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## The Fortnightly Rant

### Primary Peculiarities

Primary elections are still 18 days off, but we're publishing the results today: an overwhelming majority of New Hampshire citizens will not be casting ballots.

This less-than-bold prediction is prompted by the latest finding of the non-partisan Center for the Study of the American Electorate. According to the Center, this election cycle the nation is "likely to witness the lowest mid-term primary turnout in history." Eighteen percent of eligible citizens voted in primary elections in 2010. In the primary elections held so far in 2014, that number has dropped below 15 percent.

It is also likely, according to the Center's report, that this year will see more states than ever set records for low voter turnout.

#### Unlikely and Unthinkable

Low turnout could — at least on paper — pose a potentially catastrophic result for New Hampshire's Democrats; it's what a statistician would call a low-probability, high-consequence situation, like the accidental discharge of a nuclear weapon.

Ian Freeman is challenging incumbent Governor Maggie Hassan in the Democratic primary. If he were to win, Hassan would be relegated to write-in status in the November general election; and Democrats would be saddled with an odd candidate indeed.

Readers may ask, what is Freeman, a co-chair of the New Hampshire Liberty Party who once spent 90 days in jail for refusing to remove a couch from his front yard, doing running as a Democrat? He explained during the gubernatorial debates held earlier this month in Rindge.

Governor Hassan had declined the invitation. Freeman could have remained silent and let the audience form their own opinions as to his political wisdom or lack thereof. When the moderators offered him a few minutes to speak, though, he opened his mouth and removed all doubt.

Freeman explained that he was bumming a ride on the Democratic bandwagon because gathering 3,000 signatures as a Liberty Party candidate would have been *too haaard*. He also reiterated his position that the state should secede from the union. He may or may not have mentioned his previously-stated opposition to age-of-consent laws, but three minutes into his talk we had heard enough. It's on *YouTube*. Help yourself.

Freeman's candidacy makes it clear: Libertarianism is to politics as Scientology is to religion.

Also running for Governor, apparently from the Ninja wing of the Democratic party, is the otherwise-unknown Clecia Terrio of Manchester.\*

#### And In This Corner [Office] ...

Daniel Greene, the Pride of Pittsfield, is Clecia Terrio's counterpart on the GOP side. His campaign for the Republican gubernatorial nomination consists of a message on his Facebook page.†

\* Hours of tedious rummaging in the remotest fringes of the interwebs suggest that she is probably the wife of Ross Terrio, a former State Rep. of the Republican persuasion.

† "If the people of NH want someone like them to promote their ideas and values... I'm that person. I'm a true native of this state. No questions of residency. I'm not a politician. I'm one of you! I will fight for what's good for NH based on the majority. Please email or notice me on any questions."



Jonathan Smolin, of Alton, is running a slightly more aggressive campaign — he actually showed up for the August 12 debate in Rindge. A week later his Facebook page was promising to post audio of the debate "ASAP."

At this point, Andrew Hemingway holds the lead in the pugacity sweepstakes. On August 16th he held a Second Amendment Day extravaganza. Participants — the real Americans among them, anyway — got to fire a real, live M-2 .50-caliber heavy machine gun without having to endure the inconvenience of joining the armed services. Less-manly participants of either gender had the option of firing a fully-automatic .30-caliber BAR. One lucky raffle winner walked off with a custom-made AR-15; another won a 9-mm Springfield XD pistol.

The primary's not over yet, though, and Walt Havenstein may have an ace up his sleeve. The former CEO of BAE Systems, Inc., was responsible for the production of billions of dollars worth of missile launchers and artillery systems. Perhaps in the next few weeks he'll give his supporters a chance to drive an M2 Bradley fighting vehicle and fire its 25-mm chain gun.

#### A Constitutional Sheriff?

The GOP has already settled on one candidate in Strafford County — and what a candidate he is. The only name listed on the Republican Primary ballot under "Sheriff" is that of Jerry DeLemus, whose campaign posters specify that he won't be just any old sheriff — he'll be a "Constitutional" Sheriff.

For a brief period last spring

DeLemus was in charge of security for famed Nevada scofflaw Cliven Bundy. Interviewed by Zach Baron for an article in *GQ* magazine, DeLemus said, "There's a chance, a good chance, that if the federal government decides to put their full weight and come in here and try to get us, they'll kill every one of us. They will kill every single one of us...."

"But you'd shoot back?" Baron asked.

"Oh, if they started shooting at us, you betcha," DeLemus replied. "And I'll tell you what, they'll have a bloody nose, and I'll tell you what: the American people will rise up. Go ahead."

Now DeLemus wants to give his home county the benefit of his Nevada experience — and the Republican Party is ready to let him.

## The Alleged News

### Welcome to Post-Racial America

Strange, how some people just can't let go of the past. We now have a black President — on his second term, no less. People everywhere, including the Deep South, can now, for the first time in fifty years, vote without Justice Department personnel looking over their shoulders. The Attorney General — also black — finally cancelled that intrusion on our collective privacy because, as CNN reported in July, "Justice Department lawyers in recent months have determined they no longer have legal authority to unilaterally assign poll observers after [a] Supreme Court ruling invalidating key sections of the Voting Rights Act." After all, we now live in a post-racial America. Just ask Sean Hannity, Bill O'Reilly, Ann Coulter, or Rush Limbaugh.

Martin Luther King, Jr. might say the same if he were alive today; as might Malcolm X, or Fred Hampton, or Medgar Evers, or James Chaney, or Jimmy Lee Jackson, or Emmett Till. We'll just never know.

Yet Ferguson, MO — a town with the same population as Portsmouth — has been in a state of upheaval for more than a week because police officer Darren Wilson — who happens to be white through no fault of his own — put more bullets into Michael Brown, Jr., than all the cops in Britain fired all last year.

It's enough to make one wonder — can't we all just get along?

#### Shocking Images

The upheaval in Ferguson has created a flood of bizarre images that have shocked the nation: from

cops in military fatigues, backed up by armored vehicles, firing tear gas cannisters and rubber bullets at unarmed protestors to a pretty blonde woman on Fox News interviewing Bernard Kerik, former New York Police Commissioner, Interim Minister of the Interior of Iraq, and convicted felon, asking if the Ferguson police really needed quite so much armament and armor. Spoiler alert: yes.

#### Calming Efforts

Ferguson police took direct action to calm the situation, tear-gassing a hostile and potentially terroristic news crew from Al Jazeera to prevent their further dissemination of footage of police attacking journalists. They also arrested a 90 year-old Holocaust survivor, who was presumably dangerous due to her extensive

experience resisting Nazis.

#### Free Guns!

While the town of Ferguson is 67 percent black the Police Department is 94 percent white. Mayor James Knowles, who is white, blamed black youths for the disparity, saying "a lot of young African-American people don't want to go into law enforcement."

The Pentagon has helped the Police Department defend itself from the people they are defending by supplying free guns, trucks, and other equipment, of which they apparently have more than they really know what to do with, through its "Warfighter to Crimefighter" program.

#### The Alleged News

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#### A Little Harmless Fun

Our Wandering Photographer spotted this bit of Secret Service bait on the front fender of a black Honda Ruckus that was parked on the sidewalk at the intersection of Bow and Market streets on Friday, August 8th. Parking scooters on the sidewalk is legal in Portsmouth, so long as you are careful not to block pedestrian traffic.

**The Alleged News**

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**Rockin' the County**

Seacoast residents can rest easy knowing that their own police departments are also well equipped. According to a *New York Times* interactive graphic titled "Mapping the Spread of the Military's Surplus Gear," law enforcement units in Rockingham County have received 160 assault rifles and 62 pieces of night vision equipment through what is called the 1033 Program.

That accounting does not include whatever it was the County purchased with the \$316,681.74 in Homeland Security grant money it received last April.

**The GOP is Outraged**

Matt Wills, the executive director of the Missouri Republican Party, has called the situation in Ferguson "disgusting" and "completely inappropriate."

He was referring not to the shooting of Michael Brown, or

the tear gassing of the whole community, but to a few voter registration tables set up by community activists.

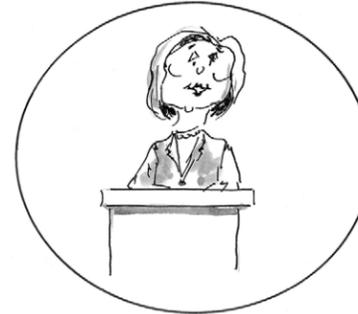
Wills' response was in line with the GOP's general philosophy towards elections. Since less government is better, a smaller electorate must also be better. Once the government has been drowned in Grover Norquist's bathtub we won't need elections anymore anyway — we'll all be watched over by corporations of loving grace.

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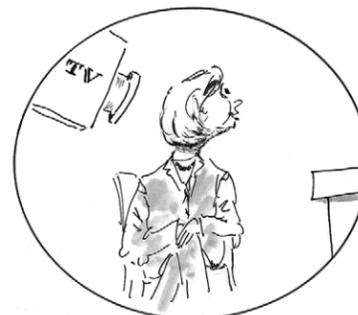
*The Washington Post* — presumptive headquarters of the vast liberal media conspiracy — responded to the situation with a helpful etiquette column by a real, live LAPD cop and professor of homeland security at Colorado Tech University. "[H]ere is the bottom line," Sunil Dutta wrote, "if you don't want to get shot, tased, pepper-sprayed, struck with a baton or thrown to the ground, just do what I tell you."



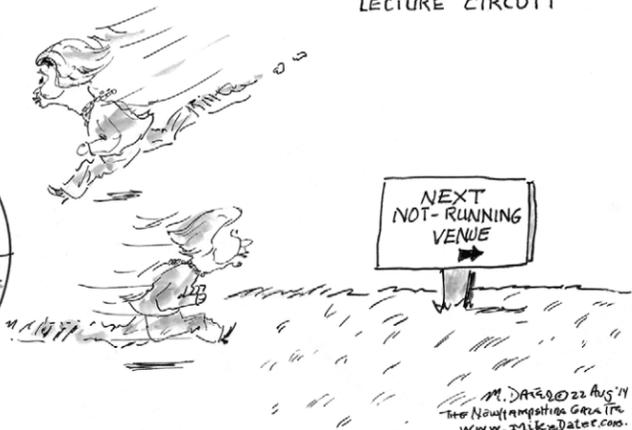
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INTERVIEWS



A DAY IN THE LIFE OF HILLARY NOT RUNNING



Portsmouth's African Burying Ground on Chestnut Street, disregarded for some two hundred years, was consecrated on Sunday, August 17th, in a unique and moving ceremony, under a brilliant blue sky.

**Rick "Oops" Perry Indicted**

Texas Governor Rick "Oops" Perry will be making a swing through the state this weekend. He's not the only Republican Governor lurking about; Louisiana's Bobby Jindal and New Jersey's Chris Christie have also been here. And no wonder — there are only 522 more campaigning days to go before the 2016 First in the Nation™ Presidential Primary Election®.

Perry comes fresh from a command performance at the Travis County, TX, Sheriff's office, where he posed for this cunning mug shot. He was indicted on two felony counts on August 15th: abuse of official capacity, and coercion of public service. The maximum penalty if convicted would be 99 years.



The Texas Governor says it's a bum rap, but admits that he tried to force a Texas prosecutor out of

office on the grounds that she had a DWI conviction. People who drive drunk are not to be trusted with such a high office, according to Perry — and maybe he's got a point. Just look what happened to the country between 2001 and 2009.

Perry treated the occasion of his indictment as an opportunity to express his supreme confidence in his own righteousness, and to rally his supporters.

Predictably, the indictments sparked sputtering fits of outrage from the Right. Why not? Doesn't everything? Even New Hampshire's own John Sununu — who was Chris Christie before Chris Christie was Chris Christie — came out of hibernation to denounce them.

According to Sununu, the eventual loser in this fight will be Hillary Clinton because "[a]ny responsible Democrat that wants to run for president and doesn't condemn it, I personally think that disqualifies them from run-

ning for president."

Sununu has apparently sharpened his sense of morality considerably since the days when he was forced to resign as President George H.[H.]W. Bush's Chief of Staff over his lavish misuse of government jets, corporate jets, and limousines.

Almost as predictably, Perry's indictments caused sober editorial writers at the *New York Times* and *Washington Post* to carefully assess the prosecutor's actions and find them unwarranted and unwise.

*The Texas Observer* begs to differ with all these dismissals of the indictments as just so much political hooah. It points out that the Public Integrity Unit [PIU] which Perry de-funded had been investigating the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas, which had been rather sloppily handing grant money from Texas taxpayers to pals of Rick Perry. The PIU had not found any smoking guns, but the smell of cordite lingers ....

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**Four Hundred Summers**

This seems to be the season for commemoration. More or less concurrent with the consecration of the African Burying Ground, a new memorial has been erected to mark the 400th Anniversary of a pivotal visit to these parts by the blandly named but absurdly adventurous Captain John Smith.

Another British captain named Martin Pring had explored the Piscataqua eleven years earlier, but he lacked Smith's vision and genius for promotion — not to mention his penchant for getting into life-threatening scrapes.

Smith went to sea at 16. By the time he was 24 he'd fought as a mercenary soldier against the Spanish for both the French and the Dutch, and against the Ottomans for both the Hapsburgs and the Wallachians. Between fighting gigs, he survived a shipwreck and spent some time as a pirate. After Smith defeated three Turks, one after the other in single combat, he was knighted by Sigismund Báthory, a Transylvanian prince and cousin of Elizabeth Báthory, history's most prolific female mass murderer.

Rounding out his badass cre-

dentials, Smith was wounded in a battle with the Tatars, sold into slavery, and given as a gift to Charatza Trabigzanda, a Turkish nobleman's Greek mistress.

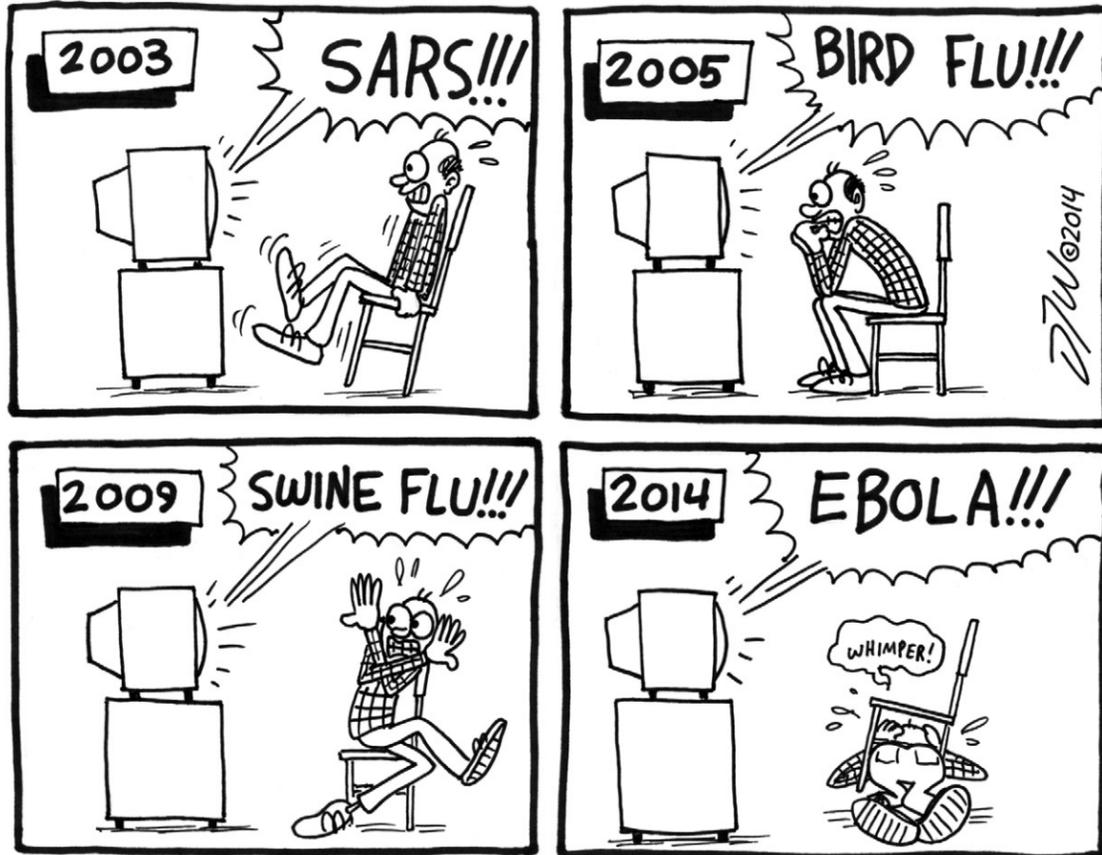
Naturally, Trabigzanda fell in love with Smith. She shipped him off to the Crimea, where she expected her brother to teach him proper Turkish in advance of their wedding. Smith's charms failed to work their magic on her brother, who beat and starved the Englishman. So Smith killed him with a club, escaped, and went back home.

Smith settled down somewhat after these adventures, crossing the Atlantic to whip the failing Jamestown plantation into shape, explore "Northern Virginia," change its name to New England, write a best-selling book about the place, and inspire some English religious fanatics to settle here.

Let's face it — The Most Interesting Man in the World is just barely fit to shine John Smith's boots.

**Four Hundred Fortnights**

Our next paper, to be published September 5th, will be our 400th consecutive issue since



Legislators, state agency staff, construction crews, and donors who contributed to its construction gather around the new 1614 Monument at Rye Harbor State Park during its August 14th dedication. The obelisk commemorates the 400th anniversary of the visit of Captain John Smith, New England's first public relations man. Photo by Budd Perry of Memories Studio, Rye.

we resumed regularly-scheduled publication on May 1, 1999. Our cumulative press run during this period has been pretty close to 2,000,000 copies. If they were all stacked in one pile it would be more than one mile high and weigh approximately 60 tons. It would also cause considerable damage if it fell over, so ....

This paper was first printed on October 7, 1756, in an oddly-shaped wooden building that hugged the bend in the sidewalk where Pleasant and Washington streets meet. A nice brick home stands there now, built around 1877. Daniel Fowle owned the enterprise, and so is regarded as the paper's printer. But the labor of pulling the press's great lever was supplied by an enslaved African man they called Primus Fowle.

This press was last seen at the 1893 Columbian Exposition in Chicago. The location of Daniel's grave is likewise unknown. (Tips

to the whereabouts of either are most welcome.)

We know where Primus is, though. In 1791 this paper published a notice of his death, saying his remains were interred "with all the negroes of his day, in the old negro burying ground, front of the old jail; in other words, his dust now reposes, either under the south end of Chesnut [sic] street, or perhaps under the north side of Court street."

**Die Flagge Polizei**

We like to think we've made some good use of all the trees we've killed. We did succeed — for all the good it did — in drawing attention before the Iraq War to a previously-unnoticed but mordantly-relevant fact: hardly any members of the Bush Administration — or their cheerleaders in the press — had ever worn a military uniform. We were also able to expose the long-forgotten banking connection between the Bush family and the Nazi Party.

Before that, we managed to convince the Bank of America to remove an enormous green illuminated sign from the middle of the Pleasant Street sidewalk.

A more subtle yet pervasive effect of our prolonged inability to shut the hell up has been a marked reduction — according to our quasi-official records — of battered and beaten American flags being flown in violation of the Flag Code.



In this sad exception, photographed August 17th on State Street, the flag appears to be attached by the top grommet only.

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**Getting a Leg Up on the Competition**

A Great Moment in Gender Equality

There are large glasses and there are small glasses but when the local Moose Lodge held an outing, even the largest glass could not keep local contender Mildred Cuddeback from entering the famed beer drinking contest, where (much to the surprise of onlookers) she took home the blue ribbon.

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**Market Basket Capitalism**

To the Editor:

My spouse and I, longtime Market Basket shoppers, are currently boycotting MB, and have proudly signed a petition to the MB shareholders on behalf of all the hardworking MB employees who are fighting to have Arthur T. Demoulas rightfully restored to the position of MB CEO. We are particularly concerned for the employees at the Somersworth store, some who have been with MB for 30 years. Over the last 13 years, the store has provided our family with friendly customer service, speedy checkouts and, of course, quality goods at exceptionally affordable prices. We've had the same grocery shopping experience at several other MB locations in the past, which makes us loyal customers of the super-market chain.

We respect and admire the associates of MB for their courage and sacrifice in standing up to corporate greed. They are capturing national attention and potentially changing the way Americans will view Corporate America and Capitalism. Artie T. presides over a time-tested and well proven business model which has created a profitable Capitalistic ecosystem (worth between \$3-3 1/2 billion) which mutually benefits the shareholders, executives, associates and customers. The mere fact that 25,000 employees from 71 stores are, unprecedentedly, willing to risk their livelihoods for

their CEO, says everything!

While I feel great empathy for the MB employees' plight, I also see the timing of this crisis as perfect as our nation is currently engaged in a hugely important debate, being spearheaded by the Democratic Party, concerning a reasonable minimum wage, ending income inequality, and protecting and restoring the shrinking middle class.

The MB chain's 91-year-old natural experiment has proven the typical Republican Party naysayers wrong and has validated the hypothesis that a company can pay its employees a living wage with benefits, offer its customers high quality products at lower prices yet still be remarkably successful and yield substantial profits to shareholders.

If you are a regular MB shopper, I encourage you to please sign the petition at [wearemarketbasket.com](http://wearemarketbasket.com), for ATD, who is the current standard bearer of Capitalism for the common good and a stronger America.

Wayne H. Merritt  
Dover, NH

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**We Can't Afford Guinta**

To the Editor:

Former Congressman Frank Guinta is running again, and we just can't afford to have him back — for the sake of our children.

Guinta's determination to abolish the U.S. Department of Education shows lack of vision. Its mission is to prepare our students to compete and achieve globally by fostering excellence and ensuring equal access. It oversees college accreditation, reviews educational research, and compiles data so we know how we're doing as a nation. Importantly, it distributes federal student aid and fills in gaps in State and local funding.

Guinta himself had college loans, though he denied it in 2010. Why deny it? Because he didn't want voters to know he ad-

vocated for abolishing a federal department whose services benefited him — since that would be hypocritical? Perhaps Guinta can't relate to parents wanting the best possible education for their children in public schools since he himself attended private schools, including a private boarding school.

We need the U.S. Department of Education to carry out its vital mission because education is the key to prosperity. We really don't need a Congressman who discounts the value of education for America's children and for a prosperous future.

John C. Joyal  
Somersworth, NH

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**Israelis & Palestinians, Part 00**

To the Editor:

We're graced in the August 8th issue with John Dente's letter, which says Israel would have made good Nazis, and William Marvel's column, which sees analogies between Nazis and Israeli policies.

Both are avatars of a vicious ethos newly prominent in American politics and life. It is the elevation of ends over means, the binding of conscience and the gagging of integrity. As Stephen Colbert observed, it is no longer necessary that a thing be true. It is enough that it be "truthy."

Yes, it is morally unconscionable and yellow journalism to blithely make Nazi comparisons, especially with Jews, as these authors do, considering the breadth and depth of the Holocaust — the "Final Solution."

Approximately six million Jewish men, women and children were exterminated together with political and religious opponents, people with disabilities, Soviet civilians and prisoners of war, homosexuals, "Gypsies," Jehovah Witnesses, and others. The total number of Holocaust victims is then between eleven and seven-

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teen million souls!

A new anti-Semitism has arisen especially in Europe with large Arab populations. It does not publicly proclaim a desire to bring about a second Holocaust. The hatred, and that of the aforementioned writers, is aimed against the State of Israel which represents all that is evil in the world and is the main violator of human rights and is virtually guilty of every other conceivable abuse. The leaders and instigators of this new anti-Semitism are concentrated on the political left, most actively from university facilities.

They call for the abolition of Israel outright, although they do not tell us what they would do with the over five million Israeli Jews. Presumably they would be left to the tender mercies of the Arabs, who based on Hamas's rhetoric would have no greater joy than to emulate or perhaps even to improve on the Nazi model. Israel has allowed itself to be pressured into many concessions to those who are sworn to destroy it.

Of course, the actions of Israel, as of any other nation, are subject to examination and criticism. But the viciousness, volumes and consistency of the criticism against Israel is such that it is difficult to consider it as anything but rank anti-Semitism.

And now some tidbits of reality: What country in history gave notice of a specific attack? Only Israel. Hamas gives no notice before rocket attacks. Residents of Israel have 15 to 30 seconds to get to a shelter — ignored by the writers in question.

Israel left Gaza in 2005. There is no occupation! Hamas has not built the economy, homes or schools since then. All available assistance went to build weapons to attack Israel — again, not worthy of mention by the duo.

Hamas has used 800,000 tons of concrete. They insisted it was needed to build homes. Instead they used it to honeycomb Gaza with reinforced tunnels, at least 50 of which extend into Israel — once more, disregarded by the gurus.

Palestinians don't get to use the tunnels as shelters. They are used instead to house rockets and as interrogation rooms. If there is a disparity in deaths it's because, as Prime Minister Netanyahu said, "We use rockets to protect our civilians. They use civilians to protect their rockets."

Thought provoking, honest commentary and debate, please: no more incendiary psycho-babble.

Mike Kulla  
Pleasant Valley, NY

Mike:

*Concern for Palestinians and hatred of Jews are not the same thing. They may co-exist in some individuals, but we saw no evidence of anti-Semitism in Dente's letter or in Marvel's column. Oppression of a minority by a dominant majority will always invite invidious comparisons; the solution may not be easy, but it is clear and obvious: two states.*

The Editor

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**Rubens Can Beat Brown**

To the Editor:

How to use my September 9th primary election vote in the best way possible? Best for New Hampshire is that we *not* allow candidate for the Republican nomination for U.S. Senate, Scott Brown, any further ground than he's already purchased. He's not for New Hampshire.

I'm an Independent. I can vote for Jim Rubens, former New Hampshire State Senator from the Upper Valley, where his constituents showed their confidence

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# And Other Correspondence

and gave him two terms. Jim is also the choice of Mayday Pac, a citizen-funded PAC headed up by Larry Lessig of New Hampshire Rebellion fame, following in the "footsteps" of our own Granny D, as she spoke for public financing of campaigns.

At the January birthday party in Nashua for Granny D, in her memory, candidate Rubens was the Republican candidate present, and he spoke knowledgeably about this crucial time when corporate money aimed to influence our elections must be shelved. Giving Rubens a September 9th victory would be a poke-in-the-eye to Wall Street money backing Scott Brown.

I urge New Hampshire's 381,924 Independents to help make the difference by voting on September 9th for Jim Rubens. Republicans who are forward-thinking and care about New Hampshire, please do the same. Don't overlook helping new voters find their way to this important contest, either, and informing absentee ballot users about their opportunity to vote August 11th — September 8th. Tell your friends about our New Hampshire candidate, Jim Rubens.

Lynn Rudmin Chong  
Sanbornton, NH

Lynn:

Frankly, we're still trying to process Mayday's endorsement of Rubens.

The Editor

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## Israelis & Palestinians, Part ∞

To the Editor:

[John] Dente's various deceptions in your recent edition, shyly lauded by the Editor, warp and even invert the meanings of words and the facts of history to purvey his outlandish propaganda. He manages numerous deceptions in only his first paragraph. Some of

his most egregious:

"Apartheid Israel." "Apartheid" could only accurately be applied to the nations surrounding Israel.

"Genocide." Jewish self-defense against repeated murderous attacks becomes "genocide" in logic which applies differently to Israel than to any other country. Why is it not genocide when Muslims deliberately massacre civilian Jews, Christians, Animists, Hindus, Buddhists, Zoroastrians, Yazidis, Chaldeans, &c., and even various competing Islamic sects solely because of differing religious beliefs?

"Open air gulags." Hundreds of thousands of neighboring Palestinians worked daily in Israel a few decades ago. When these commuters planted exploding loaves of bread to surprise supermarket shoppers; when they stabbed, shot, and otherwise murdered and maimed Israelis, Israel stopped letting them in. A neighbor observed, "Good fences make good neighbors." Save when one neighbor is determined to kill the other in a kamikaze-like rush to Allah's paradise. Their present living conditions are the direct result of their own twisted ambitions, their fellow Muslims' intrigues, and an unending, unconditional stream of free money.

Of the 100 million refugees of the Twentieth Century, why are only the 600,000 Palestinian Arabs who in 1948 fled Israel still unsettled? And these are the only refugees whose progeny also count as refugees! Refugees from far larger Muslim conflicts are resettled. Twelve million Muslims fled India for Pakistan, and 800,000 Jews were driven out of Mohammedan countries and Israel took them in without any UN aid. All the remaining 98+ million refugees of the 1900s were either repatriated or resettled. The

Islamic world deploys the Palestinian refugees as demographic weapons. And, as Dente & the Editor demonstrate, that tactic successfully deceives the world. To this day, all but two Islamic nations (22 Arab countries, 57 Organization of Islamic Conference nations) refuse to accept the UN mandate to form two nations, "One Jewish, one Arab." All but two still demand death to the Jews and reestablishment of a caliphate in the Middle East and North Africa as a first step toward retaking Spain and conquering the remainder of the West.

Dente's "facts" are largely fiction. Just as the Crusaders massacred Jewish communities for entertainment while en route to Jerusalem, just as England had an Inquisition before Spain followed suit, just as Christendom put aside doctrinal differences and Jesus's teachings to persecute Jews (as did Muslims, though with far less publicity), all Dente sees is the Jews' "...suffering which lasted at most five years...". He then absurdly claims Jews are imposing suffering on Arabs — while ignoring unprovoked Arab attacks against Jews beginning decades earlier than Israel's establishment. I have a friend who lost much of her family when the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem aroused and led True Mohammedan Believers to massacre the Jews of Hebron in 1929.

Every other body of refugees has moved on, though Dente insists that only this distinguished group of refugees must go back in time. Neither he nor his many co-dependent bigots have a hint of concern about how we can give all of the Americas back to the natives who were driven out. Then there's the invasion of Germany by the Huns, the Goths, & the Visigoths. Dente logically should argue for a complete reshuffling of the world's populations. Oh, but he doesn't, does he? He could care less about reality. He argues

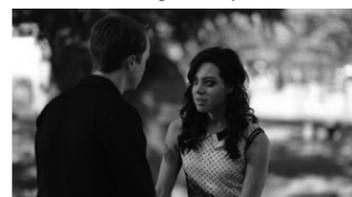


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# The Lost Summer

by William Marvel

It was just last week, or the week before, that I caught a drowsy bear wandering between my chicken pen and woodshed and chased it away with snowballs scooped from one of the shrinking snowbanks. It can't be more than a few days since my wife mapped out a 2000-square-foot garden and said she would take over the mowing this summer, to get some physical exercise. Just yesterday I cleaned the chimney, dragged out the extra hose for the outside shower, installed the window screens, and picked up the new chicks. Now the oldest maple in the front yard has one limb gone to red leaves; black-eyed Susans tower over the kale and squash; the grass mocks us in patches a foot tall all around the yard; the chicks are nearly big enough to integrate, and it's too cold to shower outside. What the hell happened?

What happened is the same thing that has been happening, at least for me, since about 1956, when I experienced my first summer vacation. So long were the New Hampshire winters that every year I entertained excessively ambitious plans for the eternal summer, when snow and cold and school would shrivel into a single shudder on the periphery of memory. So much desperate fun had I envisioned during the dark months that the endless possibilities paralyzed me, and after school ended I did nothing but read, ride my bicycle from one end of Davis Hill Road to the other, and — when I turned eight or nine — wander down to the beach. Before I knew what had hit me, my parents were taking me to Labnon's department store for those dreaded school clothes, and I was scouting for small books to hide behind my school readers.

The phenomenon of the amaz-

ing shrinking summer continued through high school, after which I supposed it would end, but in retrospect it only got worse. For a dozen years the visceral yearning for bare ground, warm sun, and pure freedom multiplied the ten summer weeks in my mind, but the next thing I knew August had turned cool and the torture began again. With graduation in the steaming Kennett High School gym, I thought I had begun the summer that would last a lifetime, and in a way it has, with decades passing as quickly as the weeks used to. One day I was hitchhiking away from Kennett with a backpack, looking for Civil War battlefields, and the next I was signing up for Medicare. What the hell happened?

My wife still suffers from the disappearing-summer blues. Unlike public-school teachers, she doesn't get the summer off, but her schedule is at least slightly re-

laxed, which gives her just enough time for her own projects to realize how busy she is during the school year. The approach of September always hits her hard, as the abundant energy of late June is compressed under the contraction of time and sapped by the demands of an impending semester. Free weekends during the school year begin with a joyous Saturday and end with Sunday-afternoon syndrome, but August consists of one long Sunday afternoon.

It may only seem worse for us here, because the warm season is so short and the school year so cruelly long, with a host of snow days and an extra week of vacation for the sake of the ski areas. Yet the perception was the same even before our school districts adopted year-round schedules based on agricultural needs. Maudlin lamentations about the fading light and vanishing visitors, so common in the Labor

Day editorials of Paul Blanchard's "North Conway Reporter" in the 1960s, echoed just as plaintively from the late-summer numbers of "The Idler," published in North Conway at least as early as 1880.

The passing of each summer must have imparted much greater poignancy in the days of "The Idler," for the seasons stand merely as a metaphor for life itself, and in 1880 most men and women considered themselves lucky to reach the half-century mark. Each summer meant more because they saw so many fewer of them. In my own youth the biblical threescore and ten applied generally, but today healthy, active 80-year-olds abound. That has afforded my generation some comfort in the math of biological degeneration, but by 65 it is clear that the halfway mark lies far behind. After that, the end of every August brings too vivid an image of all the wasted summers that we can never reclaim.

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istration has not offered to provide any help or aid of any kind to the millions of ethnic Russians in eastern Ukraine who are on the brink of a human catastrophe.

Tens of thousands of eastern Ukrainians are now reported to be fleeing daily to Russia. Is this what President Obama wants — to ethnically cleanse Ukraine of all ethnic Russians?

Dr. John Meinhold  
Portsmouth, NH

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### Malaysian Flight 17

To the Editor:

In 2000, Arizona Senator John McCain, who became the second to last Republican to earn my vote, ran for his party's presiden-

tial nomination on a platform of campaign finance reform to rid our democracy of the scourge of money and powerful special interests. I also respected McCain for having endured the intolerable conditions of captivity as a POW at the Hanoi Hilton during the disastrous Vietnam War. I naively accepted that his experience had shaped him to be a reluctant warrior who believed in a strong national defense — with "defense" being the operative word — and war always as a last resort.

Regrettably, I now see McCain as representative of the militaristic, Neoconservative wing (see Former U.S. Ambassador to UN John Bolton, who just endorsed

Scott Brown) of the Republican Party, and the complete antithesis of everything he supposedly stood for in 2000. I find him to be angry, bitter, and bellicose and someone who has cynically caved in to the said special interests.

McCain recently took aim at President Obama over the downing (over Ukraine) of Malaysia Airlines Flight 17, telling Fox "News" propagandist Sean Hannity, "It's just been cowardly, it's a cowardly administration that failed to give the Ukrainians weapons with which to defend themselves." I'm certain that energized the party's base and greatly appeased McCain's campaign contributors, who view armed

conflict (and transfer of arms) as a profitable enterprise.

If Senator McCain can assert that the attack on a Malaysian Boeing 777 be attributed to the Obama Doctrine (measured approach to foreign policy and reluctance to get us involved militarily in every potential conflict), which the Senator equates to "cowardice," then shouldn't we be asking him and his followers to what they attribute the following incidents that occurred during the eight year tenure of their Conservative folk hero, President Ronald Reagan? The Soviet Union shot down Korean Airlines 007 over the Sea of Japan in 1983, Saddam Hussein's Iraqi Air Force missile

destroyed the American frigate *U.S.S. Stark* in 1987, and Libyan Intelligence bombed Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland in 1988.

Wayne Merritt  
Dover, NH

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### Another Harassed Subscriber

Hey younz [a localism]:

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# The Militarization of "Officer Friendly"

by Jim Hightower

Let's check our weaponry: 93,000 machine guns, 533 planes and helicopters, 180,000 magazine cartridges, and 432 mine-resistant ambush protected vehicles. Okay, let's roll!

Only, this is not the U.S. military. It's your and my local police departments patrolling our cities. Remember "Officer Friendly," the beat cops who were known

as "peace officers"? The friendlies have largely been transformed into militarized forces, literally armed with and garbed in war gear and indoctrinated in military psychology, rather than the ethic of community policing.

Twenty years ago, Congress created the military transfer program, providing federal grants so chiefs of police and sheriffs could buy surplus firepower from the Pentagon. In a stunningly short

time, our local police forces have become macho-military units, possessing an armory of Pentagon freebies ranging from 30-ton tanks to rifle silencers. They've gone from peacekeeping beats to over-the-top SWAT team aggression, unleashed on the citizenry tens of thousands of times a year, mainly for ordinary police work. For example, a gung-ho Florida SWAT team raided area barber-shops in 2010 to stop the horror

of "barbering without a license." And masked police in Louisiana launched a military raid on a nightclub in order to perform a liquor law inspection.

Militarization is a dangerous and ultimately deadly perversion of the honorable purpose of policing — and it is literally out of control. *The New York Times* notes that 38 states have received silencers to use in surreptitious raids. A sheriff in a North Dakota rural

county with only 11,000 people told a *Times* reporter that he saw no need for silencers. When it was pointed out that his department had received 40 of them from the Pentagon, he was baffled, saying: "I don't recall approving them."

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As we used to say "keep up the good work." The added dinero is for an occasional beer!

Dr. Johnny K. Folmar I  
California, PA

Dr. Johnny:

Because you've Expired, ya dead-beat! Seriously: good to hear from you. Thanks for the kind words — and the beer!

The Editor

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## Why Do GOPers Hate Obama?

To the Editor:

Why do Republicans hate President Obama? A recent CNN/ORC poll showed that 73 percent of Republicans hoped that Obama's policies fail. Only 14 percent wanted them to succeed. The other 13 percent had no opinion.

Is that so surprising? Don't members of the opposition always want a President of the other Party to fail? Not really. A Fox News poll in 2006 reported that 41 percent of Democrats wanted George W. Bush to succeed, 51 percent wanted him to fail, and 9 percent had no opinion. That was six years into the Bush presidency, and after the CIA had issued its final report stating that no weapons of mass destruction

were found in Iraq. At that point, Democrats had every reason to dislike Bush.

And, of course, the opposition to President Obama dominates Republican Congressional activity. The GOP reflexively opposes anything Obama supports, even measures it previously supported, such as an early version of the Affordable Care Act.

All right: Republicans clearly dislike President Obama and want him to fail. Why? First, many in the GOP perceive him as illegitimate; he isn't really the President. They believe his skin is the wrong color; he has a funny name, so he must be a Muslim (in fact, Obama is a Christian). He wasn't born here; he owes his allegiance to other countries. Evidently, they cannot tolerate as President someone they perceive as so different from themselves. So, they delegitimize him. Obama really isn't the President.

Second, they believe that if President Obama's policies succeed, they fail. To their way of thinking, government is always bad; private enterprise is always good. Then why, pray tell, did a private enterprise named British Petroleum dump, for weeks on end, crude oil into the Gulf of Mexico? Then why did a pri-

ate enterprise named Target get hacked and reveal personal information belonging to 40 million customers? Then why did banks on Wall Street nearly bring down our economy in 2008?

Sometimes government makes mistakes and sometimes private enterprise makes mistakes. Sometimes a government solution is right for a problem and sometimes a private enterprise answer is better. It depends on the situation.

Nevertheless, with 2014 midterm elections growing closer, Republicans, fueled by dislike of Obama, are chomping at the bit to vote. Former Vice-President and New York Governor Nelson Rockefeller famously noted that people are more likely to vote out of hatred than love.

What does that mean for Independents and Democrats? We can stay home on Election Day, saying to ourselves "There's nothing I can do about this mess." I have news for you. Nothing stays the same in politics. If you don't vote, Republicans will dominate state and federal government. Things will get worse — much worse. Women's rights will continue to erode. The ultra-rich will dominate our government. The middle class will continue to shrink. We

will become embroiled in the foreign wars Obama has so adeptly avoided.

Far too much is at stake for Democrats and Independents not to vote on Tuesday, Nov. 4.

Gary Patton  
Hampton, NH

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## NHGOP Maligins J Street

To the Editor:

Recently NHGOP Chair Jennifer Horn claimed that J Street, a pro-Israel, pro-peace advocacy organization, was a "radical fringe group" that had made "shameful statements" about Israel. This unwarranted attack is as false as it is offensive.

This attack was apparently brought on by the latest outbreak of Israel/Gaza hostilities. Regarding current negotiations, the allegedly "radical" J Street "urge[s]" that the focus turn quickly to the pursuit of a sustainable, long-term arrangement that addresses the underlying issues in and root causes of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict." J Street believes that a two-state solution "within a broader regional and comprehensive agreement is ... necessary, just and possible." An agreement must include meeting the security needs of Israel, addressing the humanitarian situation in Gaza,

empowering the moderate forces in Palestinian society, and adopting a comprehensive, regional approach to resolving the Arab-Israel conflict. This is "radical"? This is "fringy"? Really?

In fact, polls show that most American Jews support J Street's policy positions, with 79 percent supporting a two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, and 81 percent supporting U.S. leadership in helping Israel and the Palestinians reach a peaceful resolution.

As for "shameful statements," the New Hampshire GOP has no farther to look than its own shameful and insulting press release. It should apologize for smearing J Street and its numerous American Jewish supporters.

Shirley Sauvageau  
Nottingham, NH

Shirley:

Apologize? Jennifer Horn and the NHGOP? Have you seen their Twitter feed? They don't know the meaning of the word.

The Editor

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"Running the newspaper letters column, I always let in anyone who denounced me violently, because I believe people like to read abuse." — HL Mencken

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moon drags about seventeen billion gallons of seawater — enough to fill 2,125,000 tanker trucks — up the river and into Great Bay. This creates a roving hydraulic conflict, as incoming sea and the outgoing river collide. The skirmish line

moves from the mouth of the river, up past New Castle, around the bend by the old Naval Prison, under Memorial Bridge, past the tugboats, and on into Great Bay. This can best be seen when the tide is rising.

Twice a day, too, the moon lets all that water go. All the seawater that just fought its way upstream goes back home to the ocean. This is when the Piscataqua earns its title for xth fastest current. Look for the red buoy, at the upstream

end of Badger's Island, bobbing around in the current. It weighs several tons, and it bobs and bounces in the current like a cork. The river also has its placid moments, around high and low tides. When the river rests, its tugboats

and bridges work their hardest. Ships coming in laden with coal, oil, and salt do so at high tide, for more clearance under their keels. They leave empty, riding high in the water, at low tide, to squeeze under Memorial Bridge.

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<p><b>2001</b>—Due to a fuel leak, Air Transat Flight 236, with 306 souls aboard, runs out of fuel over the Atlantic, 90 miles from the Azores. Pilots glide the plane to safety.</p> <p><b>1970</b>—Grad student Robert Fassnacht is killed and three others are injured when peaceniks blow up a physics lab at the U. of Wisconsin.</p> <p><b>1967</b>—The floor of the NY Stock Exchange erupts into bedlam as capitalists scramble for 300 one-dollar bills dropped by Abbie Hoffman and Jerry Rubin.</p> <p><b>1964</b>—I.F. Stone reports the U.S. government and press "have kept the full truth about the Tonkin Bay incidents from the American public."</p> <p><b>1963</b>—The U.S. State Department cables Ambassador Lodge in Vietnam, instructing him to encourage ARVN generals to stage a coup.</p> <p><b>1960</b>—Temperature drops to minus 126.9 at Vostok Station; lowest ever recorded on Earth.</p> <p><b>1827</b>—<i>The Mechanics Gazette</i>, first U.S. labor paper, is published in Philadelphia. By 1832 there are 68 labor newspapers.</p> <p><b>1814</b>—British troops march unopposed into Washington, D.C. and set fire to the White House and the Library of Congress.</p> <p><b>1572</b>—French Catholic mobs massacre thousands of Huguenots. Learning of the slaughter, Pope Gregory is so pleased he orders a day of thanksgiving.</p>	<p><b>1999</b>—Six years later the FBI admits tear gas canisters it fired into David Koresh's compound in Waco were incendiary, but denies they started the fatal fire.</p> <p><b>1995</b>—In Athens, GA, House Speaker Newt Gingrich (R-Asylum) announces new policy to win the drug war: executing "27 or 30 or 35 people at one time."</p> <p><b>1985</b>—The White House confirms that President Reagan was an FBI informant during the late 1940's while he was head of the Screen Actors Guild.</p> <p><b>1967</b>—American Nazi Party founder George Lincoln Rockwell is shot dead at an Arlington, VA shopping mall by a former aide.</p> <p><b>1950</b>—Harry S Truman orders the U.S. Army to take over the nation's railroads to prevent a strike.</p> <p><b>1945</b>—Ho Chi Minh proclaims the Republic of Vietnam.</p> <p><b>1945</b>—Baptist missionary and U.S. spy John Birch is shot by Chinese Communists.</p> <p><b>1925</b>—Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters is founded by A. Philip Randolph.</p> <p><b>1921</b>—Ten thousand striking coal miners square off against coal companies and their stooges in the Battle of Blair Mountain, WV.</p> <p><b>1893</b>—"Colored Peoples' Day" at the Columbian Exposition.</p> <p><b>1875</b>—Matthew Webb becomes the first man to swim the English Channel.</p>	<p><b>2005</b>—The Portsmouth Naval Shipyard gets a stay of execution.</p> <p><b>1980</b>—Ex-Luftwaffe pilot John Birges, attempting to recoup his gambling losses, plants a half-ton bomb at Harvey's Resort Hotel in Stateline, NV.</p> <p><b>1969</b>—Canada decriminalizes sodomy.</p> <p><b>1969</b>—With just weeks left to go in Vietnam, the NHNG's 197th Field Artillery loses five men in a single incident.</p> <p><b>1968</b>—Mayor Richard Daley formally opens the 1968 Democratic National Convention as his cops bust heads outside.</p> <p><b>1967</b>—Jimi Hendrix's "Purple Haze" is released.</p> <p><b>1965</b>—Last day getting married could improve your draft status.</p> <p><b>1935</b>—The United Auto Workers union is founded.</p> <p><b>1924</b>—<i>Wanderer</i>, the last sailing whaleship to leave New Bedford, drags her anchor and is lost while sitting out a storm off Cuttyhunk.</p> <p><b>1920</b>—Nineteenth Amendment is ratified; women can vote now.</p> <p><b>1919</b>—Company goons shoot United Mine Workers' Fannie Sellins in Brackenridge, PA.</p> <p><b>1883</b>—Krakatoa begins a three-day eruption; tens of thousands die, 13 percent less sunlight reaches the earth during the following year.</p> <p><b>1858</b>—The first news dispatch is sent by telegraph.</p>	<p><b>1991</b>—A fifteen-member committee of the American Bar Association rates Clarence Thomas as a candidate for U.S. Supreme Court: none rate him "well-qualified," two rate him "not qualified."</p> <p><b>1984</b>—Ronald Reagan announces that he will put a teacher in space.</p> <p><b>1980</b>—FBI agents, attempting to defuse a half-ton bomb at Harvey's Resort Hotel in Nevada, cause it to explode. No one is injured.</p> <p><b>1979</b>—The IRA uses a radio-controlled bomb to assassinate Earl Mountbatten, British Admiral of the Fleet, and kill three others aboard his yacht off Ireland.</p> <p><b>1975</b>—Veronica and Colin Scargill complete a tandem bicycle ride around the world.</p> <p><b>1972</b>—U.S. planes bomb Haiphong harbor.</p> <p><b>1968</b>—Democrats nominate Hubert Humphrey for President as cops and protestors do battle.</p> <p><b>1949</b>—As an anti-Communist mob attacks the audience at a Paul Robeson concert in Peekskill, NY, three FBI agents passively look on.</p> <p><b>1938</b>—Becoming increasingly restive at a poetry reading by Archibald MacLeish, Robert Frost sets fire to a handful of papers.</p> <p><b>1928</b>—In Paris, sixty nations sign the Kellogg-Briand Pact and outlaw war forever.</p> <p><b>1903</b>—U.S. troops are ordered to Beirut to "protect U.S. interests."</p>	<p><b>2009</b>—Saudi Deputy Interior Minister Prince Mohammed bin Nayef barely escapes assassination.</p> <p><b>2003</b>—After he's made to rob a Pennsylvania bank, pizza deliveryman Brian Wells is killed by a time bomb fastened to his neck.</p> <p><b>1963</b>—At the Lincoln Memorial, half a million people hear Martin Luther King call to let freedom ring from the prodigious hilltops of New Hampshire ...</p> <p><b>1961</b>—The 5th Conference of the Situationist International convenes in Göteborg, Sweden.</p> <p><b>1955</b>—During a visit to his family in Money, MS, fourteen year-old Chicagoan Emmett Till is murdered by whites for speaking inappropriately to a white woman.</p> <p><b>1947</b>—A bull in Linares, Spain helps even the score by fatally goring Manolete.</p> <p><b>1922</b>—WEAF in New York earns \$100 for airing the first paid radio commercial: a ten minute plug for the Queensboro Realty Company.</p> <p><b>1919</b>—The mayor of Seattle demands, "hang or incarcerate all anarchists for life."</p> <p><b>1918</b>—Big Bill Haywood and 14 other Wobblies get 20 years for draft obstruction.</p> <p><b>1884</b>—The first known photograph of a tornado is taken in Howard, SD.</p> <p><b>1833</b>—Britain abolishes slavery throughout the Empire.</p>	<p><b>2007</b>—Sloppy accounting results in an Air Force B-52 taking off from Minot AFB in North Dakota with some extra cargo on board: six loose nukes.</p> <p><b>2006</b>—George W. Bush tells NBC interviewer Brian Williams, "I've got an ek-a-lec-tic reading list."</p> <p><b>2005</b>—Katrina slams New Orleans as FEMA dozes.</p> <p><b>1996</b>—The day Bill Clinton accepts the Democratic nomination for a second term, his political advisor Dick Morris resigns because it's been revealed he paid a whore \$200/hr. to let him suck her toes.</p> <p><b>1977</b>—Memphis nabs 3 for trying to steal Elvis's corpse.</p> <p><b>1968</b>—A week-long riot erupts at the Long Binh Jail in Vietnam; 115 MPs and prisoners are injured, one prisoner is killed.</p> <p><b>1957</b>—Sen. Strom Thurmond (R-SC) ends a record-setting 24 hour and 18 minute filibuster. The Civil Rights Act passes despite him.</p> <p><b>1956</b>—Jesus Christ "GG" Allin, the most depraved punk rocker in history, is born in Lancaster, NH.</p> <p><b>1956</b>—The GOP announces it will henceforth refer to the Democratic Party as the Democrat Party.</p> <p><b>1949</b>—Soviets pop an A-Bomb.</p> <p><b>1907</b>—An eight million pound miscalculation, dismissed by a supervising engineer 440 miles away in NYC, causes the Quebec Bridge to collapse killing 75 workers.</p>	<p><b>2004</b>—The Republican Party holds its Presidential Convention in New York City to milk all they can out of 9/11. Patriotic attendees mock wounded veterans by wearing "Purple Heart" band-aids.</p> <p><b>1979</b>—Attacked by a crazed rabbit while vacationing in Georgia, Jimmy Carter is forced to defend himself with a canoe paddle.</p> <p><b>1979</b>—First recorded instance of a comet hitting the sun.</p> <p><b>1968</b>—"I want to pack my bags and get out of this city," says Walter Cronkite as Mayor Daley's finest clobber citizenry.</p> <p><b>1967</b>—Thurgood Marshall is sworn in as America's first black Supreme Court Justice.</p> <p><b>1964</b>—At the Democratic Convention, an all-white delegation from Mississippi is seated while a black protest delegation isn't.</p> <p><b>1963</b>—A "Hot Line" is set up between the White House and the Kremlin.</p> <p><b>1959</b>—Parties loyal to Ngo Dinh Diem win control of Vietnamese National Assembly.</p> <p><b>1943</b>—R. Crumb is born.</p> <p><b>1918</b>—Would-be assassin Fanya Kaplan shoots V.I. Lenin.</p> <p><b>1893</b>—Huey "The Kingfish" Long is born in Winnfield, LA.</p> <p><b>1813</b>—At Ft. Mims, AL, drunken officers are playing cards when 800 Creeks attack. About 15 out of 500 whites survive.</p>
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Sunday, August 31	Monday, September 1	Tuesday, September 2	Wednesday, September 3	Thursday, September 4	Friday, September 5	Saturday, September 6
<p><b>1986</b>—Levan Merrit, 5, falls into the cage of Jambo the Gorilla on the Isle of Jersey. Jambo guards the unconscious boy until he regains consciousness and is retrieved.</p> <p><b>1973</b>—The Gainesville Eight, anti-war vets charged with conspiracy to riot at the 1972 Republican National Convention, are acquitted.</p> <p><b>1968</b>—In a suburb of Montreal, grade school students demanding reforms occupy their school.</p> <p><b>1965</b>—Lyndon Johnson signs a bill outlawing draft card burning.</p> <p><b>1954</b>—Hurricane Carol slams New England; 65 die.</p> <p><b>1948</b>—Robert Mitchum is busted for possession of pot. He'll serve sixty days.</p> <p><b>1939</b>—German operatives carry out 21 false flag attacks along the Polish border.</p> <p><b>1925</b>—After an 11 year occupation, U.S. Marines depart from Haiti, leaving a dictatorship behind.</p> <p><b>1920</b>—The first American radio news program is broadcast, on station 8MK in Detroit.</p> <p><b>1919</b>—The American Communist Party is formed in Chicago.</p> <p><b>1895</b>—Julius Wyland commences publication of the socialist paper, <i>An Appeal to Reason</i>.</p> <p><b>1869</b>—In Ireland, Mary (King) Ward is thrown from a steam-powered automobile and run over, becoming the first person known to have been killed by a car.</p>	<p><b>2005</b>—In a radio interview, New Orleans Mayor Ray Nagin tells George W. Bush and FEMA to "get off your asses and do something" about his flooded city.</p> <p><b>1989</b>—Nares trying for the third time to score some crack near the White House for a George H.[H.] W. Bush presidential photo-op get their dope but miss the film—their camera operator gets mugged by a homeless person.</p> <p><b>1983</b>—The USSR shoots down Korean Air Flight 007. Among the victims: John Birch Society President and Congressman Larry McDonald (R-GA).</p> <p><b>1976</b>—Rep. Wayne Hays (D-OH), the "meanest man in Congress" and one of the most powerful, resigns three months after a sex scandal revealed by his secretary/mistress, whom he treated shabbily.</p> <p><b>1970</b>—"This chamber reeks of blood," charges George McGovern on the floor of the U.S. Senate.</p> <p><b>1956</b>—The U.S. begins to train the South Vietnamese Army.</p> <p><b>1919</b>—In Berlin, 3,000 demonstrate for "No More War."</p> <p><b>1932</b>—NYC Mayor Jimmy Walker, a Democrat, resigns rather than face corruption charges.</p> <p><b>1894</b>—Thomas P. "Boston" Corbett, the self-castrating Cavalryman who shot John Wilkes Booth, dies in Hinckley, MN along with 800 others in a four-hour firestorm.</p>	<p><b>1984</b>—Mashantucket Pequots buy 650 acres in eastern Connecticut to resume their old tribal ways.</p> <p><b>1983</b>—Mississippi's execution of Jimmy Lee Gray goes badly, possibly because executioner T. Berry Bruce is drunk. Eight minutes after the poison gas is released, officials clear the witness room because Gray is still gasping, moaning, and banging his head on a steel pole.</p> <p><b>1967</b>—Maj. Paddy Roy Bates (Ret.) displaces a rival pirate radio team from an unused military platform off the coast of England and declares Sealand a sovereign nation.</p> <p><b>1957</b>—Gov. Orval Faubus calls out the National Guard to keep blacks out of Little Rock High.</p> <p><b>1945</b>—VJ Day—Japan surrenders to Douglas MacArthur aboard a battleship named after Harry Truman's home state.</p> <p><b>1945</b>—Cribbing freely from Jefferson, Ho Chi Minh declares Vietnam independent of France.</p> <p><b>1935</b>—Already routed from Washington, D.C. by Gen. MacArthur, 259 veterans working on the Overseas Highway are among the dead when the Labor Day Hurricane hits the Florida Keys.</p> <p><b>1921</b>—Mine owners in West Virginia respond to strikers by dropping bombs from airplanes.</p> <p><b>1885</b>—White miners in Rock Spring, WY, massacre 30 to 50 Chinese.</p>	<p><b>2003</b>—Paul Hill, whose fervent pro-life beliefs inspired him to murder Dr. John Britton, is killed by the state of Florida to demonstrate that life is sacred.</p> <p><b>2002</b>—Donald Rumsfeld says the Bush Administration has evidence that Iraq is developing nukes. But it's secret. So there.</p> <p><b>1973</b>—A milk producers' coop delivers a check to cover the cost of the "Plumbers" burglary of Daniel Ellsberg's shrink's office to a meeting attended by R. Nixon.</p> <p><b>1971</b>—Employees of President Richard Nixon break into the office of Daniel Ellsberg's psychiatrist.</p> <p><b>1967</b>—Woody Guthrie dies in New York at 52.</p> <p><b>1925</b>—The airship <i>U.S.S. Shenandoah</i> crashes in Ohio due to bad weather; 14 officers and men die.</p> <p><b>1860</b>—U.S. citizen and ex-dictator of Nicaragua William Walker &amp; his private army invade Honduras.</p> <p><b>1833</b>—Benjamin Day publishes the first successful penny paper, the <i>New York Sun</i>.</p> <p><b>1813</b>—"Uncle Sam" makes his first appearance in the <i>Troy, NY Post</i>.</p> <p><b>1783</b>—The Treaty of Paris is signed, ending the Revolutionary War.</p> <p><b>1752</b>—By an act of Parliament, the Gregorian calendar is adopted in Britain and the colonies. Londoners, thinking they've been robbed of 11 days of their lives, riot and holler, "Give us our 11 days back!"</p>	<p><b>2006</b>—Aussie Steve "The Crocodile Hunter" Irwin is killed by a stingray while diving on the Great Barrier Reef.</p> <p><b>1987</b>—Eighteen year-old West German Mathias Rust lands a small plane in Red Square.</p> <p><b>1976</b>—George W. Bush, future President, is arrested in Kennebunk, ME for driving drunk.</p> <p><b>1973</b>—Nixon flunkies Erlichman and Liddy are indicted for burgling a shrink's office.</p> <p><b>1970</b>—Two hundred Vietnam Veterans Against the War begin Operation RAW (Rapid American Withdrawal), a four-day guerilla theater march to Valley Forge, PA.</p> <p><b>1967</b>—"I just had the greatest brainwashing that anyone can get ... [in] Vietnam," says Gov. George Romney (R-MI), "they do a very thorough job."</p> <p><b>1957</b>—National Guard troops in Little Rock stand and watch as a white mob threatens to lynch a black girl trying to enter Central High school.</p> <p><b>1918</b>—U.S. troops land at Archangel, Russia, to "protect American interests."</p> <p><b>1886</b>—Geronimo, chief of the Chiricahua Apache, surrenders at Skeleton Canyon in the Arizona Territory; it's the end of the major resistance.</p> <p><b>1833</b>—<i>The [NY] Sun</i> hires Barney Flaherty, America's first newsboy.</p>	<p><b>2005</b>—Visiting Houston, Barbara Bush says Hurricane Katrina was "working very well" for thousands of homeless refugees.</p> <p><b>2002</b>—Portsmouth loses Jay Smith, creator of the Press Room, defender and supporter of The Music Hall.</p> <p><b>2001</b>—Rep. Joe Scarborough (R-FL) resigns 47 days after his aide Lori Klausutis, 28, is found dead in his Ft. Walton office.</p> <p><b>1993</b>—<i>Birmingham News</i> reveals that, according to the Southern Baptist Convention, 46.1 percent of Alabamans are going to Hell.</p> <p><b>1990</b>—LA Police Chief Daryl Gates tell the Senate Judiciary Committee that "casual drug users should be taken out and shot."</p> <p><b>1975</b>—Lynette "Squeaky" Fromme, dressed as a nun, points an unloaded .45 at Gerry Ford.</p> <p><b>1957</b>—Jack Kerouac's <i>On The Road</i> is published.</p> <p><b>1939</b>—Dalton Trumbo's <i>Johnny Got His Gun</i> is published.</p> <p><b>1931</b>—Consolidated Edison worker George Metesky is injured on the job. Denied Workmen's Compensation, "The Mad Bomber" plants 32 bombs over a 16 years before he's caught.</p> <p><b>1930</b>—"Hurry it up you Hoosier bastard," says Carl Panzram to his executioner at Leavenworth. "I could hang a dozen men while you're screwing around."</p> <p><b>1905</b>—The Treaty of Portsmouth ends the Russo-Japanese War.</p>	<p><b>2008</b>—The Federal Housing Finance Authority announces it's taking over Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac.</p> <p><b>2007</b>—FBI agents arrest Ponzi schemer, fugitive from justice, and major Democratic Party donation-bundler Norman Hsu.</p> <p><b>2004</b>—"Too many OB-GYNs are not able to practice their love with women all across this country," says George W. Bush.</p> <p><b>2003</b>—Careless Lockheed Martin workers drop a \$233 million weather satellite causing \$135 million worth of damage.</p> <p><b>2002</b>—Explaining why the administration had been silent all summer on its plan to make war on Iraq, White House Chief of Staff Andrew Card says, "From a marketing point of view, you don't introduce new products in August."</p> <p><b>1978</b>—House opens hearings on assassinations of JFK &amp; MLK. On Dec. 30 they conclude conspiracies were likely.</p> <p><b>1961</b>—Bob Dylan debuts at the Gaslight, NYC.</p> <p><b>1959</b>—"Dying is easy," says actor Edmund Gwenn, dying. "Comedy is difficult."</p> <p><b>1949</b>—World War II vet and devout churchgoer Howard Unruh kills 13 of his NJ neighbors in 12 minutes.</p> <p><b>1941</b>—All German Jews over 6 are ordered to wear a yellow star.</p>
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