDonald's was flooded with flowers from faithful customers who looked forward to seeing him during their visits to their favorite fast-food place.

When Emma Henderson of WKYC News asked Philiou how he manages to retain so many "dedicated employees" at a time when there is an abundance of open jobs available, his answer was simple. "After 60 years in the business, this has been the hardest time, but if you do the right thing, word gets out and people stick around," he said.

Philiou told Fox Business that he could not say how much he spent to keep the employees on his payroll during the renovations, but he joked that he would "need to sell a lot of cheeseburgers to make it up."

Still, he does not regret his decision.

"Our employees are extremely grate-

ful," Philiou said. "As for the community here, which I'm blessed to be working with, they've been very supportive of us."

### Officer and Chauffeur

Video footage captured the kindness of a Tennessee police officer who stopped to help an elderly woman who needed a ride to her salon appointment.

Murfreesboro Police Officer Lance Hofmeister was driving his patrol route when he noticed 84-year-old Elizabeth Goode walking along a busy highway and decided to stop and ask if she needed help.

Goode told Hofmeister she was on her way to her salon appointment at Paul Mitchell Studio and took a 45-minute bus ride from Nashville. Once she got off her bus, she had a mile walk to reach the studio. Hofmeister, concerned that Goode was walking along a busy road prone to accidents, offered to give her a ride the rest of the way.

Goode accepted with gratitude. Hofmeister joked, "You do have to sit in the back, but I won't handcuff you, okay?" to which Goode joked back, "I've never been handcuffed. First time for everything."

Though the interaction took place in April, it gained a lot of attention after a video by a local bystander of the interaction was shared on TikTok. By August, the story had been picked up by local news outlets.

Hofmeister, who told Fox 5 he was not used to so much attention, was surprised by all of the positive feedback he received because of the video, but is happy that it spreads the message of kindness and brings joy to people.

"That's why I became a police officer," he said. "I truly do enjoy helping people and I don't need anything from it. I just want to spread that and make sure that other people have that as well."

Hofmeister and his wife have reportedly stayed in contact with Goode and even have dinners with her. And though Goode is planning to move to North Carolina, Hofmeister said that he plans to stay in touch. ■

— RAVEN CLABOUGH

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 by Charles Scaliger
 

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The remote and desolate Argentine Pampas might seem an unlikely source for a global revolution, but one hundred years ago they produced a man who created a movement that today holds the entire Western world in its thrall. The millions of mindless “wokesters,” the enforcers of political correctness and the cancel culture, and the lost souls who have succumbed to the so-called new morality that has convulsed the West since the 1960s, all trace their origins to the person of Felix Weil, a German-Argentine student who happened to be an heir to one of the world’s greatest fortunes a century ago. Though Weil is not today a household name, it was he — and his immense wealth — that gave birth to an influential institute that attracted in its day many of the most influential radical Marxists, and ultimately fueled a cultural revolution across the West that continues to reverberate and corrode a century later.

Felix Weil was born in Buenos Aires, son of Hermann Weil, an extremely wealthy grain exporter, and Rosa Weil, a wealthy heiress in her own right. By the time he came of age, young Felix had not only become a Marxist revolutionary, he also controlled a vast sum of his parents’ wealth. At the University of Tübingen and then the University of Frankfurt, Weil studied political science, his radical inclinations deepening all the while. As early as 1918, Weil was caught up in the revolutionary fervor that swept over Germany after the end of World War I, participating in at least one weapons seizure during an uprising in Frankfurt. No doubt in part because of his great wealth, Weil soon became acquainted with a number of leading radical Marxist revolutionaries and even prominent Communist Party members, including Karl Korsch and Max Horkheimer. In 1920 Weil was also recruited as a spy by the Soviet communists, and returned to Argentina for a year to spy on his native country and report on labor and other conditions to the Soviets.

Moreover, sometime during the period of 1918-1920, when communist revolu-

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Institute for Social Research,  
Frankfurt am Main, Germany

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# THE FRANKFURT SCHOOL

A little-known Marxist institute originating in Germany provided the impetus for the socialist takeover of academe on both sides of the Atlantic.



**Originator:** Wealthy German-Argentine Marxist Felix Weil bankrolled the founding of the Institute for Social Research, informally known as the Frankfurt School.

tions in Russia and Hungary were the talk of European intellectual circles, Weil appears to have come up with a novel idea: create what is now styled a “think tank” consecrated to Marxist theory.

It is easy to forget, at this distance in time, that western and central Europe in the early 1920s were still largely hostile to Marxism. The Spartacus League — the German Communist Party — attempted to seize power in January 1919 under cover of the broader German revolution and the creation of the Weimar Republic, but was suppressed. The brief communist takeover of Hungary, led by Béla Kun, Sándor Garbai, György Lukács, and others, lasted only 133 days in 1919 — although the bloodletting that stemmed from widespread purges of Christians and other dissenters advertised to the rest of Europe the horrors that lay in store for any country that succumbed to Marxist blandishments. The failure of Marxist revolutionaries to make any headway outside the Russian Empire left the revolutionary Marxist underground in central and western Europe

somewhat in disarray, wondering why the long-promised workers’ revolution had failed to materialize.

Felix Weil and his considerable circle of radical acquaintances had begun believing that the orthodox communist view of Marxist dogma was incomplete, and needed further study to be perfected. And while most of Weil’s revolutionary associates could do little more than write pamphlets and deliver soapbox stem-winders, Weil had the resources to effect institutional change. If he could persuade authorities at the University of Frankfurt to lend their support, he could create an institute with actual clout in the German and European academy, an organization whose legitimacy would not be questioned because of its ties to the academic establishment.

### **A New Marxist Institute**

Weil found sympathetic ears among the administrators at the university, and in 1923, the coyly named Institute for Social Research (*Institut für Sozialforschung*)

was established as an affiliate of the University of Frankfurt.

Around the same time — whether before or after the founding of the Institute is unclear — Weil organized a weeklong retreat, the “First Marxist Workweek,” designed to set the agenda for the new Marxist institute. Among the attendees were several of Europe’s leading communist theorists and subversives, including both György Lukács and Karl Korsch. Lukács, it will be recalled, had been one of the leaders of the short-lived Hungarian Soviet Republic. In that capacity he had been appointed people’s commissar for education and culture, and was the impetus behind the Hungarian “red terror,” urging the destruction of all the “oppressor” classes and personally presiding over executions.

Despite these inconvenient peccadilloes, Lukács is lauded today for his role as the preeminent Marxist philosopher during the Stalinist era, and in particular for his being perhaps the most consequential originator of what is now labeled “Western Marxism” (as contrasted with both Soviet and Chinese Marxism). Lukács, like many other disenchanting Marxists outside the nascent Soviet Union, had come to believe that Marx, while correct in principle, had committed a strategic error by vesting all hope for a revolution in the proletariat. It was plain to Lukács and other Western radicals (such as Italian Antonio Gramsci) that the traditional Marxist emphasis on the “base” or “substructure” — i.e., the productive, worker-controlled economy that supplied all goods — would not be sufficient to create a successful “workers’ revolution” in affluent Western capitalist countries. Workers in such countries, Lukács was convinced, were sufficiently well-off, thanks to the trickle-down benefits of capitalism, that they would not be likely to revolt in sufficient numbers to overthrow the existing power structures. The key to a successful revolution, therefore, lay not in the “base” but instead in the “superstructure,” i.e., in all the institutions and organs of culture tasked with maintenance of the shared value systems responsible for public support.

The “superstructure” included not only religions, churches, schools, the media, and mass culture such as music and movies, but also the most fundamental of all cultural institutions, the family. These all,

taken in concert, served to maintain almost unshakable popular support for the status quo, and presented the ultimate defense against the radical Left. In acknowledgment of this, both Soviet and Chinese Communists undertook bloody “cultural revolutions” to purge their respective societies of every vestige of traditional culture. Religions were destroyed root and branch, art was brought under strict state control, and families were shattered by state-enforced collectivization, with China even going so far as to limit by decree the number of children parents could bear.

Lukács’ own conduct in Hungary had shown that, like any true radical, he was willing to shed any amount of blood to achieve his ideological goals. But as a practical revolutionary, he also understood that, unlike Russia and China, the West had already been enriched and improved by capitalism to such a degree that the ignorant and largely apathetic masses of serfs whom Marxists had been able to exploit in Russia and the Far East no longer existed in the West. Therefore, a “Cultural Revolution” in those countries would have to precede the violent overthrow of the capitalist system. And this could only be achieved by changing popular beliefs and moral standards. The focus of Western Marxism, accordingly, became the study of every element of the superstructure, with a view to devising strategies for tearing it down.

Lukács and Korsch, owing to their Communist Party membership, were too extreme to become closely associated with the institute. But their influence loomed large over the fledgling organization as it began recruiting Marxist intellectuals who would articulate the doctrines and strategies of what, in latter decades, has been characterized as a “culture war” aimed at the destruction of traditional Western civilization.

### “Critical Theory”

The direction of the Institute for Social Research crystal-

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lized primarily under the leadership of one man, Max Horkheimer, a Marxist philosopher tapped to be the institute’s director in 1930 and the chief originator of a polemical and research method pioneered by the Frankfurt School that came to be known as “critical theory.” In principle, the approach favored by critical theory required the critiquing of all assumptions, customs, values, and institutions, but in practice it meant critiquing and attacking

only institutions and values endemic to Western Christian civilization, including — but not limited to — sexual morality, religious doctrines, family and marriage structures, and educational standards. Accordingly, the institute under Horkheimer grew into what the Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy characterizes as “an interdisciplinary body comprising specialists in such fields as philosophy, economics, political science, legal theory, psychoanalysis, and the study of cultural phenomena such as music, film, and mass entertainment [intended to be the] western European equivalent to the Marx-Engels Institute in Moscow. The intellectual labor of the Institute in Frankfurt thus explicitly aimed at contributing to the overthrow of capitalism and the establishment of socialism.”

Pivotal to the growth of this inter-disciplinary amalgam of Marxist talent and the development of “critical theory” were a cadre of young intellectuals, recruited by Horkheimer, whose work was to define the output of the Frankfurt School — and its far-reaching influence in Western universities and other cultural institutions — for decades to follow. By the mid-1930s, the institute counted among its faculty the likes of philosopher and musicologist Theodor Adorno, philosopher and sociologist Herbert Marcuse, psychologist Erich Fromm, and social theorist Friedrich Pollock (who had been associated with the institute since the First Marxist Workweek), among many others.

Under Horkheimer’s guidance, the Frankfurt School came to deviate more and more



**Philosopher-commissar:** György Lukács was one of the originators of “Western Marxism” and a philosopher who strongly influenced the Frankfurt School. He also was one of the leaders in the short-lived Hungarian Soviet Republic of 1919, serving as commissar of Education and Culture as well as an officer in the Hungarian Red Army.



**Organization man:** Philosopher Max Horkheimer recruited most of the influential talent that defined the Frankfurt School during and after World War II. It was his connections at Columbia University that allowed the school to relocate there during the war.

from orthodox Marxism with its insistence on rigid economic determinism, concluding that the more fundamental basis of class oppression lay in social phenomena like religion, mass entertainment, and education. As a result, they came to see capitalism (which they loathed no less than traditional Marxists did) as far more flexible, adaptable, and capable of averting its own demise indefinitely, unless actively sabotaged at the cultural and social level — this in contrast to the moribund decadent capitalism predestined to succumb to the weight of an inevitable revolt of the proletariat as envisioned by traditional Marxists and communists. One eventual conclusion drawn by the Frankfurt School was that Soviet communism was an oppressive distortion of “real” Marxism, no less to be shunned than capitalism. For the Frankfurt School, the real Marxist revolution was to be carried out piecemeal, with the primary objective of destroying Western culture root and branch before any political revolution could be successful. The Frankfurt

School professed to be less interested in the oppressive economic regimentation embodied in the Soviet *kolkhozes* than in emancipating the West from the alleged restraints of its Christian past.

The Frankfurt School might have remained just another circle of European leftist radicals, had it not been for the rise of Adolf Hitler and the Third Reich. The Nazi regime forced the closure of the institute, and its members, including the director Horkheimer, fled abroad, first to Switzerland and later to the United States. And it was in America that Horkheimer and his associates found a vast new field of opportunity for sowing the seeds of their brand of Marxist radicalism.

In Columbia University’s internationalist president Nicholas Butler, Horkheimer found a sympathetic ear, and the institute was reestablished at Columbia University during World War II with Butler’s blessing. Once the war ended, Horkheimer, Adorno, and Pollock returned to Germany, where the institute was formally reestablished in 1955. Fromm and Marcuse, how-

ever, opted to stay in America, where they found popular acclaim as leaders of the American Left that emerged on university campuses in the 1950s and 1960s.

### “Father of the New Left”

Of all of Horkheimer’s recruits, the most influential, at least in the New World, was without question Herbert Marcuse. Having worked for the Office of Strategic Services (the predecessor to the CIA) in the 1940s, the Marxist Marcuse was well-connected with American political as well as academic elites. In the academic world, Marcuse moved with ease among America’s elite universities, moving from Columbia University to Harvard in 1952, and then on to Brandeis University two years later, where he remained until 1965. In that year he moved to the West Coast, settling in at the University of California-San Diego until 1970. During all this time he wrote prolifically and accumulated radical disciples such as Angela Davis and Abbie Hoffman. His enormously influential writings and students have earned Marcuse the moniker “Father of the New Left.” He was, in a very literal sense, the originator of the counterculture of the 1960s and 1970s, as well as of the “woke” and “politically correct” movements of our time.

In his most influential book, *One-Dimensional Man*, Marcuse set forth a critique of modern capitalist technological society, the arguments of which have become familiar to the point of cliché, but which in the 1960s were still largely unfamiliar to an American society unacquainted with the cadences of radical Marxism. Consumerism, Marcuse argued, is both hegemonic and totalitarian, allowing venal capitalists and technocrats to brainwash and control citizens of so-called free societies just as surely as Soviet communists had done. Under such a consumerist regime, a small group of individuals were empowered to dictate tastes and consumer preferences to the rest, resulting in a society in which people were unable to distinguish wants from genuine needs, and which led to a massive misallocation of resources for the purposes of irrational and unrestrained consumption. These sorts of arguments are the stock in trade of every leftist agitator and campus radical in our time, and

have thoroughly penetrated public discourse thanks to nonstop repetition in the news media, the classroom, and popular entertainment. As a result, many Americans even on the so-called Right have become persuaded of the need to deride consumerism and “corporate greed.” But 60 years ago, most Americans still appreciated the miracle of the free markets and the blessings associated with the high standard of living that “capitalism” and “consumerism” produced.

In addition to his railing mischaracterizations of free market economics and the wealth it produced, Marcuse was also — like Fromm and others of the Frankfurt School — an avowed enemy of traditional morality. Sexual morality, he argued in *Eros and Civilization*, is merely a tool of repression enjoined by civilization. The goal of modern industrial society ought to be emancipation of the sexual instincts, or, as Marcuse fa-

mously put it, “the fight for life, the fight for Eros, is the political fight.” Marcuse himself always considered *Eros and Civilization* to be his most important book and, indeed, it was the sourcebook for both the sexual revolution of the ’60s and ’70s and the “gay liberation” movement that came later.

Marcuse understood that his ideas would meet with resistance from those unwilling to cast away their Western and Christian heritage without a fight. He resented the fact that, under conditions of tolerance and free speech, his ideas would meet with strong rhetorical opposition. Accordingly, he proposed, in his famous essay “Repressive Tolerance,” that the universal tolerance of free expression was no longer to be given countenance. Instead, only ideas supportive of leftist ideology should be tolerated; all dissenting voices, inasmuch as they represented the “oppressive” system Marcuse and his

colleagues sought to overthrow, should be stifled — or, as we are now wont to say, “canceled.”

### Frankfurt’s Influence

The impact of the Frankfurt School upon Western culture cannot be overstated. Many key conceits of the modern-day Left and cancel culture received their first impetus from the influence of Marcuse, Fromm, and others. The sexual revolution, the widespread disparagement of consumerism and the free market, the mistaken view that all of Western civilization is founded on oppression, and the systematic campaign to silence dissenting voices on the Right — all had their origin in the Frankfurt School’s critical theory.

While the Frankfurt School has long since been exceeded in extremism by newer movements both academic and social — not only the misnamed “woke,” but also the postmodernism of Foucault and Derrida, as well as the critical race theory (merely the Frankfurt School’s critical theory applied specifically to racial issues) of Ibram X. Kendi and others — it will be forever notorious for its role as the most important incubator of Western Marxism and the counterculture that grew out of it.

Ironically, the most significant remaining Frankfurt School representative, Jürgen Habermas, has seemingly deviated from the institute’s radical roots. In the 1950s, Habermas was an assistant to Adorno himself, and supported a wide range of radical causes, including the creation of the European Union. But he also believed strongly in nonviolence, which ultimately alienated him from the core of leftist radicalism. Today, Habermas — in stark contrast with the founders of the Frankfurt School — professes open admiration for Christian civilization and its achievements. “Christianity, and nothing else,” Habermas has stated bluntly, “is the ultimate foundation of liberty, conscience, human rights, and democracy, the benchmarks of Western civilization. To this day, we have no other options. We continue to nourish ourselves from this source. Everything else is postmodern chatter.”

Had his mentors and predecessors come to similar conclusions, the cultural history of the 20th century might have followed a very different path. ■



**Refuge:** Columbia University campus in the early 20th century. It was here that Max Horkheimer, Theodor Adorno, Erich Fromm, Herbert Marcuse, and others of the Frankfurt School found an academic home during World War II. After the war, Horkheimer and Adorno returned to Frankfurt and reopened the Institute for Social Research, but Fromm and Marcuse remained in the United States, where they spent the rest of their lives spreading the ideology of cultural Marxism.

## Fifteen-second Samaritan

*The New American* reported online on July 18 about 22-year-old Elisjsha Dicken stopping a mass shooting in the Greenwood Park Mall in Indiana, where a deranged man armed with two rifles and a handgun started shooting defenseless people. Dicken reacted quickly, pulling out his own handgun and mortally wounding the shooter. The attacker was able to claim three lives, but authorities say it would have been much deadlier if not for Dicken’s brave actions.

The *New York Post* later clarified that Dicken was able to end the mass shooting in just a few seconds. The shooter exited from a restroom and opened fire on shoppers, but Dicken immediately pulled his gun and fired 10 shots at the shooter, who was 40 yards from Dicken. The gunman tried to retreat to the bathroom, but collapsed to the floor due to his injuries. Greenwood Police Chief James Ison told the media during a press conference that “the surveillance video shows [the gunman] exit the restroom at 5:56:48 p.m.... He was neutralized by Dicken at 5:57:03 p.m.”

The story received widespread attention, and Second Amendment proponents highlighted how it perfectly demonstrated that an armed populace can stop deadly mass shootings in a matter of seconds. This rang especially true considering Indiana recently passed a constitutional-carry law allowing state residents to carry concealed firearms without needing a permit, which is exactly what Dicken was doing. These details were very upsetting to anti-gun pundits, who almost seemed annoyed that the gunman wasn’t able to continue shooting people. Fox News reported on July 18 about left-leaning Twitter users who were upset that Dicken was being hailed as a “Good Samaritan.”

“The term, ‘Good Samaritan’ came from a Bible passage of a man from Samaria who stopped on the side of the road to help a man who was injured and ignored.... I cannot believe we live in a world where the term can equally apply to someone killing someone... my God,” CBS reporter Justin Kollar wrote on Twitter.

## Why You Need an “Assault Weapon”

Fox News reported on July 14 about a shooting in Escambia County, Florida, that showed exactly why gun owners need what anti-gun extremists typically call “assault weapons.”

The Escambia County Sheriff’s Office obtained surveillance video that showed three suspects exiting a car and approaching a house. A fourth suspect waited in the car. The aspiring home invaders knocked on the front door, and when the occupant opened the door, two of the attackers forced their way in while the third suspect waited outside. Fox News reported that “the victim was armed but lost his gun during the scuffle [with the two intruders], then ran to the back of his house and grabbed an AK-47-style rifle, which he started firing at the intruders.” The surveillance video shows the suspects fleeing the home and getting into their car as the homeowner shoots at them.

Escambia County Sheriff Chip Simmons praised the homeowner for his actions and told *Fox & Friends*, “He did absolutely nothing wrong.... If someone breaks into my front door, barges and attacks me or my family, they’re going to get shot, and I afford that same consideration to the residents of my county.” Law enforcement rounded up three of the four suspects and are actively looking for the fourth man.

This story is a great reminder of how having a semiautomatic rifle acts as a great equalizer when you’re the victim of a deadly felony involving multiple assailants.

## FBI Tries Snooping on Missouri Gun Owners

Fox News reported on July 19 about a planned FBI audit on concealed-carry holders in Missouri, which is encountering pushback from Republican officials who believe the audit is an infringement of Second Amendment-protected rights.

One sheriff adamantly stated that he would not comply with the “audit,” and even Missouri Attorney General Eric

Schmitt pushed back against the FBI audit, sending a letter to FBI Director Christopher Wray demanding that the audit be canceled. Schmitt wrote, “The FBI has absolutely no business poking around in the private information of those who have obtained a concealed carry permit in Missouri.... The Second Amendment rights of Missourians will absolutely not be infringed on my watch. I will use the full power of my Office to stop the FBI, which has become relentlessly politicized and has virtually no credibility, from illegally prying around in the personal information of Missouri gun owners.”

Schmitt also explained that Missouri had passed a law stating, “information retained in the concealed carry permit system ... shall not be distributed to any federal, state, or private entities.” Schmitt wrote that this law was passed by legislators after they learned that “the Obama Administration wanted to know which Missourians had firearms, supposedly to establish who was entitled to federal benefits. We wanted to leave no doubt that the citizens of Missouri have a constitutional right to bear arms, and the federal government has no business poking around to find out their identities.”

Schmitt further bemoaned how the “Biden Administration and liberal ‘deep-staters’ within the FBI have severely tarnished” the agency’s reputation by engaging in selective investigation of political dissidents while turning a blind eye to very public corruption of individuals such as Hunter Biden. Schmitt concluded, “In light of all these facts, Missourians have concluded that the FBI leadership in Washington, D.C. has been weaponized for political gain. You have lost our trust and you seem to be completely indifferent toward trying to rebuild it. Instead, you announce that you will show up at the offices of our elected Missouri sheriffs in open and blatant violation of our state law and seek to find out who in Missouri holds a legal CCW permit. This is not going to happen. I will fight you tooth and nail with all of the resources that the people of Missouri have given me as their Attorney General.” ■

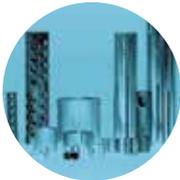
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# THE REVIEW

## Globalist Puppetmaster

by Steve Byas

*The World of Soros: Influencing Elections*, by Arthur R. Thompson, Appleton, Wisconsin: Western Islands, 2022, 173 pages, paperback. (To order, see page 37.)

George Soros is reviled, and rightly so, among those who favor limited government, national sovereignty, the free market, and constitutionalism. And there is plenty of evidence in this book by former John Birch Society CEO Arthur R. Thompson to support that view.

But Art Thompson sees the problem as much deeper than Soros. “Soros and his kind will soon disappear, but this will not mean the end of the problem,” Thompson explains, adding, “The anti-communists in America used to blame another very rich man for the advances toward Marxism: David Rockefeller. He died; the movement kept going.”

While it is admittedly much easier for people to blame an individual, Thompson asserts that the problem is “an *organization* behind that person that they cannot see.” One might recall that in George Orwell’s classic dystopian novel *1984*, the totalitarian government was an oligarchy,



but “Big Brother” (almost certainly not a real person) was the focus.

Thompson not only details the problems we face in preserving liberty, he also gives the reader suggestions for concrete ways to combat the enemy.

One suggestion is to be wary of being sucked into activities that will actually damage our cause. Thompson notes that two weeks before the January 6, 2021 protests at the U.S. Capitol, he warned people in a short video about “what could happen at public events and to be careful, since there may be those who

would try to goad and compromise decent participants.”

That is exactly what happened on January 6, giving “the Left the ammunition to tar with a broad brush those who oppose their policies.” This gave them the opening they needed to blame President Donald Trump for an “insurrection,” by selectively choosing quotations from his speech at the rally earlier in the day. Trump told his supporters, “I know everyone here will soon be marching over to the Capitol building to peacefully and patriotically make your voices heard.”

Of course, peaceful protest is the right of every American, specifically protected by the First Amendment, but because of a small minority, all of these patriotic Americans who did nothing more than peacefully protest were tarred as “insurrectionists.” In fact, millions of Americans are now cast by the leftist media as insurrectionists.

What were they protesting? They believed that the election had been stolen from Trump. Whether one agrees or disagrees with them on that point, it was still their right to peacefully protest.

Thompson, however, explains why they were rightly incensed at the results of the election, with facts that the media largely ignore. In some counties, there were more votes than there were registered voters. “The biggest problem was the mailing out of ballots all over the place, using the excuse that the Covid pandemic supposedly

made it difficult for people to make it to the polls,” Thompson writes, adding that “many ballots were counted that may not have even been seen by the supposed voters.”

As an example, Thompson points to Pennsylvania, where “over 70,000 mail-in ballots returned after the deadline were counted. Over 10,000 mail-in ballots were counted of people who did not exist on the voter rolls.... Nearly 40,000 voters who registered after the October 19 deadline voted. Finally, hundreds of thousands of votes were counted in secret after Republican poll watchers were thrown out.”

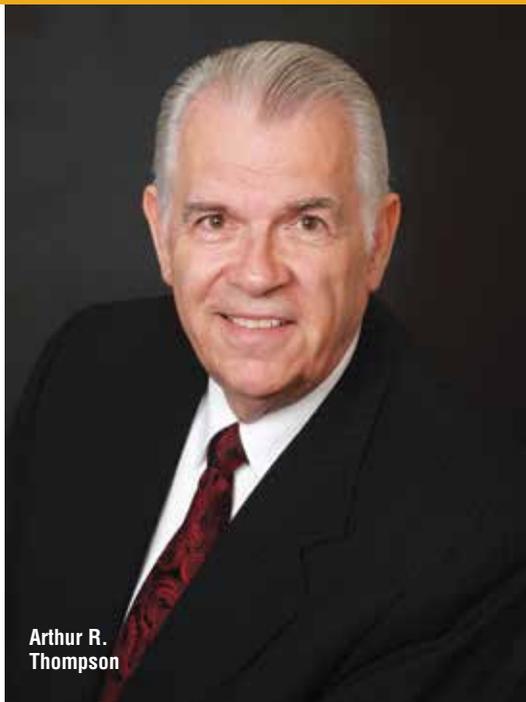
And, of course, there were serious questions about the results in states such as Wisconsin, Georgia, and Arizona that no doubt contributed to the anger and concern of many of those who went to the nation’s capital — as was their constitutionally protected right — to protest on January 6.

So, where does George Soros fit in all of this? Because Soros is ethnically Jewish, it is common for anyone who dares to criticize him to be accused of being “anti-Semitic.” This is, of course, a tactic of the Left — they use race, ethnicity, sex, and religion as a club to condemn their opponents. (Although they regularly condemn any Jewish person, for example, who dares to be conservative.)

During World War II, in Hungary, Soros actually worked with Nazis to round up people in the Holocaust. In 1998, in an interview on *60 Minutes*, he told interviewer Steve Kroft he felt no guilt because of this, noting that he was only 14 years old at the time.

After World War II, Soros moved to England to study at the London School of Economics, which promotes socialist economics. He later began a hedge fund and became a very wealthy man. Today, Thompson notes, “Soros is very much involved in helping finance” local politicians (such as secretaries of state, who often oversee the counting of votes, as well as local prosecutors) and “street organizations.”

And, when some of those street thugs get arrested after destroying private property, they are often not prosecuted in many cities — because Soros helped elect the



Arthur R. Thompson

prosecutors in San Francisco, Los Angeles, Houston, Dallas, Chicago, Milwaukee, New York, Philadelphia, St. Louis, and other places. Soros even gave \$2 million to defeat a sheriff candidate in Maricopa County, Arizona.

In 2018, Soros funded *at least* 21 local prosecutorial races.

Radical parties that “have achieved ballot positions or are very active in the streets,” Thompson explains, “are the Democratic Socialists of America, Socialist Party USA, Progressive Party, Congressional Progressive Caucus, Communist Party USA, Revolutionary Communist Party, Socialist Workers Party, Workers World Party, Green Party, Black Panthers, Peace and Freedom Party, Socialist Labor Party, Antifa, Black Lives Matter, and so on.”

In early 2022, Soros gave \$125 million to Democracy PAC, with some of the funds channeled to the Democratic Association of Secretaries of State. As Thompson explained, “Soros’ son Alexander runs the PAC.” It has been said that money is the “mother’s milk of politics,” because as a baby will die if he or she does not receive mother’s milk or a close substitute, so will a political campaign.

Of course, when an election is completed, someone counts the votes, and in many states those individuals are the secretaries of state.

Not surprisingly, Soros and his son Jonathan are members of the globalist Council on Foreign Relations (CFR), which, as Thompson argues, “has as its primary goal convincing American citizens to become part of what they call the New World Order, a one-world government. This means giving up the sovereignty of the United States, the Declaration of Independence, and even the Constitution.”

Soros “claims to have given \$32 billion of his personal fortune to fund the Open Society Foundations’ work around the world,” Thompson wrote. “The impact of this funding generally falls into two categories: one, changing society in order to parallel the Marxist agenda, and, two, the election of those who promote the Marxist agenda.”

Thompson quotes Karl Marx, who said, “The Communists openly declare that their ends can be attained only by the forcible overthrow of all existing social conditions.” Thompson explains, “So we see that the real goal of the Marxists is to change all of society. This is essentially the endgame of the environmental movement, for example, which Soros also helps finance.”

“Keep in mind,” Thompson added, “that you can stand in the middle of a field and shout out the environmental regulations and the field will not be listening — it is an inanimate object. The regulations desired by the environmentalist lobby are over the people who own the field, the factories, the automobiles, etc.” These environmental regulations are simply a “means to change society, not to protect the Earth — to control people.”

Another way to control people is to control the flow of information, and it is common knowledge that social-media giants Facebook and Twitter do this on a concerted, regular basis. Many have heard of decisions by Facebook “fact-checkers” that this or that conservative assertion is either false or “lacks context.” This is clearly one-sided, as left-wing posts rarely get dinged by these so-called fact-checkers.

Thompson offers an excellent explanation as to why this is so. “The International Fact-Checking Network (IFCN) is part of the Poynter Institute. They have called for

more censorship of the internet against ‘false narratives,’ saying that current measures are insufficient.”

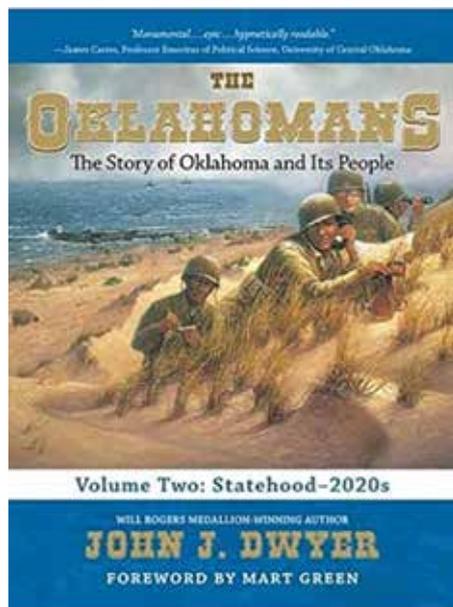
If you guessed that George Soros is a major donor to the Poynter Institute, go to the head of the class. Other contributors include the Gannett Foundation (which runs *USA Today* and multiple newspapers around the country) and *The Washington Post*.

There is much more in this excellent book that cannot be covered in a short review. But Thompson closes with a plan of action to combat this organized effort to transform our country — and indeed, the world — into a socialist hell. In short, this can be achieved by educating ourselves, so we can educate others. He suggests The John Birch Society as an excellent organization that does both of these things.

## Oklahoma History: A Story for All Americans

by Steve Byas

*The Oklahomans: The Story of Oklahoma and Its People, Volume Two: Statehood-2020s*, by John J. Dwyer, Waukomis, Oklahoma: Red River Press, 2021, 656 pages, hardcover.



State history books often have a limited market, as only real history buffs are going to read a book on another state’s history. And, as these books are often written as textbooks for the classroom, they typically avoid really digging into the interesting details of a state’s history and the people who made that history. Often, they are rather dry reading.

John J. Dwyer’s *The Oklahomans: The Story of Oklahoma and Its People, Volume Two: Statehood-2020s* is not that type of book. It is written to read for pleasure and enlightenment. It is full of colorful graphics, with an expert mix of facts and analysis. Dwyer’s first volume was award-winning, and this book is even better. As the consulting editor of both volumes, I should know, having read every word.

Volume two picks up where volume one ended, at statehood. Oklahoma’s history comes alive in the hands of Dwyer, an historian and a novelist. While Dwyer uses all the tools of the novelist’s craft to make this 600-page book a page-turner, he does not accomplish this at the expense of the historical facts.

Oklahoma has only been a state since 1907, but its contribution to American history has been immense, both in the social and political spheres. Native son Will Rogers was the top box-office draw in the motion picture industry in the 1920s and until his death in 1935, when he perished alongside another Oklahoma icon, Wiley Post. The two advocates of air travel died together in an attempt to fly around the world, which Post had already accomplished twice on his own. Post predicted that America would someday go to the moon, and even designed a space suit for that purpose. NASA adopted a modified version of Post’s suit, which astronauts used in the moon landings of the late 1960s and early 1970s.

Other famous Oklahomans, such as Jim Thorpe — considered the greatest athlete of the first half of the 20th century — are well-covered in the book. Paul Harvey, a native of Tulsa, was a voice of middle America on the radio long before Rush Limbaugh and others came along.

Readers can learn about such events as the 1921 Tulsa Race Riot — the worst in U.S. history; the Dust Bowl — the greatest ecological disaster of the 20th century, when about one million Oklahomans

abandoned the state; the Oklahoma City bombing of 1995; and the tornado of 1999, which produced the greatest wind speeds ever recorded.

Scandals, such as the county commissioner scandal of the 1980s, which sent many public officials to prison, are analyzed, illustrating the dangers of putting too much faith in flawed human beings.

Operation Secret Ballot, which reversed the perennial efforts of the Democratic Party in the state to “win” elections through nefarious means, is a story that is quite relevant to the rest of the country after the 2020 presidential election. This portion of the book will give the reader an understanding as to why so many Americans believe not all was quite right in our last presidential contest.

In fact, Dwyer ties Oklahoma’s history with national, and even international, events in such a way that Oklahomans will have a greater appreciation for the role the Sooner State has played in our nation’s history — and even our world’s history — and non-Oklahomans will likewise learn more about events that have affected all Americans.

One cannot do justice to a 600-page book that covers so many different personalities and events, but I will center on two episodes that were an important part of both Oklahoma history and U.S. history.

The first is the contest between Oklahoma’s long-serving U.S. senator Mike Monroney and U.S. Senator Joseph McCarthy of Wisconsin. Much has been written about McCarthy, with far too much of it being blatantly false. For example, I have read, on multiple occasions, that McCarthy, while chairing the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA), created the Hollywood Blacklist, which denied jobs to writers, actors, and directors in the American motion-picture industry because of their political views.

First of all, their political views were in support of the communist dictator Joseph Stalin, a mass murderer. Secondly, the Hollywood Blacklist was conceived long before McCarthy burst on the national scene, concerned about communist infiltration in the U.S. government. He certainly did not create the Blacklist while chairing the HCUA — senators do not chair House committees.

Unfortunately, one of McCarthy’s big-

gest detractors in government was Oklahoma's Senator Mike Monroney. As Dwyer explains in his book, "Monroney became controversial Sen. Joseph McCarthy's most dogged opponent on the supreme stages of American politics." Monroney said, "I was supporting attacks on communism, before the junior senator from Wisconsin [McCarthy] ever dreamed of coming to the United States Senate."

Monroney contended that McCarthy should leave the job of rooting out Soviet spies to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He even attempted to keep McCarthy from investigating the Central Intelligence Agency.

But as Dwyer noted, "Sworn witness testimony, FBI records, Soviet-era KGB files, and the U.S. Army counterintelligence Venona Project confirmed the veracity of McCarthy's major contentions."

Fortunately, there were Oklahomans who really did fight communism, rather than opposing anti-communists such as McCarthy. One was Patrick Hurley, who served as secretary of war, a special diplomatic envoy, and ambassador to China. Raised in frontier poverty, he won the Silver Star in World War I.

Hurley was a conservative Republican who served three presidents, two of them Democrats. He accepted the request of President Franklin D. Roosevelt to be his personal representative to Chinese leader Chiang Kai-shek. Dwyer said, "In China, Hurley ran into a stunning buzz saw of intrigue, double dealing, and nothing less than a labyrinthine *American* network that aimed to overthrow Chiang's government and replace it with Mao's Reds. It encompassed career Foreign Service Officers, members of the government in Washington ranking as high as Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Harry Dexter White ... and Joseph 'Vinegar Joe' Stilwell, U.S. commander in the China-Burma-India Theater."

Unfortunately, those wishing to get rid of Chiang understood they first had to get rid of Hurley. Hurley fired many of these enemies of Chiang, only to see his efforts to keep the communists out of power in China fail. Dwyer asserts that Vice President Harry Truman — who became president in April 1945 upon the death of Roosevelt — "entered the Oval Office as



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clueless about American foreign policy in China ... as the deceased Roosevelt had left him on nearly everything else."

Eventually, the men Hurley had fired wound up being his supervisors in Washington. Dwyer cites then-Massachusetts Congressman John F. Kennedy on the disaster of American foreign policy that led to the communist takeover of the world's most populous nation — China. "During the [postwar] period began the great split in the minds of our diplomats over whether to support the government of Chiang Kai-shek, or force [him] as the price of our assistance to bring Chinese Communists into his government to form a coalition."

Kennedy added, Dwyer noted, "When Ambassador Patrick Hurley resigned in 1945, he stated, 'Professional diplomats continuously advised the Chinese Communists that my efforts in preventing the collapse of the National Government did not represent the policy of the United States.'" Hurley blamed the disastrous loss of China to communism on these diplomats and the State Department.

Kennedy concluded, "What our young men saved, our diplomats and our President have frittered away."

Had the efforts of Oklahoman Patrick Hurley succeeded, instead of America's greatest foe being Communist China, America would have the friendship of a free China. There would have been no

Korean War, and probably no Vietnam War. Hurley is certainly a man that Oklahomans can be proud of.

Of course, some tragic events are not caused by communists or fascists, or any other human being. Oklahomans have had to endure the Dust Bowl and deadly tornadoes. But even in tragedy, Oklahomans have produced heroic figures, such as the elementary-school teachers who used their own bodies to protect their students during the horrific 2013 tornado that leveled hundreds of houses and an elementary school in the city of Moore.

As you read Dwyer's book, you might think you are reading a novel, but it is all real. Dwyer gives us the facts, but also analyzes what they all mean to Oklahomans and to the rest of America. This book would make a great Christmas or birthday present.

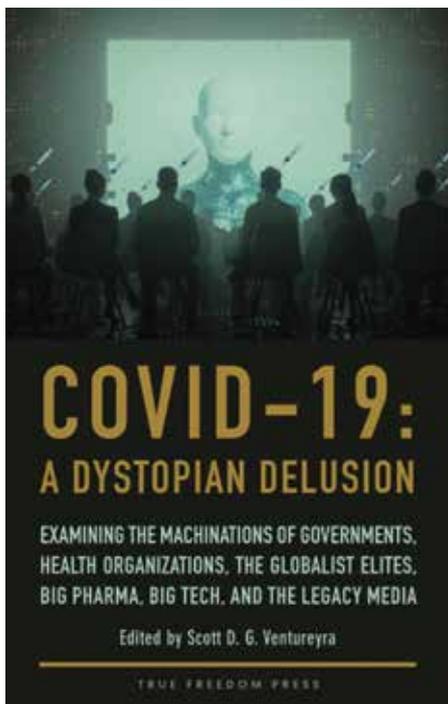
## Covid Delusion

by Veronika Kyrylenko

***COVID-19: A Dystopian Delusion: Examining the Machinations of Governments, Health Organizations, the Globalist Elites, Big Pharma, Big Tech, and the Legacy Media***, edited by Scott D.G. Ventureyra, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada: True Freedom Press, 2022, 324 pages, paperback.

The scientific interests of well-published Catholic theologian and philosopher Dr. Scott Ventureyra were never infectious diseases or works of supranational entities trying to reduce world population and establish tyrannical control over all humanity. However, when the Covid-19 pandemic hit Canada in March 2020, Ventureyra sensed that something was terribly wrong: The "democratic" governments of the world began imposing draconian restrictions that made little sense in terms of public health. The mainstream media engaged in unjustified fearmongering, and social media began censoring authors and content that contradicted the official narrative, no matter how logical and factual they were.

Speaking with *The New American* on the



matter, the doctor said that what “really got to him” was the constant “flip-flopping” of high-ranking government officials shaping the pandemic policies and thus affecting the lives of hundreds of millions of people. One of the most notorious of them was Dr. Anthony Fauci of the U.S. National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), who frequently and erratically changed his health advice without much explanation. Similar patterns of chaos and confusion were observed even in the world’s most prestigious medical journals, which added to the doctor’s suspicions. Ventureyra and his co-authors felt compelled to delve deeper into the medical, political, psychological, and economic aspects of the pandemic and chronicle it in their book, *COVID-19: A Dystopian Delusion*.

But what could be the driving force behind what the authors called “Covid madness”? Once shrugged off as a silly “conspiracy theory,” the idea that there are powerful, evil forces plotting to establish a New World Order started to make sense to the authors when they began really studying the issue.

“For decades, the neo-conservative Republican establishment (i.e., the Bushes, Dick Cheney, Donald Rumsfeld, etc.) and the far-left Democratic Party (i.e., the Clintons, Obamas, Joe Biden, etc.) have embraced internationalism. These elites,



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despite their differences, have worked fervently to undermine US sovereignty and build a New World Order,” writes co-author Phil Fernandes in the second chapter of the book. Despite the fact that the aforementioned actors openly speak about their plans to build a centralized international government while subverting American sovereignty, the American public prefers to turn a blind eye to it.

Writes Fernandes,

Many Americans ignore the ongoing formation of a one-world government, often referred to as the “New World Order.” They do not want to be accused of espousing some type of “conspiracy theory.” However, global government is becoming a reality and Americans must take a stand against it.

To achieve their ends, the architects of the New World Order are “resetting” the “outdated” economic system of the West. The goals and mechanism of this process were unambiguously described by World Economic Forum (WEF) Chairman Klaus Schwab and Thierry Malleret in their book *COVID-19: The Great Reset*, which, without saying it explicitly, lays forth a plan to transform the international economy into global socialism.

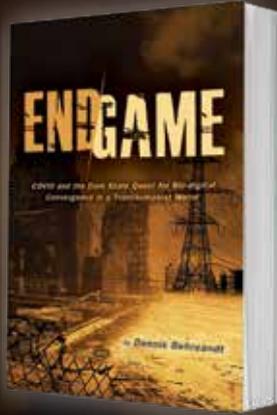
Ventureyra’s book illustrates how all

the pieces of a seemingly confusing pandemic puzzle fall into place when one keeps in mind the central goal behind the pandemic response. The employment of mind-control tactics, censorship of world-class scientists, lockdowns of businesses and schools, implementation of unstudied medical interventions, suppression of early treatments, and, finally, massive rollout of dangerous experimental gene therapies (aka Covid “vaccines”) all serve as the building blocks of the NWO.

Public inaction is no longer an option, the authors conclude. There’s just too much at stake. Writes Ventureyra in the epilogue,

The West is crumbling at an accelerated rate. The unfolding erasure of history, objective morality, and truth has paved the way for our current predicament. We are now standing at the precipice of the future of human civilization. The attacks on the human person are unrelenting, malicious, multifaceted, and wide-ranging in their scope and breadth, from the time prior to birth until the moment of death.

If you want to reject the Great Reset and join the movement to restore medical freedom, don’t miss *COVID-19: A Dystopian Delusion*. ■



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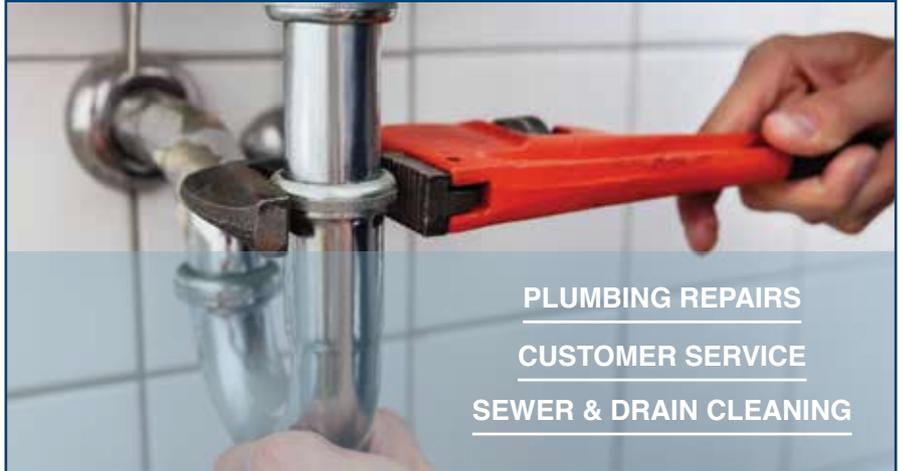
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## Food Crisis: What's Coming Can Be Stopped

Having been raised on a cranberry marsh, I have quite the affinity and respect for anyone who works the soil for a living. My father made his living in the industry for 50 years before a well-earned retirement two years ago. He's had to stand in front of and up to many local officials involved in managing cranberry marshes and other farming properties, as well as advocates for environmental extremism.

His question to every one of them was, "Do you like to eat?" Today's Americans take for granted that food will always be a short drive or walk away at the grocery store. Farming technology has progressed to the point of being highly efficient, maximizing yield. It's one reason why American farmers as a whole can successfully feed more than just the country's current population.

However, as Sri Lanka has demonstrated, if American farmers are forced to adhere to government micromanagement of their industry, then the unavailability of food can become a reality.

As this magazine issue points out, this extreme environmental agenda has been recently adopted in the Netherlands, Ireland, Canada, and other countries. Yet, part of this agenda has already shown up in various projects and legislation throughout our own country. Agenda 21 helped to deliver this "non-binding agreement" to localities through "soft law," meaning tenets of the agreement become legally binding when passed in legislation. The John Birch Society exposed and battled this from 2005 to 2015 with aid from *The New American*. Due to this success, Agenda 21 was greatly set back before being repackaged as Agenda 2030.

Agenda 2030 pushes the same extremist agenda under the cover of fighting "climate change," aiming to essentially play God with climate and control the actions and choices of every single inhabitant of planet Earth. Only world government can deliver this type of control. Just how this will be accomplished can be seen by looking back into history and projecting the lines.

*The New American* has helped to expose the tactics of creating regional government superstates based first on economic and then political integration. Created largely by trade agreements, nearly every single country is involved in some sort of union. Clearly, the most advanced is the European Union, which followed the globalist textbook on creating these unions.

Unfortunately, the Trump-era United States-Mexico-Canada



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Agreement (USMCA) contains similar poison pills that can entangle the three countries into one union. In July, a joint statement between Mexican President Andrés Manuel López Obrador and President Biden suggested a willingness to work toward full implementation of the USMCA. Since Biden has spent the last two years tearing down everything that Trump accomplished, isn't it odd that he would embrace the USMCA? It isn't odd when one realizes that the USMCA could lead to a regional superstate. Obrador

even suggested a Union of Americas that integrates all of North, Central, and South America, as well as the Caribbean Islands.

If the globalists get this type of control, then food scarcity will become the norm. Socialist/Marxist/Communist central planning always leads down this path, and balancing the needs of the Earth on some sort of sustainability scale means fewer humans on the planet. This type of absolute authority will only beget absolute corruption. Hunger can be quite an effective tool to convince nations to enter into international agreements, since the argument will be that individual countries cannot fix this themselves, but the whole of the global community collectively can (the same argument made during the Covid "crisis").

Do you like to eat, indeed. Do you like your God-given rights, liberty, and freedom, too? All will be gone under world government. The war on farmers is just a part of a larger battle.

The John Birch Society, this magazine's parent organization, has battled this globalist war since 1958. What have we accomplished? Much! Our booklet "Birch'n: How The John Birch Society Keeps America Free" (see inside front cover) offers a glimpse, detailing how the Society's plan of organizing America's grassroots to educate the electorate has saved America's sovereignty, independence, and individual rights more than once.

It's this plan of action that we invite all readers to join to help stop the advancement of this extremist agenda. Our opponents are organized, which is why their agenda becomes a priority in most countries. To stop such an organized movement, lovers of freedom and independence must also be organized. The John Birch Society stands ready to help readers offer solutions to the problems presented in the pages of this magazine. Simply start at [JBS.org](http://JBS.org). ■

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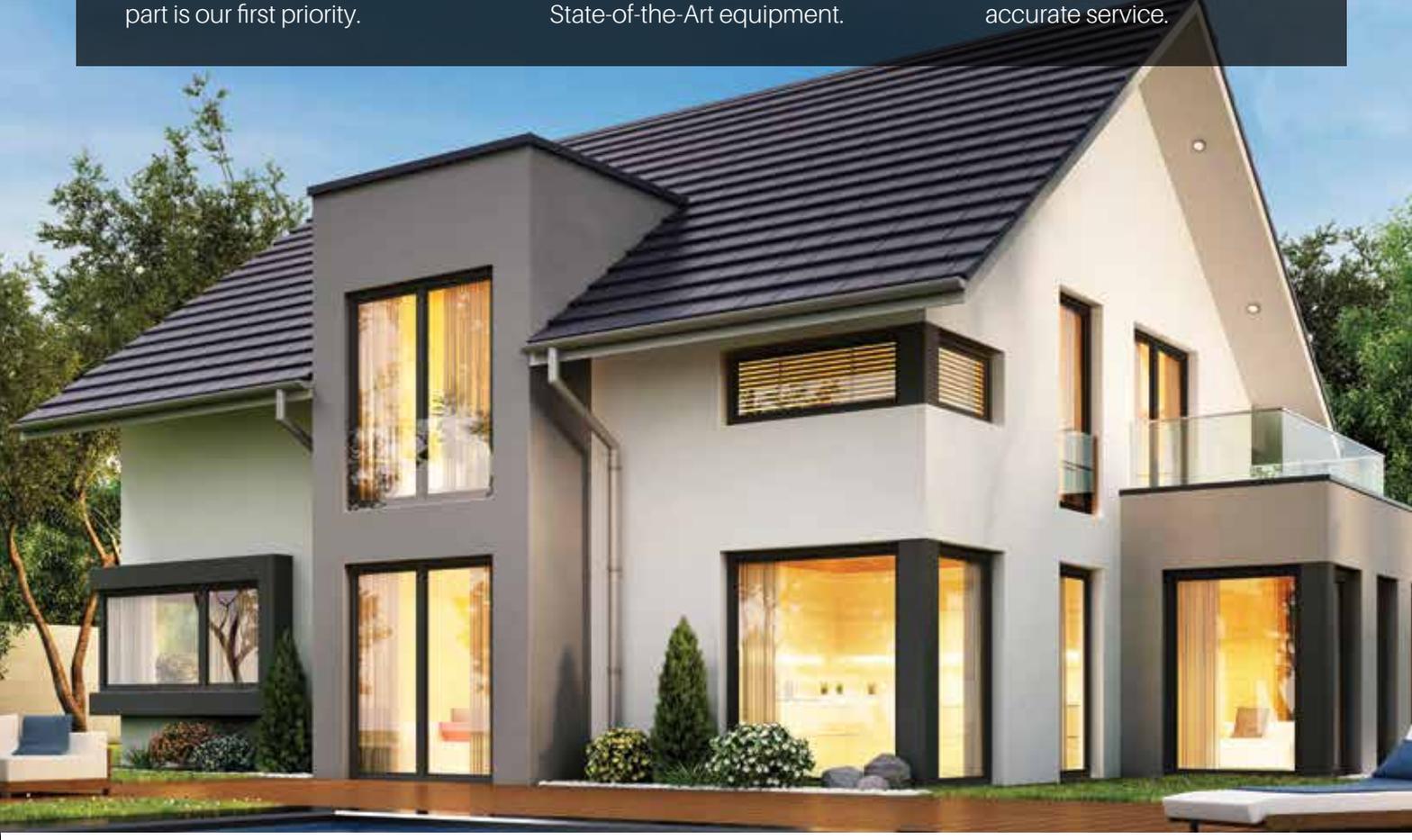
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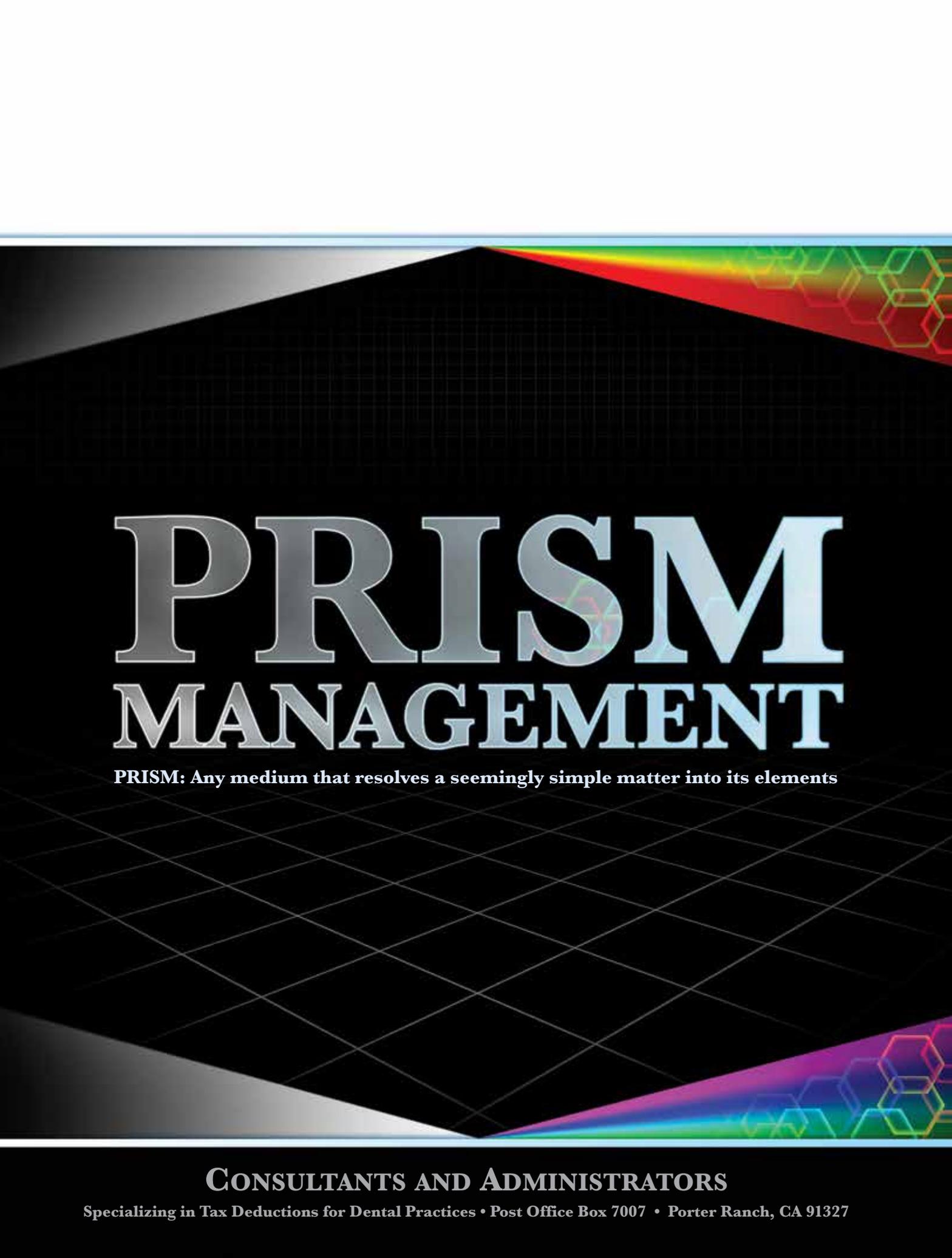


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