

# Will amnesty create millions of grateful, liberal voters?

by Keith Wilkerson, managing editor

Why is Obama trying to push through immigration “reform?” There are several very important reasons. All have to do with clinging to power.

Obama has become the champion of immigration reform to boost Congressional socialists and “progressives” in the eyes of the 20-30 million illegal aliens living in America. Obama needs them to further

his socialist agenda.

A simultaneous goal is to paint conservatives as selfish racists equal to Nazis – denying poor, hard-working, deserving immigrants their own shot at the American dream.

Here is what you can expect next: *Obama will grant the illegals citizenship before the 2012 presidential election.*

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# Egyptian says Obama confided he's a Muslim

by Billy James Hargis II, publisher

Egyptian Foreign Minister Ahmed Abul Gheit said in a national news broadcast that Barack Obama quietly confirmed to him his Muslim faith.

Libya's eccentric and aging dictator Moammar Gadhafi says Obama is a Muslim.

And the Israeli press is worried. His prejudices against Israel are difficult to explain – as is his apparent

devotion to 86-year-old Saudi Arabian King Abdullah.

During an interview on Egypt's Nile-TV, Gheit said he had a one-on-one meeting with Obama, where the U.S. President told him that he was still a Muslim, the son of a Muslim father, the step-son of a Muslim stepfather, that his half brothers in Kenya are Muslims and that he is sympathetic to the Muslim agenda.

Gheit has served as the Foreign Minister of Egypt

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# Has the Supreme Court swung left?

compiled by the *Christian Crusade* staff

Although there has been little publicity about it, American religious freedom has suffered a terrible blow in a disastrous U.S. Supreme Court's decision.

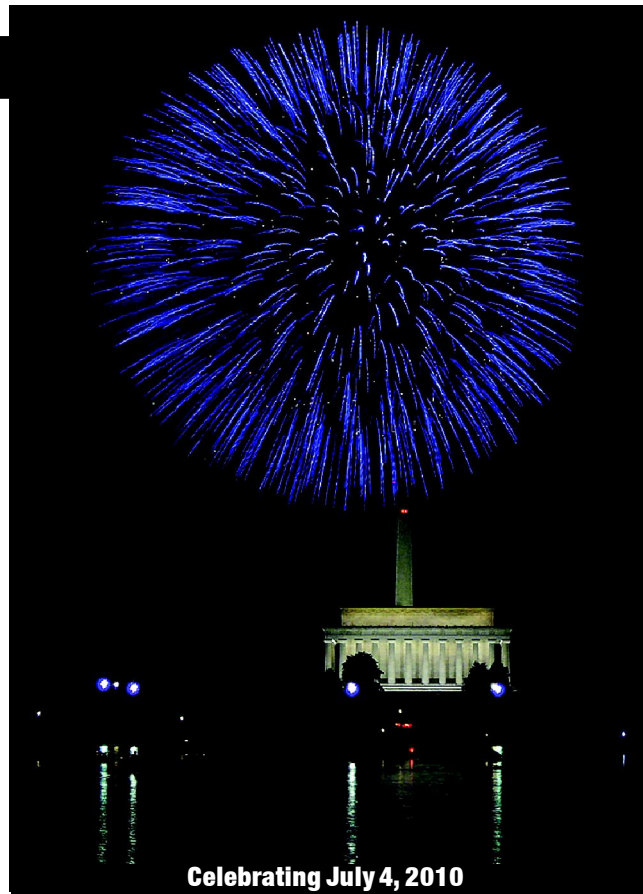
In that case, announced just as the Senate confirmation hearing for Elena Kagan's appointment to replace liberal Justice John Paul Stevens, the law school of the University of California at Hastings refused to recognize a student group, the Christian Legal Society, as an official student group.

The school had cited CLS's bylaws that require its leaders and voting members to support the group's doctrinal statement – including a statement that sexuality is reserved to the marriage relationship and that unrepentant sexual immorality makes a student ineligible to lead CLS meetings or Bible studies.

The CLS was also denied recognition for refusing to accept homosexuals into leadership.

The young law students of the CLS sued, arguing that this was a blatant violation of First Amendment rights to free expression and association. In particular, they noted that

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# U.S. Constitution obsolete, offensive, sneers publisher

compiled by the *Christian Crusade* staff

In a country dominated by lawyers, there aren't many items for sale that don't require warning labels.

Now those that do apparently include the U.S. Constitution, the Declaration of Independence and such classics as Thomas Paine's *Common Sense* and Benjamin Franklin's *Poor Richard's Almanack*.

A publisher in Radford, Virginia, that specializes in public domain books and documents, feels that its reprints of the Articles of Confederation, the Federalist

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# Why would Obama want to shut down the Internet?

compiled by the *Christian Crusade* staff

The Islamic Republic of Iran and Communist China's dictators regularly shut down the Internet to stop their people from being exposed to the truth.

Barack Obama now has that same power.

“The Internet is abuzz with news that the U.S. Senate has approved a bill that apparently gives the President authority to shut down the Internet,” reports conservative author Chuck Baldwin.

According to the usually non-political website TechWorld.com: “The Senate approved a wide-rang-

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# If we're friends, why does Russia still spy on us?

compiled by the *Christian Crusade* staff

Among the 11 alleged Russian spies recently arrested by the FBI was journalist Vicky Palaez, known primarily to Hispanics in the New York area for 20 years of well-read and virulently anti-American columns in *El Diario/La Prensa*, the largest circulation Spanish language paper in the U.S.

She's a favorite of Fidel Castro. In one of his weekly commentaries published in the Cuban press not so long ago, he quoted freely from one of her worst columns.

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# Rescuing our kids from Marx

compiled by the **Christian Crusade Newspaper** staff

This spring, a coalition of Communist groups and socialist activists gathered in San Francisco to protest.

The event was an “anti-war” rally timed to coincide with the seventh anniversary of the start of the Iraq War.

Since that war now is part of the Obama administration’s foreign policy, however, the anti-war movement seemed to have lost its focus.

So at the protest, which attracted several thousand demonstrators, a variety of issues and petty gripes seemed to have taken center stage.

Without the fake veneer of pacifism to disguise the protesters’ true feelings, one stance emerged as their unifying philosophy: Anti-Americanism.

*They hate America.*

But why? Because they have been raised hating America.

## How did that happen?

The answer, says commentator Steve Farrell, lies in years of political correctness in our schools—in which hating America, reviling our Founding Fathers as bigots and murderers, scoffing at the role of Christianity in America’s birth, and bad-mouthing capitalism is daily fare.

In the name of free speech, the liberals can preach decadence, division and doubt.

However, we cannot argue with them—no that’s “hate speech.”

You know, that’s how the Communist Party runs mainland China today.

That’s how Kim Jong-il, North Korea’s “Dear Leader,” runs his murderous dictatorship.

That’s how Iran’s corrupt Islamic mullahs enforce their rule—no opinion but theirs is tolerated... just like on America’s college campuses.

How do we stop it? How do we win back the schools in this land that we love?

“If we hope to halt, reverse and permanently alter America’s descent into the gutter of debauchery and the political tyranny that is forever its companion, education is the key,” says columnist Steve Farrell.

Those who would destroy America understand that all too well. That’s why they have seized control of what our kids are taught.

## How do we retake America’s schools?

We must wrestle back our right to determine what is being taught to our kids.

Local education must be “initiated, financed and controlled by parents,” says Farrell, “not by Karl Marx and the State nor by anyone far removed from our home, our values, our input and our right to say, ‘You’re fired!’”

Is it too late? Is there really any hope that we can we retake America’s institutions of education?

“Karl Marx, and every godless statist there ever was and is, knew the road to their tyranny was lined with schools, colleges, and universities created, funded, and controlled by the state,” writes Farrell, “and the more centralized that control the better.”

Marx also recognized the absolute ne-

cessity of an “ongoing propaganda and legal campaigns against parent-controlled models like home schools, church schools, private schools, and small locally funded-locally controlled public schools,” writes Farrell.

A classic example of what political correctness has done would be New York’s Columbia University.

“For most of the past half century, Columbia University has provided endless fodder for news outlets such as ours,” writes Malcolm A. Kline, executive director of the conservative watchdog group Accuracy in Academia.

At Columbia, he writes, “the campus left has veto power over not just the curriculum but extracurricular activities as well.

“Actually, left-wing student groups have been active at the crown of the Ivy League for about the past century. What changed is the attitude of the administration there: from indulgence to surrender.”

For the half-century from the 1900s until the end of World War II, Columbia practiced peaceful coexistence with the left, but President Nicholas Murray Butler would not hesitate to step in—to ensure that both sides of the argument were heard.

## Today, only the liberal rant is permitted

Back then, Butler defended both sides’ right to speak, remembered the late Ralph deToledano, class of ’38, and author of the autobiographical *Lament for a Generation*.

“A small episode, but pertinent in the context since it has lodged in my memory, also had its effect,” deToledano wrote. “Lionel Trilling was liked as a teacher and respected as a critic. But he took no nonsense from the Communists, was known to associate with an occasional anti-Communist, and did not hail Stalin as a latter day prophet.

“In retaliation, the Young Communist League whispered” slanderous rumors about him.

“One day, I stopped him in a corridor of Hamilton Hall and said brashly, ‘Mr. Trilling, I understand you are a Trotskyite.’”

The conservative professor “grinned, looked with mock caution in both directions, put his finger to his lips, and said, ‘Shhh,’ then tiptoed away.”

Today, there are no known conservative professors at Columbia. And there are few elsewhere in our education system.

The liberals who have wrested control of our schools adamantly battle “any and all curricula that defend or promote God, eternal truth, moral responsibility, the traditional family, limited government, the United States Constitution, the Free Enterprise System, and of course, private property,” writes Farrell.

In 1932, William Z. Foster, the founder of the Communist Party USA founder, outlined in his book *Toward Soviet America* “the elementary measures the American Soviet government will adopt to further the cultural revolution.” His target was America’s schools.

His strategy, he wrote was: “Studies will be revolutionized, being cleansed of religious, patriotic and other features of



Students flaunt a Soviet flag



“The whole capitalist system has to go!”



Speakers revile anything American

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# Why did the media ignore Al Capp's 100th birthday?

compiled by the *Christian Crusade Newspaper* staff

The 100<sup>th</sup> birthday of cartoonist Al Capp, has come and gone, ignored by the hundreds of newspapers that used to carry his satirical daily comic strip "Li'l Abner,"

In today's politically correct environment, Capp's centennial didn't rate mention since he was a conservative who mercilessly made fun of such liberal heroes as Franklin Roosevelt, Lyndon Johnson and Teddy Kennedy.

His comic strip began in 1934, when the 25-year-old cartoonist had an idea for a daily comic strip featuring hillbillies. He'd just spent several years ghostwriting "Joe Palooka," a popular strip by cartoonist Ham Fisher, who hired Capp when he ran out of ideas.

## Capp's new strip starred Li'l Abner Yokum

Abner was the simple and muscular, poor but lazy, uneducated but good-natured hero of Dogpatch. He lived with Mammy and Pappy Yokum and devoted much of his energy into avoiding matrimony with the beautiful, intelligent and industrious Daisy Mae, his devoted and faithful girlfriend. During the 1950s, Capp surrendered to pressure from the strip's millions of daily fans and let the couple marry.

Their wedding was such a national event that the happy couple made the cover of *Life* magazine.

When it debuted, Li'l Abner was picked up by only eight newspapers. However in the midst of the Great Depression, the poor but always hopeful Dogpatchers were a nationwide hit. Within three years, their daily adventures had an audience of 15 million readers. At the peak of their popularity, the strip appeared in over 500 newspapers with a combined circulation over 60 million – when the entire population of the United States was about 180 million.



Al Capp's cartoon hero, Li'l Abner

Capp created hilarious cartoon characters based on his travels in the mountains of Appalachia. "Li'l Abner" grew into one of the most imaginative, popular and well-drawn strips of the 20th century.

"It featured wildly outlandish characters, bizarre situations and equal parts suspense," writes Stefan Kanfer, in *City Journal*, one of the few national media outlets to recognize Capp's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Filled with "slapstick, irony, satire, black humor and biting social commentary, Li'l Abner is considered a classic of the genre," writes Kanfer.

## 'Yokum' was a combination of yokel and hokum

Capp apparently did not know that "Yocum" was actually a common surname in the rural Ozarks, an area that embraced the characters as and eventually hosted a theme park at a rural Arkansas town that officially changed its name from "Marble Falls" to "Dogpatch."

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# School bans Bibles on Religious Freedom Day

compiled by the *Christian Crusade Newspaper* staff

It only makes sense that on National Religious Freedom Day, school officials in Naples, Florida, would allow volunteers to pass out Bibles to high school students.

The local World Changers chapter had done it for the last two years. The rules were clear says World Changers volunteer Jerry Rutherford. The group would place Bibles on a table with a sign that the Bibles are free for anyone who wanted one. There would be no coercion or pressure to participate.

However, "the Collier County School District is not going to allow that to happen," reports Katherine Albers, writing in the *Naples Daily News*.

Superintendent Dennis Thompson denied Rutherford's request, which he made in November. Rutherford appealed to the Collier County School Board.

"This rejection is a slap in the face," he said. "The decision to deny access to community groups that are religious in nature is censorship and bias."

Rutherford reminded the board members that the U.S. District Court of Appeals has already sided with him in its Peck vs. The Upshur County School Board decision.

The August 14, 1998, case upheld a West Virginia school district's right to give out any outside materials – religious or otherwise – in a passive manner one day a year.

Rutherford noted that the district allows other community groups, like the military, to come in and pass out literature to interested students.

His group "has handed out Bibles at the schools for two years, after former School Board Attorney Richard Withers said the district must provide access to

groups wishing to pass out Bibles, subject to reasonable, non-judgmental limitations as to the time, space and place for the event to occur," writes Albers.

The Collier County School Board's policy is that the decision to allow Rutherford to pass out the Bibles is under the superintendent's purview.

Thompson would not elaborate as to why he would not allow Rutherford to pass out Bibles this year, but said the district

had received a new legal opinion and was working through it.

The decision to deny Rutherford disturbed board member Steve Donovan.

"I have moral and ethical concerns. I am disturbed by this," he said.

Rutherford said if the district was concerned about getting sued for allowing Bibles to be distributed, Liberty Counsel, an Orlando-based nonprofit litigation, education and policy organization dedicated to advancing religious freedom, had offered to defend the school district for free.

An attorney from Liberty Counsel attended the school board meeting and confirmed that offer. He also said Liberty Counsel would work to protect Rutherford's constitutional right to be treated equally.

Board Chairwoman Pat Carroll said the School Board's policy is to let Thompson make the call.

"At this point, the decision is up to him and we will stand by him," she said.

Liberty Counsel has responded by filing a lawsuit to overturn the ban. The suit notes that the school district specifically allows the distribution of literature by nonprofit organizations, but only with the approval of the superintendent and the Community Request Committee, whose members are appointed by the superintendent.

"How sad that on the eve of Independence Day," said Mathew D. Staver, Liberty Counsel founder, "when we celebrate the religious and political freedom our forefathers won for us at the cost of much blood and great sacrifice, we are compelled to sue to protect the right simply to make free Bibles available to students in public schools."

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# Will amnesty create millions of grateful new liberal voters?

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His blanket amnesty will come gradually – first with incremental measures designed to placate immigrant activists without alarming the nation, then with a fast-track to citizenship.

As a result, millions of new voters will go onto the rolls – millions of new Spanish-speaking voters convinced that conservatives are only slightly worse than the devil himself. Obama and his political allies who gave them citizenship will be heroes. Millions of grateful new voters will not forget at election time.

This scenario was recently described by union leader Eliseo Medina, an adviser to President Obama whose union's leaders are among the most frequent visitors to the White House, writes Aaron Klein of the WorldNetDaily news service.

## Here's what Medina told a Washington conference

He told activists that if “we reform the immigration laws, it puts 12 million people on the path to citizenship and eventually voters.”

Their votes will help ensure a “progressive” voting block for years to come, noted Medina.

Medina was speaking at a Washington conference for the liberal America's Future Now organization. He reminded attendees that during the 2008 presidential election, immigrants “voted overwhelmingly for progressive candidates. Barack Obama got two out of every three voters that showed up.”

He then painted a rosy picture if millions of illegal immigrants are given the right to vote.

“Can you imagine?” Medina asked attendees. “Can you imagine 8 million new voters who care about our issues and will be voting? We will be creating a governing coalition for the long term, not just for an election cycle.”

The numbers seem to change – 8 million, 12 million, 20 million. After all, nobody really seems to know how many illegals are inside U.S. borders. But the bottom line is that awarding them with citizenship – and the vote – will counteract any disorganized conservative backlash against Obama's policies.

The TEA Parties won't matter.

## The power of today's angry voters will be diluted

Millions of outsiders – non-Americans who have been indoctrinated that conservatives are their enemies and that Obama is their savior – will be put onto the voter rolls to guarantee that America is transformed permanently.

But what if they vote to merge the United States with Mexico?

Incredibly, that may be an objective, reports Glenn Spencer, who on May 25 attended a conference on how the Obama administration intends to manage the U.S.-Mexican border.

Spencer is the founder of the Arizona-based American Border Patrol, a private group founded with the stated purpose of informing Americans about the border. The group has received media attention for using small, radio-controlled aircraft and ground sensing equipment to track immigrants walking across desert sections of the border illegally, then alerting the U.S. Border Patrol.

“I was able to hear firsthand, a U.S. Army General tell us that the best way to secure our southern border was to erase it,” reports Spencer. “Brigadier General Robert Feldman's speech was a stunning proposal to integrate our military with that of Mexico to fight the drug cartels and terrorism, implying that those were the only problems we face.

“Feldman leaves no doubt that the Obama administration is working to merge the U.S. with Mexico,” reports Spencer. “It leaves no doubt that securing the border with a fence is out of the question.”

Feldman is on record repeating the Obama administration's position that trying to secure Arizona's section of the U.S.-Mexican border is a waste of time.

“President Barack Obama,” reported the Associated Press on July 1, “says America's borders are ‘just too vast’ for the immigration problem to be solved with fences and border patrols alone.

“He said that a comprehensive solution is needed, instead, urging one that holds everyone accountable, from illegal immigrants to the businesses that hire them.”

In other words, Obama is saying that there's no point in securing the border until



Eliseo Medina speaks to supporters

the impossible job of holding everybody involved in helping, hiring or housing illegal immigrants is held accountable.

That is like saying there's no point in stopping drug smugglers from bringing heroin into the United States until every street junkie, small-time drug pusher and local dope distributor has been “held accountable.”

In other words, Obama has set up an unreachable goal that he says must be accomplished before his administration will secure the U.S.-Mexican border. He knows well such a goal cannot succeed.

For anyone who has ever observed politics, this is just a stall tactic – a delaying strategy. Corrupt politicians pull such scams every day – the unscrupulous school board president, the crooked small-town mayor, the corrupt state legislator who bluster and bellow that we cannot thwart their crooked cronies until this or that political objective is met.

Obama says that before America can stop the flow of illegal immigrants into the United States or address the Mexican drug war erupting across the U.S.-Mexican border, every employer in America who has hired an undocumented worker must be held accountable.

Never mind that the border town of Juarez, just across the Rio Grande from El Paso, Texas, has become the murder and kidnapping capital of North America – or that the violence has spilled over into Texas and Arizona.

## Then Obama blamed Republicans

“Obama said the reality is, Republican support is needed to arrive at such a solution,” reported the Associated Press. “Right now, GOP support is not forthcoming in an election year.”

Ah, there it is – blame conservatives for a problem that he himself has made far worse.

“In his first major speech on immigration as president, Obama also spoke to the need to reform the system of legal immigration. That's a welcome message to advocates who contend too much emphasis has been placed on enforcing laws against illegal immigrants even as eligible citizenship applicants languish.

“Obama blamed immigration policy gridlock on ‘political posturing and special interest wrangling.’”

Masterful! Impossible goals must be met before the border can be secured! Remember that Obama is basically just a corrupt Chicago wheeler-dealer whose sole objective is hanging onto power and enriching those around him. The Daley political machine has run Chicago for decades using backroom deals with unions and such politicians as deposed Illinois Governor Rod Blagojevich – who got caught trying to sell Obama's vacated Senate seat to the highest bidder.

In this case, Obama cares nothing about saving or preserving this nation. Never mind the risk of making voters out of non-citizens here illegally, who don't speak English or share our heritage, history or traditions.

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Obama doesn't care that Mexico allows them to keep their Mexican citizenship and vote in Mexican elections – even if they take the U.S. citizenship pledge to renounce their former loyalties.

## No, Obama has no concern that this nation could be destroyed

No, he can insert millions of new voters into American politics – keeping him in office! Of course, those new voters, he believes, will hate conservatives and will vote to preserve his welfare state.

That's the ultimate strategy behind Obama's plans to make millions of Americans dependent on government handouts and free health care.

Never mind if it bankrupts the nation – Obama and his cronies will be in charge. Instead of being blamed for America's collapse, they will be in control – loudly blaming conservatives.

"In the speech," continues the Associated Press report, "Obama took Republicans to task, in particular 11 GOP senators who supported recent efforts to improve the immigration system.

"He did not name any in particular, but told his largely supportive audience at American University that those lawmakers had succumbed to the 'pressures of partisanship and election-year politics.'"

In a tactic we've seen before, one of the most partisan presidents in history accuses his opponents of the very sins of which he is so blatantly guilty.

"Seeking to rally new momentum to an issue that many advocates had hoped would be completed by this point, Obama laid out his rationale for a comprehensive approach to fixing what he and others, Republicans included, say is a broken immigration system.

"He said the problem cannot be solved 'only with fences and border patrols' but said the government should be held accountable for its responsibility to secure the border. Obama also said businesses should face consequences for knowingly employing illegal immigrants and that those who enter the country illegally should own up to their actions before they can begin the process of becoming citizens."

Of course, that won't happen. Instead millions of illegal immigrants will continue to stream across America's open borders – all potential voters.

"Reform that brings accountability to our immigration system cannot pass without Republican votes," Obama said. "That is the political and mathematical reality."

Obama recently ordered 1,200 National Guard troops to the border to boost security and asked Congress for an additional \$600 million to support personnel and improve technology there. More than 500 of those Guard troops are headed for Arizona.

However, Arizona Governor Jan Brewer says that the National Guard has been instructed not to secure the borders. Indeed, the Obama administration is suing Arizona over its attempts to enforce federal immigration law and stem the flow of illegal immigrants pouring into Arizona.

Now the Obama administration is giving more money to Mexico than they are to Arizona, complains the Arizona governor.

## Why is Obama doing all this?

Cold, calculated politics, says Dick Morris, former advisor to Bill and Hillary Clinton.

"Why is he incurring the enmity of even his own Democratic Congressmen from the Phoenix and Tucson areas by trying to kill a law that two-thirds of Arizona and a similar proportion of America as a whole supports?" asks Morris. "Obama has seized on the Arizona immigration law as a symbolic target, hoping to accomplish in a lawsuit the political task of rebuilding his base.

"For Obama to have a shot at keeping Democrats in control of Congress, he must replicate the enthusiasm of 2008 among minorities. He has to win over Hispanics – and fill them with gratitude to the liberals as well as resentment against conservatives."

Reality is that the border must be secured. Then existing laws against hiring illegals must be enforced.

However, "Democrats won't embrace this program," notes Morris, "because the unions won't let them and because they want illegals to stay here and become Democratic voters."

Indeed, Obama adviser Medina's union, the Service Employees International Union, worked overtime to elect Obama.

The union is closely linked to ACORN, the Association of Community Organi-

zations for Reform Now – which worked overtime during the 2008 election to fill voter rolls with thousands of welfare recipients and other low-income citizens who are dependent on government handouts.

When that didn't work, ACORN is accused of working to create thousands of fake voter registrations so their operatives could vote over and over for Obama.

## The goal is not to save America, but to keep Obama in office

Remember Medina's comments to the Washington conference – his comments to activists that if "we reform the immigration laws, it puts 12 million people on the path to citizenship and eventually voters."

Medina has been a top supporter of Illinois Congressman Luis Gutierrez's "Comprehensive Immigration Reform for America's Security and Prosperity" bill. It seeks amnesty for up to 12 million illegal immigrants inside the U.S.

During the presidential campaign, Medina and Gutierrez served on Obama's National Latino Advisory Council. Also on the council was Congresswoman Nydia Velazquez, D-N.Y., the co-sponsor of Gutierrez's immigration reform bill.

"Medina was a chief lobbyist credited with a change in the longstanding policy of the AFL-CIO, the largest union federation in the U.S.," writes Klein. "The union reversed its stance against illegal immigration in February 2000, instead calling for new amnesty for millions of illegals.

"Medina was honored in 2004 by Chicago's Democratic Socialists of America for his 'vital role in the AFL-CIO's reassessment of its immigration policy.' That same year, Medina became a DSA honorary chairman.

"The Democratic Socialists of America also supported Gutierrez's 1998 bid for Congress. In the mid-1990s, Gutierrez served on the board of Illinois Public Action alongside a number of Democratic Socialists of America members, including Obama health-care advisor Quentin Young."

However, Obama has not granted a blanket amnesty like the immigration activists thought he would. They have grown impatient that he is not changing America quickly enough. Millions of illegals had been told that Obama would give them citizenship shortly after taking office. When he didn't, there was anger.

"Immigration reform seemed to have slipped off Barack Obama's agenda, banished by the economy, the oil spill, and the long-range sniping of General McChrystal," writes Bryan Curtis for the Agence France Presse news service. "But the last few days brought fresh momentum. Obama twice huddled with immigration allies at the White House, and he gave a big speech on immigration. So what happened?"

## Indeed, what changed Obama's mind?

One immigration activist said he was surprised when he was invited to a White House meeting.

At that meeting, "everyone wallowed in mutual frustra-

tion," writes Klein.

"The president was upset because he wasn't getting anywhere and thought he wasn't getting much credit for the incremental steps he had taken."

Immigration advocates "were upset because of promises Obama hadn't kept; he'd pledged to begin reforming immigration law within one year of taking office.

"Spirits lifted as the meeting wore on," writes Klein. "Obama told the group he'd undertaken a review of the Department of Homeland Security they'd asked for. And unlike a similar White House confab held back in March, this time Obama came bearing a legislative strategy."

That strategy is putting millions of illegals on a fast-track to citizenship and to get them onto the voter rolls as quickly as possible, certainly before the 2012 presidential election.

Given the nation's mood, Obama is certain to be thrown out of office unless he gets foreign help – such as millions of Mexicans voting to keep him in office.

Most of his immigration speech was a smokescreen.

Its major purpose was to paint conservatives as the arch-enemy.

Bill Burton, Obama's deputy press secretary, told an Air Force One press corps that Obama "thought this was a good time to talk plainly with the American people."

Plainly, but not truthfully.

"The short-term reaction is going to be political feeding frenzy on this, particularly from the right," said Marshall Fitz, the director of immigration policy at the Center for American Progress. "Obama now has new allies on immigration. Things are fundamentally different now than they were two months ago."

A third reason to give a speech, reports Klein is because Obama "could use some good copy in the Spanish-language media." Indeed, a June Gallup survey showed Obama's popularity rating among Latinos had fallen 12 points since January.

Medina has pledged to make conservatives pay at the ballot box.

"We're going to make absolutely crystal clear who's at fault here," he said.



Arizona Governor Jan Brewer



The U.S. Supreme Court Building

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Hastings had never before withdrawn recognition from a student group that excluded some students – and that the CLS was singled out because it is Christian.

In a stunning 5-4 decision that is worrisome to many Christians, the Supreme Court found that the law school's policy did not violate the First Amendment rights of Christian Legal Society students.

## Ruling: Discrimination against Christians is OK

Justice Ruth Ginsburg, writing for the majority, stated that the college's discrimination against the Christian group was acceptable. Retiring Justice Stevens went even further, voicing his opposition to any policy involving discrimination against homosexuals.

The court's conservative justices, in a dissent written by Justice Samuel Alito, argued vigorously that, the "decision is a serious setback for freedom of expression in this country. I can only hope that this decision will turn out to be an aberration."

Alito pointed out, up through 2005, a wide range of student organizations at Hastings enforced requirements in their bylaws limiting participation to those who adopt specific beliefs:

"The record," wrote Alito, "is replete with evidence that, at least until Dean Kane unveiled the accept-all-comers policy in July 2005, Hastings routinely registered student groups with bylaws limiting membership and leadership positions to those who agreed with the groups' viewpoints."

"For example, the bylaws of the Hastings Democratic Caucus provided that 'any full-time student at Hastings may become a member of HDC so long as they do not exhibit a consistent disregard and lack of respect for the objective of the organization as stated in Article 3, Section 1.'



Chief Justice John Roberts

Hastings used its unwritten policy as a flimsy excuse to discriminate against Christian students.

In that appeal, CLS again will have a chance to challenge whether the policy was applied to other groups or just CLS.

"Because CLS is the only group in the history of the school to be de-recognized under this policy, and because it is hard to believe that any institution of higher learning would have such a policy," said the Christian Legal Society in a statement, "we argued that the policy was a mere pretext. Justice Ginsberg, writing for the Court, held that this issue was not fully heard in the lower court."

Thus CLS will have a chance to raise the question again in the lower court.

"The high court's ruling against the Christian Legal Society leaves more legal questions than answers," writes Emily Belz in *World* magazine.

## Another question is whether Kennedy is swinging over to the liberal bloc

Ruling against the Christian student group were Ginsburg, recent liberal Obama appointee Sonia Sotomayor, longstanding liberals Stephen Breyer and Stevens – plus Kennedy, who usually votes with the conservatives of the court. Disagreeing adamantly with the majority were conservatives Chief Justice John Roberts and Justices Antonin Scalia, Clarence Thomas and Samuel Alito.

"The proudest boast of our free speech jurisprudence is that we protect the freedom to express 'the thought that we hate,'" Alito wrote in the dissenting opinion. "Today's decision rests on a very different principle: no freedom for expression that offends prevailing standards of political correctness in our country's institutions of higher learning."

He argued that Hastings' policy is simply "a pretext to justify viewpoint discrimination."

CLS lawyers declared they are not discouraged and have not given up – and that the case will, indeed, resume in the lower court. Conceivably, it could then return to the Supreme Court.

"We still have very strong arguments," said Greg Baylor, one of the lawyers representing CLS in the case. "There is a path to victory."

Even so, noted Belz, "the ruling surprised CLS. In the past, when the Supreme Court has taken up a case like this from the 9th U.S.

## That's not all!

"The constitution of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America at Hastings provided that every member must 'adhere to the objectives of the Student Chapter as well as the mission of ATLA.' A student could become a member of the Vietnamese American Law Society so long as the student did not 'exhibit a consistent disregard and lack of respect for the objective of the organization,' which centers on a 'celebration of Vietnamese culture.' Silenced Right limited voting membership to students who "are committed" to the group's 'mission' of 'spreading the pro-life message.' La Raza limited voting membership to 'students of Raza background.'"

Adam Winkler is a constitutional law professor at UCLA. He says the decision is an indicator that the high court is swinging to the left.

If so, Kagan's confirmation could well be the last nail in the coffin of Christian Americans' rights.

What the Supreme Court affirmed was that the U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals' made the correct decision when it ruled that the Hastings College of Law could withdraw official recognition of the CLS purely because it required its members and leaders to sign a statement of faith and adhere to that statement in their conduct.

The student club can continue to exist, but will not receive student activity funds given to recognized student groups. Nor will it be able to use college meeting rooms or have its events listed in the school's official calendar of activities.

However, justices ordered the case be returned to the lower court, giving CLS an opportunity to prove that

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Circuit Court of Appeals, it has overturned the lower court's ruling."

## So, what has changed?

"Here, it affirmed the 9th Circuit. In another case, *Rosenberger v. University of Virginia*, the court ruled in favor of a student group publishing a religious newspaper when the university denied it funding. The same lawyer who successfully argued that 1995 case, Michael McConnell, argued the case on CLS's behalf."

Kennedy has always been the "swing vote"—switching back and forth between the liberals and the conservative.

## Is Kennedy joining the liberals?

If so, Kagan's appointment could be disastrous—and a return to the terrible days of the Earl Warren court where prayer and Bible-reading were banned from the public schools and states' rights to prohibit abortion were blocked in *Roe v. Wade*.

Oddly enough the CLS was supported by a number of liberal organizations.

"In the run-up to the oral arguments," observed Belz, "CLS found support outside the evangelical world: A libertarian gay group, a Muslim group and 14 states filed briefs in support of the Christian group."

In an astonishing editorial, the liberal *Washington Post* newspaper came out against the college. After all, under the law school's policy, atheists could take over a Christian group, male students overrun a women's group or Asian students could demand to join an African-American student group.

"The opinion solves very little," said Jordan Lorence, another of the lawyers working with CLS in the case.

Christian causes have done well in recent decisions. For example, Christians won the major case involving the Mojave Desert Memorial Cross on federal land.

However, court observers have expressed concern that since the mid-1990s, the court's conservatives have been trying to curtail Congress' regulatory authority. However this year, Chief Justice Roberts joined the court's liberals in a broad ruling upholding a federal law governing civil commitment of sex offenders.

The court also reached what are considered to be "liberal" results in cases involving property rights, immigration law, discrimination suits, and securities fraud.

"Even some of the cases most heralded by conservatives were mixed," noted

Winkler. "The majority's position in *Citizens United*, for example, was strongly supported by the quintessential liberal legal organization, the ACLU.

"Nor was the decision a harbinger of the end of campaign-finance law, as many progressives thought. In a decision announced on the final day of the term, the court, by an 8-1 vote, forcefully endorsed laws requiring disclosure of political activity.

"In the major decision endorsing gun rights," wrote Winkler, "*McDonald v. Chicago*, the court's conservatives went out of their way to say that most forms of gun control are perfectly consistent with the Second Amendment."

## Has the court really changed?

"The Brady Center might have been more happy with the decision than the NRA.

"Of course, there were many additional cases decided by the court this year, some of which had conservative outcomes. But whether you think this court remains the 'Kennedy Court,' as the *Wall Street Journal's* Supreme Court reporter Jess Bravin says, or is now finally the "Roberts Court," as Adam Liptak of the *New York Times* and Robert Barnes of the *Washington Post* conclude, one thing is clear," noted Winkler. "The court is not quite the right-wing court some people imagine it to be. Whether its Kennedy or Roberts providing the swing vote, the liberal justices won a host of important cases this past term."

## Schlafly is worried

Longtime conservative author and campaigner Phyllis Schlafly is concerned—particularly at the prospect of Kagan joining the court and perhaps persuading Kennedy and Roberts to see the liberal point of view.

"Barack Obama revealed his goal for the Supreme Court when he complained on Chicago radio station WBEZ-FM in 2001 that the Earl Warren Court wasn't 'radical' enough," writes Schlafly, "because 'it didn't break free from the essential constraints placed by the Founding Fathers in the Constitution' in order to allow 'redistribution of wealth.'"

Now that Obama is president and Kagan as his second Supreme Court nominee, writes Schlafly, it is obvious "that she is a clear and present danger to the Constitution."

So is Obama, writes Schlafly, recalling how he once wrote that a judge "is subject to no authority" except himself, and he "must sometimes depart the confines of his legal system and channel into it fundamental values not yet found in it."

"Channel?" protested Schlafly. "Does he mean he channels in a trance, as Hillary Clinton supposedly channeled discourse with the long-deceased Eleanor Roosevelt?"

"Federal law requires all educational institutions receiving federal funds to present an educational program on the U.S. Constitution on every Constitution Day, Sept. 17. Kagan thumbed her nose at Constitution Day 2007 by hiring a transnationalist to the Harvard faculty, Noah Feldman, and featuring him for two days of speeches.

"Transnationalists," notes Schlafly, "are lawyers who advocate integrating foreign and international law into the interpretation of the U.S. Constitution and laws."

In other words, they often cite decisions by European courts, using those non-U.S. cases as legal precedent. That's contrary to longstanding American practice—and is very alarming to many conservatives.

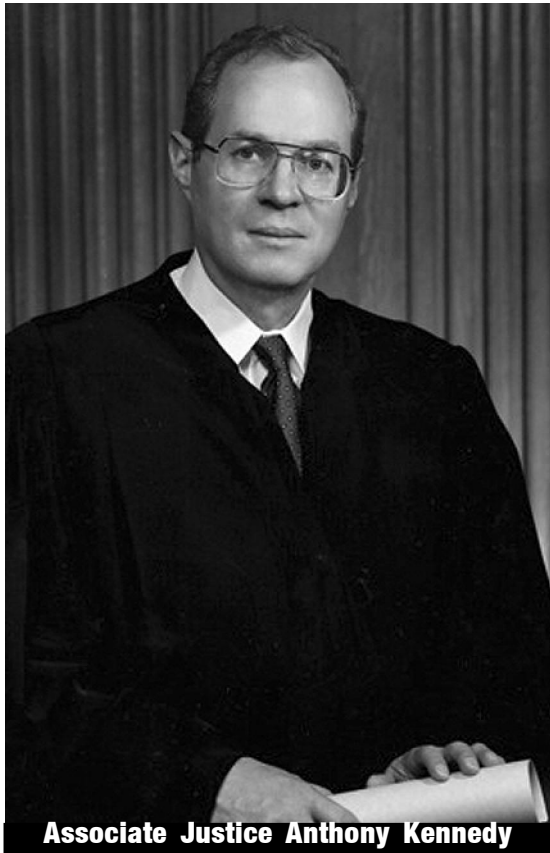
Is Kagan a transnationalist?

"Kagan's hero is also a transnationalist," notes Schlafly. In Feldman's book, *The Judge in a Democracy*, he sharply criticized the U.S. Supreme Court for failing to cite foreign law, and he praises Canada, Australia and Germany for their "enlightened democratic legal systems."

"The left is counting on Kagan to play a major role in getting the Supreme Court to uphold Obama's transformation of our exceptional private enterprise system to a socialist economy," writes Schlafly. "The *New Republic* magazine is salivating at the prospect that Kagan will reassert the discredited doctrine of the 'living Constitution.'"

Will Kagan be a dangerous force on the Supreme Court? Will she be influential on swinging Kennedy and Roberts further to the left?

Only time will tell.



Associate Justice Anthony Kennedy

# Publisher warns Constitution doesn't reflect today's values

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Papers and *The Rough Riders* by Theodore Roosevelt should come with a disclaimer.

Wilder Publications warns readers that "This book is a product of its time and does not reflect the same values as it would if it were written today."

The disclaimer goes on to tell parents that they "might wish to discuss with their children how views on race, gender, sexuality, ethnicity, and interpersonal relations have changed since this book was written before allowing them to read this classic work."

Walter Olson, senior fellow at the Cato Institute, says the company may be trying to ensure that oversensitive people don't pull its works off bookstore or library shelves.

Although warning labels are usually posted to protect a company from potential lawsuits, constitutional attorney Noel Francisco says this disclaimer has no legal benefits.

As for the idea that this warning label might help keep these works from being yanked off bookshelves, Francisco says it is more likely to have the opposite effect: people not carrying the book because it has the disclaimer.

"By putting on the warning, you're making controversial something that's not controversial: our Constitution, our Declaration of Independence," said Francisco.

In fact, news of somebody putting warning label on

the U.S. Constitution has generated a firestorm of criticism on the Internet. The warning seems to be offending more people than the documents themselves.

On the book-selling website Amazon.com, recent customer reviews of Wilder's editions of the Constitution, the Declaration of Independence, and the Articles of Confederation show an overwhelming number of people speaking out against the company's disclaimer, describing it as "insulting," "sickening" and "frankly, horrifying."

One review for Wilder's edition of the *Federalist Papers* calls for an all-out boycott of the company, sarcastically pointing out the "dangerous ideas" it's trying to protect children from probably include "limited government, checks and balances, constrained judicial review, dual sovereignty of states and federal government, and deliberative democracy."

"This is absolutely outrageous. If it wasn't already clear that there are those out there who don't respect or are actively seeking to destroy our Constitution, this makes it perfectly clear," wrote Fred C. Dobbs. "The founders knew that things change over time, and that's why they put in a provision for amendments."

"When I went to high school back in the 1970s," wrote commentator Jay Tower, "one classroom had a copy of the U.S. Constitution taped to the wall with 'VOID WHERE PROHIBITED' stamped in red on it. Is that where we're headed?"



Arizona Governor Jan Brewer

# Obama confided he's Muslim, says Egyptian official

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since July 2004 when the government of Ahmed Nazif took office. Gheit previously served as Egypt's ambassador to the United Nations. In December 2005 he served as a mediator of the Chad-Sudan conflict.

He told the Egyptian press that Obama told him that Arabs must show patience and that Obama promised that once he overcame some domestic issues, like the health-care reform, he would show the Muslim World how to deal with Israel.

## Gadhafi believes Obama is Muslim

Gadhafi at a rally marking the anniversary of President Reagan's 1986 air raid on Libya, said of Obama: "Along came a black citizen of Kenyan African origins, a Muslim, who had studied in an Islamic school in Indonesia. His name is Obama." Gadhafi's remarks, translated by the Middle East Media Research Institute, were aired on the Arab news network al-Jazeera.

Whether he is a Muslim or not doesn't matter to them, say Israeli officials—but what concerns them is his causing an abrupt change in official American attitudes toward Israel.

"Although Israeli officials publicly play down the

crisis in relations between Jerusalem and Washington," writes Israeli journalist Aviel Schneider, "privately the language is much different. Sources close to Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu describe Obama as a 'strategic catastrophe' for Israel."

At the root of the problem may be the deep influence that Saudi King Abdullah has on Obama.

Of course, there are those famous photos of Obama

bowing down to the Saudi ruler. Islamic scholars say that such a bow is appropriate for a devout Muslim since Abdullah is the guardian of the holy city of Mecca, from which Mohammed ascended into heaven.

According to the subscription-only news website Geo-

Strategy-Direct, diplomatic sources say that Obama has pledged to Saudi King Abdullah that America will do whatever it takes to ensure an Israeli withdrawal from the West Bank and Jerusalem over the next 18 months.

Abdullah apparently has convinced Obama that in

return, he can get the Taliban to end the war in Afghanistan, which would be a major foreign affairs coup for Obama.

Abdullah also has apparently convinced Obama that Israel's withdrawal to pre-1967 borders will demonstrate to the Muslim world that Abdullah is more powerful than Iran.

On June 29, Abdullah met Obama in the White House, their third meeting since Obama took office.

The sources told GeoStrategy-Direct that early in the Obama administration, Abdullah expressed opposition to U.S. arms sales to Israel.

## So sales stopped

Since then, the White House has rejected virtually every Israeli request for U.S. weapons. Obama has delayed delivery of weapons promised by George W. Bush, including attack helicopters, air transports, bunker-buster air bombs and Hellfire air-to-ground missiles.

"The king wants to have from Obama the assurance that he is going to solve the Arab-Israeli issue," said Khaled Al Maena, editor of the Saudi-owned *Arab News*.

Sources told GeoStrategy.com that Abdullah has shown impatience with Obama, prompted by Saudi concern over Iran's nuclear weapons program. They said Riyadh has been alarmed by Washington's failure to stop Teheran's ballistic missile and nuclear projects and instead pursue diplomacy with Iran.

"We see the issue in the shorter term because we are closer to the threat," Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saudi Al Faisal said. "We need an immediate resolution."

"The Saudis are terrified of Iran, but they can't bring themselves to admit that they need help," a source said. "What they would rather do is publicly show how they are using

Washington to do what Iran could never achieve—a full Israeli withdrawal to the 1967 borders without an Arab peace agreement."

Officials in the Israeli Prime Minister's Office don't know what is going on, but have spoken on condition of anonymity to Israel's top newspapers, says Schneider. They have said they view the Obama administration as a serious threat to the future of the State of Israel.

## Israel is very worried that America is abandoning them

Officially, Israel and the U.S. have a "strategic partnership that is unbreakable." However, in reality, the criticism coming out of Israel is blunt to say the least.

"President Obama and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton have drawn a clear line, supporting the Palestinian position at the expense of Israel," said one Netanyahu confidant. "It is insane, it is sick. Relations between Jerusalem and Washington are simply disastrous; the situation has never been so dangerous. This U.S. President wants to establish a Palestinian state at any price and hand them Jerusalem on a silver platter."

"Netanyahu has repeatedly distanced himself from such statements," writes Schneider. However, the concerns are there.

"Israel's relations with the U.S. are at a low point, and Obama poses a danger to Israel," wrote journalist Nahum Barnea in Israel's biggest newspaper *Yediot Ahronot*. The feeling among the Israeli public is that



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Obama is appeasing the Muslim world at the expense of Israel.

Furthermore, “General David Petraeus, the head of U.S. Central Command, said Israel’s intransigence on resolving the conflict with the Palestinians is endangering U.S. forces in Iraq and Afghanistan,” noted Schneider.

Even members of the U.S. Congress are concerned about the abrupt turnaround in U.S.-Israel relations.

## Congress worried

Three-quarters of the House of Representatives, 337 of 435 members, signed a bipartisan letter to Hillary Clinton expressing “deep concern over recent tension” between Israel and America. They urged that it be smoothed over quickly and in private.

“Obama is a real problem for Israel,” a senior official told *Yediot*. “He is Israel’s biggest strategic catastrophe.”

The newspaper also quoted another Israeli official who fears that under Obama, Washington has switched sides.

“The Obama White House is putting pressure only on Israel but does not expect anything from the Palestinians,” he said. “These American demands are unacceptable.”

Recently Netanyahu invited Nobel Prize-winning author and Holocaust survivor Elie Wiesel to his private residence in Caesaria. He urged Wiesel, who is an American citizen, to make it clear to Obama how important Jerusalem is to the Jewish people.

“The president of the World Jewish Congress has

written a letter to Obama urging him to end friction with Israel,” reports Ken Timmerman, writing for NewsMax.

That letter, written by WJC President Ronald S.

report that Obama is or ever has been a Muslim.

They cite his membership at the Rev. Jeremiah Wright’s United Church of Christ.



Gadhafi and his entourage

Lauder, “displayed anxiety over the change Obama has imposed on U.S. foreign policy,” reports Timmerman.

“Our concern grows to alarm as we consider some disturbing questions,” Lauder wrote to Obama.

Among the issues was the administration’s inclination to blame Israel for stalled Middle East peace talks, when “it is the Palestinians, not Israel, who refuse to negotiate,” Lauder stated.

## Ignoring history

“The administration’s desire to improve relations with the Muslim world is well known,” Lauder added, “but is friction with Israel part of this new strategy? Is it assumed worsening relations with Israel can improve relations with Muslims?”

“History is clear on the matter: appeasement does not work. It can achieve the opposite of what is intended.”

The growing friction between the Obama administration and Israel has begun to have an impact on American Jewish voters, who supported Obama by 78 percent in the 2008 election, according to Timmerman.

“A new McLaughlin poll released last week shows that among Jews who voted for Obama only 42 percent would vote for him again, while 46 percent would consider voting for someone else.”

Members of Israel’s Inner Security Cabinet told Timmerman they feared that Obama’s hostility toward Israel is deep-rooted.

Some have wondered if it goes back to his attending Muslim private schools in Indonesia as a child.

The White House is dismissive of any

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But why has the news media ignored the charges that Palaez is a Russian agent—planted promote amnesty for the millions of illegal aliens in America?

To quote Al Gore, to reveal that one of their own is a foreign agent is “an inconvenient truth.”

Incidentally, should you think that espionage stopped with the end of the Cold War, think again, says former CIA agent Kent Clizbe.

Russia has never quit targeting America, he says. “They infiltrated American society and planted the seeds of political correctness nearly 100 years ago. Manipulation and deception are as Russian as babushkas and vodka. The FBI’s arrests are not surprising. Neither is it surprising that their objective was more about ‘gaining influence’ in political circles rather than sole intelligence gathering.”



Obama meets with Putin

Russian political leader Vladimir Putin, notes Clizbe in an article for the Internet magazine *FrontPage*, “is a KGB operations officer—and always will be.”

Palaez was instrumental in leading the media attacks against Arizona’s new law authorizing local officials to enforce existing federal laws.

“The huge marches of this May Day condemning the pernicious anti-immigration law passed in Arizona, have shaken all of the United States,” she wrote. The Arizona statute, “resembles laws passed in Nazi Germany or South Africa in the apartheid period.”

Castro quoted that column in his weekly editorial carried in the gov-

ernment-run Cuban media. Since Castro is in such poor health, there is serious doubt that he actually writes the columns.

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# Why do we love fireworks?

compiled by the *Christian Crusade Newspaper* staff

This year, the poor economy forced the cancellation of fireworks displays all across America, in such places as Blue Springs, Missouri, and Mesa, Arizona. However, many of the biggest and best-known displays were as spectacular as ever.

But why do Americans fill the night sky with pyrotechnics annually? You can credit the nation's first vice president, John Adams, who became our second president. He was instrumental in the Continental Congress in approving the Declaration of Independence, which he signed.

But our fireworks tradition can be traced to a July 3, 1776 letter to his wife Abigail. Here is the exact text from his letter with his original spellings.

He wrote that the Fourth of July "will be the most memorable Epocha, in the History of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated, by succeeding Generations, as the great anniversary Festival. It ought to be commemorated, as the Day of Deliverance by solemn Acts of Devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with Pomp and Parade, with Shews, Games, Sports, Guns, Bells, Bonfires and Illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other from this Time forward forever more. You will think me trans-

ported with Enthusiasm but I am not. I am well aware of the Toil and Blood and Treasure, that it will cost Us to maintain this Declaration, and support and defend these States.

"Yet through all the Gloom I can see the Rays of ravishing Light and Glory. I can see that the End is more than worth all the Means. And that Posterity will triumph in that Days Transaction, even altho We should rue it, which I trust in God We shall not."

And thus began the tradition. This year, some of the nation's larger displays were trimmed a bit, said Julie Heckman, executive director of the American Pyrotechnics Association.

However, falling on a weekend actually "helped the fire-

works industry" in some places, said Philip Butler of the Grucci fireworks company. "Whenever it's a weekend Fourth of July, we will have as much as a 50 percent increase in demand."

Fireworks choreographed to patriotic music is increasingly popular, usually with radio simulcasts.

Grucci said a display at the Hickam Air Force Base and Pearl Harbor in Hawaii successfully lit up the sky with the letters "USA" while the national anthem played.

Heckman said "star-spangled spectaculars" took place as usual in New York City, Philadelphia, San



Francisco, Washington and Boston, which is known for its famous Fourth of July Boston Pops concert. Among the nation's top shows:

*Addison, Texas:* This Dallas suburb has a population of just 14,000, but tens of thousands of spectators turned out for the Kaboom Town fireworks July 3.

*Branson, Missouri:* The display at Branson Landing on Lake Taneycomo featured fountains choreographed to an outdoor concert.

*Chicago:* This event on the lakefront is considered "one of the boldest, brightest and biggest patriotic





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fireworks spectaculars of its kind,” Heckman said.

*Mount Rushmore:* The national monument hosted a pyrotechnic display that attracted 20,000 to 30,000 people, many who had to park up to three miles away.

*Stone Mountain, Georgia:* The park near Atlanta hosted big fireworks shows three nights in a row on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, combined with a laser light show.

*Nashville, Tenn.:* Fireworks on the riverfront were choreographed to live music by the Nashville Symphony.

*Oahu, Hawaii:* Fireworks lit up the sky with a tribute to the U.S. military at Hickam Air Force Base and Pearl Harbor.

“Hers is such a well-argued document,” reads his May 8 editorial, “that I do not wish to conclude this reflection without including it.”

Palaez’s article that Castro quotes goes on to accuse Arizona Governor Jan Brewer of “hate against people with an accent,” of “promoting ethnic cleansing,” and of authorizing Arizona’s police to fire upon people based on the color of their skin.

## Blatant propaganda

Pelaez was arrested with 10 others, including her husband, accused of spying for the Russian Federation. The FBI affidavit stated that she traveled to an unnamed South American country to pick up cash for fellow agents in Yonkers sent by Russian handlers and to pass on messages.

In January 2000, she was videotaped meeting with a Russian government official at a public park in Peru. There she received a bag from the official, according to one of the FBI complaints.

She and her husband, Juan Lazaro, discussed plans to pass covert messages with invisible ink to Russian officials during another trip to South America, the court documents also claim.

According to the FBI, in one 2002 trip, Pelaez returned with \$80,000 stuffed into her luggage— eight bags each containing \$10,000.

Her son, Waldo Mariscal, told the court that his mother was innocent.

“This is a farce,” he said. “We don’t know the other people.”

The FBI said it intercepted a message from Moscow to some of the defendants describing their main mission as “to search and develop ties in policy-making circles in U.S.”



## That describes Palaez well

“Vicky Pelaez has been a faithful scribe for the Castro regime’s propaganda ministry for years,” writes Humberto Fontova. “Her work appears just to the left of Fidel and Raul’s own articles.”

In a 2006 column she wrote, “Fidel Castro is already immortal!” she wrote, “He is a man who inspired and demonstrated the fertile path of truth for other leaders!”

She went on to compare him to Jesus: “We had the moments of Christ, Mohammed, Confucius, Plato, Aristotle, Descartes, Newton, Pascal, Bolivar, Marti, Che Guevara, etc. They all left the scene, yet unlike us mere mortals, they remain immortal. They were rebels like the very angels of God who did not resign themselves to a sad destiny of mere mortals but instead valiantly challenged the very heavens to steal its glory!”

“Fidel Castro,” she continued, “belongs to that glorious group of rebels! With his towering intelligence, discipline, drive, and persistence he launched his heroic struggle





KGB Agent Vladimir Putin, far left with camera, in a famous 1984 photo with Ronald Reagan

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and gained his people's support to fight for new and sovereign Cuba! But his fight is not over!"

How interesting to learn that she was on Putin's payroll.

It reminds us of the profound warnings issued from KGB defector Yuri Bezmenov back in 1984. He warned America against "cynical, egocentric people, people who can look into your eyes with angelic expression and tell you a lie."

Those are the kind of American traitors sought out by the KGB, he warned: "These are always the most recruitable — people who lack moral principles, who are either too greedy or who suffer from too much self-importance."

That description would seem to capture Pelaez perfectly, notes Fontova. Shortly after her arrest, her former colleague at *El Diario/La Prensa*, Miguel Angel Sanchez, appeared on the New York City area's Spanish-language TV show *A Mano Limpia*.

He distanced the newspaper from the alleged Russian agent, recalling that she had been suspended from the paper for plagiarism.

He also mentioned how her husband, Juan Lazaro, a Baruch College professor arrested with her, served as the official New York treasurer for the Peruvian Communist terrorist group Shining Path.

Another alleged agent arrested by the FBI, according to the *London Daily Telegraph* newspaper, was Anna Chapman, a red-haired "femme fatale," a 28-year-old New York City divorcee with a master's degree in economics and her own online real-estate



British newspaper heralds Chapman's arrest

business.

She was held without bail after prosecutors called her a "highly trained agent" and a "practiced deceiver."

## But how can this be?

After all, aren't America and Russia friends now?

According to FBI agents, Russia's covert foreign intelligence operations against America have reached Cold War levels since Vladimir Putin rose to power.

The KGB, the Soviet Union's intelligence agency, is now the Russian "SVR" and has an extensive network of undercover agents throughout America.

According to Clizbe, the Russians recognized an incredible opportunity with Obama's rise to the White House — and have taken advantage of it on a grand scale.

"After 2008, smelling weakness and sensing operational openings, the oligarchy flexed its muscles, testing Obama," observes Clizbe. "Obama babbled about 're-setting' the relationship. Putin and his minions reinvigorated covert operations. While they smiled at their 'new best friends,' a stable of covert reporters infiltrated."

## Tenacious, focused

"They are very tenacious, focused, and professional," he writes. "They never take their eye off the ball. Even when the Politburo was purging KGB officers — calling them home and putting a bullet in their neck — they still operated successfully."

With Obama's election, "Russia saw the strategic opening," says Clizbe. "Regaining her former glory as a superpower was in reach. Surely a message went out to all SVR stations: 'Our historic covert influence has borne fruit. Obama and his clique are our anti-American agents of change.'

"Reach out. Intimidate. Influence. Negotiate. Accelerate developmentals. Lend a sympathetic ear. Help them destroy their own country."

After all, notes Clizbe, "Obama was nurtured in the fertile center of Soviet covert influence: Columbia University.

The KGB file on Columbia dates back to Werner Rakov, a Soviet trade representative, who enrolled in Columbia in 1925.

Paul Massing, a "social researcher" spied for the KGB, and helped his wife, Heidi, recruit.

"Whittaker Chambers studied at Columbia before joining the Communist Party of the USA (CPUSA)," writes Clizbe. "Elizabeth Bentley did too.

"Bill Ayers earned his education degree at Columbia Teachers College.

"Cy Oggins, a hapless American agent for the KGB, shot dead in the basement of the KGB headquarters, studied at Columbia in 1920s.

"One of the Soviet's supreme covert influence agents, Dr. George S. Counts, joined the International Institute at Columbia Teachers College in 1927.

"With no background, he was hired to specialize in Russia. Immediately sent to Moscow, and provided with a highly intelligent Russian assistant, he was recruited by the KGB within a year.

"His powerful covert influence operations, guided by the Soviets, planted the seeds of anti-American political correctness that destroyed our education system.

"And young Barry Obama earned a degree there."

## What did these 2010 spies do?

According to the FBI complaint, filed by Maria Ricci, a special agent with the counterintelligence arm of the FBI, the spies:

- buried information in the ground which could later be picked up by other agents;
- hoarded up to 50,000 British pounds sterling in cash in their homes;
- met an employee of the U.S. government with regards to nuclear weapons research and other high-ranking officials;
- received money from an official associated with the Manhattan-based Permanent Mission to the United States;
- took the identities of dead Americans to help them carry out their mission;
- tried to get jobs in firms which gave them access to those who knew state secrets;
- used advanced steganography software to send encrypted messages to each other by hiding them on publicly available websites;
- used and perfected the "brush pass," a clandestine

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tine way of handing over items as one person passes another, which is known as a “flash meeting”;

- used false documents to travel into and out of the United States;
- used shortwave radios and codes to send messages to each other;
- used wireless Internet in cafes and bookshops to covertly communicate with Russian agents parked in a van close by; and
- wrote messages in invisible ink that they sent to Russian agents in South America.

The agents are also said to have been schooled in Morse code and how to cover their tracks so they left no evidence.

Targets include research projects and military equipment under development.

## Invisible ink and partying princes

Chapman is believed to have used her high-profile connections to pass American secrets on to a Russian government official every Wednesday, says *Daily Mail* reporter Daniel Bates.

She and her ten alleged co-conspirators used invisible ink, shortwave radios, steganography and wireless Internet in cafes to send coded messages back to Russia – including information on nuclear weapons.

Steganography is the art of covert communication to hide a message from a third party. It differs from cryptography, the art of writing in code to make a message unreadable by a third party. Modern steganography uses technology, such as hiding a nuclear bomb’s blueprints in a photo of a baby.

Chapman apparently also had her sights set on British Crown Prince William and his brother, Prince Harry. The United Kingdom’s MI5 spy agency said she had schemed her way into their social circle, according to the *London Sunday Mirror* newspaper.

She frequented Boujis, the nightclub haunt of the two young royals where repeated concerns have been raised about their safety. She went there with the explicit intention of meeting the princes. Officials at MI5 are urgently investigating whether any security risk was posed by Anna.

No photos have surfaced of her with the young royals.

She was one of a crowd of designer-clothes wearing women who went to the swanky West London nightclub to try to meet the princes. Amid the clubs hedonistic break-every-rule parties, it has been virtually impossible for MI5 to rule out Chapman having met one or both of them.

## British officials embarrassed

Any possibility that a Russian spy may have been in the company of princes Harry and William is extremely worrying, said a security source.

Keeping the princes fully protected in that kind of alcohol-fuelled, closed-in environment has always been a major headache.

Among the royal confidants Chapman got herself introduced to was Jake Parkinson-Smith, general manager at Boujis until he was sacked last year when he was caught with cocaine. Parkinson-Smith, who prided himself on his access to the princes, is understood to have met her several times.

Chapman was a regular at a string of other royal haunts, according to the British press, including nightclubs Movida and Tramp and Japanese restaurant Nobu.

She became friendly with wealthy London socialite Shoshana Dadoun, apparently because Dadoun has access to the princes. Anna and Shoshana dined together at the upmarket Mayfair restaurant Cipriani.

By July 2006, after two bloody brawls outside the haunt, Prince Charles reportedly banned Harry and William going to Boujis for several months. British intelligence agents nicknamed her “Agent 90-60-90” to reflect her measurements in centimeters.

She got a big break into British social circles in 2005 when she landed a job as hedge fund expert Nicholas Camilleris’ personal assistant. There, she was able to



Russian spy Sergei Tretyakov, caught in 2000

meet influential people at expensive restaurants and lavish private parties.

## She left London in 2007, moved to U.S.

Eight of the Russian espionage suspects were married couples – at least one with a child. Some of them are believed to have been operating for more than a decade, Bates says.

The arrests began when an undercover FBI agent posing as a Russian agent met with Chapman at a restaurant in New York. The agent was pretending to send the alleged spy on a mission to deliver a fake passport to another female agent, according to court



Reagan with spy Oleg Gordievsky, who defected to the U.S.

documents.

She was told that her fellow spy would greet her by asking: “Haven’t we met in California last summer?”

Chapman was supposed to reply: “No, I think it was in the Hamptons.”

Once she had handed over the passport, she was to plant a stamp on a wall map to let her handlers know she had succeeded, according to Bates.

The FBI watched her as she sat in a coffee shop in New York and used her laptop computer to, they say, communicate with a Russian agent hiding in a mini-van nearby.

“They also observed her as she went into a Verizon mobile phone shop in Brooklyn to buy a phone using the name ‘Irine Kutsov’ – giving her address as ‘99 Fake Street,’” reports Bates.

She intended to use the phone for her spying activities, the FBI says.

She and the other alleged spies have been charged with money laundering and acting as unregistered agents of a foreign government.

Ten were arrested in the U.S. and charged in American courts. An 11th man went on the run – but was arrested by police in Cyprus.

## James Bond gadgets

Among the accused were four couples living quietly in the suburbs of New York and Washington and Boston. They are believed to have married as part of their cover. At least one of the couples has a child together.

Court papers also describe a high-tech spy-to-spy communications system used by the defendants – short-range wireless communications between laptop computers.

However, Clizbe says the arrests are only the tip of the iceberg.

For almost a century, he writes, they and their predecessors have been dedicated to subverting the United States.

“They targeted the three main cultural transmitters: education/academia, the media, and Hollywood.

The anti-American messages (America is a racist, foreigner-hating, sexist imperialistic, hating culture), implanted like advertising, went viral. A KGB officer did not need to be at every meeting of radicals. The KGB chose its influence agents carefully. The message exploded across American society.

“The KGB influence agent at Columbia, Dr. Counts, created the anti-American point of view in education and academia. In his 1932 speeches ‘Dare the School Build a New Social Order,’ declared to American teachers that they needed to ‘change society.’ Counts told American teachers that they had a duty to bring about a new age of collectivism. Counts told teachers that the ‘age of individualism is dead.’

“The Russian spies today are only the tail end of Russia’s fixation on us.”

Clizbe notes that arrests of Russian spies after the collapse of the Soviet Union are not a new phenomenon. The two most prominent cases involving Russian intelligence in the past decade may have been those of Robert Hanssen, the FBI counterintelligence agent who was convicted of passing along secrets to the agency, and Sergei Tretyakov, deputy head of intelligence at Russia’s U.N. mission in 1995-2000.

Tretyakov, who defected in 2000, claimed in a 2008 book that his agents helped the Russian government steal nearly \$500 million from the U.N.’s oil-for-food program in Iraq before the fall of Saddam Hussein.

## He was ignored by the news media

Tretyakov said he oversaw an operation that helped Saddam’s regime manipulate the price of Iraqi oil sold under the program and allowed Russia to skim profits.

The Russians have not relaxed their efforts to destroy America, says one of the Cold War’s most famous defectors, Oleg Gordievsky, 71, an ex-deputy head of the KGB in London.

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Obama with Czech President Vaclav Klaus at the START negotiations

# If we are friends now, why is Russia spying on America?

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He says Russia still has as many as 50 deep-cover couples spying inside the United States.

After the arrest of the 11, the FBI says that alleged conspirators Richard and Cynthia Murphy, who lived in New Jersey, were asked to gather information about Obama's impending trip to Russia that summer.

They were also asked for the U.S. negotiating position on the START nuclear arms reduction treaty as

well as Afghanistan and the approach Washington would take in dealing with Iran's nuclear program.

They were also asked to send background on U.S. officials travelling with Obama or involved in foreign policy. Among their instructions were: "Try to outline their views and most important Obama goals, which he expects to achieve during summit in July and how does his team plan to do it, arguments, provisions, means of

persuasion to "lure" Russia into cooperation in U.S. interests."

Moscow also wanted reports "which should reflect approaches and ideas of U.S. foreign policy officials.

One intercepted message said Cynthia Murphy, "had several work-related personal meetings with" a man the court papers describe as a prominent New York-based financier active in politics. Her instructions described the man as a very interesting target and urged the defendants to "try to build up, little by little, relations."

One defendant in Massachusetts made contact in 2004 with an unidentified man who worked at a U.S. government research facility.

"He works on issues of strategic planning related to nuclear weapon development," the report said.

"The now-arrested Russian agent "had conversations with him about research programs on small yield high penetration nuclear warheads recently authorized by U.S. Congress (nuclear "bunker-buster" warheads)," according to the report.

One message back to Moscow from the defendants focused on turnover at the top level of the CIA.

Did Obama err in making the arrests public?

Journalist Philip Shenon writes that U.S. counterintelligence officers are worried that the arrest may have weakened America's ability to track Russian espionage efforts.

"The Obama administration's decision to roll up a network of low-ranking, sometimes bumbling Russian spies has left other western governments perplexed – and in a bind," writes Shenon.

A senior European diplomat based in Washington told Shenon that MI-5, the British equivalent of the FBI, fears the American arrests will serve to tip off Russian agents "who have lived among us in Europe for years and years – without much benefit to Mother Russia but some benefit to us since we know who they are."

The worry, he and other diplomats told Shenon, is that Russian espionage networks already under surveillance will attempt to go further underground – or disband – before their intentions are clear.

Memories are especially long in Britain on the issue.

British intelligence officials are still furious with their American counterparts for revealing details of an al-Qaida plot to bomb jumbo jets leaving London's Heathrow airport headed for the U.S.

British officials said that an attack was not at all imminent, and that further police surveillance could have led investigators to senior terrorist leaders.

The European diplomat in Washington, speaking on condition of anonymity, said his government was perplexed about the timing of the arrest of the alleged Russian agents in the U.S.

"Even if one or two of these so-called spies is about to leave the U.S., you have to wonder whether the arrests were worth the price," he said. "It's all faintly ridiculous."

# Rescuing our kids from Karl Marx

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the bourgeois ideology. The students will be taught on the basis of Marxian dialectical materialism, internationalism and the general ethics of the new Socialist society. Present obsolete methods of teaching will be superseded by a scientific pedagogy."

"And it has all come to pass," writes Farrell. "Religion and patriotism have been replaced with materialism, internationalism, the ethics of socialism and the scientific pedagogy."

## Can anyone doubt it? But Foster didn't stop there

"As to those 'other features of the bourgeois ideology' that were to be 'cleansed,' the traditional family topped the list.

"Recall, if you will, Marx bragged that he and his comrades would 'Abolish the family!'"

Why? Because the families pass along traditional values, such as Christianity and capitalism. So, the traditional family had to go and with it any schools where parents were in control.

"To help make this a reality," writes Farrell, "confusion as to who really pays teachers had to be created. Marx called for 'Free education for all children in public schools.' This was a ploy – the beginning of a propaganda war in favor of the

nonsense that the government, not the parents who are taxed by the government, pays the bill.

"To strengthen their nonsense, the Communists then worked unceasingly to centralize wherever and whenever possible the paymaster, curriculum, testing, teacher education and teacher licensing laws," writes Farrell.

"To help bring this about, Foster envisioned the day when all 'the schools, colleges, and universities would be coordinated and grouped under the National Department of Education.' Why? Because he recognized, as all dedicated Marxists must, the more things appear to flow from the center, the more teachers and principals will look away from parents and toward Big Brother.

"Likewise, the more parents feel disenfranchised, the more they will tend to shy away from involvement in the public school system. It's only natural. It was destined to work. It did.

"The U.S. Department of Education came into being in 1980 under President Jimmy Carter," notes Farrell. "But movement toward a fully empowered department level agency began four decades earlier under Presidents Roosevelt and Truman with the 1941 Lanham Act, the 1944 G.I. Bill, the 1946 George-Barden Act, and the 1950 Impact Aid laws.

"With federal education funds now flowing into state, county and local school

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district coffers—and with federal agencies set up and empowered to administer those funds, the Supreme Court was by 1961 ready to start playing God over parent and child.

“Classroom prayer had to go, they ruled. The rationale: ‘that which the federal government subsidizes, it has the right to control.’ The removal of prayer was followed by the removal of God from every textbook and the replacement of the Judeo-Christian ethic with the humanistic, ‘progressive’ ideology of Marx.”

Political correctness followed—the viewpoint tolerates everything and anything in the classroom—except Judeo-Christian values.

And here we are today

San Francisco’s recent rally demonstrates how effective their efforts have been. The rally was put together by a Communist/Islamist revolutionary group. The two main organizers were Richard Becker and Palestinian activist Jess Ghannam.

Vietnam War activist Daniel Ellsberg showed up too, and gave a speech about how great the anti-war protests of the ‘60s were. Some people just remain frozen in time. Ellsberg brought along with him a large contingent of SEIU labor activists to whom he had been speaking at a separate event. They gladly joined the rally, but their presence confused the issue of whether this was a protest against the current American power structure or in affirmation of it.

There were at least 13 different Communist political factions co-sponsoring the rally, including:

- Freedom Socialist Party;
- Humanist Workers for Revolutionary Socialism;
- Industrial Workers of the World, better known as “Wobblies”;
- International Bolshevik Tendency;
- International Communist League;
- Marxist-Humanists;
- Party for Socialism and Liberation;
- Revolutionary Communist Party;
- Revolutionary Workers Group;
- Socialist Action;
- Socialist Organizers, who, true to their name, were very organized; and
- World Can’t Wait, an offshoot of the Revolutionary Communist Party.

Various people paraded around with Palestinian flags. The International Solidarity Movement was on hand to recruit human shields for Hamas and Islamic Jihad.

Someone had created and put on display several upside-down flags condemning “The United Snakes of AmeriKKKa.”

These people are the kind of Americans that our public schools are turning out today.

Why aren’t they being taught history?

Do you suppose any of them know about Nikolai Bukharin? “Nikolai Bukharin is one of the leading Bolshevik theorists you never heard of,” writes Farrell. “There’s a reason for that. He believed he had a personal exemption from the boomerang effect.

“In the days leading up to the Russian Communist Revolution, Bukharin was busy promising every comrade that would listen to or read his words that a virtual heaven on earth, even a Utopia, was coming to Mother Russia.”

He was 18 years old when he first became involved. But his Communist credentials were impeccable and he knew a path to power when he saw it.

Living underground to avoid the czar’s secret police, he helped organize the National Youth Conference, which eventually became the All-Union Leninist Young Communist League, known as the “Komsomol.” In it, 14-28-year-olds were indoctrinated in Communist dogma and politics.

By age 20, he was a wanted man, a member of the illegal Moscow Committee of the Bolshevik Party. At age 23, he was arrested and sent into exile.

Author and editor

Traveling throughout Europe, he penned several Communist books and edited the newspaper *Novy Mir* or “New World” with Leon Trotsky and Alexandra Kollontai. When World War I broke out, he published a book on imperialism that won Vladimir Lenin’s praise. It was so well done that Lenin later incorporated it into his own book *Imperialism – The Highest Stage of Capitalism*.

When the czar was overthrown in 1917, 29-year-old Bukharin returned to Russia and launched into a politically active decade.

He was elected to the Central Committee of the Communist Party, then to the new Politburo.

He was made editor of the Communist Party’s official newspaper, *Pravda*. He co-authored *The ABCs of Communism* in 1920, authored *Socialism In One Country* in 1924, then in 1926 was appointed president of the Communist International or “Comintern,” responsible to spread the Communist revolution worldwide. He was only 38.

Bukharin is probably the most famous Communist you never heard of. You can be sure that the protesters in San Francisco never heard of him.

Here’s why. He was politically incorrect—and still is.

In 1917, he brashly wrote, “We asked for freedom of the press, free thought and civil liberties in the past because we were in the opposition and needed these liberties to conquer. Now that we have conquered, there is no longer any need for such civil liberties.”

However, when he saw an injustice, he thought he should speak out.

That was a mistake

In 1928, Stalin proposed to more fully collectivize the economy and put away Lenin’s less radical National Economic Plan. Bukharin believed full collectivization would impoverish the peasants, inspire resentment and lower productivity. He foolishly expressed his views in the Politburo, the party Congress and among friends.

Stalin accused him of being a capitalist, forced him to renounce his views, compelled him to resign as president of the Comintern as well as the Politburo. But that wasn’t enough.

In March 1938, Bukharin was executed. He had dared to speak out. His name and honor were expunged from the books of the revolution that he had helped deliver. They buried him in an unmarked grave with 20 others shot by firing squad that same day.

His fate is no exception for the left. It is the rule.

We have seen its tyranny in our schools

His fate “stands as a warning to all who look to socialist-leaning presidents, congressmen and judges, for rights, liberties and privileges that can only be acquired by tyrannizing your neighbor,” writes Farrell.

Will socialist change be a victory? “I think not,” writes Farrell. “I call it an illusion, a fraud, a wolf in sheep’s clothing. Just ask Nikolai Bukharin. Just ask those who bought into his liberating scheme only to have him confirm that every liberty promised was terminated.”

What should we expect here in America? “The churches will remain free to continue their services, but their special tax exemptions and other privileges will be ended. Their buildings will revert to the State. Religious schools will be abolished and organized religious training for minors prohibited.”

Is that a preposterous prediction? Here in the United States, the University of California recently began rejecting any high school credits from religious schools that teach history, literature or science from a Christian perspective.

“But what of tomorrow?” asks Farrell. “If we wish to save our kids, and our country, it’s time to reclaim the tent, kick out the camel and return the schooling of our children to the parents.”

We can take our country, he says. *We must.*

The value of a Christian education

by Peter Hammond, special to *Christian Crusade Newspaper*

A truly Christian education is invaluable. It creates respect for God, for His Word and for authority. It lays foundations of discipline, moral values and a work ethic that prepares a student for life.

Christianity is a tremendous force for education. Many of the world’s languages were first set to writing by Christian missionaries. The first book in many nations has been the Bible. Christianity has been the greatest force for promoting literacy worldwide throughout history.

Christianity revolutionized education by making it available to all classes and to both genders. Christians were the first to advocate universal education.

The very name, universities, confirms their Christian origin. Uni Veritas means “one truth.”

It was Christian scholars who established the first

universities in Paris, Oxford and Cambridge.

The greatest invention in the field of human learning, the printing press by Johannes Gutenberg, was a fruit of Christian faith.

The first book printed on Gutenberg’s press was the Bible. Education for the deaf was pioneered by Christians.

Education for the blind was pioneered by Christians. The Braille alphabet was developed by a dedicated Christian, Louis Braille, in order to enable blind people to read the Bible with their fingers.

So, why do they hate us?

Then, why are so many in education today so hostile towards Christianity? Perhaps they are ignorant of the

Christian roots of universal education for all classes and both genders—and the incomparable contribution of Christianity toward worldwide literacy, graded education and higher education.

It certainly is time that teachers, lecturers and professors took an in-depth look at the greatest teacher the world has ever known, Jesus Christ, and the greatest book ever produced, the Bible, and the Christian faith that inspired and pioneered every major branch of education.

However, education is today a battleground. Anyone who believes that education can be neutral is mistaken. Ideas have consequences. Actions flow from beliefs.

Parents are not faced with the choice between sending their children to a religious school or to a non-

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religious school. Parents must choose which religion will be taught to their children. Will it be Christianity? Islam? Humanism? Or something else?

The point is that education is inherently religious because it presents a certain perspective and selection of history, values and practices, and it prescribes a worldview.

Parents can delegate the task, but not the responsibility, for the education of their children. Children do not belong to the state. They belong to God and are entrusted by Him to parents to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, according to Ephesians 6:4.

We parents and grandparents are responsible under God to oversee the teachers and textbooks that will shape and fill our children's minds for the 15,000 hours of schooling that it takes to graduate from high school. Parents need to take an active role in the education of their young, according to Biblical principles. Furthermore, the control of education should be in the hands of parents, and the content of education must be Bible-based.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, according to Psalm 111:10.

Nearly 500 years ago, the great German Reformer Martin Luther warned: "I am much afraid that schools will prove to be wide gates to hell unless they diligently labor in explaining the Holy Scriptures, engraving them on the hearts of youth. I advise no one to place his child where the Scriptures do not reign paramount. Every institution in which men are not constantly occupied with the Word of God must become corrupt."

Today we can certainly see the truth of that. Evolution is taught as fact in our school textbooks—although whatever new and ever-changing version of the theory they print is out of date by the time the books are off the press.

I believe evolution is an attempt to abort God retroactively. Evolution destroys all meaning, purpose, direction, justice and hope in life. "You came from nothing, you are going nowhere, life is meaningless!" It says we are an accident, created by nothing. Well, Psalm 14:1 says that it is the fool who says in his heart that there is no God.

"Jesus said to him, 'I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.'" John 14:6

In today's public schools, they teach, "All religions are the same! Why do you insist that yours is the only right one? How can you be so narrow minded, bigoted and intolerant to believe that Jesus is the only way to God?"

In this decadent and immoral society, the main virtue seems to be tolerance. And the worst vice is intolerance. However, what they mean by tolerance is something very different to what tolerance used to mean. Today tolerance has gone beyond what any previous generation would have understood to acceptance and approval of deception and depravity.

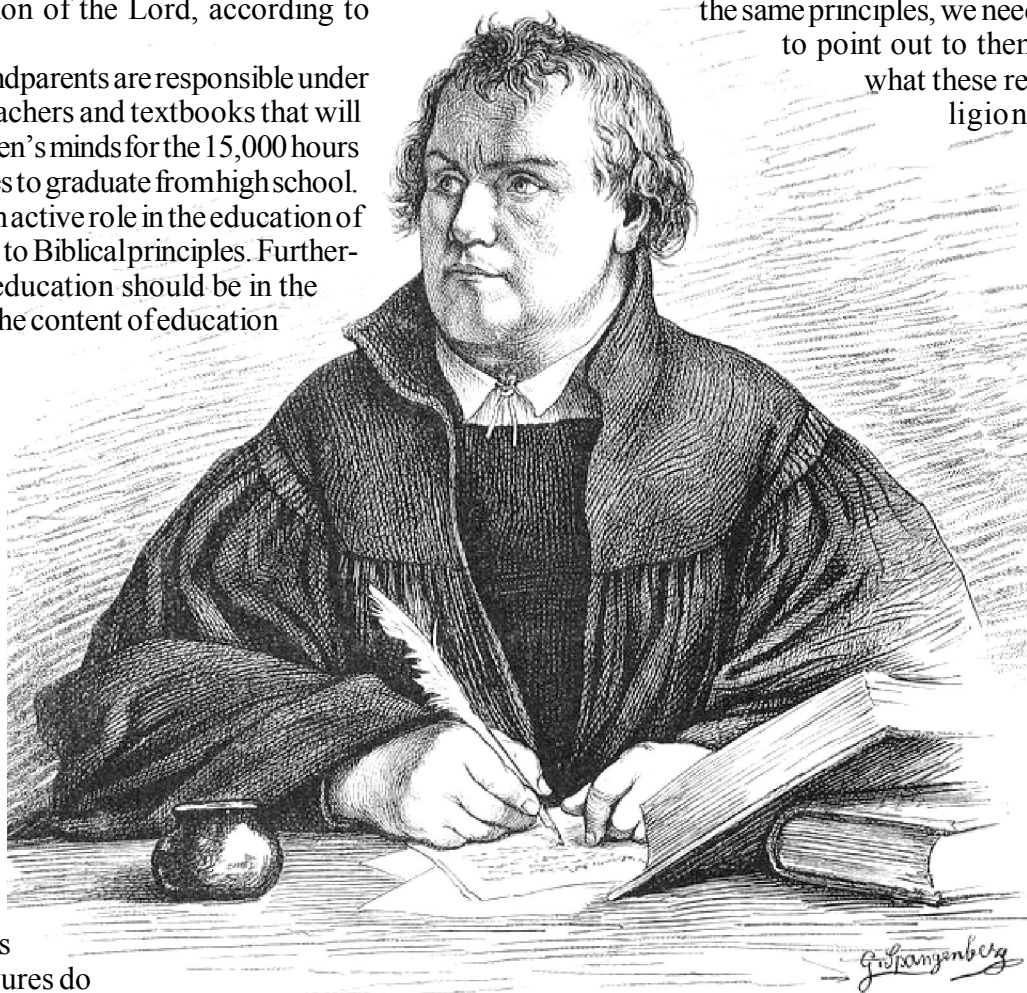
## Let's talk about tolerance

The New Age tolerance seems to come to a screeching halt when confronted with Biblical Christianity. Any Christian who dares to stand up for basic biblical beliefs is accused of intolerance! It seems a bit hypocritical of those who claim that all religions are right that they spend so much time declaring that Christianity is wrong.

And they do seem to be very intolerant of Biblical doctrine.

The Baha'i religion has formalized the New Age spirit into a religion which incorporates all other religions. The Baha'i claim that all religions are the same and they claim to follow Jesus Christ, along with Buddha, Lao-Tzu, Confucius, Muhammad, Zoroaster and whole hosts of other gurus, 'prophets' and 'holy men'.

Yet, to those who claim that all religions are the same and all religious teachers basically teach the same principles, we need to point out to them what these religions



actually do teach.

Islam teaches a strict monotheism—adamant that there is only one god. However, Hinduism is polytheistic, recognizing at least 330 million gods. So, how can monotheism and polytheism be the same?

Buddhism is pantheistic, teaching that everything is god. Confucius recognized no god. So, how can atheism equal pantheism and polytheism equal monotheism?

## They cannot!

Jesus Christ said that He came that we may have life and have it more abundantly (John 10:10). However, Hinduism and Buddhism teach that life is a great evil.

They teach that we should be seeking for an end to all personal life through Nirvana. As a drop of water falls back into the ocean and loses all individuality, so, through successive reincarnations and meditation, we should seek the cessation of personal consciousness.

Since Buddhism and Hinduism regard life as miserable, their goal is the extinguishing of life.

So, how can Christ's teaching about eternal life and abundant life be the same thing as "Nirvana?"

Then there are ethics.

What is ethical in one religion is not ethical in another. Many religions teach polygamy—that a man may have numerous wives. Christianity has always stood for monogamy: one man married to one woman for life. Christ condemned divorce. Muhammad allowed for easy and quick verbal divorces.

These two positions are incompatible.

The Apostle Paul taught: "Rather, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to demons and not to God, and I do not want you to have fellowship with demons" (1 Corinthians 10:20). In other words, some of the other religions are demonic counterfeits!

The scriptures are clear that God is not pleased with all types of religious activity. The most condemned sin throughout the Scripture is that of idolatry. Most of the religions of the world are steeped in idolatry. "Professing to be wise, they became fools and changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like corruptible man" (Romans 1:22).

Some religions teach that people are basically good. The Bible is clear that people are basically evil. Romans 3:10 and 23 teaches: "As it is written: There is none righteousness, no, not one; there is none who understands; there is none who seeks after God. For all have sinned and fall short of the Glory of God."

Jesus warned us of false prophets in Matthew 7:15, and of false teachers and false shepherds in Matthew 23. "Take heed that no one deceives you," He cautioned in Matthew 24:4.

In the book of Revelation we are told that at the end God will send an angel to bind Satan—"So that he should deceive the nations no more," according to Revelation 20:3.

## Satan is deceiving nations today

We are involved in a colossal conflict, a world war of world views.

We, as Christians believe in freedom of conscience, freedom of speech, freedom of association and freedom of worship. The Renaissance gave birth to the very concept of religious toleration. However, by tolerating the practice of other religions, we are not saying that they are equally valid or true.

The modern, New Age concept of tolerance is not what the word has historically meant.

What is the difference between the Christian God and the gods of other religions? Well, first and foremost, the God of the Bible is real. The others are not. God exists. The others are figments of the imagination and demonic deceptions.

However, the differences between Christianity and all other religions is more that the way we look at everything and everyone. It is much more than the truth about God, man, eternity and salvation. It is even more than life, both life here and now, and life in the hereafter.

The chief and most critical difference between Christianity and other religions is our understanding of the holiness of God and the seriousness of sin.

What is absolutely unique about Christianity is its central doctrine of Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

His sacrificial death on the Cross made atonement for our sins possible. It brought the redemption of His people.

Jesus Christ didn't claim to know the way, He is the Way. Jesus didn't just teach the truth, He is the Truth. He does not just have life, He is Life.

Confucius did not die for the sins of the world. He did not even believe in sin.

## Buddha didn't rise from the dead

Only Jesus Christ lived a perfect life, died an atoning death and rose from the dead. Confucius, Buddha, Muhammad and all the rest, died, are buried and have never been heard from since. However the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead is a unique fact.

All humanity is drowning in an ocean of sin. The religions of the world are throwing out swimming manuals and seeking to give the drowning instructions on how to swim. However, Jesus Christ is the Lifesaver who has plunged into the ocean to rescue the perishing, at the expense of His own life.

"Nor is there Salvation in any other, for there is no other name under Heaven given among men by which we must be saved," teaches Acts 4:12.

Is Jesus Christ your Lord and Savior? Or will He be your eternal Judge? The question is not whether you will bow to Christ, but *when* you will bow to Christ?

"Therefore, God also has highly exalted Him and

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given Him the Name which is above every name, that at the Name of Jesus every knee shall bow, of those in Heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the Glory of God the Father” (Philippians 2:9-11).

The first time, He came as the Lamb of God who took away the sins of the world.

The second time when He comes again, He will not come as a Savior, but as the King of kings and Lord of lords, a conqueror, the eternal judge.

We either bow to Him today in the day of Grace when Salvation is freely available, or we will be forced to bow to Him on the Day of Judgment, when the door of grace will be firmly closed, when all hope of forgiveness is extinguished.

Secular humanist education attempts to kill God by eradicating Him from the classroom and from the minds of the next generation.

By eliminating the Bible as the basis for all knowledge, humanists remove the very foundation of truth. They prohibit the only objective standard by which reality can be evaluated.

Malachi 2:15 tells us that God seeks that we should raise up godly offspring.

As parents and grandparents, one of our greatest desires and priorities has to be to bring up our next generation in the training and instruction of the Lord –

and to train children in the way they should go, just as Proverbs 22:6 teaches. Our prayer should be that our children will grow up to love the Lord with all their heart, with all their soul, with all their mind, and with all their strength.

I pray that they will grow to love, trust, obey, worship and serve God more consistently and effectively than I have done.

Psalm 78:4-8 teaches us that we are to tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, His power and the wonders He has done. Why? So that the next generation would know His mighty works! They in turn will tell their children. Then they will put their trust in Him and not forget His deeds. Instead, they will keep His commands. They will not be stubborn or rebellious with hearts that are disloyal and whose spirits are unfaithful to Him.

Deuteronomy 6:1-13 makes it very clear what our greatest priority must be. It must be that our children and their children fear the Lord our God as long as they live – and that they obey him so they may enjoy a long life.

We are to teach them to love the Lord our God with all their hearts – and to fear the Lord our God and serve Him only.

The education and discipleship of the next generation is given as the very first application of God’s law. It is the highest priority of God’s people. We are not merely to teach head knowledge, but a wholehearted love for

God. Wholeheartedly means with all our soul and with all of our strength. Body, mind and spirit, and in every aspect of our lives, we are to radiate and reflect our love for the Lord.

The Scripture warns us in 1 Corinthians 15:33 not to be misled, for bad company corrupts good character. Worldly friends, worldly fashions, worldly music, pagan magazines, TV, newspapers, state schools and the Internet can corrupt and conquer our children.

Exodus 23:2 tells us not to follow the crowd in doing wrong. We need to be aware of negative peer pressure and bullies. Our children need to have the spiritual backbone and the courage to stand up for their convictions and fight for the faith.

Temptations and traps of the devil surround and press in on young people today demanding their attention and allegiance, including Hollywood stars, rock idols, sports heroes, political leaders, cigarettes, alcohol, drugs, hip hop, rap, rebellion and rock and roll, gangster music, fashions and worldly friends.

Our time with our children is so limited. We need to make great efforts to protect family time. Schedule family priorities into your day. Focus on God’s priorities.

As a father I have a God-given duty to provide for and protect my children – to see that they receive Christian education – and to be an example to them.

I must train them to be God-fearing Christians who will love and serve God and spend eternity with Him.

# Why did the media ignore Al Capp’s 100th birthday?

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The Yokums lived in what would be described as “an average stone-age community” which mostly consisted of hopelessly ramshackle log cabins, pine trees, “tarnip” fields and “hawg” wallows.

“Capp filled his comic strip with an assortment of memorable characters, including Marryin’ Sam, Hairless Joe, Lonesome Polecat, Evil-Eye Fleegle, General Bullmoose, Lena the Hyena, Senator Jack S. Phogbound, Washable Jones, Nightmare Alice, Earthquake McGoon, and a cast of women like Daisy Mae, Wolf Gal, Stupefyin’ Jones and Moonbeam McSwine, who preferred the company of pigs to men,” recalls Kanfer.

## They were a part of American society

Cap’s women found their way onto the painted noses of bomber planes during World War II and the Korean War.

“Among Capp’s most popular creations were the Shmoos, creatures whose incredible usefulness and generous nature made them a threat to civilization,” writes Kanfer.

It was in the summer of 1948, that Li’l Abner ventured into the Valley of the Shmoos. There the armless, harmless, pear-shaped creatures lived and died to please humanity. Shmoos happily immolated themselves for the hungry by leaping into a frying pan. After half an hour on the heat, they tasted like chicken. If broiled, they tasted like steak. Their pelts made perfect boot leather or house timber, depending on how thick they were sliced.

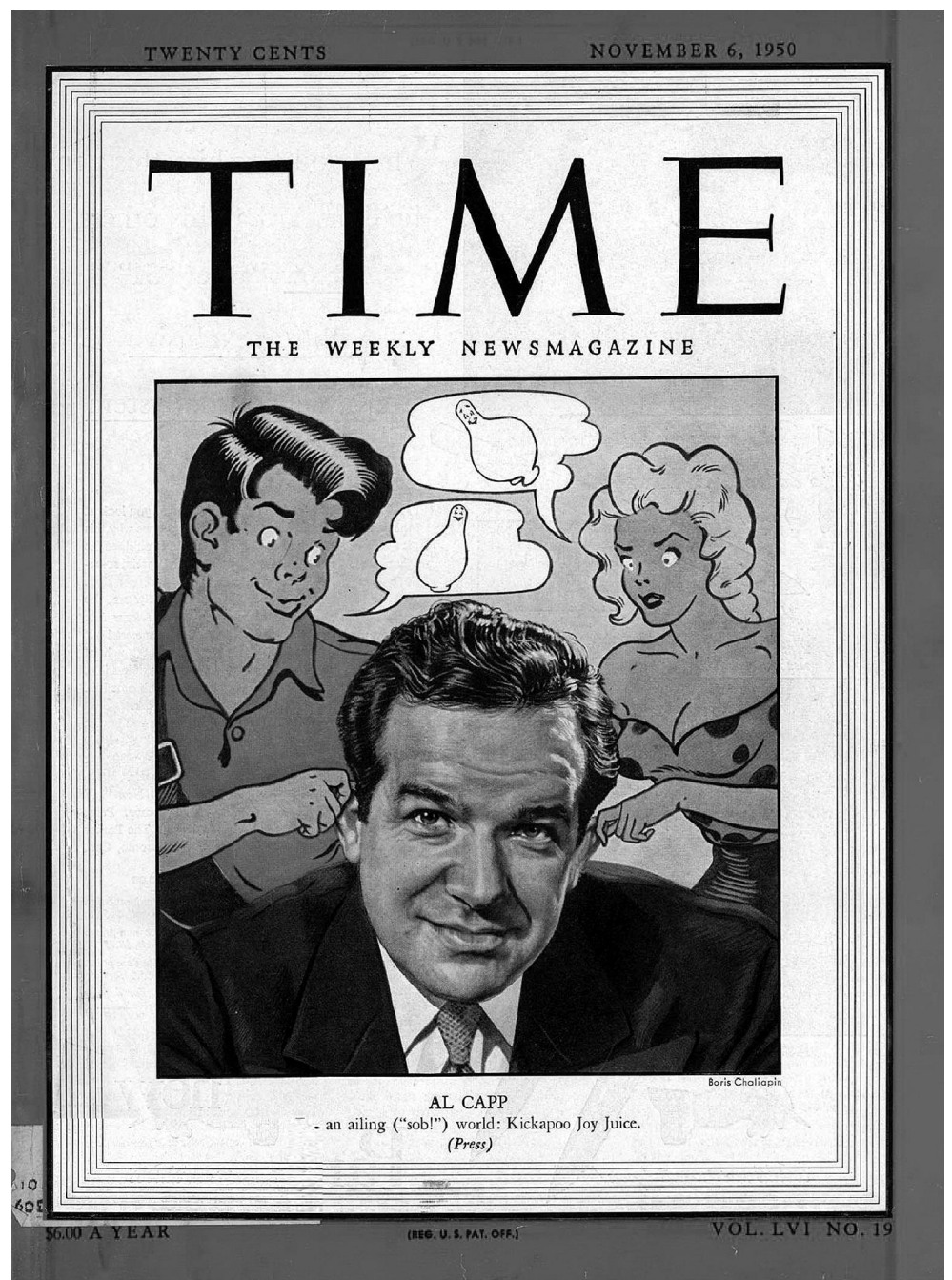
Unfortunately, the generous animals wreaked havoc on business. After all, who would pay for food or shelter when Shmoos were around?

So they were annihilated by “Shmooicide Squads” funded by J. Roaringham Fatback, the gluttonous Pork King.

The satire caught on nationally, but was denounced by liberals, remembers comic-book publisher Denis Kitchen. “They thought Capp was making fun of socialism and Marxism.”

## ‘If the Shmoo fits,’ Capp retorted, ‘wear it’

“Another famous character was Joe Btfsplk, who wanted to be a loving friend but was ‘the world’s worst jinx,’ bringing bad luck to all those nearby. Btfsplk (his name was ‘pronounced’ by simply making the rude noise of a Bronx cheer) always had an iconic dark cloud over his head.



“Dogpatch residents regularly combatted the likes of city slickers, business tycoons, government officials, and intellectuals with their homespun stupidity.

“Situations often took the characters to other destinations, including New York City, Washington, D.C., Hollywood, tropical islands, the moon, Mars and some purely fanciful worlds of Capp’s invention.

“The latter included El Passionato, Kigmyland, the Republic of Crumbumbo, Skonk Hollow, the Valley of the Shmoos, planets Pincus Number 2 and 7 and a miserable frozen wasteland known as Lower Slobbovia.”

The latter entered the American vocabulary. In his book *The American Language*, H.L. Mencken also credited Capp with inventing the terms “double whammy,” “skunk works,” “Sadie Hawkins Day,” “druthers,” “schmooze” and “nogoodnik.”

Mammy Yokum was a pipe-smoking, feisty, senior citizen who could outbox and outfox men twice her size. She and everyone else in Dogpatch avidly read the comic page misadventures of bumbling detective Fearless Fosdick, who looked remark-

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ably like the popular Dick Tracy, star of a competing comic strip written by one of Capp's arch-rivals, Chester Gould.

## But it was all in good fun

Fellow cartoonist Milton Caniff, creator of the Steve Canyon comic strip once told an interviewer that Capp was "far more an intellectual than he allowed the public to see. Li'l Abner was his joke on the dismal world around him. His humor welled-up from the melancholy pits of a strapping kid made an amputee at age nine."

Indeed, nine-year-old Alfred Gerald Caplan lost his left leg in a trolley accident that shaped a worldview that was certainly darker and more cynical than that of the average newspaper cartoonist.

"I was indignant as heck about that leg," he revealed in a November 1950 interview in *Time* magazine.

"The secret of how to live without resentment or embarrassment in a world in which I was different from everyone else was to be indifferent to that difference," Capp told *Life* magazine in 1960.

Although the comic strip ended in the 1970s, Capp's legacy lives on. In 1937 Dogpatch was the scene of the annual Sadie Hawkins Day race. Single women were allowed to chase down and marry the man of their dreams. That quickly inspired real-life girl-asks-boy dances across America and Sadie Hawkins Day became a national institution.

Capp won the National Cartoonists Society's Reuben Award in 1947 for Cartoonist of the Year and their 1979 Elzie Segar Award for his "unique and outstanding contribution to the profession of cartooning."

A voracious reader who had read all the works of Shakespeare and George Bernard Shaw by the time he turned 13, he told an interviewer that his childhood favorites were Dickens, Smollett, Mark Twain, Booth Tarkington, Robert Benchley and S. J. Perelman.

However, Capp spent five years at Bridgeport High School in Bridgeport, Connecticut, without ever receiving a diploma. In later life, he would joke about how he failed geometry for nine straight terms.

"When Li'l Abner made its debut in 1934," remembers historian Coulton Waugh, "the vast majority of comic strips were designed chiefly to amuse or thrill their readers. Capp turned that world upside-down by routinely injecting politics and social commentary into Li'l Abner. The strip was the first to regularly introduce characters and story lines having nothing to do with the nominal stars of the strip."

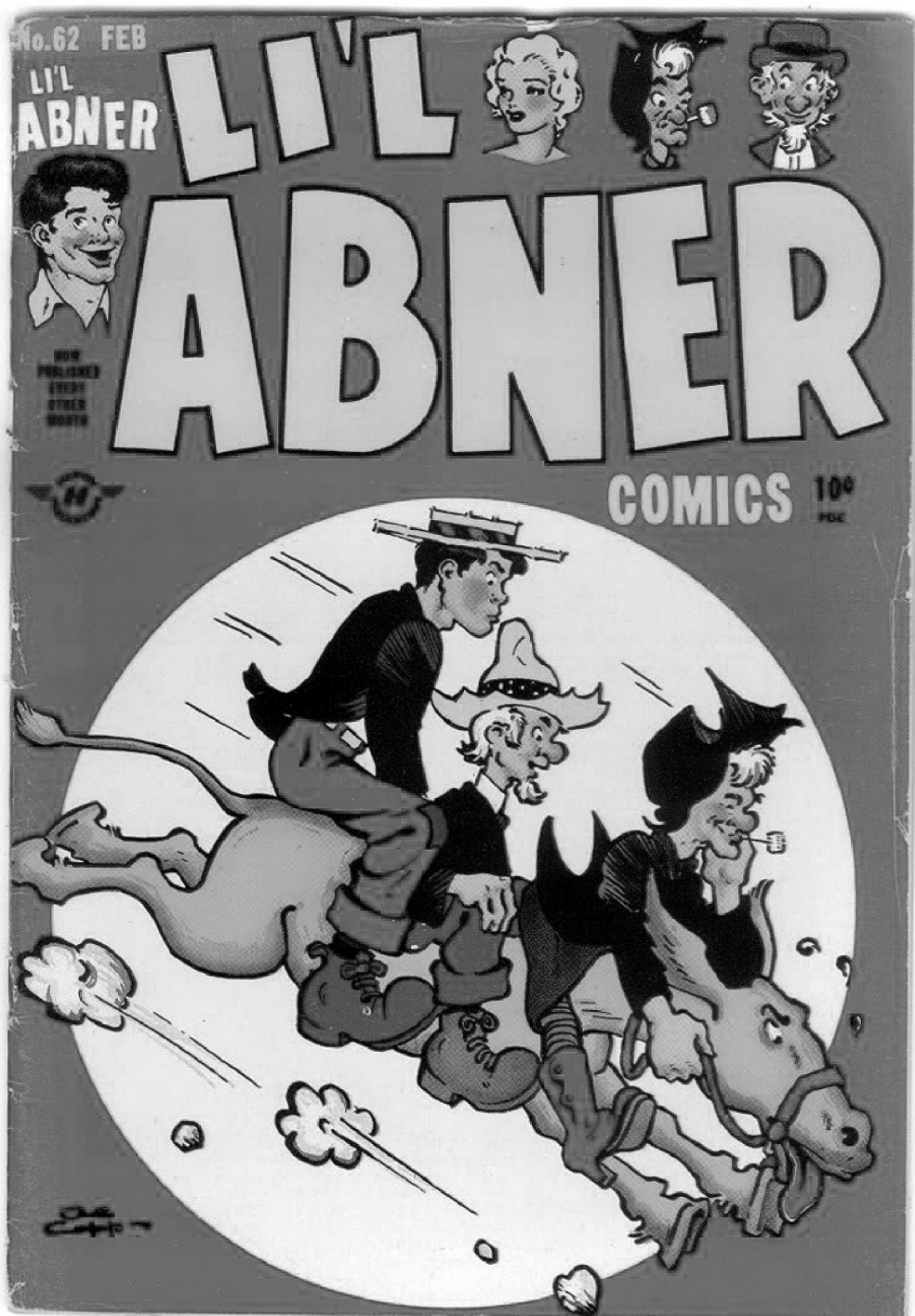
## Compared to Twain, Dostoyevski and Swift

Capp "called society absurd, not just silly," wrote Marschall in his book *America's Great Comic Strip Artists*, "human nature not simply misguided, but irredeemably and irreducibly corrupt. Unlike any other strip, and indeed unlike many other pieces of literature, Li'l Abner was more than a satire of the human condition. It was a commentary on human nature itself."

The comic strip was adapted to radio, animated cartoons, stage production, motion pictures and television. Capp was compared to such masters as Mark Twain, Dostoyevski, and Jonathan Swift

Novelist John Steinbeck called Capp "the best writer in the world" in 1953 and "earnestly recommended him for the Nobel Prize in literature," writes Marschall.

Capp made fun of everybody, including Frank Sinatra ("Hal Fascinatra") in 1944, Elvis Presley ("Hawg McCall") in 1957, Liberace ("Loverboynik") in 1956, the Beatles ("the Beasties") in 1964, Johnny Carson ("Tommy Wholesome") in 1970,



Paul Newman (Paul Newleft) in 1970 and Joan Baez ("Joanie Phoanie") in 1967.

"I remember my news syndicate was so worried about what Sinatra's reaction might be," Capp told an interviewer, "and we were all surprised when he telephoned and told me how thrilled he was with it."

During World War II, Capp worked tirelessly going to hospitals to entertain wounded servicemen, especially to cheer up recent amputees and explain to them that the loss of a limb did not mean an end to a happy and productive life.

## The covers of *Newsweek* and *Time*

In 1947, Capp earned a *Newsweek* cover story. That same year the *New Yorker's* profile on him was so long that it ran in consecutive issues.

Li'l Abner was censored for the first, but not the last time in September 1947, pulled from papers of the Scripps-Howard newspaper chain.

The controversy, as reported in *Time*, centered around Capp's portrayal of the United States Senate. According to spokesman Edward Leech of the newspaper chain, "We don't think it is good editing or sound citizenship to picture the Senate as an assemblage of freaks and crooks, boobs and undesirables."

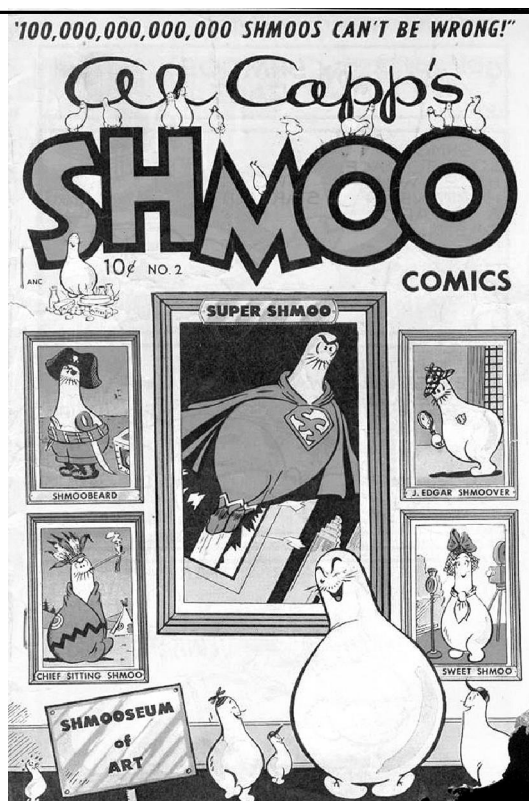
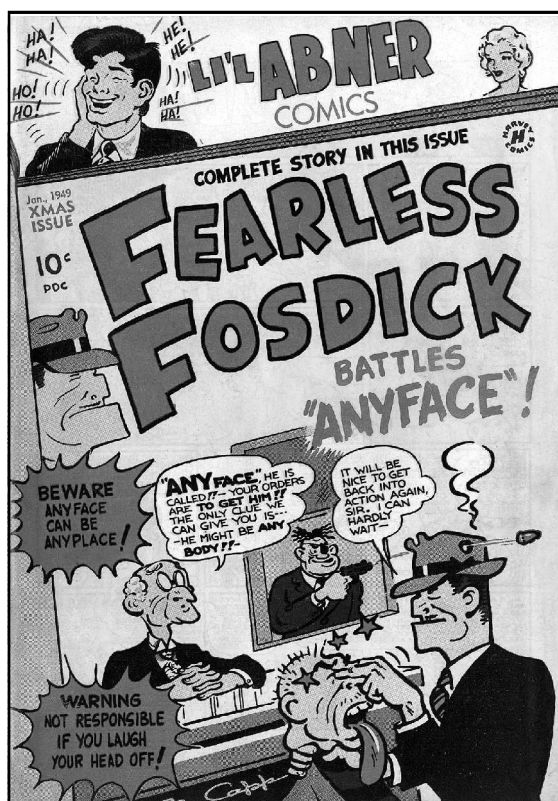
He appeared on the cover of *Time* in 1950, then on NBC's "The Tonight Show," interviewed over the years by Steve Allen, Jack Paar and Johnny Carson.

One memorable story, as recounted to Johnny Carson, was about his meeting with then-President Dwight D. Eisenhower. As Capp was ushered into the Oval Office, his prosthetic

leg suddenly collapsed into a pile of disengaged parts and hinges on the floor.

The President immediately turned to an aide and said, "Call Walter Reed Hospital," to which Capp replied, "Hey, no, just call a good local mechanic!"

He was a media favorite. He portrayed himself in a cameo role in the Bob Hope film *That Certain Feeling* and was a guest on the "Ed Sullivan Show," Sid Caesar's



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“Your Show of Shows,” “The Red Skelton Show,” “The Merv Griffin Show,” “The Mike Douglas Show,” and Ralph Edwards’ “This Is Your Life.”

## Doris Day played in reverse

Among his more memorable lines on the talk shows: “Anyone who can walk to the welfare office can walk to work,” “Abstract art is a product of the untalented, sold by the unprincipled to the utterly bewildered,” and “I have never actually seen a French New Wave movie, because of my conviction that they are all Doris Day scripts filmed backward.”

He resumed visiting war amputees in veterans hospitals during the conflicts in Korea and Vietnam. But he was contrary and contentious by nature—and a maverick politically. He was a liberal during the conservative 1950s, only to switch to being an adamant conservative during the liberal, hippie-era 1960s.

Capp became a popular public speaker on college campuses, where he reportedly relished hecklers.

He attacked militant antiwar demonstrators, both in his personal appearances and in his strip. The Youth International Party (YIP) and Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) showed up in Li'l Abner as “Students Wildly Indignant about Nearly Everything!” (SWINE).

In *Time* magazine, Capp insisted, “The students I blast are not the dissenters, but the destroyers—the less than 4 percent who lock up deans in washrooms, who burn manuscripts of unpublished books, who make pigpens and playpens of their universities.

“The remaining 96 percent detest them as heartily as I do.”

Capp’s increasingly controversial remarks at his campus speeches and during TV appearances cost him his regular spot on the Tonight Show.

The media refused to make a hero of him as a conservative.

He released a hilarious vinyl LP album in the late 1960s that featured his interaction with students at California State University in Fresno, debating hilariously with them on such topics as sensitivity training, humanitarianism and abstract art, which Capp detested.

The cover features a cartoon drawn by Capp of wildly dressed, angry hippies carrying protest signs with slogans like “End Capp Brutality,” “Abner and Daisy Mae Smoke Pot,” “Capp Is Over the Hill!!” and “If You Like Crap, You’ll Like Capp!”

The cartoonist showed up at Beatles singer’s John Lennon “Bed-In for Peace,” in Toronto, introducing himself with the words “I’m a dreadful Neanderthal fascist. How do you do?”

On the Dick Cavett Show, Capp taunted musician Frank Zappa about his long

hair, asking Zappa if he thought he was a girl. Zappa gestured toward Capp’s wooden leg and asked if he thought he was a table.

Vice President Spiro Agnew urged Capp to run in the Democratic Party Massachusetts primary in 1970 against Ted Kennedy for Kennedy’s U.S. Senate seat, but Capp ultimately declined to run.

He did, however, donate his services as a speaker at a fundraiser for Republican Congressman Jack Kemp.

“From beginning to end, Capp was acid-tongued toward the targets of his wit, intolerant of hypocrisy, and always wickedly funny,” according to biographer Don Markstein.

Capp’s final years were marked by advancing illness. He died in 1979.

However, he had so antagonized liberals that he was vilified rather than praised. Leftists complained in 1995 when Li'l Abner was honored with a United States Postal Service commemorative postage stamp.

## He loved a good debate

He had spent his final years facing down college students on campuses across the country.

“Today’s younger generation is no worse than my own,” he would begin amiably. Then came the punch line: “We were just as ignorant and repulsive as they are, but nobody listened to us.”

“When I began to mock the liberals,” he observed, “there came a deluge of hate mail which never ended.”

Al explained that the students he blasted were “not the dissenters, but the destroyers.”

In a memorial poem, novelist John Updike remembered meeting Capp in “one of those Cambridge parties where his anti-Ho politics were wrong, so wrong” to the liberals.

“The left eventually broke his heart,” wrote Updike.

“I recalled this to him,

“he looked to me, how tired

“with his peg-legged limp

“and rich man’s blue suit

“and Li'l Abner shock of hair.

“He laughed and said to me,

“‘And if the plane had crashed,

“... everyone would be so relieved!”

And so it is at his centennial that the media has yawned in disinterest. In death, he remains in exile, a sinner who broke from the leftist fold.

# Why would Obama want to silence the Internet?

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ing cyber-security bill that some critics have suggested would give the U.S. president the authority to shut down parts of the Internet.”

Are they just fear-mongering? No, according to Senator Joe Lieberman, who sponsored the bill.

“Right now China, the government, can disconnect parts of its Internet in case of war and we need to have that here, too,” Lieberman told CNN’s Candy Crowley.

China and Iran both regularly block any website that is critical of government policies. Both also cut off access to such social networking sites such as FaceBook and Twitter – since dissidents were using them to spread word of political rallies or protest marches.

In the U.S., the new law is written to establish a White House Office for Cyberspace Policy and a National Center for Cybersecurity and Communications. Both would work with private U.S. companies to create security requirements for America’s electrical power grid, for the Internet and other critical infrastructure.

“President Obama will be handed the power to shut down the Internet for at least four months without Congressional oversight,” says conservative commentator Alex Jones. “The ‘Protecting Cyberspace as a National Asset Act,’ would hand absolute power to the federal government to close down networks and block incoming Internet traffic from certain countries under a declared national emergency.”

Should we be alarmed? Yes, according to Baldwin, who says “the Center for Democracy and Technology as well as 23 other privacy and technology organizations sent letters to Lieberman and other backers of the bill expressing concerns that the legislation could be used to stifle free speech. Nevertheless, the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee approved the bill for a vote on the Senate floor.”

“Fears that the legislation is aimed at bringing the

Internet under the regulatory power of the U.S. government in an offensive against free speech,” writes Jones, “were heightened further when Lieberman revealed that the plan was to mimic Communist China’s policies of policing the web with censorship and coercion.”

“The president would need congressional approval to extend a national cyber-emergency beyond 120 days under an amendment to the legislation,” writes conservative columnist Grant Gross.

Wayne Crews, vice president for policy and director of technology studies at the Competitive Enterprise Institute, said the bill will hurt the nation’s security, not help it.

The legislation lacks any definition of just what constitutes a crisis, complains the Center for Democracy and Technology, in a letter also signed by the American Civil Liberties Union, the Electronic Frontier Foundation. The letter also raised concern that Obama would have too much power over “elements of the Internet that Americans rely on every day to engage in free speech and to access information.”

“While media and public attention is overwhelmingly focused on the BP oil spill, the establishment is quietly preparing the framework that will allow Obama to bring down a technological iron curtain,” wrote Baldwin, “that will give the government a foot in the door on seizing complete control over the Internet. My friends, if you have any love for liberty left in your heart, one thing is critical: the Internet must remain free – absolutely, totally unrestricted and free.”

Baldwin went on to call the Internet “the last bastion of free and unfiltered news and information.”

What about all the misinformation and pornography on the Internet? Increasing amounts of propaganda are showing up – such as extremist Islamic recruiting videos.

“That is the price of freedom,” said Baldwin. “The individual must be given the liberty to discern right from wrong for himself. As a Christian, I believe this is why God provided the Holy Scriptures and the Holy Spirit. And I for one do not need the federal government to try and replace either. And as far as objectionable material being available to children is concerned, this is what parents are for! Good grief! It is bad enough that the federal government has turned into Big Brother; are we going to allow it to become Big Momma and Big Daddy as well?”

Baldwin went on to say that the bill should provide “ample warning for anyone who believes that the federal government can be trusted with any authority it is granted beyond that which is rightly ascribed to it via the U.S. Constitution.

“Plus, given the propensities of the federal government these days, how long before the definition of ‘objectionable content’ includes your freedom of speech and mine? In plain language, the federal government has no business restricting anything that the Constitution does not permit it to. If we cede the authority to restrict and regulate the content of the Internet to the federal government, we are also ceding to it the power to completely shut down the Internet. And this is exactly what Lieberman’s bill does.”

Indeed, Baldwin points out that the mainstream liberal media would still be controlling the flow of information to the American people were it not for the Internet.

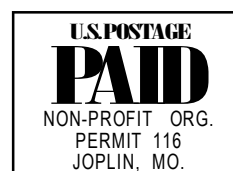
“Mark it down,” adds Baldwin. “If the federal government ever shuts down the Internet, it will be business as usual for Washington, D.C., and its fellow travelers.

“We the People will be out of business, and so will freedom. Regardless of what side of any issue you and I may come from, it is critical that the Internet remains absolutely and totally free.”



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## An Open Letter from our publisher

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### DEAR FRIEND:

We live in such dangerous, but exciting times! As I write this to you, Christian Crusade Newspaper has ventured forth into the electronic age in a new way!

This month's Newspaper is available on the Internet! If you go to [www.ChristianCrusade.com](http://www.ChristianCrusade.com), you will find not only this edition, but also the May and June editions. More editions will be available soon as well.

We have made use of technology for many years. My father, the late Dr. Billy James Hargis, learned decades ago that we could be better stewards of the Lord's money if we utilized computers.

We were one of the Christian pioneers in computerizing. For several decades we have researched, written and proofread our articles using computers. For almost a decade, we have used the Internet to transmit the newspaper to our printer rather than use the mail.

The savings have been substantial.

So now, we are taking it a step further—actually several steps further. We have not only established a website, but we are utilizing the “social media” to get the word out.

Just this week, we sent out copies of some of this month's article on “blogs,” which are electronic diaries or bulletin boards. We are also using “social media.” You can follow us now on FaceBook.

We are also using for the first time what is called “SEO” technology, which stands for “Search Engine Optimized”—and means that we are putting our articles before the eyes of people who ordinarily would not open a Christian newspaper.

Perhaps you aren't interested in technological gobbledegook—but I mention it for a reason. I want you to know that we are continuing to be good stewards! Our staff is energetically learning new ways to proclaim the truth of Jesus Christ to the millions of people out there on the World Wide Web.

My friend, if you don't understand all this computer talk, do not feel alone! I will be the first to confess that I do not understand it all myself. But that doesn't mean that I am not eager to put these modern tools to work to further the outreach of *Christian Crusade*.

Interest in this Newspaper is higher now, than in many years.

God's people yearn to be informed and to find their voice. In such a time, we must use wisdom as we continue the vision of those who went before us.

I know times are hard, but I also know the character and the strength of the people who have supported *Christian Crusade Newspaper* over the years.

In spite of falling donations, through your help God has provided for this ministry to continue, despite increased postage and printing costs.

My friend, our financial need is great. Thank you for your faithfulness and sacrifice in keeping our doors open.

Will you agree with me on this, my friend—that our Father will continue to open doors?

Will you pray and believe with me?

And then, will you ask God what He would have you to do financially to see to it that Christian Crusade may continue? God requires our service now—as never before!

Now is the time to sound the trumpet with the cry of “Charge!” ringing in our ears!

Thank you for your monthly generosity of \$5, \$15, \$25, \$35, \$50, \$100 or even more—as the Lord provides to further the outreach of *Christian Crusade Newspaper*.

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