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The Fortnightly Rant

Everyone Loved a Parade

After a lifetime of lusting after the superlative and superficial, Donald J. Trump has finally attained a true distinction of his own: he will go down in history as the nation's pre-eminent Divider-in-Chief. This presumes, of course, that the human race will somehow outlive his Presidency.

Who but Trump could turn a parade—ordinarily just a fatuous celebration of military pomposity—into a wedge to be driven into the body politic? Who else *would*?

Only the man who has recently done exactly the same thing to football—which had, until recently, supplanted baseball as the national pastime. Quick—before the stock market stops gyrating and dies altogether—dump your stock in Mom's Apple Pie, Inc. That could be his next victim!

Trump's original vision for his Inaugural Parade included troops, tanks, rocket launchers, and a fly-over by the Navy's Blue Angels or the Air Force's Thunderbirds. As a mere President-elect, his wish was denied. One year later, now that the inevitable minor kinks of actual governing have all been ironed out, his thirst for vicarious glory has apparently resurfaced.

Last week the *Washington Post* reported that, during a Jan. 18 meeting “in the Pentagon's tank — a room reserved for top-secret discussions,” surrounded by generals, Trump's “seemingly abstract desire for a parade was suddenly heard as a presidential directive . . .”

Trump was reportedly inspired by the sight of a Bastille Day parade in France last summer. Considering the enthusiasm it has generated among his supporters, perhaps the term “cheese-eating surrender monkey” will be retired from their lexicon. Because history, for the President,

began on the day of his birth, he may be forgiven for failing to understand that the intent of those who stormed the Bastille was to decapitate people who sat on gilded chairs.

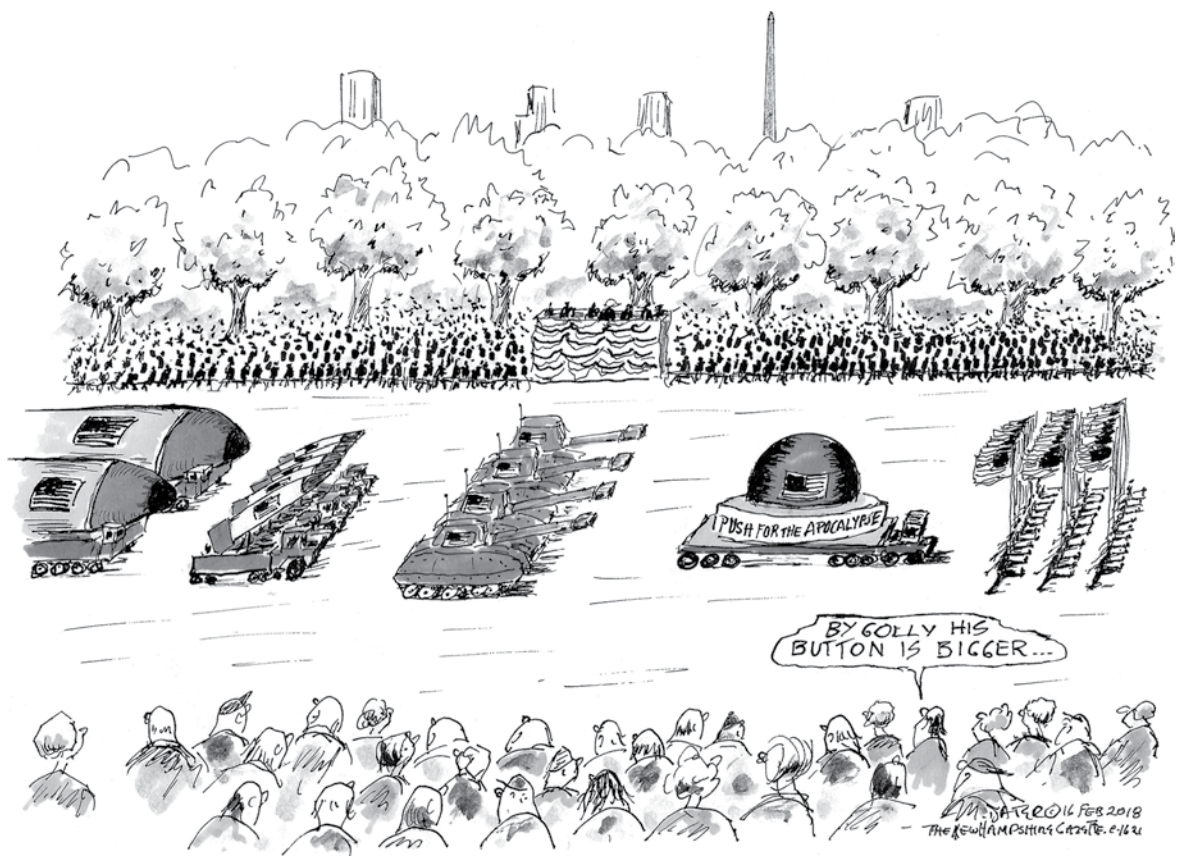
The U.S. military, the last time anyone checked, seemed to have rather a lot of items on its “To Do” list. For example, training new recruits to finish off the war in Afghanistan, which started when they were in diapers, or figuring out why ships of the Seventh Fleet keep banging into things. So it seems fair to ask, why a parade?

Since we are that *rara avis*, a truly free newspaper, and since it would be a shame to waste such a precious resource, we will employ that freedom, here and now because we can, to declare unequivocally that the only conceivable reason for this charade of a parade is to gratify the insatiable ego of the psychological catastrophe who unfortunately occupies the lavish unit of public housing located at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D.C.

Such a bald-faced statement would be a little too straightforward for the typical corporate news organization to deliver comfortably. So, pity the poor administration officials forced to defend a massive display of military manpower and equipment marching down Pennsylvania Avenue.

The strain seems to have given one poor anonymous White House schlub a touch of schizophrenia. He told *The Hill* that the parade “would be ‘the opposite’ of totalitarian, because it would be a ‘celebration of the men and women who give us freedom,’ but also said it would be designed as a demonstration of America's strength and a ‘warning’ to the country's enemies.”

White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders, bless her



heart, took a simpler approach: offer up a mawkish lie. “President Trump is incredibly supportive of America's great service members who risk their lives every day to keep our country safe,” she wrote in a statement. “He has asked the Department of Defense to explore a celebration at which all Americans can show their appreciation.”

Trump's empathy glands welling over with gratitude? The evidence suggests otherwise. The *Daily Beast*, citing three sources who were present, reports that the day before the State of the Union Address, Trump said to a small group, “Man, are you a warrior—you're a warrior! We're all warriors in this fight.”

He was not talking, though, to a bunch of jump-booted Rangers. He was talking to “a who's who of pro-Trump surrogates and media commentators, including cable-news regulars Jason Miller, Larry Kudlow, and Jack Kingston.”

What might the purported targets of all this appreciation think? One former Marine, who goes by @Top_Sergeant on Twitter, reported, “Was down at the [Senior Non-Commissioned Officer's Club] tonight. I can tell you not one f---ing Marine was interested in marching in Trump's parade unless we're dragging him behind an Amtrac [Amphibious Assault Vehicle.]”

As this violent imagery suggests, enlisted men, even senior ones, have been known to harbor latent anti-authoritarian tendencies. Their views may therefore be suspect. So, how about an officer's opinion?

“The military is not Donald Trump's to use and abuse in this way,” according to retired U.S. Army Maj. Gen. Paul Eaton, speaking for VoteVets. “Our military is the very best in the world—they are not to be reduced to stagecraft to prop up Donald Trump's image. Any commander in chief who respects the

traditions of the military would understand that. Unfortunately, we do not have a commander in chief, right now, as much as we have a wannabe banana republic strongman.” Let's call that another “No” vote, then.

Two's a pretty small sample, though. What say the uniformed services at large? Among them Trump's approval rating is on the order of 60 percent—twice as high as among civilians. *MilitaryTimes.com* ran an online poll last week. There were 51,000 respondents.

“The majority, 89 percent, responded ‘No, It's a waste of money and troops are too busy.’

“The other 11 percent responded ‘Yes, it's a great opportunity to show off U.S. military might.’”

A parade would be an ominous sign. If all the generals in the Oval Office and the Pentagon can't deny Trump a parade, what hope is there they'll muster the courage to tell him he can't nuke North Korea?

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Are You Ready For Some Democracy?

It's already February in an even-numbered year, which can only mean one thing—a Congressional election is just nine months away. This one should be a lot of fun: for the first time since 2002, the First District seat is wide open.

This will be the first race in 12 years without Carol Shea-Porter. A complete self-starter who came out of nowhere by way of Rochester, she built her base the old-fashioned way, knocking on doors. In 2006, she unseated a two-term Republican incumbent in a district that had not elected a Democrat in 24 years. Unseated by a remarkably unscrupulous Republican, she refused to accept defeat or compromise her progressive politics, and fought a now-legendary series of electoral battles. If Representatives wore numbered jerseys, hers would deserve to be lifted to the rafters.

Democratic voters face a tough choice in their primary. Whoever they end up choosing on September 11th, they'll be forced to pass over a fistful of well-qualified candidates. The good news for them—we're strictly neutral, of course—is that they should end up with a winner in the November 6th general election.

The GOP side seems to have the opposite problem. Their list of candidates is pretty short, but, even so, there don't seem to be enough credentials to go around.

Mark Hounsell, as a Carroll County Commissioner and former State Senator, seems to have cornered the Republican market for gravitas. However, as a self-described paleoconservative who has called former Governor Meldrim “Ax the Tax” Thomson Jr. his mentor, he may find that his shelf life in this District has expired.

Former South Hampton Police Chief and ex-top cop of the State's booze business, Dover's Eddie Edwards bills himself as merely a “strong conservative,” perhaps making him more electable. He has a direct connection to the office he seeks, but it may not help him much: he was director of community relations for the disgraced Frank Guinta.

That brings us to State Senator Andy Sanborn [District 9], who brings a certain amount of pizzazz to the party. The Draft, his sports bar and restaurant in Concord, reportedly has drink holders at the urinals—a detail that meshes well with his pronounced libertarian streak.

Sanborn's critics are dying to connect him to the Free State Project. To the best of our knowledge, neither he nor they will admit to any actual links. This raises the possibil-

ity that although they share similar values, they're all too ashamed to admit it.

Sanborn was the lead sponsor of SB 465, the so-called “Red Tape Reduction Act.” Now tabled, it was the Senate's version of HB 1762, which, according to the American Friends Service Committee, “would (in part) change child labor laws to get more teenagers into the workforce, make tip pooling involuntary in restaurants, enable employers to get away with wage theft, and give rulemaking authority on wages, hours, and child labor to the legislature.”

Sanborn has a history of getting his name in the news for reasons that don't inspire confidence, e.g., “N.H. legislator threatens constituent who wants pot legalized,” in the *Boston Globe*, and “Andy Sanborn says ‘crass language’ sparked state Senate investigation,” in the *Union*

Leader.

BallotPedia.com claims that Andy Martin is also running for the seat. We have not been able to independently verify that; but we believe it nonetheless, because the name Andy Martin is a synonym for “also ran.” He also ran against Scott Brown in the 2014 U.S. Senate primary, losing to Scott Brown. He also ran for the Second District primary in 2016, coming in fourth with 7.3 percent of the vote.

We had fervently hoped that by press time Dover resident and William “Bill” Binnie factotum Matt Mayberry would have officially announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination. Alas, poor Yorick, the First District's own Hamlet has yet to make up his

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mind. Too busy scrutinizing arcane Postal Service regulations to make a commitment, perhaps.

Running a similarly ghostly campaign, at least according to *Bal-lotPedia*, is the mysterious Shawn O'Connor. The self-proclaimed self-made test-prep millionaire blew in from New York and spent bunches of money in the 2016 race. First, as a Democrat, he challenged Shea-Porter in the primary. Failing to adequately answer the question "who invited you," he never developed much traction. A flurry of unsubstantiated charges and counter-charges about domestic violence didn't help him. Ditching his Democratic affiliation, he then ran as an Independent, raking in more than nine percent of the vote. There is no evidence he was running as a spoiler, but if he had been, he would have done it all right—except for losing, of course.

As the only truly, fully free newspaper in the District, we feel both privileged and humbled. If the District comes out of this represented by a stooge, some of the blame falls on us. On the basis of our circulation, of course, this statement is utterly ludicrous. Given the nature of politics these days, though, the fear of appearing ludicrous is hardly an excuse for inaction.

Turning to Environmental News ...
"This Mutant Crayfish Clones Itself, and It's Taking Over Europe" — a recent headline.

The Latest in Faith Healing
"Trump Adviser Gloria Copeland Said Flu Shots Aren't Necessary If A Person Just Has Faith" — another recent headline.

Can Anyone Give WSCA a Lift?
Working on the theory that one never knows, we inquire on behalf of our friends at WSCA, Portsmouth Community Radio: who has access to a construction crane?
Technicians at the station would like to replace a connector on the



Need a place to flop between shifts washing dishes? Truck on down to the former Connie Bean Center, where kids from all economic backgrounds used to play basketball for free. Privatized and rebranded as The Army Navy Building at Piscataqua Landing, it includes a 2 bedroom, 1,550 foot unit which is now available for just ... what? We didn't believe it when we saw it on Portsmouth Herald reporter Elizabeth Dinan's Twitter feed, but we checked on Trulia, and it's truly true. The rent on this unit is \$4,305 a month.

tower in Newington. It would be a two-hour job for an 80-foot crane, we're told, but just a 20-minute job for a 100-footer.

With all the construction work going on in this town, somebody is booking this sort of equipment. Here's a chance for them to earn some good karma. Call (603) 430-9722, or email rpickford@wscafsm.org.

Surely a Mere Coincidence
"[He] normally appeared shortly before lunch, quickly read through ... press cuttings, and then went into lunch. So it became more and more difficult for ... to get him to make decisions which he alone could make as Head of State ... When [he] stayed at ... it was even worse. There he never left his room before 2 p.m. Then he went straight to lunch. He spent most afternoons ... in the evening straight after dinner there were ... He disliked the study of documents. I have sometimes secured decisions from him, even ones about important matters, without [his]

ever asking to see the relevant files. He took the view that many things sorted themselves out on their own if one did not interfere ... He let people tell him things he wanted to hear, everything else he rejected ... How can one tell someone the truth who immediately gets angry when the facts do not suit him?"

— Fritz Wieldemann, German soldier and Nazi party activist, in his book, *Der Mann der Feldherr Werden Wollte*, describing the work habits of Adolf Hitler.

R.I.P. John Young
John Watts Young, the only person to have piloted and been commander of all four classes of manned American spacecraft, died last month, aged 87.

Young flew with Virgil "Gus" Grissom on the three-orbit Gemini 3 mission of March 23, 1965. During the flight, Young handed Grissom a corned beef sandwich which he had smuggled aboard.

Grissom later said, "After the flight our superiors at NASA let us know in no uncertain terms that non-man-rated corned beef sandwiches were out for future space missions. But John's deadpan offer of this strictly non-regulation goodie remains one of the highlights of our flight for me."

Among the exhibits in the Grissom Memorial Museum in Mitchell, Ind., is a corned beef sandwich, embedded in acrylic.

Robinsons Crash in Quebec, Australia
Three people, including a father and his daughter, were killed on February 1st when their Robinson R44 helicopter crashed in a field just north of Drummondville, Quebec, according to *TheStar.com*. Drummondville is about 60 miles north of Montreal. The cause of the accident had not been determined at press time.

Between the Quebec crash and a previously-reported crash in New-

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port Beach, Calif. on January 30th, six people died in Robinson helicopters in less than 48 hours. Prior to that, the brand apparently had a fatality-free period of 14 days, between January 16th and 30th.

A Robinson R22 helicopter crashed in Bankstown, Australia on Sunday, February 11th. The machine was flying at low altitude; parts were scattered along a 130-foot swath. The tail section separated entirely, but a flight instructor and student suffered only minor injuries.

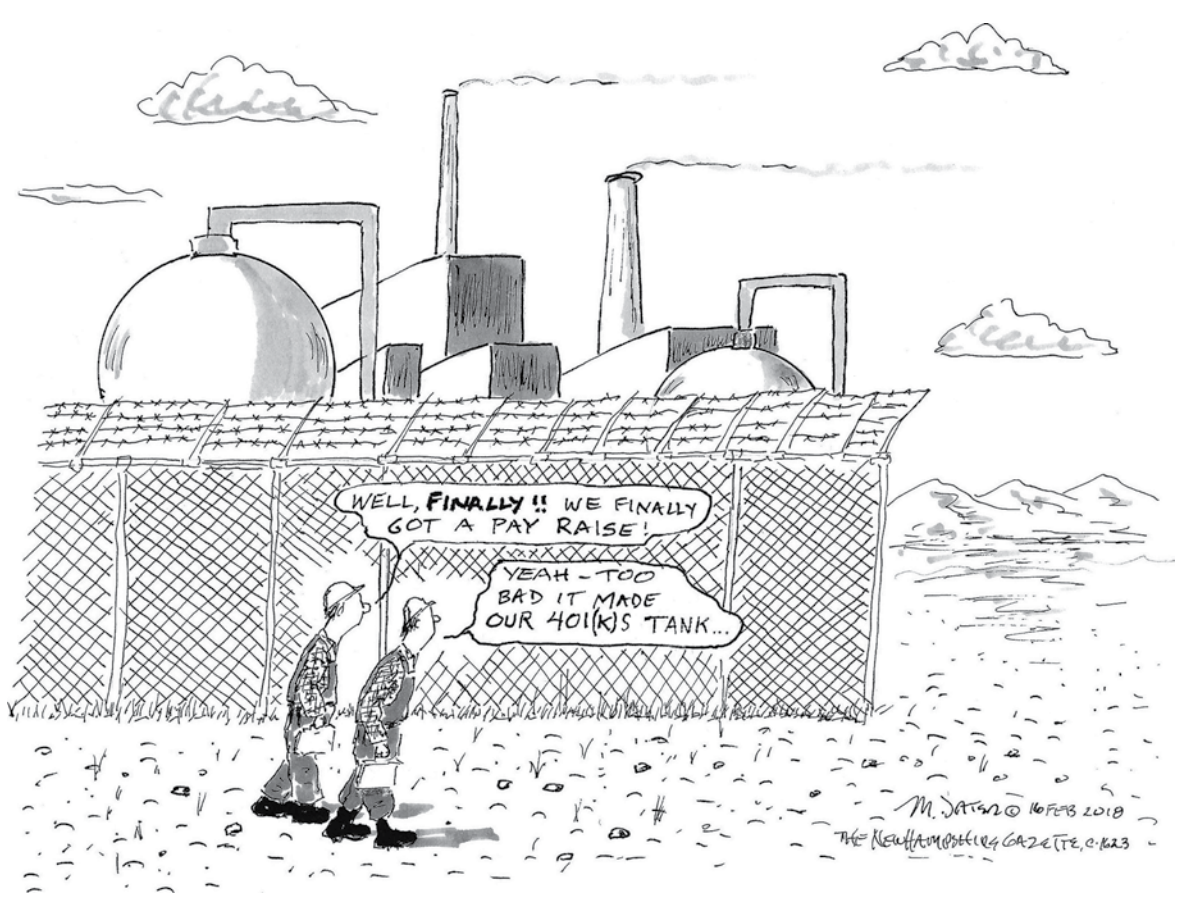
This Lent, Think of Primus

The Episcopal Diocese of New Hampshire, which has earned a reputation for relative enlightenment, decided that each day in Lent this year, beginning Feb. 14th, Ash Wednesday, they would offer a short

reading to promote reflection on a person in the African American community who has shaped New Hampshire's history. Their hope is that those reflections will help the congregation to use Lent as a time to broaden their knowledge, to say prayers in a way that assists in repentance and fosters appreciation of the contributions of those named.

The Black Heritage Trail of New Hampshire invited us to write about Primus. Being deeply in his debt, we were honored to oblige with the following item, scheduled for the 9th day of Lent, February 22nd:

According to the laws and customs of his place and time, Primus was, in a very literal sense, a man of no account. As a black African in 18th century New England, he could be, and he was, considered to



While on routine patrol of the internet, the normally-unflappable Flag Police were staggered to discover Trumpy Bear™, a stuffed toy made in the image of a sitting President. The use of his image was not the issue; if your aim is to produce dreck auf dem teller, he's a perfect model. Their concern was what it's stuffed with: an "ultra cozy flag-themed blanket." Skeptical that anyone would actually carry out such an outrage, the Flag Code Cops checked to see if Trumpy Bear™ was real. He is. And he's busted. So is Wayne King, owner of Exceptional Products in Dallas, Texas.

be mere property in the eyes of the law.

Thousands of others who suffered that intolerable condition lived and died in utter obscurity. Not Primus.

For thirty years or more he was made to pull the lever of a wooden common press, forcing blank paper to accept black-inked type, in the process printers call making an impression. That work made an impression on him; it bent his back so, he could not stand upright.

But, though he was dealt a life of drudgery, and though he died centuries ago, still, something of Primus lives on today. The world did its best to crush him, but he left his impression on the world.

Primus first appears in 1730, his purchase noted in the account book of Hugh Hall. Before, and for two decades after, his life is a mystery. When Hall's daughter Lydia married the printer Daniel Fowle, Primus was, apparently, Lydia's dowry.

A few years after the marriage, Daniel and the Massachusetts legislature fell into acrimonious

disagreement over "The Monster of Monsters," a scurrilous satirical pamphlet. Under interrogation, Daniel admitted that Primus—"my Negro"—may have been involved in the printing of "the Monster."

We know this story because Daniel published a pamphlet about being locked up in Boston's "stone gaol." Its tone was indignant rather than jocular, but there's irony in its title: a slave-owning man complaining about "A Total Eclipse of Liberty."

Daniel, Lydia, and Primus soon moved to Portsmouth, where Daniel established the province's first print shop. Lydia died at 36, in 1761. It was at her funeral that we begin to see Primus as more than a cipher.

According to Portsmouth printer Charles Brewster's *Rambles About Portsmouth*, Primus "mourned the loss of his mistress, and called her an old fool for dying."

Tobias Ham Miller, yet another printer, gives a fuller account: Primus "inadvertently got on the right hand [of the funeral procession],

which in this case, was evidently the wrong side." Through nods and gestures, Daniel tried to get Primus to exchange places.

"At last [Daniel] whispered, 'Go to the other side,' expecting to be promptly obeyed in so slight and reasonable a request; but, to his surprise and that of the bystanders, Primus screamed out, 'Go tudder side ye'sef, ye mean jade.' The master of course complied, and the procession moved off."

Primus didn't even own his own body, but he knew who he was—and so did those around him. On his death in 1791, he achieved a unique distinction for an enslaved black man: he was eulogized in the very paper over whose pages he had once labored.

He may even have left undiscovered surprises, waiting for us yet. In 2015, a Dartmouth librarian, inspecting a broadsheet printed in Daniel's shop, discovered, written in a faded but elegant hand, the words, "Prime [sic] Fowle a man of handsome color 1760."

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An Anonymous Coward Writes ...

[Note: The following note was carefully written in an admirably-legible hand on a closely-trimmed subscription form. The only distinguishing features on the envelope were the postmark; Manchester, N.H., February 5th, and a flag sticker upon which was written, "God Save America!". Unfortunately it was unsigned, hence our salutation.]

To Steven Fowle, Editor, 1/20/18

I wouldn't subscribe to your *Gazette* even if it was free!! Instead of being fair & unbiased, I find it extremely biased & extremely one-sided, as is easily seen from your "notes" at the end of the readers correspondence letters. Pres. Donald Trump has the best interests of America, yet he is constantly criticized by folks like you & all the other "bird brains" of the liberal left-wingers. You folks are indeed the "deplorables"! Shame on you!! You indeed are "foul," Mr. Fowle. You *don't* deserve to be an American!!

A one-time-only reader.

Dear Anonymous Coward:

Thank you very much for writing. One of the few chronic disappointments in this job is the paucity of hate mail. Thus, though surely against your will, you have brought us great joy.

In addition, you have given us a solid, concrete bit of evidence which reveals the sort of thinking belief system which, through systemic distortions in the nation's power structure, makes it possible for a greedy minority to exploit the rest of us for their own gain.

That bit of evidence is now semi-permanently enshrined, by means of a cheap Saunders clipboard made in Winthrop, Maine, on the wall of our editorial warren. It is our intention, in the unlikely event that this venerable journal someday ceases to exist, to transfer ownership to the Smithsonian Institution.

You, of course, will never read this reply. No matter. We make it a practice to assume that no one ever reads anything. That way it's always a pleasant surprise when we discover that someone has.

Because you have brightened our fortnight immeasurably, we sincerely hope that you never suffer the full effects of the government you so fervently desire.

The Editor

EverSource Arrogance

To the Editor:

Martin Murray, spokesman for Northern Pass, said, "We are shocked and outraged by today's SEC outcome." He continued, "Clearly, the SEC process is broken."

In other words: How dare the members of the SEC (site evaluation committee) not do as we command! And all seven of them!

As a surprising number of people still remember, I've been involved in New Hampshire politics and government for decades, including 14 years from 1990-2004 in the State Senate.

One constant has been the role of PSNH/Eversource. That entity has always seen New Hampshire simply as something which they own and control, and that we are there for them to profit handsomely from. Our role is so serve their interests, period. They can't imagine how we can dare to question them.

My history goes back to the 1970s when they insisted nuclear power would be "too cheap to meter" and despite all readily available economic logic and reason, they insisted on squandering, oh, about a billion dollars in the folly of Seabrook One and Two, one of which sits rusting in a perfect memorial to PSNH's headlong rush into this incredibly expensive folly.

They tried to saddle us with their now infamous and shameful Construction Work in Progress charge: forcing us, the captive customers, to pay for their really dumb choices. Luckily we had a governor, Hugh Gallen, and a legislative effort led by Chris Spirou, who heroically put the interests of the citizens above the blatant greed of PSNH.

They managed to build one of their two atom-splitters and as a result we pay some of the highest electric rates in the nation. And now they have the audacity to insist that the regulators allow them to keep it running long after its safety mandated retirement date.

Of course they are apoplectic at this decision on their Northern Pass scheme.

Perhaps you too have noticed that the letters "PSNH" are the only ones on WMUR's artistic image of the



state at the beginning of its newscasts. Throughout my years in the State Senate, 1990-2004, when I chose not to run again, it was clear that PSNH (now calling itself Eversource in the same spirit of obvious omnipotence) always saw itself standing above all other economic interests in New Hampshire. We mere legislators were to know where the real power lay; not with the people we were elected to serve but with them. The arrogance was always simply astounding. Regrettably some in the House and Senate did dutifully perform for them.

Now despite the widespread, truly bipartisan resistance from every corner of the state, they pushed on relentlessly for Northern Pass. It really is impressive that the one thing that united Democrats and Republicans, Bernie supporters and Trump supporters, was our determined resistance to what would have been just a giant extension cord between Quebec and Massachusetts with very little benefit to New Hampshire, and much risk and disruption to the environment.

So now they are apoplectic. What, we don't get our way? How dare you lowly people of New Hampshire participate in decisions which we should of course dictate!

The recent 7 to 0 decision by the SEC should put a stop to their latest of a long string of greed-driven projects. Then again, back in 1989, a decision by the Atomic Safety and Licensing Appeal Board stopped the white elephant at Seabrook. Of course PSNH pressed on, and they long ago began operations, and now even they recognize it was a costly error. The lesson is they do not give up when a lot of money is at stake.

The recent SEC decision halting the Northern Pass project was a great victory, but as history shows, we can never let down our guard.

Burt Cohen

New Castle, N.H.

Federal Downshifting

To the Editor:

Hey, Main Street, why the long face? The Federal Government just slashed your Federal Income Tax while proposing a massive spending program to mend America's crumbling infrastructure. You have every reason to cheer!

Or do you? According to Trump, we can make America great again without increasing the income tax by even a single dime. All we need do is cough up billions in new state and local taxes to pay the bill!

Oops, there goes that extra \$10 in last week's pay check—and a whole lot more! Of course, here in New Hampshire, robbing Peter to pay Paul is a time-honored tradition.

Could this infrastructure proposal be a Trump nothing-burger predestined to die in Congress? Or, in lieu of adequate local funding from cash-strapped states, could its implementation lead to a selloff of the American commons to private investors? We should keep in mind that, under corporate law, the private sector is responsible only to shareholder value. Will Wall Street investors really care about hapless motorists dodging potholes on corporate-owned freeways and bridges? Don't hold your breath! And, when that automated billing statement arrives, don't forget to pay your tolls.

Welcome to Trump Land, where one hand giveth an inch while the other take-eth a mile!

Rick Littlefield

Barrington, N.H.

Rick:

We are disturbed at the tone of your letter. What reasons have Mr. Trump, the Republican Congress, and Wall Street ever given you to doubt the purity of their motives?

The Editor

Democrats Get Crazier by the Day

To the Editor:

Within hours of Chelsea Manning announcing her candidacy for a Senatorial seat in the State of Maryland, running against the Democrat Ben Cardin, establishment Democrats accused her of being a tool of Vladimir Putin, adding this nonsense to prior claims that old Vlad, among other things, influenced Brexit, as well the Catalan bid for independence, and Merkel's poor showing in her election along with her inability to form a governing coalition.

Are they so deranged that they believe President Obama commuted Manning's sentence in order for her to be available to carry out Putin's plot to unseat Ben Cardin? Are they really willing to go this far out of fear of the person whose only offense was to reveal American war crimes?

Furthermore, these are the same people who claim Donald Trump lacks the temperament, the knowledge, and the experience, to be President of the United States, yet they have no problem with increasing his ability to spy on Americans without the need for warrants.

Too bad the Constitution does not permit an entire party to be impeached and removed by reason of insanity. The Democratic Party would certainly qualify.

John Dente

Wilmington, Del.

John:

You may be onto something here.

Let's impeach both parties. Republicans deserve such treatment for obvious reasons; Democrats for failing to prevail against such an obvious cabal of greed-mongers.

The Editor

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How Low Can They Go?

To the Editor:

As Mueller gets closer to Trump, there seems to be no bottom to the depths Republicans will sink to prevent a complete investigation into the Russian attack on our election and the possible collusion by the Trump campaign. For Trump and the Republicans who claim total innocence, they are going to very extreme lengths to prevent the truth of their innocence from being disclosed. Congressman Devin Nunes (R-Calif.), Chairman of the House Intelligence Committee, released a memo, with White House blessings, that basically accuses the FBI and the Justice Department of abusing the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) process when it eavesdropped on Carter Page, a Trump campaign staff member who was meeting with Russian Intelligence agents as far back as 2013.

The four-page Nunes memo is based on a detailed classified FISA warrant that Nunes has admitted he has never seen. The warrant in question is actually the second or third renewal of the original warrant issued in 2016 because of the ongoing concern of Mr. Page's contact with Russian agents. As such, a FISA judge found sufficient evidence to issue the original FISA warrant and to renew it as many as three times. The FBI warned prior to the memo's release that it had "grave concerns" about its release and that the memo had serious omissions of fact. They also expressed concerns that the release could damage national security by providing certain methods, means and sources of intelligence gathering, which could put these sources in danger. What a gift to Putin and our other adversaries: show them our intelligence gathering techniques, and

have the President and the Republican Congress discredit one of our key intelligence agencies. I thought giving aid and comfort to our enemies was a crime.

Trump knows exactly what Mueller knows and what he will find if he is allowed to continue his investigation. He knows the consequences if his long suspected criminal financial dealings, Russian Mob connections, and sordid personal behavior are fully disclosed. In his most recent actions to repay Putin, Trump has failed to place new sanctions on Russia, as required by a law passed by the Republican House 419-3 and the Republican Senate 98-2, in 2017. One can only speculate as to why Mr. Trump has decided not to obey this law, but it takes little imagination to see the connection between the Russian activities, their knowledge of Trump's financial and personal activities and Trumps obsession with the Mueller investigation.

Unlike Watergate, when we had Republicans of character, integrity and patriotism, like Howard Baker, and Lowell Weicker in Congress to defend the country, we now have the likes of Devin Nunes, Paul Ryan, and Mitch McConnell, who are willing to betray their oaths and the nation to protect Donald Trump. These men, and many others supporting them will be treated harshly when the history of this subversion is recorded. Hopefully justice does not wait for history. When Trump goes down, he will take a deserving Republican Party with him. The only remaining question is will they take the entire nation down with them?

Rich DiPentima, LTC USAF, Ret.
Portsmouth, N.H.

Rich:

When you lay out the facts like that, it does look rather suspect.

Unfortunately this country has a hard time dealing with the blatantly obvious.
The Editor

Needed: Right Wing Conspiracy Theorists

To the Editor:

On Friday, Feb. 2, Devin Nunes, Chair of the House "Intelligence" Committee, released "The MEMO" at the request of Donald J. Trump. A few hours later the Dow Jones Industrial Average plunged 666 points—the sign of Satan!

Coincidence? Not likely.

This proves beyond a doubt that Donald J. Trump and Satan are one and the same. This cannot be a coincidence! It is so obvious! It's as clear as PizzaGate, where it was "proven" that Hillary and other high ranking Democrats were running a child sex ring out of the basement of a DC pizza parlor—a pizza parlor with no basement. The missing basement just shows how devious Hillary is!

This is at least as believable as the Trump-promoted "Birther Conspiracy" that gave him his political start.

In case you forgot, "The MEMO" was supposed to PROVE that a Republican-led Justice Department (a Trump appointee) and a Republican-led FBI Director (a Trump appointee) and a Republican-appointed Special Prosecutor colluded to rig the Russia/Trump investigation—to aid the Democrats. Even with Nunes' alt-facts, it fell far short.

Where are those right-wing conspiracy theorists when there's such a juicy story? Neither Breitbart or Fox carried the Satan connection!

Disappointing.
Michael Frandzel
Portsmouth, N.H.

New York Times Co. v. United States

To the Editor:

A recent round-trip drive up north to scenic Great Glen Trails for some snowshoe running afforded me plenty

of time to catch up on current events via NHPR, including the big story of the day which was #45's "Highly Anticipated 2017 Fake News Awards."

Much of NHPR's coverage of the story provided commentary delivered on the Senate floor by Republican Senator Jeff Flake, who, appealing to his deafeningly silent and complicit Republican colleagues, asserted, "Donald Trump's use of the terms 'fake news' and 'enemy of the people' is shameful and reminiscent of words used by Joseph Stalin to describe his enemies. Trump has it precisely backward. Despotism is the enemy of the people, while a free press is the despot's enemy and a guardian of democracy."

Meanwhile, the word was that #45 had declared the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post* two of the winners of his ignominious awards, immediately reminding me of the need to see Steven Spielberg's new film, *The Post*, which I made a point of doing that evening.

A highly poignant moment of Spielberg's timely and important film was the reading, by one of the *Post* staffers, of Supreme Court Justice Hugo Black's concurring opinion in *New York Times Co. v. United States* (decided in favor of the *Times* and *Post*) which read, "In the First Amendment, the Founding Fathers gave the free press the protection it must have to fulfill its essential role in our democracy. The press was to serve the governed, not the governors ... In my view, far from deserving condemnation for their courageous reporting, the *New York Times*, the *Washington Post*, and other newspapers should be commended for serving the purpose that the Founding Fathers saw so clearly. In revealing the workings of government that led to the Vietnam War, the newspapers nobly did precisely that which the Founders hoped and trusted they would do."

So, when #45 attacks the press, a la Richard "Tricky Dick" Nixon, it's incumbent upon us to heed Flake's admonishment, "When Trump calls news stories he doesn't like 'fake news,' he should be the figure of suspicion,

not the press."

Wayne H. Merritt
Dover, N.H.

"Who's Behind This Freedom Caucus?"

Dear Editor:

I would like to attempt to answer the question, "Who's Behind This Freedom Caucus?" [asked by Gene Murphy in our paper of February 2nd].

Presently I'm afraid I have to plead guilty, Gene, it's my Congressman, Mark Meadows, a 3rd-term Republican from the 11th District of North Carolina, a rather large district in the western mountains. I had my picture taken with him once, I'm sure it's glued to a circular piece of cork-board and used as a dart target in his office.

Meadows is Chairman of the Freedom Caucus (the Tea Party on Steroids). He's 58, born in Verdun, France (don't blame the French), has an AA Degree from the University of Southern Florida, and is a Realtor by trade. He gained access to the House of Representatives in 2012 after the last census and the successful gerrymandering and subsequent takeover of our legislature by Republicans, making the 11th District a "safe" seat temporarily.

I say "temporarily" because the gerrymandering has been in the courts for years and, with Trump on the ropes politically and personally, the Dems stand a half decent chance of putting North Carolina back in the blue column come November. This is a state where registered Democrats and registered Unaffiliated voters *each* outnumber registered Republicans. Only through gerrymandering were Republicans able to wrest both Senate seats and 10 of the 13 House seats in Congress. I predict that will end in November, with or without the courts' intervention.

In addition to his awesome responsibilities as Chair of The Freedom Caucus and one of Trump's favorite yes men, Meadows is also on the Foreign Affairs and the Oversight and Government Reform Committees,

Hate Mail, &c.

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The Northcountry Chronicle

Not Quite Pa Ingalls

by William Marvel

The towns of northern Carroll County never built monuments to their Civil War veterans, perhaps because so many of the residents opposed the war. Just across the border in Maine, it was a different story. In 1911 Brownfield dedicated a bronze statue of Private Daniel Bean, a local boy killed at Cold Harbor, and two years later neighboring Denmark raised a marble monument of a more generic Civil War soldier. The two memorials share a loose but intriguing connection.

The Denmark monument, at the junction of Route 160 and Bull Ring Road, sits directly opposite the farmhouse where Rufus Ingalls was born in August of 1818—or August of 1819 or 1820, depending on which of his claimed birthdates one believes. His father, who was a merchant as well as a farmer, got him appointed to West Point in 1839, from which he graduated toward the bottom of the class of 1843, well below Ulysses Grant. Like his father, Ingalls was quite a wheeler-dealer, and he gravitated naturally to the Quartermaster Department, where

he spent most of his career.

Questions arose about his conduct wherever he went. In 1849, at Fort Vancouver in Washington Territory, Ingalls conspired with company commanders to furlough some of their men so they could build storehouses for Ingalls at high-market local wages. The soldiers, who could have been ordered to do the work at their regular monthly pay, also drew those exorbitant contractor wages. It was a common scam in that era for a quartermaster to take hefty kickbacks from such duplicate compensation, and there was no other reason to make the government pay twice for that labor.

At Fort Vancouver, Ingalls lived in a house he had built at government expense, inviting his classmate, Lieutenant Grant, to be his roommate for the winter of 1853. That association served him very well when Grant took command of the entire U.S. Army in 1864, and Ingalls became chief quartermaster for all the armies in Virginia. Mostly because of his sponsorship by Grant, who was notoriously naive about his more corrupt associates, Ingalls eventually became the quartermaster general of the entire U.S. Army.

An auditor might have been interested in how well Ingalls always lived, with his own carriages and a succession of young “servants,” even when only drawing a captain’s pay. For many years Ingalls shared a house with Alfred Pleasonton, another army officer who—like Ingalls—never married and had a dubious personal reputation.

In 1855, Ingalls served as quartermaster for an army expedition surveying roads through Utah. The battalion wintered over at Salt Lake City, where the coercive new practice of polygamy drove many girls and young women (some of whom were already married) to throw themselves at soldiers in a desperate effort to escape. In April, the 36-year-old Ingalls was indicted by the U.S. attorney for Utah Territory on a charge of “abducting” Rachael Nowell, a Mormon girl who was not yet 14 years old, and trying to take her and another girl to California. Ingalls wrote to the girl’s mother, expressing his surprise that she objected to Rachael going off with the expedition. He added that he was returning her “as pure in every respect as when she left the city,” but the comfort of that assurance might



Private Daniel Bean
Photo by Matthew Brady

have depended partly on how pure Rachael was when she climbed into his buggy. If there was ever a trial, Ingalls did not stick around for it.

Before Grant took the high command in 1864, the provost marshal general of the Army of the Potomac suspected Ingalls of fraudulent collusion with “Fat Andy” Hepburn, who was notorious as a conniving sutler—that is, a storekeeper for soldiers. The provost marshal never caught Ingalls red-handed, but the quartermaster’s peculations were

widely credited. Corporal James Brown of the 5th Maine, a Brownfield native, noticed that Ingalls assigned quartermaster positions to three brothers he knew from Brownfield’s Bean family. The most profitable spot went to Sylvanus Bean. The Beans “know where the money is to be made,” wrote Corporal Brown, “and they are bound to get rich out of this war.” Brown added that it was a pity their father was too old to come down “to help the boys to plunder uncle Sam,” for he believed the old man “would be the biggest thief of them all.”

In 1861, Sylvanus had taken his son Daniel into the army with him when the boy was only 15, keeping him safe by using him as a quartermaster’s clerk. Orders from above sent Daniel back to his regiment early in 1864. Because Ingalls was not powerful enough to have those orders rescinded, young Bean was killed in his first battle and thus became the subject Brownfield’s iconic Civil War statue. It was funded at least in part by money from Sylvanus Bean’s considerable estate, which was augmented by the profits Ingalls helped him accrue.

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making it all the more important we bounce Meadows in November. I’m on it . . .

David L. Snell
Franklin, N.C.
David:
Thanks very much for this contribution to our collective understanding.
The Editor

Fearing the FBI

To the Editor:
I’m six years old and the kitchen is dark, except for a glowing dial-light revealing the Emerson table-model radio perched on a shelf. From the

radio’s speaker comes a voice, authoritative and stern: “The FBI in Peace and War.” Then come trumpets in marching-band cadence: “Da Da Da Daht-di-dah!”

Time for another suspense-filled thriller revealing the heroic exploits of America’s premier law-enforcement agency. I listen in suspense as I learn that good always triumphs over evil, although often barely in the nick of time. I also learn the best way to impress a girl might be with

Wildroot Cream Oil in my hair and a pack of Lucky Strikes in my pocket.

Fast-forward to 1967. UNH and Dartmouth are awash in student protest while New Hampshire’s conservative-led press and state government are lashing out to suppress it. With revolution in the air, rumors abound in Durham that the FBI is in town to conduct surveillance and identify “subversives.” As political

cartoonist for *The New Hampshire*, UNH’s student newspaper, could I be on their list? Suddenly my crime-fighting heroes from the 50’s become a source of anxiety and fear.

When they’re not looking at you, it’s easy to view FBI agents as apolitical, buttoned-down, crime-fighting professionals waging war on bank robbers, bootleggers, smugglers, spies, and killers. However, should you become a “person of interest,” it takes only seconds to realize you

don’t ever want to be the target of an FBI investigation—especially if you have something to hide! To my relief, the FBI totally ignored me and my petty acts of editorial sedition. I had nothing to fear.

Donald J. Trump, on the other hand, apparently has plenty to fear. In fact, it’s difficult to watch the President’s increasingly erratic behavior as the Mueller investigation progresses and not smell his escalating fear as it boils upward to form a giant mushroom cloud over the White House!
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Barrington, N.H.



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What are Trump & Co. really up to?

by Jim Hightower

Remember Trump-the-candidate promising working-class voters that he'd be Wall Street's worst nightmare, cracking down hard on greedy financial thieves whose scams and schemes are wrecking the middle class? Where did that guy go?

Trump-the-President has become Wall Street's wildest wet dream. For

example, he stacked his economic policy team with not one, but five top executives from one of Wall Street's most abusive banksters, Goldman Sachs. What about bringing such legitimate voices as consumers, workers, and poor people to his policy making table? Nope, none.

So, since we don't have a seat at the table, we're on the menu! Trump and his crew of voracious corporate plutocrats are gorging themselves

on new rules to benefit their ilk at our expense, including: Reducing penalties for Wall Street fraud and gouging; allowing restaurant chain executives to seize and pocket the tips that customers give to waiters and other service workers; letting corporations bring in more low-wage foreign workers to take our jobs; scrapping a rule to help assure equal pay to women; opening up Social Security to cuts and privat-

ization; limiting fines on nursing home abuses; eliminating funds for low-income heating and for programs to protect children from lead paint; repealing fracking rules that protect our water and air quality; allowing for-profit private colleges to gouge students; and raising entrance fees at our national parks.

These are just a few of Trump & Company's ongoing rush-rush, hush-hush assaults on our rights,

protections, and basic needs—all orchestrated to free a tiny minority of moneyed powers to run roughshod over the great majority of Americans. Don't just get agitated about it—get to agitating. Public Citizen can help connect you to a myriad of rebellious grassroots groups: www.citizen.org.

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Gene Sharp: Non-Violent Strategist To the Editor:

Numerous international media (BBC, *Guardian*) reported this week on the death in Boston of Professor Gene Sharp, a person very well-known globally to people who were oppressed or had been living under a dictator, but someone who was quite obscure for most Americans. He was world-renowned because unlike many academics, he was not only a historian of non-violent action, but he also published a 92-page practical how-to guide.

I first became aware of Sharp's writing after I joined Amnesty International in Germany, where I had just started my college education at the University of Heidelberg. Amnesty works for the release of human rights victims, or Prisoners of Conscience, who did not advocate for or use violence. My curiosity regarding how to fight oppression and dictatorships using non-violent actions led me to read many of Sharp's writings, along with others such as those of Prof. Theodor Ebert of Berlin, Germany. Many of the prisoners that I worked for had in fact been persecuted for making use of their inherent human rights without resorting to violence. Mr. Sharp was educated at Ohio State University and Oxford, England. His Ph.D. thesis "The Politics of Non-Violent Action" became the definitive work on non-violent action, with examples such as the Greek wom-



en's rebellion of Lysistrata in 400 BC and Martin Luther King's fight for civil rights in our country. He held positions at both UMass Dartmouth and Harvard College. His ideas were compelling, deep but always with an eye on what works. That is why in 1993 his Albert Einstein Institute in Boston published the booklet: "From Dictatorship to Democracy," which was soon translated into 31 languages. This how-to guide has been used by democratic activists in many countries to fight oppression and overthrow dictators, e.g. in Angola, Egypt, Serbia, Thailand, Ukraine, Burma, and some of the Arab Spring countries. In some countries, possession of this booklet is enough to be arrested.

While he was a great admirer of Gandhi, Henry David Thoreau and MLK, Sharp's main motivation for using non-violent action was not a moral one, but because he was convinced it was the most effective weapon against a dictator and would result in the least number of casualties. He always underscored that non-violent action is not passivity and will usually result in some loss of life, but that a violent revolution will be much bloodier.

He was honored with numerous international awards, and was also nominated several times for the No-

bel Peace Prize. However, his main legacy for sure will be that he was able to see his own ideas put to practical use by democratic activists, who now live in countries that were once ruled by dictators.

State Rep. Peter Somssich
Portsmouth, N.H.

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A Thought Experiment

To the Editor:

Imagine the following scenario. The United States is clandestinely attacked by an adversarial foreign nation. The attack does serious damage to our most basic democratic institution; free elections. That attack was verified by the entire Intelligence and national security apparatus of the attacked country. The current Secretary of State acknowledged the attack and warned of ongoing and future attacks by that same hostile government. In retaliation for this attack, the United States Congress, controlled by the same party as the current President, voted 98-2 in the Senate and 419-3 in the House to pass a bill imposing new economic and political sanctions on the government who attacked our nation.

Now consider, if you can, the response to this non-fictional attack on our nation by the current

President of the United States. Mr. Trump not only denies that the attack has taken place, he has claimed that our entire intelligence community is wrong and is incompetent. Mr. Trump, to prove that there was no such attack, asked the leader of Russia, the nation who conducted the attack, if he had attacked our nation. Mr. Putin, the current Dictator of Russia, former KGB Agent for the former Soviet Union, and who blames the West for the demise of the Soviet Union and who seeks revenge, denies Russia conducted such an attack. Mr. Trump accepts Mr. Putin's denial as the truth, and dismisses the assessment of the attack by his own intelligence agencies. Mr. Trump fails to impose the new sanctions required by the law passed by the Republican Congress. Mr. Trump does nothing to mobilize the national security apparatus of the United States to protect against ongoing and future attacks by the Russian Government.

Never in the history of the United States has an attack by a foreign power or terrorist organization gone unanswered, until Mr. Trump came to power. Mr. Trump said that those who did not clap for him during the recent State of the Union Address were being traitorous. If not clapping for Trump is traitorous, what is

the crime for the President ignoring an attack on our democracy? What is the crime for those in Congress with the power to fix this disaster, but choosing instead to ignore and even enable the threat to our country?

Rich DiPentima, LTC USAF, Ret.
Portsmouth, N.H.

Rich:

Imagine Obama trying to get away with what Trump's obviously doing.

The Editor:

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"Unfunded Liabilities"? Hell, No!

To the Editor:

Think tank pundits use the term "Unfunded Liability." It is a false phrase. Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security are the only government costs directly funded by their own dedicated tax—FICA.

I bet if Wal-Mart and Amazon had to pay a dedicated tax to fund the Pacific Fleet nobody would call it an unfunded liability.

Are Wal-Mart and Amazon entitled to the protection the Pacific Fleet gives their goods?

Is this why we never question military spending?

Or is this what Republicans mean when they say entitlement reform?

Tom Laperriere
Milton, N.H.

Tom:

You've got a lot of nerve, mocking a phrase that the oligarchy has spent so much money to promote.

The Editor

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whom you choose to believe. The Piscataqua’s ferocious current is caused by the tide, which, in turn, is caused by the moon. The other player is a vast sunken valley — Great Bay — about ten miles upriver. Twice a day, the 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>2010—On Fox TV, Glenn Beck modestly calls Thomas Paine “kind of the [Glenn Beck]” of his generation.</p> <p>2007—The <i>Washington Post</i> reveals the sordid conditions at Walter Reed Army Hospital.</p> <p>2001—Ex-FBI Special Agent, devout Catholic, patron of strippers, and exhibitionist Robert Hanssen is arrested for selling U.S. secrets to the U.S.S.R., then to the Russians.</p> <p>1999—Sen. Bob Smith declares for President. Hilarity ensues.</p> <p>1970—Although the Chicago Seven are found not guilty of conspiring to incite riots, five are found guilty of crossing state lines to incite riots.</p> <p>1962—“We are going to win in Vietnam,” says Bobby Kennedy during a stopover in Saigon. “We will remain here until we do win.”</p> <p>1952—Four Coast Guardsmen in a 36-foot lifeboat brave 70-knot winds to rescue 32 sailors from the sinking <i>Pendleton</i> off Monomoy Island.</p> <p>1930—Acting on a tip from Veep Chas. Curtis, T-Man R. Butts busts George Cassiday, Congress’s favorite bootlegger, with six quarts of gin in the Senate parking lot.</p> <p>1930—Elsworth W. Bunce becomes the first man to milk a cow aboard an airplane in flight.</p> <p>1916—Having pled guilty to poisoning his wife, in anticipation of a life sentence, Oscar Comery is hanged instead by the State of New Hampshire. An underage girlfriend sealed his fate.</p>	<p>2009—A Robinson R44 helicopter explodes over the Tocumen, Panama airport; the pilot and two others die.</p> <p>2009—CNBC’s Rick Santelli pitches an anti-Obama fit from the floor of the Chicago Board of Trade. His convulsions spawn a Tea Party.</p> <p>2000—“I understand small business growth,” says George W.[MD] Bush, “I was one.”</p> <p>1993—The pilot of a Robinson R22 helicopter ignores proper procedure and flies into a Cessna; both aircraft crash at an Atlanta airport, four die.</p> <p>1988—Prosecutors in Passaic County, N.J., move to dismiss 1966 murder indictments against Rubin “Hurricane” Carter.</p> <p>1986—After due deliberation—37 years—Congress ratifies a UN treaty outlawing genocide.</p> <p>1965—Protests against the Vietnam War are held in 30 U.S. cities.</p> <p>1964—The CIA informs the State and Defense departments that South Vietnam is making little progress against the Viet Cong.</p> <p>1945—In a Burmese mangrove swamp, several hundred Japanese soldiers are killed by crocodiles.</p> <p>1942—FDR puts 120,000 Americans into concentration camps.</p> <p>1940—German destroyers in the North Sea mistakenly fire at Luftwaffe bombers. The bombers sink two destroyers; 578 sailors die.</p> <p>1847—Rescuers reach the leftovers of the Donner Party.</p>	<p>2016—In Michigan, an Über driver between fares allegedly kills six people in two separate shootings.</p> <p>2005—Dr. Hunter S. Thompson takes his leave the way he lived—entirely on his own terms.</p> <p>1985—After defending his WBC flyweight title in London, Sot Chitalada discovers he’s lost his \$104,000 purse to a ringside pickpocket.</p> <p>1945—At Iwo Jima, Jacklyn “Jack” Lucas, 17, dives on one live grenade and pulls another under him. One goes off, one doesn’t. He sets off metal detectors until dying at 80.</p> <p>1943—Hollywood film makers say they’ll let the Office of War Information censor their movies.</p> <p>1939—Fritz Kuhn, a German veteran of WWI and naturalized U.S. citizen, leads 22,000 people in a pro-Nazi rally at Madison Square Garden.</p> <p>1862—Abe Lincoln’s son Willie dies of typhus at the age of 11.</p> <p>1815—Almost two months after the Treaty of Ghent ends the War of 1812, the <i>U.S.S. Constitution</i> captures two British sloops off the coast of Portugal.</p> <p>1725—Indian fighters under Captain John Lovewell take 10 scalps from Indians killed in Wakefield, New Hampshire, which they later redeem in Boston for £100 each.</p> <p>1524—In Germany, Count von Iggleheim is stoned to death by a mob, angry at his refusal to let them board a three-story ark he had built to escape a predicted apocalyptic flood.</p>	<p>2012—Caught by the Piscataqua’s current during construction of the new Memorial Bridge, the tugboat <i>Miss Stacy</i> nearly sinks.</p> <p>2001—“You teach a child to read,” says G.W.[MD] Bush, “and he or her will be able to pass a literacy test.”</p> <p>1988—Televangelist Jimmy Swaggart interrupts his usual broadcast to confess to an unspecified but heinous sin.</p> <p>1975—Three of R. Nixon’s former henchmen, John Mitchell, H.R. Haldeman, and John Ehrlichman, are sentenced to prison.</p> <p>1965—Malcolm X is assassinated.</p> <p>1958—British anti-nukers adopt the now-iconic “peace symbol.”</p> <p>1934—The U.S.-backed Nicaraguan National Guard assassinates rebel leader Augusto Sandino. Legend says his head is then delivered to D.C.</p> <p>1931—In Arequipa, Peruvian revolutionaries make Pan Am’s Byron Rickards the first pilot ever hijacked; 30 years later he’s hijacked again.</p> <p>1930—Witnesses faint and Arizona abandons hanging after “Cheerful Eva” Dugan’s accidentally-decapitated head rolls across the floor.</p> <p>1922—The Italian-made U.S. Army airship <i>Roma</i> crashes in Norfolk, Va., a killing 34 in the nation’s greatest aeronautical disaster to date.</p> <p>1437—Fleeing assassins, James I of Scotland enters a sewer under his tennis court. Blocked by a grate he had installed days earlier to prevent tennis ball loss, he’s stabbed to death.</p>	<p>2006—A Robinson R22 makes a series of “popping sounds” over residential Scottsdale, Ariz., then crashes between two houses. A prospective flight student using a gift certificate dies, along with his instructor.</p> <p>2006—Clarence Thomas asks a question—the last one for 10 years.</p> <p>2004—A Pentagon document leaks: climate change may spell doom.</p> <p>1994—The FBI arrests a spy: CIA officer Aldrich Ames.</p> <p>1974—Samuel Byck, planning to crash an airliner into the White House, carelessly shoots the pilot before takeoff. He’s then shot dead, too.</p> <p>1967—Operation Junction City begins in Vietnam—largest U.S. offensive operation of the War.</p> <p>1966—Barry Bondhus dumps human digestive byproduct on draft files in Elk River, Minn. He gets 14 months.</p> <p>1965—Gen. Westmoreland asks LBJ for Marines to protect the Danang airbase. Despite Ambassador Taylor’s qualms, LBJ says “OK.”</p> <p>1965—Sam Lovejoy cuts down a weather tower for a proposed nuke plant in Montague, Mass.</p> <p>1945—Rep. John Rankin [D-Miss.] calls Rep. Frank Hook [D-Mich.] a Communist, whereupon Hook calls Rankin a “God damned liar.” Rankin, 63 and 140 lbs., attempts to punch out Hook, 52 and 195 lbs., to little effect.</p> <p>1837—In the White House, Andy Jackson celebrates Washington’s Birthday with a 1,400 pound cheese.</p>	<p>2016—GOP Senators brazenly conspire to deny a hearing to Pres. Obama’s nominee to the Supreme Court.</p> <p>2008—Because one maintenance crew fails to warn another that humid air confuses its sensors, a \$1.4 billion B-2 bomber crashes in Guam.</p> <p>2004—Rod Paige, U.S. Sec. of Education, calls the nation’s largest teachers union a “terrorist organization.”</p> <p>1974—Days after presiding over his paper’s 100th birthday, and owing mobsters thousands, <i>Oakland Tribune</i> owner and ex-Sen. William Knowland (R-Calif.) shoots himself dead.</p> <p>1971—Lt. Wm. Calley confesses to mass murder, and says his CO, Capt. E. Medina, ordered it.</p> <p>1945—Five Marines, including Manchester, N.H.’s René A. Gagnon, plant the U.S. flag atop Mt. Suribachi. “Do not glorify war,” he says later. “There’s nothing glorious about it.”</p> <p>1942—The huge [356-foot] Japanese submarine <i>I-17</i> fires more than a dozen 5.5 inch rounds at the Richmond oil refinery near Santa Barbara, Calif.</p> <p>1922—Henri Landru is executed in France for having 11 wives. (Hadn’t he suffered enough?)</p> <p>1868—In Great Barrington, Mass., W.E.B. Du Bois is born.</p> <p>1836—The siege of the Alamo begins.</p> <p>1775—“Give me liberty, or give me death,” says Patrick Henry—maybe.</p> <p>1455—In Mainz, Germany, Johannes Gutenberg begins the world’s first print job: the Bible.</p>	<p>2001—“My plan reduces the national debt, and fast,” says G.W.[MD] Bush, “...economists worry that we’re going to run out of debt to retire.”</p> <p>1991—Ground war against Iraq begins, amid concerns about anthrax and botulism sold to Iraq by U.S. companies with the Commerce Dept.’s OK.</p> <p>1989—On United Airlines Flight 811 from Honolulu to New Zealand, nine are sucked out a hole in the plane.</p> <p>1988—Larry Flynt’s right to portray Jerry Falwell losing his virginity to his mother in an outhouse while intoxicated is upheld by SCOTUS.</p> <p>1988—At 1:17 a.m., Capitol police carry Sen. Robert Packwood (R-Ore.) into the Senate chamber feet first to make up a quorum.</p> <p>1942—Turned away from Istanbul, <i>MV Struma</i>, a decrepit hulk carrying 791 Jewish refugees, is torpedoed by a Soviet sub. Sole survivor David Stolar, 19, lives to be 91.</p> <p>1942—Anti-aircraft guns in Los Angeles fire 1,400 rounds at a weather balloon. Three are trampled to death in the resulting panic and dozens more are injured.</p> <p>1922—Lewis Vernon Harcourt, 1st Viscount Harcourt and former British Secretary of State for the Colonies, commits suicide rather than face exposure as a pederast.</p> <p>1836—Rep. and N.H. native Jonathan Cilley [D-Maine], is killed in the 3rd volley of a rifle duel by Rep. William Graves [Whig-Ky].</p>							
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2011—[A]ny future Defense Secretary who advises the President to again send a big American land army into Asia or into the Middle East or Africa should have his head examined,” says Defense Sec. Gates.

2003—Army Chief of Staff Eric Shinseki warns Senators that Secretary of Defense Rumsfeld’s plan to occupy Iraq dramatically underestimates troop requirements.

1991—Mechanized units of “The Big Red One” complete their breakthrough of Iraq’s defensive line, having buried hundreds, if not thousands, of Iraqi troops alive.

1988—Sam Donaldson broadcasts excerpts from President Reagan’s schedule, making it clear he still reads scripts for a living.

1968—“I do not believe Hanoi can hold up under a long war,” says Gen. William Westmoreland.

1913—The IWW’s Paterson, N.J. strike begins; Concord, N.H.’s Elizabeth Gurley Flynn helps organize.

1899—In London, Edwin Sewell, 31, becomes the first automobile driver to die in a car wreck.

1870—Erstwhile minister Hiram Rhodes Revels (R-Miss.) becomes the first black U.S. Senator.

1836—Colt patents the six gun.

1836—Joice Heth, formerly exhibited by P.T. Barnum as George Washington’s 162-year-old “Mammy,” is autopsied before 1,500 paying spectators in New York City, at Barnum’s behest.

2003—Saddam Hussein tells interviewer Dan Rather he would like to debate George W.[MD] Bush on TV.

1998—After a Robinson R22 helicopter makes a loud “schwapp-like noise,” it plummets to earth near Litterock, Calif., killing its pilot.

1993—A truck bomb explodes beneath the World Trade Center in NYC; 6 are dead, 1,000 injured.

1991—George Herbert [Hoover] Walker Bush admits the U.S. has been supporting the Khmer Rouge.

1982—A Robinson R22 helicopter loses its tail rotor over San Marcos, Texas. The pilot dies when it crashes.

1974—A Senate report finds close ties between Ford Motor Co. and Nazis.

1972—Pittston Coal’s cheap-jack dam on Buffalo Creek in West Virginia collapses killing 118, injuring 1,121, and leaving 5,000 homeless. The company ends up paying less than \$15,000 per casualty.

1970—NPR incorporates.

1954—A C-119 “Flying Boxcar” buzzes the Huntingdon, Tenn., court-house, then crashes, killing four on board and injuring two on the ground.

1906—Pianist and Bolshevik Nikolay Burenin, with 15 comrades, rob the Helsinki branch of the Russian State Bank to fund the Revolution.

1860—Encouraged to do so by the local paper, a small band of white men massacre about 150 Wyot Indians, mostly old men, women, and children, in Humboldt County, Calif.

2014—Senate Republicans block a bill to fund veterans health care because it would cost too much.

2003—Deputy Sec. of Def. Paul Wolfowitz says “the notion that it will take several hundred thousand U.S. troops to provide stability in post-Saddam Iraq, [is] wildly off the mark.”

2001—Rep. David Vitter [R-La.] skips a House vote honoring 28 Desert Storm KIAs to take a call from the D.C. Madam.

1986—Ferdinand and Imelda Marcos are chased out of the Philippines by their own people.

1975—The FDA recalls a batch of 1,241 GE pacemakers—after they’ve all been implanted.

1973—The American Indian Movement occupies Wounded Knee.

1970—The *New York Times* reports that the U.S. Army no longer conducts illegal domestic surveillance; untrue then, and now.

1968—Walter Cronkite says on the *CBS Nightly News* that “we are mired in stalemate” in Vietnam.

1962—Renegade South Vietnamese pilots bomb Saigon’s Presidential Palace with U.S. airplanes.

1938—Britain and France recognize Franco’s fascist government.

1933—Nazis burn the Reichstag and blame the Commies.

1902—To his firing squad, Lieut. Harry “Breaker” Morant says “Shoot straight, you bastards.”

1997—A blue dress becomes soiled.

1997—Two heavily armed—and armored—men rob a North Hollywood, Calif. bank. Twelve police are wounded, the two robbers die.

1993—The ATF bungles an assault on a heavily armed colony of religious wackos in Waco.

1991—“By God,” says George Herbert [Hoover] Walker Bush, “we’ve kicked the Vietnam Syndrome once and for all.”

1986—Ronald Reagan calls reporters “sons-of-bitches” for asking questions during a photo-op; press aide Larry Speakes explains he really said, “It’s sunny and you’re rich.”

1958—In New York, a first batch of 27 people die after drinking “King Kong” moonshine.

1947—Taiwanese civilians riot over corruption, Koumintang forces respond by killing thousands.

1921—The Kronstadt Rebellion against bolshevism begins in Russia.

“Shoot them down like partridges,” orders Leon Trotsky.

1893—Birth of Ben Hecht, author of *The Front Page*.

1877—The U.S. seizes the Black Hills, in violation of a treaty.

1854—A group of political activists meet in Ripon, Wisc., and may or may not found the GOP.

1840—Joshua V. Hines begins publishing *Signs of the Times*, a newspaper devoted to William Miller’s Domsday prophecies.

2002—U.S. forces in Afghanistan begin Operation Anaconda, aimed at capturing or killing Taliban fighters in the Shah-i-kot Valley.

1985—President Reagan calls the Nicaraguan Contras “the moral equivalent of our Founding Fathers.”

1978—Charlie Chaplin’s corpse is stolen and held for ransom. It’s retrieved two months later.

1971—The Weather Underground bombs the U.S. Capitol.

1954—After 39 combat missions in Korea, Ted Williams breaks his collarbone at spring training.

1954—H-bomb test Castle Bravo delivers thrice its expected yield at Bikini Atoll. Unanticipated winds spread millions of tons of radioactive debris over occupied islands.

1954—Four Puerto Rican nationalists in the Gallery fire 30 rounds towards the floor of the U.S. House, wounding five U.S. Congressmen.

1953—Joseph Stalin spends the day lying in a puddle of urine because his aides don’t dare open his door.

1910—In Wellington, Wash., an avalanche pushes two trains 150 feet into the Nye River, killing 96.

1906—Emma Goldman publishes the first issue of her anarchist newspaper, *Mother Earth*.

1872—Yellowstone, the world’s first national park, is created.

1860—Abraham Lincoln speaks at Phenix Hall in Concord, N.H., and again later in Manchester.

2004—Oops—UN weapons inspectors report that Saddam Hussein didn’t have WMDs after all.

2002—A U.S. gunship mistakenly fires on a U.S./Afghan convoy during Operation Anaconda. Afghan soldiers flee. The remaining U.S. forces are attacked by the Taliban.

1974—Spain executes anarchist Alvarado Puig Antich by garrot.

1965—The U.S. begins a bombing campaign over North Vietnam, under the brand name Rolling Thunder.™

1944—Fumes from a locomotive stalled in an Italian tunnel kill 521.

1942—Lt. Gen. John DeWitt announces all Japanese-Americans will be required to move away from the West Coast and should do so voluntarily for their own good.

1877—The Compromise of 1877 hands over the Presidency to Rutherford B. Hayes and southern blacks to the tender mercies of southern whites.

1860—Abraham Lincoln visits the Amoskeag mills, then speaks at City Hall in Dover.

1859—Pierce M. Butler, grandson of a signer of the Constitution, sells 439 men, women, and children in a two-day auction in Savannah, Ga., to settle his gambling debts.

1807—Congress votes to prohibit the importation of slaves; only 250,000 or so are subsequently imported illegally.

1805—Aaron Burr, first Vice President to shoot a man, resigns from the Senate for other unrelated reasons.

2016—Donald Trump asserts on live television that his genitalia are of adequate proportions.

1991—A troublemaker videotapes Los Angeles Police officers vigorously chastising motorist Rodney King.

1974—Poor latch design causes a door to fall off a DC-10 over France. Six passengers whoosh to their deaths; an ensuing crash kills 340 more.

1969—An under-manned company of the 4th Division is sent after a crack NVA battalion west of Kontum; result: 47 percent end up KIA or MIA.

1955—Elvis Presley appears on the Ed Sullivan Show, setting in motion the inevitable collapse of Western Civilization.

1949—The Tucker automobile company crashes.

1934—John Dillinger busts out of the Crown Point, Ind. jail with a hand-carved wooden pistol and drives off in the sheriff’s new V-8 Ford.

1931—“The Star-Spangled Banner” becomes our national anthem.

1927—In Wales, J.G. Parry-Thomas, while attempting to set a land speed record, is decapitated by a broken drive chain while going 170 mph.

1913—Eight thousand Suffragists march down Pennsylvania Avenue; 200 are injured by misogynists.

1873—The “Salary Grab Act” raises Congressional pay retroactively.

1863—The first U.S. draft law passes, exempting men who can pay the government a \$300 bribe.



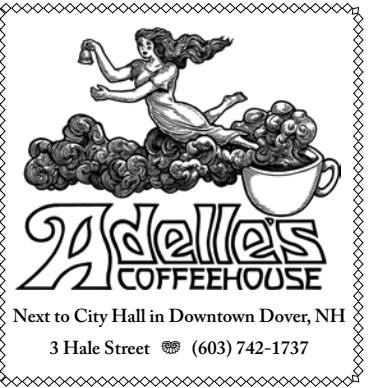
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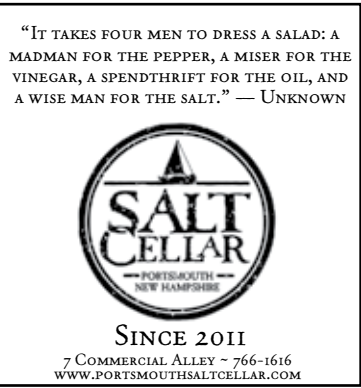
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