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PI2025 #0408 – Force A House Vote

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~ *H.L. Mencken*

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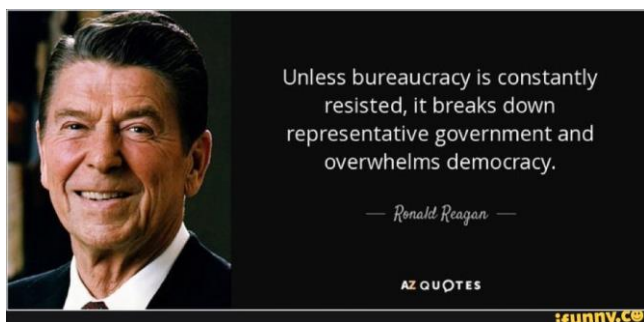
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Media Outlets Are Keeping "Us, the American People" up to speed on how America's Congressional House of Representatives legislators are engaged in procedural maneuvering to figure out who will have final say on House votes for President Donald J. Trump's omnibus MAGA bill initiative. One tactic would let enough (218) House legislator signatures to force a House vote without further ado.

"We suffer most when the White House busts with ideas."

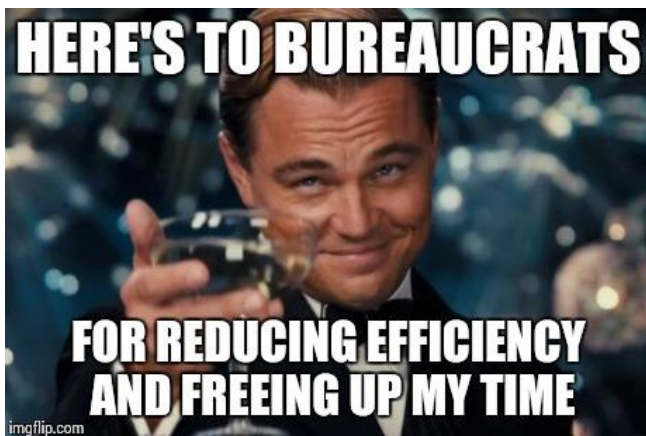
~ *H.L. Mencken*



"Our, the American People's" Congressional legislature operates by majority vote. No majority vote, change in abeyance. Why it would be in Americans better interest to have myriad rules to delay votes is curious. Apart from our better interests served when legislators don't get to decide those better interests. No reason why bills could not be voted after a digestive time. Otherwise, analysis paralysis.

"The kind of man who wants the government to adopt and enforce his ideas is always the kind of man whose ideas are idiotic.

~ ***H.L. Mencken***



Media Report, For Example, House legislators have voted down remote vote proxy. Yea is yea, nay is nay, be either cast in chambers, or cast from Mars. For some reason - defying sound cogency, geographic spot from where a House vote is cast is treated as though planetary movements hang in balance. "We, the American People" could update House deliberations with a vote-or-you're-out rule.

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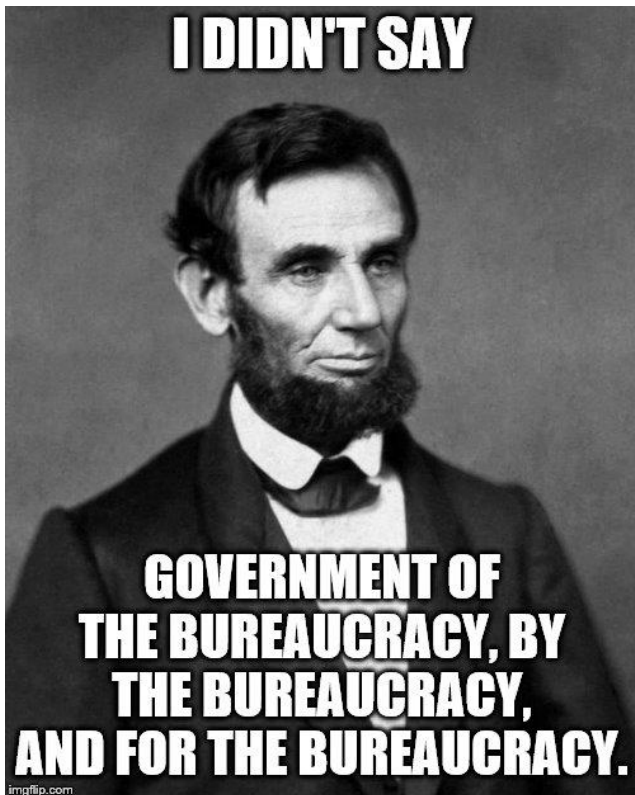
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We, A Sovereign Citizenry, Could Alter how our government does business in ways to strengthen self-government and self-determination. WE could adopt measures whereby commonwealths and states – even lower-level political subdivisions could decide in advance on how citizens in those subdivisions will abide by federal legislation. Razor-thin Congressional passage does not, for tranquility, stand.

"Numerical might does not constitute right, no more than a lynch mob can justify its act because a majority participated."

~ *H.L. Richardson*



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for public debt for reasons other than to defend These United States. They uphold self-government and their option to protect their property and financial security as they see fit.

"The state spends much time and effort persuading the public that it is not really what it is and that the consequences of its actions are positive rather than negative."

~ *Hans Hermann Hoppe*

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PI2025 #0407 – Till Another Verdict Day

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~ *Hans Sennholz*

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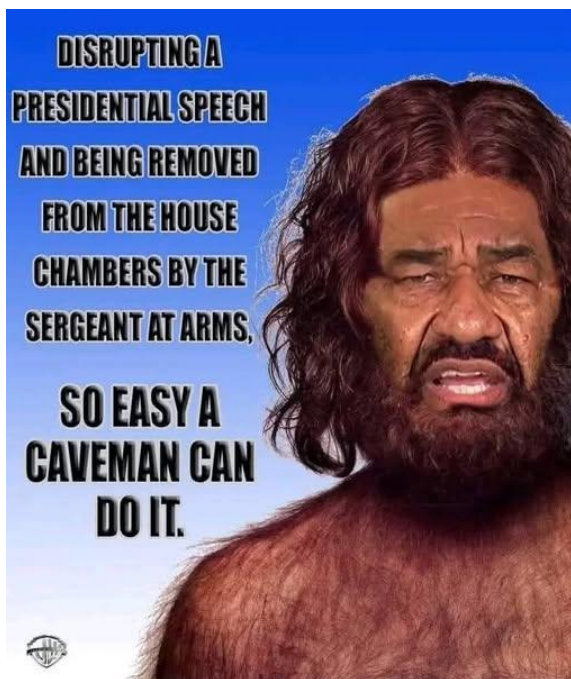
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"Wherever politics intrudes upon economic life, political success is readily attained by saying what people like to hear rather than what is demonstrably true. Instead of safeguarding truth and honesty, the state then tends to become a major source of insincerity and mendacity."

~ *Hans Sennholz*



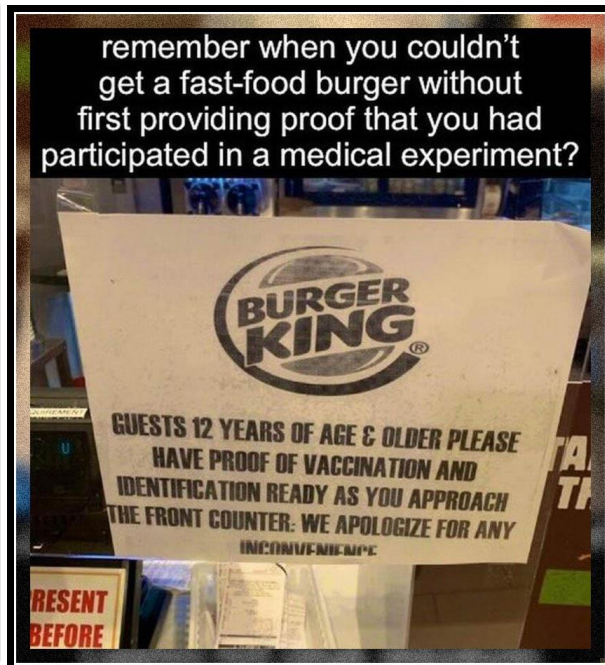


An Absolutely Stupendous Article. "Our, the American People's" Supreme Court of the United States (SCOTUS) doesn't need facts. Article title. True, in any case. Not SCOTUS, no court, is bound to decide cases on basis of fact. Very definition of 'judge.' Judges are to be fair and impartial. They can't be. A judge decides who shall win case, who shall lose. Nix neutrality. Fairness is pronounced.

"The one thing that doesn't abide by majority rule is a person's conscience."

~ **Harper Lee**





"We, the American People," no matter how we might think of SCOTUS Justices as learned, supremely erudite, morally incorrupt sages with power to serve up justice, SCOTUS Justices are people. They are people with personal attitudes, values, and beliefs (PAVB). SCOTUS Justices do not check their PAVB when entering SCOTUS halls. If anything, Justices clutch their PAVB tight to their chests

"I freed thousands of slaves. I could have freed thousands more if they had known they were slaves."

~ *Harriet Tubman*

Obama Charged the Biden Administration \$18 Million a Year for "Consulting"

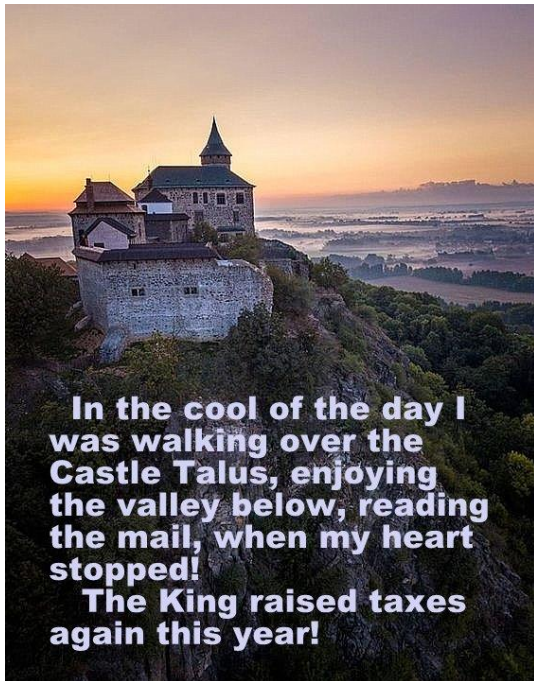


No other ex-president has ever charged a fee to offer advice to his successor.

THE DEMOCRAT CULT



IS A RELIGION OF SELF HATRED THAT TEACHES WHITES TO HATE THEIR RACE, MEN TO HATE THEIR STRENGTHS, WOMEN TO HATE THEIR FEMININITY AND AMERICANS TO HATE THEIR COUNTRY



**In the cool of the day I was walking over the Castle Talus, enjoying the valley below, reading the mail, when my heart stopped!
The King raised taxes again this year!**

PRESIDENT TRUMP SUGGESTED REPLACING PRIDE MONTH WITH VETERANS MONTH TO HONOR THOSE WHO SERVED

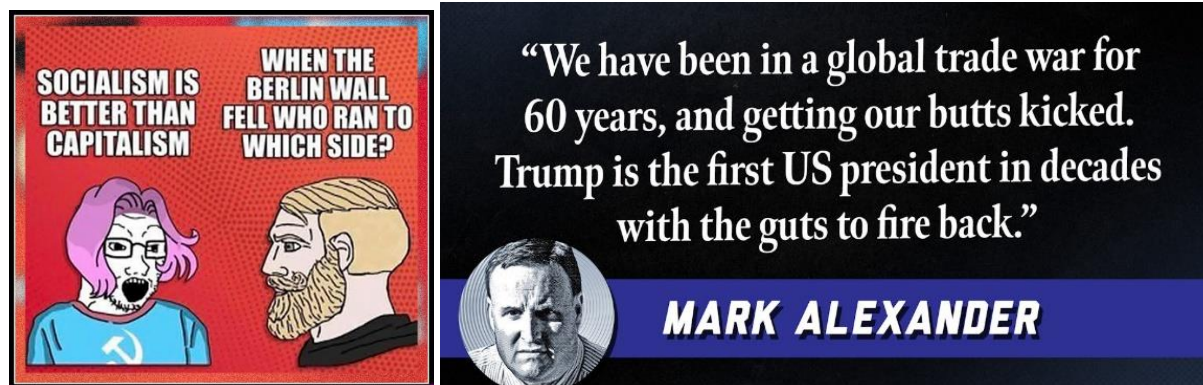
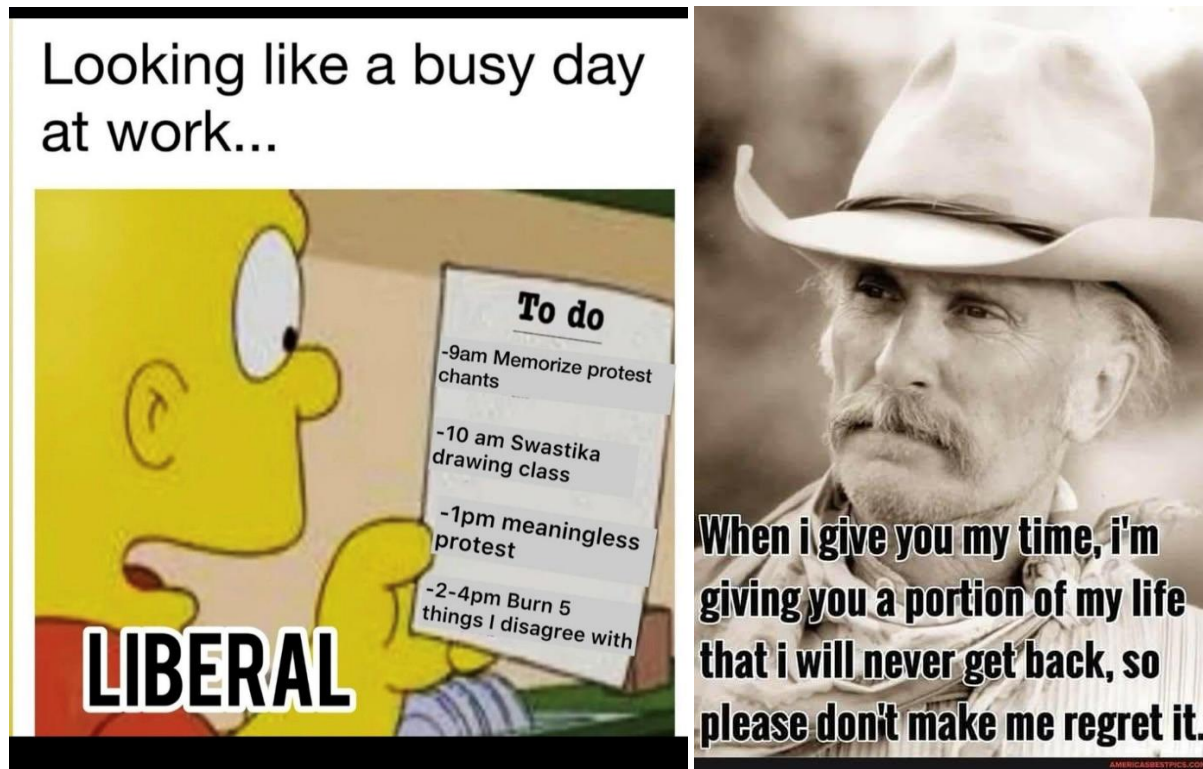


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There Is Nothing To Stop SCOTUS Justices from disregarding evidence presented for their consideration when adjudicating. In theory, SCOTUS Justices (all judges) are supposed to decide cases based on law. Not all cases are heaped on law. Some cases could be no more complicated than two individuals contending broken agreement terms. And, courts can decline to try cases. Justice unserved.

"A welfare state is frightened of every poor person who tries to get in and every rich person who tries to get out."

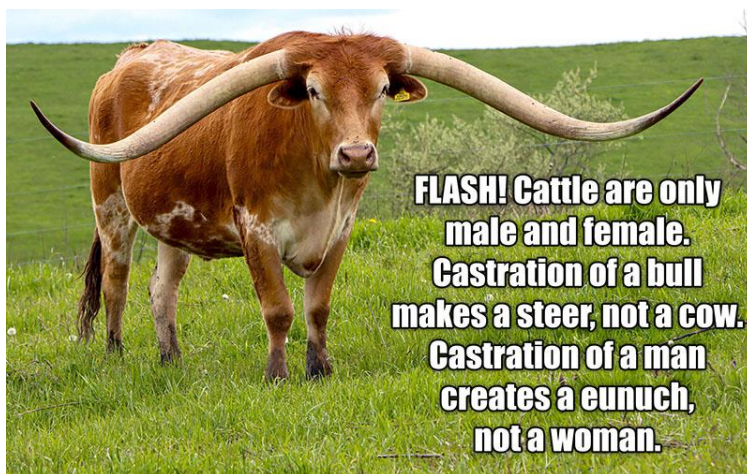
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It Would Be Smart for "Us, the American People" to have etched on our forehead insides America's SCOTUS has no enforcement power. Enforcement depends entirely on America's executive government branches. If court renderings are to be enforced. So . . . not only does SCOTUS not have to deal in facts, factual SCOTUS judgments can go to dust on record shelves. Till another verdict day.

"The government is good at one thing. It knows how to break your legs, and then hand you a crutch and say, 'See if it weren't for the government, you wouldn't be able to walk'."

~ *Harry Browne*



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"Protecting yourself from harm is your responsibility, and you are far less likely to be hurt in a neighborhood of gun-owners than in one of disarmed citizens - even if you don't own a gun yourself."

~ **Harry Browne**

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PI2025 #0406 – (BA) To Tax or To Tariff, That Is the Question

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“As citizens, we all have an obligation to intervene and become involved - it’s the citizen who changes things.”

~ *Jose Saramago*

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AAH Reader (<bethannscstalkradio@substack.com>) **Circulates Periodic** perspectives under “*Beth Ann From Beyond the Microphone*.” Recent (***To Tax or To Tariff, That Is the Question***) below.

AAH Considers Beth Ann’s Observations on point in “Our, the American People’s” clash with those who would undermine Liberty.

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To Tax or To Tariff, That Is the Question

Whether it be nobler to tax the American citizens, or to charge foreign governments for the privilege of selling their goods to these United States of America

BETH ANN

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Disclaimer upfront here: I am no economist!

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Taxes have long been an argument of necessity (by government) throughout the history of this nation. The king taxed our Founding Fathers to help him pay for his wars and they rebelled in the way of “The Boston Tea Party.” Taxes remain a sore rub with **We the People**. We are taxed on nearly everything in our lives; income tax (fed & state in many places), sales tax, property taxes, gas tax, license and permits (yes those are a tax), and then the fines (also taxes) for not

complying; death tax, inheritance tax, real estate tax, gift tax, luxury tax, use tax, social security tax, services rendered tax, excise tax, progressive and regressive taxes too; utility taxes, capital gains tax... the list goes on. All that we are taxed make the “Boston Tea Party” seem like a useless dispute.

I know that list is not all inclusive of the taxation we must endure. Did you know that the IRS has over 800 forms and schedules to “figure out” what you owe to the government. The instruction booklet for filling out the main tax form, (known as the 1040) is over 113 pages long. Page 112 is a patriotic page titled: **“Your Rights as a Taxpayer.”**

See: <https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p1.pdf>

Observe #9 on that list: *“The Right to Retain Representation Taxpayers have the right to retain an authorized representative of their choice to represent them in their dealings with the IRS. Taxpayers have the **right to seek assistance from a Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic** if they cannot afford representation.”*

When we actually stop and think about it (we don’t because it’s too infuriatingly painful) **We the People** are not free at all. It’s almost as if we own nothing, even the income we make from our hard work is not ours; we simply rent out our lives to the US Government. The musical, **West Side Story**, had a song that captured the ugly truth of bureaucracy in America; *“Everything’s free in America, for a small fee in America.”*

We pay a lot of unnecessary taxes! We have suspected for years that our tax dollars were being misused. With the recent auditing being done by DOGE, we now have evidence that the D.C. Occupiers, and their bureaucratic branch of governing, treat our hard-earned money with indifference and disrespect.

While there have been only a few whispers of conversations regarding the discontinuation of income tax, I dare say, that is only a pittance of the taxes we are forced to pay to government. With all that American citizens do pay,

Congress has put us in such a debt, that it is completely unsustainable; and they are about to continue with the same insanity, come March 14.

Would you rather be taxed as we are, or could this nation actually function financially on tariffs?

Did you know:

*Before the Civil War, **tariffs represented some 90 percent of U.S. government revenue.** That share fell to about 50 percent with the advent of new taxes to pay for the war effort. Tariffs would become relatively insignificant as a source of government revenue after the introduction of the income tax in 1913, but they remained an important tool for protecting domestic producers from foreign competition.*

I used the following website to glean most of my information...

Visit: <https://www.history.com/news/what-is-a-tariff>

Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution, designates to Congress the **“Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States.”**

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What Is a Tariff?

Tariffs have been used to bring in revenue, protect domestic industries from foreign competition and cooperate or retaliate against other nations around the world.

Definition and Purpose of Tariffs

In simple terms, a tariff is a tax that a country’s government imposes on goods that are imported from other countries. The importing business pays the tariff

when the goods cross the border into the country, typically at a seaport or airport. The most common types of tariffs are “ad valorem” tariffs, which are set as a fixed percentage of the value of the imports, and “specific” tariffs, charged as a fixed amount on each unit of an imported good. In his book *Clashing Over Commerce: A History of U.S. Trade Policy*, Douglas Irwin explains there are three motivations for using tariffs. He breaks them down to what he refers to as the “three Rs”: **revenue, restriction and reciprocity**.

The three motivations for using tariffs are to **raise revenue** by taxing foreign countries on the imports; **restricting imports** to discourage foreign goods and encourage domestic production, and of course **reciprocity**; which President Trump has been talking about recently. **Reciprocity** or equal tariffs: if the importer country charges us a tariff of 25%, then we as the exporter will also charge 25%. As I learned in the article: if we have tariffs and other countries do too, we can negotiate to bring those down and promote trade, or if their markets are closed to us, we can raise tariffs against them to retaliate.

Taxes, as we are taxed, is a nation increasing its revenue through the citizens. We don't mind assisting with the maintenance of our infrastructure, our schools and other necessities. However, our tax dollars are being used to benefit other countries, before helping our own in need. Our tax dollars are being used for projects and agendas that are not to the betterment of our own. Because of the lack of respect for American citizens and our tax dollars, our nation now finds itself in a pickle of a debt; unsustainable.

Tariffs, on the other side of this situation, tax importers (other countries). Before the income tax began in 1913 our nation's economy was stable. That year our nation made a drastic turn downward; income tax was established, and **We the People** now paid a portion of our income to our government. 1913 was also the year that Congress decided to forgo its obligation to guard the purse of **We the People**. Congress turned America's economy over to the Federal Reserve. The most misunderstood fact is the belief that the Federal Reserve is part of the U.S., but they are not. While we might have representation in Jerome Powell, the

Chair of the Federal Reserve of the United States, the Federal Reserve is made up of outside world bankers, who make decisions regarding interest rates, and they manipulate markets.

Like I mentioned in the beginning, I am not an economist, nor do I pretend to understand all of the ins and outs or pros and cons of Taxes vs. Tariffs. What I do know, however, is that our own Congress continues to approve more and more spending. Our debt is now at \$32 Trillion and growing exponentially by the hour. The unconstitutionally created bureaucratic branch of government should have been audited long ago; in fact, there should be annual audits before the next fiscal budget is written and voted on in Congress.

Americans are excited to finally see an audit by DOGE, but we must stay vigilant. It's important to understand there were a lot of nonpartisan decisions made along the way to create the ever-increasing alphabet departments of bureaucracy. We must also realize that the one thing political parties always manage to unite together on... is spending our money! So, let's keep a closer eye on them varmints in Congress and **Bring America Home. ©**

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"A professional politician is a professionally dishonorable man. In order to get anywhere near high office he has to make so many compromises and submit to so many humiliations that he becomes indistinguishable from a streetwalker."

~ ***H.L. Mencken***

The 57 senators who voted to convict
Donald Trump:



Media Reports Are Inundating "Us, the American People" with warnings about President Donald J. Trump creating socio-economic chaos throughout Milky Way Galaxy. Let's suppose reports are factual. Given reports are factual, it ought be readily apparent to us our famed – and, now infamous – American style checks-and-balances government is all but powerless to corral tyrannical government.

"It is impossible to imagine the universe run by a wise, just and omnipotent God, but it is quite easy to imagine it run by a board of gods. If such a board actually exists it operates precisely like the board of a corporation that is losing money."

~ ***H.L. Mencken***

irascible



"We, the American People," if we give two seconds thought on how a sovereign citizenry is supposed to rein in ambitious government, can conclude we are either not a sovereign citizenry, don't want to be a sovereign citizenry, or, haven't a clue how to exert sovereignty as a sovereign citizenry. Otherwise, we wouldn't allow one government official as much influence as Donald J. Trump, reportedly, has.

"A national political campaign is better than the best circus ever heard of, with a mass baptism and a couple of hangings thrown in."

~ ***H.L. Mencken***

what are other
words for
irascible?

choleric, testy, irritable,
quick-tempered, touchy,
petulant, short-tempered,
peevish, cantankerous, cross



 Thesaurus.plus

It Would Be Easy To Conclude, based on media reports, President Donald J. Trump's out-of-control, unlawful escapades are not subject to either judicial or legislative curtailment. Nor, can there possibly be, given media coverage of financial market activity during recent days, any sensible way to prevent radical market reaction to Donald J. Trump's pronouncements. Rational thought has taken flight.

"The trouble with fighting for human freedom is that one spends most of one's time defending scoundrels. For it is against scoundrels that oppressive laws are first aimed, and oppression must be stopped at the beginning if it is to be stopped at all."

~ ***H.L. Mencken***



"Our, the American People's" representative Constitutional republic governmental system is thought to be summarized in three words – rule of law. Rule of law in America is nothing more than a fairy tale, if media coverage of President Donald J. Grump's categorical disregard for rule of law is at all accurate. Given Donald J.'s supposed appetite for vengeance, we'll be headed for prison in cattle cars.

"Government is actually the worst failure of civilized man. There has never been a really good one, and even those that are most tolerable are arbitrary, cruel, grasping, and unintelligent."

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