

MEMO FROM THE MAYOR

SUBJECT: Propaganda and PSYOPS—The Evil Twins of Tyranny, Part III

It's Mourning in America

In September, this writer made the claim that from Madison Avenue to Big Government, America is subjected to daily manipulation. In a June essay, on the newswithviews.com website, Dr. Marlene McMillan lays out how this happens. Dr. McMillan wrote *Mountains of Deceit: How the Dialectic Process Has Infected the Culture*, an informative tome to read. While her PhD is in theology (she sees the world through the prism of the Hebrew and Christian scriptures, as does this writer) she holds international acclaim as a speaker and a recognized expert on Principles of Liberty.

How does one become an expert on these principles? One reads, understands, and internalizes the books our Founders read, coupled with the foundational documents they produced for our nation: The Declaration of Independence, the Articles of Confederation (which did not work) and the Constitution of the United States of America (which used to work until the Administrative State took over our Republic, vacating any semblance of true representative government, regardless of what 535 members of Congress might proclaim to their constituents). The Founders also contemplated Liberty and Freedom through the prism of the Hebrew and Christian canons.

Dr. McMillen explains in her essay how verbal engineering precedes social engineering, and how social engineering uses words to move society towards a pre-designed Revolutionary end-state—a kind of ends, ways, and means in the mold of the Hegelian Dialectic model, as reimagined by Marx: thesis (or problem), antithesis (or reaction), synthesis (or solution). Through this frog-in-the-water-coming-to-boil technique, non-critical thinkers have no idea that they simply comprise the pawns in the middle of a revolution, until, of course, the revolution is over and the revolutionaries have won. Then, regrettably, it's too late. (Does this sound like anything you and your family have experienced since 2000?)

Dr. McMillen goes on to parse out the differences between traditional Marxists (they use guns and terror to get people to follow them; think Fidel Castro and Che Guevarra) in contrast to transformational Marxists. The latter, according to McMillen, “use words to deceive the masses into thinking the new society is good for them. [But] the results are the same: loss of liberty,

misery, poverty, and despair.” Sadly, this sounds very much like the prevailing mood in America since 2020.

What Did You Do During the Revolution, Daddy?

Social Engineering has been around since at least Biblical times; but Marx, Engels, and Lenin, with Stalin adding his post-Lenin chops, turned it into an exportable art form. As McMillen notes in her essay, “An easy place to gain basic understanding of the agenda and game plan of the Social Engineers can be found in the Community Organizer’s handbook, *Rules for Radicals*, by Saul D. Alinsky.”

Wait! What? The Community Organizer’s handbook? Saul Alinsky? Didn’t a former president (whose vice president is the current occupant of the White House) gain fame as a Community Organizer and later as a US Senator from Chicago? Isn’t Chicago the same town Alinsky got *his* start as a Community Organizer? And didn’t that Oprah-launched president and former Community Organizer have a Secretary of State who wrote her senior thesis at Wellesley College, entitling it “‘There Is Only the Fight...’ An Analysis of the Alinsky Model?” Gadzooks! This writer is beginning to see a pattern that seemingly explains, at least in part, the perceived loss of liberty, misery, poverty, and despair modeled by so many in the US, today.

McMillen also claimed that “Social Engineers want everyone to speak Politically Correct, only certain arguments are allowed...” Several paragraphs later, she continues this theme, writing, “...words like accountability, responsibility, authority, and truth are either done away with or redefined. If it is inconvenient, uncomfortable, or carries conviction, it is done away with by consensus.” This description makes up the scholarly explanation for what happens when an individual’s critical thinking goes out the window: Group Think takes over the person.

Group Think as Collective Stupidity Resulting in a State of Exception

80 years ago, this year, the Gestapo arrested German Resistance member and Lutheran Pastor, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, imprisoning him northwest of Berlin at Tegel Prison. Prison life gave the Lutheran cleric plenty of time to think and write. Ironically, it was the prison life of Adolf Hitler, the very person Bonhoeffer sought to depose, that twenty years before had given der Fuhrer time to produce *Mein Kampf*, describing his proposed racist, totalitarian system as laid out in Hitler’s book. Bonhoeffer’s writing produced strikingly different material, however.

Bonhoeffer sought to reconcile in his mind just how the proud, educated, intellectual German people could have become so seriously flawed and murderous. John Leake describes the

process Bonhoeffer undertook on courageous physician Peter McCullough's Substack site, in a piece entitled, "On Stupidity". Leake notes that Bonhoeffer concluded the German people fell so far from reason and morality because they had been inflicted with collective stupidity, or as Pastor Bonhoeffer would have called it, *Dummheit*. Indeed, Germany's Master Propagandist, Joseph Goebbels, had done a masterful job of brainwashing the German people.

This writer has described in year's past how the reason for the rise of Adolf Hitler can be traced to the manner our European Allies treated the Germans post-World War I imposing unnecessary punitive demands. In other words, if the Treaty of Versailles had been more like post-World War II treatment, there would have been no reason for Adolf Hitler. Yet, that is a reason, not an excuse.

Nevertheless, due to Germany's predicament brought on by the Allies, Carl Schmitt, a German philosopher and jurist, came up with a concept he called a State of Exception. It comprised the German version of what we might call a declaration of emergency where something like martial law might be imposed—in the name of the public good, of course. Scholar Giorgio Agamben published a book in 2021 called *Where Are We Now? The Epidemic as Politics*, thus becoming an "enemy of the state" worldwide. He drew the analogy of the State of Exception to actions taken by Bush 43 during the "long war on terror" and then Trump and Biden (along with the rest of most of the world) with actions taken during the so-called COVID crisis.

Agamben writes, "The dominant powers of today have decided to pitilessly abandon the paradigm of bourgeois democracy—with its rights, its parliaments, and its constitutions—and replace it with new apparatuses whose contours we can barely glimpse." In other words, the Administrative State simply does what it pleases "in the name of public good."

It must be understood, then, by one and all, that the closest, most dangerous target we must neutralize in order to survive as a Republic is NOT Russia, or even the Big Bully of the East. Indeed, the most dangerous entity facing the American people today is the American-hating Far Left with its Administrative (Deep) State structure that fuels it. Not convinced? Watch rumble.com/vlmsmn-2030-unmasked-for-those-preparing-for-what's-coming-after-covid19.html and prepare for gobsmacking with data.