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Title: Do Democrats Want to Build Back Better, or Do They Want a Coup?

Topic: In a recent article, the brilliant commentator Victor David Hanson asks, "What is behind recent pessimistic appraisals of democracy's future from Hillary Clinton, Adam Schiff, Brian Williams, and other elite intellectuals and media personalities?" His answer to this question is "that the left expects to lose power over the next two years." Perhaps - but on the other hand, maybe the leftists' "pessimistic appraisals" are more of a verbal ploy to suggest they are concerned about democracy when in actuality they are participating in an attempt to enact a coup against democracy, against our beloved republic. Declining poll numbers will affect only those old-fashioned Democrats who still believe in the relevance of the vote. By E. Jeffrey Ludwig via American Thinker

Title: Navy Servicemembers Seeking COVID-19 Vaccine Mandate Religious Exemptions Handed Favorable Ruling

Topic: A federal judge in Texas granted 35 Navy service members' court motion challenging the Pentagon's COVID-19 vaccine mandate with religious exemptions Monday. Mike Berry, who is representing the Navy SEALs on behalf of First Liberty Institute, told the Daily Caller News Foundation that the ruling is a win for religious freedom. He

added: "If religious freedom means anything, it must mean that those who are sworn to protect our freedoms should not be forced to lose those very same freedoms." In his decision to grant the preliminary injunction, Judge Reed O'Connor of the Northern District of Texas called the Navy's 6-phase, 50-step religious accommodation process "theater." "The Navy has not granted a religious exemption to any vaccine in recent memory," O'Connor stated. "It merely rubber stamps each denial." By Jennie Taer via dailycaller.com

Title: Federal Court Hands Victory To Opponents Of Vaccine Mandates

Topic: Head Start employees will not be required to get a COVID-19 vaccine to keep their job, according to a federal court ruling Saturday. A federal district court handed a victory to the 24 states who sued them over the requirement that Head Start employees get a COVID-19 vaccine. Judge Terry Doughty said the move by President Joe Biden unlawfully bypassed the powers of Congress. The rule required universal masking for Head Start children two years and older, and it mandated that all staffers, contractors and volunteers be vaccinated against COVID-19 by Jan. 31. Head Start includes preschool programs for 3 and 4 year old children, while Early Head Start programs are for infants, toddlers and pregnant women to "promote the school readiness of children ages birth to 5 from low-income families by supporting their development in a comprehensive way," according to its website. By Kendall Tietz via dailycaller.com

Title: Study: More Than Half Of Omicron Hospitalizations Weren't Actually For COVID-19

Topic: A majority of COVID-19 hospitalizations during the South African Omicron variant wave weren't actually for the virus, a new study has

found. Sixty-three percent of patients hospitalized with COVID-19 in South Africa during the surge had "incidental" COVID-19 diagnoses, meaning they were admitted to the hospital for a separate reason and tested positive for the virus once there. Virtually every metric for hospitalized patients improved when compared to previous waves, from ICU admittance rate to death rate to average length of stay. By Dylan Housman via dailycaller.com

Title: People are dying, but not the ones you think for the reasons you think

Topic: A major American insurance company, which is in the business of accurate data about deaths, announces that Americans in the 18-64 age bracket are dying in unprecedented numbers. Davison said the increase in deaths represents "huge, huge numbers," and that it's not elderly people who are dying, but "primarily working-age people 18 to 64". "And what we saw just in third quarter, we're seeing it continue into fourth quarter, is that death rates are up 40% over what they were pre-pandemic," he said. "Just to give you an idea of how bad that is, a three-sigma or a one-in-200-year catastrophe would be 10% increase over pre-pandemic," he said. "So 40% is just unheard of." More remarkably still, these are not COVID deaths. Brian Tabor, the president of the Indiana Hospital Association, spoke about the tremendous caseload in hospitals, not from COVID, but from all sorts of other things. By Andrea Widburg va American Thinker

Title: More preliminary evidence that the vaccines have led to a spike in deaths

Topic: A recent shocking report in American Thinker suggests that life insurance payouts are considerably worse than executives expected.

Obvious question: is it an aberration or is it for real? Alas, a cursory examination suggests it may be for real. The scan of the following insurance companies confirms the initial report. For Prudential, they have had a massive 87% increase in death benefits paid comparing the third quarter of 2020 to the third quarter of 2021. Such a detailed breakdown wasn't available for New York Life, but their 2021 year to date (1 Jan to 30 Sept) death benefit payout is up by 27%. Examining Pacific Life documents identifies multiple units. for Pacific Life the year to date claims are up by only 12%. but for a subsidiary, Pacific Life and Annuity, claims are up by over 80%. This is an opportunistic search; more data may be forthcoming. By Professor X via American Thinker
January 5, 2022

Title: Two brilliant doctors explain what's really going on with COVID

Topic: I've just completed a marathon of listening to 6 hours of Joe Rogan interviewing two doctors, first Peter McCullough, then Robert Malone. Both, uncensored on Gettr and Spotify, are worth your time. Listening certainly furthered my education. The two doctors collaborate and are friends, but that doesn't mean there aren't a few contradictions between them. Dr. McCullough said that Moronic (aka Omicron) is only 4 times more contagious than Alpha was, but Dr. Malone said that Omicron is much more contagious. Also, at Dr. McCullough's request, Dr. Malone corrected Dr. McCullough's statement that one can't get the virus more than once. Apparently, they've been finding that, while people that had Alpha didn't get Delta, Omicron is sufficiently different in its structure that it's infecting even those who've had COVID previously. The good news is that, symptomatically, it's still not much worse than a cold, and yeah, it will

provide antibodies that will keep you from getting COVID again or so it seems. By Terry Paulding via American Thinker

Title: Seven Hours In January Was Not Seven Days in May

Topic: As the Congressional Select Committee winds its way to its pre-ordained conclusion that what happened at the Capitol last year was an attempt by former President Trump, every elected Republican, anyone who has ever worn a red (MAGA-emblazoned or not), and everyone who has ever stayed at a hotel to overthrow the government, it should be noted -- quite clearly and succinctly -- that seven hours in January was not Seven Days in May. Despite the endless, tedious and inaccurate anniversary media coverage - all delivered with a joyously smirking "kid in a candy store" tenor -- has been claiming, the January 6 riot had all (maybe really only some) of the hallmarks of, well, a riot and none of the indicators of an actual "insurrection," let alone an attempted coup d'etat. By Thomas Buckley via American Thinker

January 6, 2022

Title: There Was no Insurrection But There Was A Coup

Topic: The debate is over. After a year spent investigating claims of election fraud, the media has determined that any fraud in the 2020 election was too insignificant to have changed the outcome and Joe Biden legitimately won. Now we can get to our normal lives, or whatever passes for normal now...except that's fiction. In 44 BC, roman Senators murdered Caesar, claiming they acted to protect the Republic. In fact, they simply sought power. Their coup d'etat put the final nail in the coffin of a republic that had been dead in deed, if not name, for

decades. Coup d'etats differ from revolutions in that they're generally orchestrated by or include people within government who seize power - often by narrowly using or just threatening violence - resulting in a rapid transition of power. Revolutions are often longer affairs that include much of a country's population and exponentially more bloodshed. By Vince Coyner via American Thinker

Title: What happened to Ted Cruz?

Topic: I know from the volume of email I've received on it that Ted Cruz's comments on January 6, 2021, calling it "a violent terrorist attack on the Capitol" have outraged many conservatives. Ted was once the darling of intellectually inclined conservatives, but I think the bloom is now off that rose. Tucker Carlson used video of Cruz's comments as the keystone of a segment on how Republicans are being cowardly and granting Democrats their false premises on the riot at the Capitol being an insurrection or even a "terrorist attack." As tucker put it, he was delivering talking points for Merrick Garland. By Thomas Lifson

Title: Riddle: What Do Rocks and Cans of Beer Have To Do With the Left?

Topic: My son told me about an outdoor country-western festival he attended back in his college days. It was held in a county in which it was illegal to sell any kind of alcoholic beverages on the premises. However, right inside the entrance there sat two pick-up trucks, both of which were parked so that their back-ends(or beds) were facing the people as they poured into the festival. And both pick-up beds were loaded up. One of them was filled with rocks, along with a sign that read, "ROCKS FOR SAEL. \$5.00 EACH." That seemed quite odd until you looked over at the other pick-up bed. It was filled with ice-cold

beer, along with its sign that read, "ICE-COLD BEER. WILL TRADE FOR 1 ROCK PER CAN." It seems the Left is trying to do the same thing with us. Its partisans must think of creative ways to sell the American people their agenda in roundabout ways, knowing full well they can't directly sell us those "cans of beer."

Title: Racial "Equity"

Topic: They call it the "rock" of racial equity, when it's straight up the "beer" of racism. On Biden's very first day in office, he signed an EO making "equity" mandatory throughout the federal government. He even did that in his own cabinet...and bragged about it.

Title: "Compassion" at the Border

Topic: The left has given us a disastrous and dangerous open border in the name of "compassion." Again, they can't sell us the "beer" of wide open borders to drug cartels, human traffickers, and terrorists. So, they try to sell us the "rock" of misguided compassion for illegals who tried to sneak in. Then they use that to blow up any enforcement of our laws.

Title: Selling Us Rocks

Topic: Our elites call the irresponsible and dangerous policies of Soros-backed DAs like George Gascon, who let violent criminals go free, "criminal justice reform." They pretend that the resultant crime wave just didn't happen. Our masters closed down churches and gun stores in the name of "staying safe from the pandemic" but deemed liquor stores and tattoo parlors "essential." They arrested three members of Christ Church in Moscow, Idaho (population 25,000) for ... wait for it ...singing psalms at an outdoor church service while maskless. There

were fewer than 200 people there. But the 385,000 who attended the Lollapalooza Music Festival in Chicago, mostly unmasked, went unmolested. I guess we somehow figured out the music preference of the virus.

Title: Thinking Don't Make It So

Topic: Folks, we can't allow leftists to sell us a crock to trade for a can of beer. We must continue to call them out on their deceitful narratives. Abraham Lincoln once asked a critic, "How many legs would a dog have if you counted its tail as a leg?" The man thought for a minute and then said, "Five." Lincoln replied, "No. The answer is four. Just calling a tail a leg doesn't make it a leg."

Title: "Build Back Better"

Topic: If you rummage through that pick-up truck load of rocks, you can probably find the "prize rock," which is marked "Build Back Better." It's huge, and will trade for an entire keg. Clean energy, climate responsibility, universal pre-K and free child care, expansion of Obamacare tax credits, four weeks family leave (many Dems wanted 12), and of course, asylum are all in there.

Title: Four-Star Wokeness

Topic: Biden's enablers refer to anyone in the military who disagrees with their ideology as "extremists." On February 3, Secretary of Defense Austin ordered a "stand down" for the next 60 days to discuss this "extremism." That must have had the Taliban cackling like Kamala. The 60-day period proved to be the time of the sleeping Hare as the Tortoise raced past him. The Taliban used that time to aggressively sweep across Afghanistan and take control of the country. I'll bet

"Austin jokes" became as commonplace with the Taliban as "Aggie jokes" are in Texas. By John Zmirak via stream.org

Title: Tucker Carlson: Democrats fixation on Jan. 6 reveals their midterm strategy

Topic: Today is Jan. 5th - or as it will henceforth be known to all civilized peoples around the world, Jan. 6th Eve. Tonight at midnight, just hours from now, we will begin the first of many annual remembrances of the horrifying atrocities that took place exactly one year ago at the United States Capitol. How do you commemorate something like this - a history-changing event that's horrible to think about, yet so significant in the life of the country? Body counts are the traditional measure. When the nation was wracked by unimaginable loss in years past, that's how we remember it: 40,000 casualties at Gettysburg. 2,400 lost at Pearl Harbor. Nearly 3,000 Americans dead on 9/11. But this is a new time, a different age. Those antiquated metrics won't work as we observe a moment of silence for the fallen of January 6th.

Title: Meghan McCain Says Treating Jan. 6 Like Pearl Harbor, 9/11 Is 'Totally And Logically Inappropriate'

Topic: On January 6th, there was... well, let's see, actually, there was just Ashli Babbitt. Ashli Babbitt wasn't a Union soldier, or a deckhand on the Arizona, or even a heroic fireman rushing into a collapsing office tower. She was just a Trump voter. She was unarmed. She was shot to death without warning by a Capitol Hill police officer with a documented history of reckless behavior. Ashli Babbitt was the death toll on Jan. 6. But, honestly, so what? It's not really about the numbers, is it? It's about feelings - how the survivors feel, especially

the reporters who survived. The feelings of reporters in Washington matter a great deal in America. They certainly matter a lot more than how you feel at the moment. How you feel, as you've probably realized by now, is totally irrelevant to anyone. No one cares. But the journalists of Capitol Hill? They do care. And they're upset. Many still haven't recovered from what they saw that day. Ok, we'll stop. It's way too embarrassing. We're feeling shame even making fun of it. And in fact as a political matter, the anniversary of Jan. 6th is not a joke. It's a very serious thing. Pretending that a protest was actually a failed coup is the Democratic Party's entire strategy to win this year's midterm elections. At this point, it's all they've got. Governing didn't work. That's why today, the attorney general of the United States, one of the most political men in Washington, announced the department of justice will continue to harass and arrest people that voted for Donald Trump. By Tucker Carlson via Fox News

January 7, 2022

Title: Ted Cruz goes on Tucker to try to walk back his words about January 6

Topic: On Wednesday, Tucker Carlson made most Republicans aware of the fact that Ted Cruz referred to events on January 6, 2021, as a "violent terrorist attack on the Capitol." On Thursday, Ted Cruz appeared on Tucker's show to try to walk back what he said. Tucker was brutal with him. This was a good thing because it showed that conservatives have more integrity than Democrats when it comes to calling their own side out. It also gave Cruz the chance to repent and try to fight his way back into conservatives' good graces.

Thomas Lifson wrote about Cruz's peculiar statement here. There are lots of theories as to why Cruz said what he said: Tucker called him a Merrick Garland puppet; Thomas Lifson thinks he's angling for the Supreme Court; and one friend suggested that he was trying to avoid the Democrat lynch mob, led by Marc Elias, which announced a plan to use January 6 to bar Republicans from running for Congress. Whatever Cruz's future political plans are, they're not going to happen if every conservative in America (but for the handful of NeverTrumpers who are turning into leftists) hates him. That's why, the moment Cruz heard about Tucker's show, he shot a text to Tucker, begging to be allowed on the next day's show to set the record straight. And so it was that Cruz showed up on Tucker's Thursday night show. By Andrea Widburg via American Thinker

January 8, 2022

Title: My Religious Objection to the Cult of COVID

Topic: I have sincere, deep-rooted religious, moral, and ethical objections to the notion to being compelled to take any of the experimental drugs known as "COVID-19 vaccines" (I put that in quotes because the definition of "vaccine" had to be changed last year for them to qualify as such.) I would point out, at the outset, that it is widely recognized that religion includes not just observance and practice, but also belief. Beliefs that are sincerely held about what is right or wrong are intrinsic to the individual, not to any organized religion, mainstream or otherwise. I have come to understand that these "vaccines" are false gods. They have been proven not to be safe; they have proven not to be effective. The rationale for taking them has

been revealed to be false, rendering the notion that there is a public health rationale for their forced administration to be absurd. Even the CDC now admits that they don't stop infection or transmission. They don't work. By Judah Rose via American Thinker

Title: Tucker Carlson: Why are we still talking about this?

Topic: As you may have heard, this is the anniversary of January 6th, and in commemoration of that, we have donned the official network-approved solemn anchor outfit: white shirt, muted tie, message reverence. But actually, if you take three steps back as historical events go - If we're being honest now - January 6th, barely rates as a footnote, really, not a lot happened that day. If you think about it, the presidential election was not overturned, the Capitol was not destroyed. The government wasn't toppled. No matter what you may have hear, not a single elected official was injured, thank God. Police got shoved. Unfortunately, punches were thrown. But the only person who wound up dead from violence was an unarmed protester who was shot to death without warning by a cop. None of the so-called insurrectionists had guns. When was the last time you saw an insurrection like that? By Tucker Carlson via Fox News

January 10, 2022

Title: Biden's claim that this is a pandemic of the unvaxxed took a big hit this weekend

Topic: Biden's declining brain has a phrase and he's sticking to it: COVID, he insists, is "a pandemic of the unvaccinated." However, the weekend revealed two more high-profile, heavily vaccinated people

confessing that they, too, caught COVID: Geraldo Rivera and Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez! By Andrea Widburg via American Thinker

Title: Supreme disgrace

Topic: January 7, 2022 saw panic porn-riddled disinformation peddled by Supreme Court Justices Breyer, Sotomayor, and Kagan during the OSHA and CMS vaccine mandate arguments. I unplugged from the livestream, disturbed by their commentary, believing it revealed deeper cracks in our republic's foundation than those supposedly from January 6th. By Sally Zelikovsky via American Thinker

Title: Leftist Supreme Court Justices Abandoned The Law And Made Up Facts

Topic: In Supreme Court arguments on the OSHA COVID Vaccination Mandate case, the "Wise Latina" revealed at least Sixth Degree Stupidity for all to see. One should not casually suggest that a graduate of law school who has ascended through the ranks to the highest Court in the land is stupid. But that is the inescapable conclusion her performance requires. For those who missed the demonstration of her upward failure, we must present the details. But first, we must look at the question the Supreme Court is supposedly trying to address. By Ted Noel, M.D. via American Thinker

January 11, 2022

Title: SCOTUS Justices' COVID Ignorance Illustrates Why They Should Stay in Their Lane

Topic: Aside from labeling herself an "affirmative action baby," Supreme Court Justice Sonya Sotomayor once suggested she was a "wise Latina." Given this, apropos here is a line from ancient Chinese sage Confucius: "Widsom is, when you know something, knowing that you know it; and when you do not know something, knowing that you do not know it." Sotomayor certainly failed this test during oral arguments on Friday over the Biden administration's COVID-19 "vaccine" mandates, making outlandishly incorrect claims that have brought her mockery. "We have hospitals that are almost at full capacity with people severely ill on ventilators," she stated matter-of-factly. "We have over 100,000 children, which we've never had before, in serious condition, many on ventilators." Both assertions are so distant from reality that one could wonder where the judge gets her information; even limiting oneself to just New York Times perusal shouldn't yield such profound ignorance. By Selwyn Duke via American Thinker

Title: The Democrats' January 6 observances were like a bad Academy Awards show

Topic: Yesterday, Democrats in D.C. and the mainstream media, gave themselves over completely to a look back at January 2021 and the extraordinary horrors of a riot that lasted a few hours, involved rioters had no looting, fires, community destruction, or police deaths, and saw only one death (at police hands). The whole event was like the Academy Awards. Not the long-distant Academy Awards of beautiful people celebrating movies America loved, of course. Instead, it was the modern Academy Awards, with hate-filled people ranting against Americans, making boring, stupid speeches, and getting interrupted by

badly staged musical numbers. By Andrea Widburg via American Thinker