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"It's over."

The most important words spoken by Vice President Joe Biden during his eight years in the Obama Regime came on the floor of the Senate last Friday, during the confirmation vote of Donald Trump and Mike Pence as president and vice president of the United States, based on the final certification of the Electoral College on December 19.

After numerous attempts by House Democrats to thwart the final outcome, offering objections to overthrow the decision to confirm that were never approved by Senate Democrats, Biden finally gaveled them down and said, "It's over."

If only the remainder of his party felt the same way.

On this date...

January 9, 1776 was the date Thomas Paine published his pamphlet, Common Sense, a treatise on freedom that stoked the fires of independence in the hearts of American colonists.

Paine urged them to declare their freedom from Britain, proclaiming that, "The birthday of a new world is at hand."

His influence grew as his pen emboldened the populace: "O ve that love mankind! Ye that dare oppose, not only the tyranny, but the tyrant, stand forth!" And so they did, many because of Paine's powerful document.

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The incredible shrinking political party

Disconnect desperation

Since Democrats took power of the executive and legislative branches in 2009 (they had controlled Congress since 2007) with President Barack Obama as their leader, the Democrat Party has suffered great losses across a wide spectrum of elected public offices. In an era of Obamacare forchas done an exceptional job of shrinking his own increasingly irrelevant political party, from local offices to the White House.

Eleven governorships, 13 U.S. Senate seats, 69 U.S. House seats, and over 900 state legislative seats have been lost by the Democrat Party's divorce from reality. Their hard-left turn, orchestrated by their president and headlined by his "Transformation of America" agenda, has placed these seats in the hands of the Republican Party, courtesy of the conservative Tea Party movement since 2010 and the Trump phenomenon in 2016, despite the GOP.

Jeb Bush, commenting on the deportation plans of some of his opponents during the Republican Party presidential primary election last year, joined the Democrat's mantra: "Sending 500,000 back to Mexico a month... it's not possible... and it's not repair of the damage it's done to our counembracing American values..."

Sadly, "American values" is not understood by Mr. Bush, the Democrat Party, or the Republican Party establishment in general. (Allowing law-breakers to stay in your house and rob the contents of your medicine cabinet and your refrigerator, with access to your bank account... is somehow conflated with "American values.")

Of the many disconnects with average American voters, this was HUGE. But so were over-taxation, over-regulation, control of private health care by government, and a cavalier attitude toward Islamists. Donald Trump saw the disconnects between voters and the Washington establishment at every campaign rally he attended. The Democrat Party and the Obama Regime clearly didn't.

On December 11, 2016, St. Mark's Cathedral in Cairo, seat of Egypt's Coptic Church, was attacked by Islamists; 25 Coptic Christians were killed and 35 were wounded. The Obama administration was largely noncommittal about this slaughter.

Egypt's government blamed the ousted ing businesses to downsize, its namesake Muslim Brotherhood for the attack and all indications point to them, the radical Islamist organization that has fathered virtually all existing jihadist hate groups.

> This is the same Islamist organization that is allied with Congressman Keith Ellison (D-MN), one prospective candidate for the position of chairman at the Democrat National Committee (DNC). It is also the same "brotherhood" embraced by President Obama, who has inserted over a dozen of its members and affiliates inside his administration - six in his White House and others in strategic cabinet support positions.

> An example of the Democrat Party's disconnect from reality: If Ellison achieves his goal, to head the DNC, the desperation felt in his political party will have succeeded in pushing it further to the left.

> Dissolution of the Obama Regime and try cannot come fast enough. Obstruction of Trump by elected Democrats in Congress and Obama's attempts to derail a smooth transition of power will further move Americans away from the Democrat Party.

> In eight years, Barack Obama has driven 25 million Americans out of the Middle Class in his remake of "American values," increasing dependence on government.

> Formerly "low-information" voters are learning what has been done to our country, without the assistance of Democrat Party fellow travelers living inside the Kremlin.



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In an attempt to upset a legal election, a devious political effort to delegitimize President-elect Donald Trump was concocted by the Obama Regime. Any amicable transition from one administration to another would be made as difficult as possible; Trump's election to the presidency would be tainted as illegitimate.

The political witch hunt devised by the Obama administration is unbelievably despicable. Their dishonesty is deep; it permeates every level of the bureaucracy. Every agency in the administration has been politicized. But people who discovered this, along with massive Clinton corruption, couldn't *possibly* have caused the Democrats to lose the presidential election...

DNC leaders and the administration had to assign blame (anyone but themselves) for their corrupt ineptitude: the failure to achieve electoral manipulation for Hillary Clinton. The DNC's plot to force Bernie Sanders out of the Democrat presidential primary and John Podesta's negligence in protecting his private e-mail, both exposed publicly by WikiLeaks, wasn't really their fault.

So they set up a plan to accuse a foreign power of influencing our presidential election, to throw it toward Donald Trump. The method chosen to change the outcome of an election would be cyber attacks (hacking) and, of course, the villain would be Vladimir Putin, even though Russia, and its predecessor, the Soviet Union, have been very close friends of the Democrat Party and its radically left components since long before World War II. The behind-the-curtain efforts by Senator Ted Kennedy and his agents to enlist the assistance of the Soviets to deny Ronald Reagan a second term are matters of KGB record, exposed after the USSR fell in 1989.

Since April, 2009 cyber attacks have been launched against the U.S. electrical grid; the Pentagon Joint Strike Fighter Project; NASA; the Dept. of Energy; the US Post Office; the State Dept., the DOD, the IRS and even the White House. All this "hacking" and nothing was done to stop it by the Obama Regime for nearly eight years.

But the Russians don't need to derail an election; just ask Benjamin Netanyahu.



Celebrating ignorance

Fame for fools

The tweet sent from Bernie Sanders' wife, Jane O'Meara Sanders, on January 6 illustrates a celebration of ignorance. "Thank you @Kaepernick7 You inspired respect, focused our thoughts on need 4 change thru your dignified stance/words."

She was complementing Colin Kaepernick, San Francisco 49ers quarterback, for an award he received from his teammates, bestowed upon him for his "inspirational, courageous play." Kaepernick had one win in eleven starts as quarterback for the 49ers, and according to numerous assessments of his gridiron prowess, he's not Super Bowl material. But that's not his only problem.

Mrs. Sanders wasn't alluding to the "courageous *play*" that somehow earned him the Len Eshmont Award (presented for courage) from his fellow players. She was referring to his actions on the sidelines prior to game time, publicly and prominently "taking a knee" to dishonor the U.S. Flag and all those who defend what it represents. Sanders' wife believes that Mr. Kaepernick's foolish, ignorant display, a refusal to stand for our national anthem to show respect for our flag, is *courageous*.

Apparently, the National Football League (NFL) and numerous team owners feel the same – that a pathetic player who feels this is his chosen avenue to express his misunderstanding of what our flag represents should take the stage as the center of attention, broadcast nationally. But with every uneducated player Mr. Kaepernick attracts to his "dignified stance" (in Mrs. Sanders' words) their NFL stage will continue to shrink. As a result, their careergenerated wealth will also shrivel as fans turn off the tube or stop patronizing the beer, auto, and other product sponsors that begin to reassess their advertising budget.

When people become tired of the nonsense and stop buying the products advertised, or tire of the indifference to players' behavior by NFL team owners, football will become football again and not some leftist political showcase for *celebrities*.

NFL viewership is already 20% lighter, as is the audience exodus from ESPN.

Henry Ward Beecher (1813-1887) lived in the days when the meaning of our flag was understood, because it was *taught*:

"If one asks the meaning of our flag, I say it means just what Concord and Lexington meant, what Bunker Hill meant. It means the whole glorious Revolutionary War. It means all that the Declaration of Independence meant. It means all that the Constitution of our people, organizing for justice, for liberty, and for happiness, meant.

"Under this banner rode Washington...
This banner streamed in light over the soldiers' heads at Valley Forge... crossed the waters rolling with ice at Trenton...

"Our flag carries American ideas, American history, and American feelings. Beginning with the colonies, and coming down to our time, in its sacred heraldry, in its glorious insignia, it has gathered and stored chiefly this supreme idea: Divine right of liberty in man. Every color means liberty. Every thread means liberty. Every form of star and beam or stripe of light means liberty. Not lawlessness, not license, but organized, institutional liberty – liberty through law, and laws for liberty.

"This American flag was the safeguard of liberty. Not an atom of crown was allowed to go into its insignia. Not a symbol of authority in the ruler was permitted to go into it. It was an ordinance of liberty by the people, for the people. That it meant, that it means, and, by the blessing of God, that it shall mean to the end of time."

If Beecher was alive today, he would shudder at indoctrination that now serves as "education" and the rise of ignorance.

Respect for the flag that protects our freedoms is important, and the time-honored arena of American sports *competition* is not a stage for ideological showmanship.

It's time for the NFL and team owners to restore the sport's integrity by removing ignorant fools from center stage.

