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Make America Competitive Again

By Robert Gore, *Financial Editor*



has not. U.S. factories produce twice as many goods as they did in 1984 with one-third fewer workers (“Opinion: Think nothing is made in America? Output has doubled in three decades,” Marketwatch, 3/28/16). Output, a substantial portion of which is exported, is close to the all-time high it reached just before the financial crisis and at 36 percent of US GDP is the largest sector of the US economy. Notwithstanding shuttered factories that have moved to lower wage jurisdictions (sometimes outside, sometimes inside the US, mostly in the South), America’s industrial capacity is as high as ever.

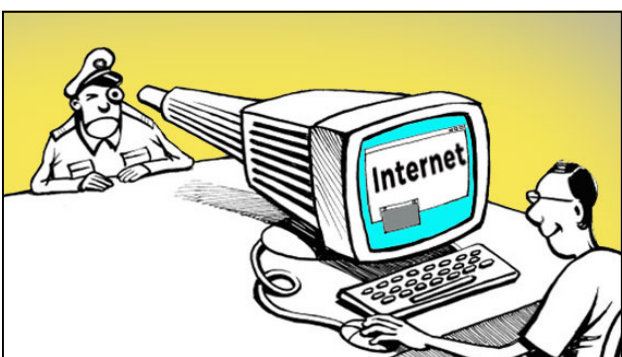
However, by the late 1960s the auto industry had a target on its back, for reasons that have general applicability. While a middle class lifestyle for assembly line work is great for the employee, it’s an opportunity for the employer’s competitors. If they can get the same work from the same number of workers at lower wages or fewer workers at the same or lower wages, or if they substitute capital for labor and automate, they can offer the same or better products at a lower price. The auto industry at first dismissed the competitive threat from Japanese car companies, but by the 1970s they were losing market share, especially in lower-end economy cars.

The mercantilist policies of the Japanese government undoubtedly helped their car companies, at the expense of the rest of Japan. At the government’s behest, its industrial conglomerates borrowed at preferential rates. Smaller, entrepreneurial firms could only access credit at much higher rates. Floating exchange rates allowed Japan to depreciate its currency, reducing citizens’ purchasing power, to further game the terms of trade for the car companies and other exporters. American car makers did not have reciprocal access to the Japanese market because of often hidden trade barriers. They complained loudly to Washington, and the Reagan administration got the Japanese to agree to “voluntary” trade restrictions. In response, the Japanese car companies brought their factories to the US, set up non-unionized shops offering about half of unionized wages, found plenty of takers, and continued to gain market share.

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A New Martial Law Is Here

By Paul Rosenberg



When a military boss is installed as the head of government, displacing civilian leadership, we call it martial law. In the 20th century we expected to see this as the general of an army kicking out a president and taking over. The 21st century has brought us a variation on that theme, but it still involves military organizations ruling over everyone else.

Right now, we’re living under groups that have inserted themselves into the most intimate parts of our lives and stand ready to order force down upon us. The people doing this are a variety of intelligence agencies, and I’d like you to remember that the NSA is the military. So are the Defense Intelligence Agency and half a dozen other spy units.

Here’s a passage from Julian Assange in “**Cypherpunks: Freedom and the Future of the Internet**” that makes my point well:

“When you communicate over the internet, when you communicate using mobile phones... your communications are being intercepted by military intelligence organizations... It’s a soldier between you and your wife as you’re SMSing. We are all living under martial law as far as our communications are concerned, we just can’t see the tanks – but they are there”.

But it’s not just the military that has displaced traditional power. It’s Google (partnership with the Department of State, long-standing CIA ties), Facebook (FBI, CIA, who knows), and a host of other “free” services.

As for bringing force down upon us via new processes, consider these cases (*for links to the cases listed below see freemansperspective.com/new-martial-law/*):

- Marine Brandon Raub tossed into a psych ward for his Facebook posts.
- Stupidity on Facebook triggers a hotel raid.
- Facebook is building censorship tools to keep the Chinese government happy.
- A mom in California is arrested for selling food on Facebook.
- A gay couple in Indonesia are arrested after posting an “incriminating” photo to Facebook.
- Facebook users are arrested in Thailand for mocking the boss.
- Facebook develops yet more surveillance systems.

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1933?

By T. L. Davis



There has always been a certain level of insanity in the Leftist camp. It takes a bit of rift in the psychological makeup of an individual to subscribe to the death cult that is Leftism. Consider the millions of people slaughtered through dictatorial regimes and still, they line up behind them to take their orders and do their bidding. This is what is generally referred to as sociopathic behavior.

The process of genocide is simple: identify an undesirable human element, demonize it, dehumanize it, outlaw it, imprison it and dispose of it. When viewing the anti-Trump protests and listening to the hysteria in the “fake news” outlets dehumanizing Trump voters and openly regulating them on social media sites, one recognizes that in the genocide timeline, we are nearing the end.

Anti-Trump protesters call Trump voters (which is code for White Christians who believe in the Constitution, whether they actually voted for Trump or not) Nazis. Nazis? Really? But, they have this narrative going and they are accustomed to making up slogans and the “fake news” sites carrying their water. They ironically accuse Trump voters of being bigoted when, in order to make that charge against a specific race and/or religion, one must be a bigot.

Bigotry is the assumption of certain values and beliefs based on one’s race and/or religion. What they refuse to consider, because they are blinded by their own hatred, bigotry and ignorance, is that racism, bigotry and hatred are the tools of Nazis. It is how Hitler manufactured genocide. It is how he, through propaganda, convinced the rational people of Germany to engage in, or overlook sociopathic behavior, because if they could do that, they could rid themselves of the Jews just as the American leftist seeks to be rid of White Christian Constitutionalists.

Now, perhaps the Jews didn’t see it coming, but this process was repeated too often in the 20th Century for someone in the 21st not to see it for what it plainly is: evil. The pieces are all in place to conduct another genocide with the targets identified by thought, crimes committed by dissent and executions approved by the press.

One must understand that these protests are not organic in the sense that they arose out of general ill will, (though ill will is obviously present); it was paid for by George Soros and encouraged by the media. It feels as if it means something. What they have done is categorize nearly half of the nation as despicable (or deplorable) human beings, racists, homophobes, bigots, Nazi sympathizers, White supremacists, etc., i.e. disposables.

Understand, by their reasoning, the Trump voter is a Nazi, because he believes in borders, the sanctity of the vote, the safety of his family members whether homosexual or not, the sanctity of life, the right to practice any religion that does not advocate for domestic abuse, rape, pedophilia, the extermination of all others, sex slavery and the right to “honor killings” where deemed appropriate.

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This means they are willing to support such a religion if it gets rid of the "Nazis." **But, their limited intellect prevents them from seeing that by so doing they have become the Nazis.**

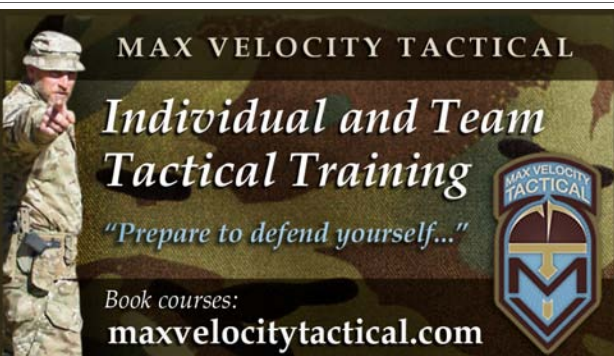
They think that by not being nationalistic, they are protected from being a Nazi. They prefer the romanticism of Castro, forgetting that for the thousands of peasants who did not support him, it wasn't so "romantic", but then, Leftists have never been able to see the horror for the rose. They believe themselves to be virtuous, though covered in the blood of their fellow man.

But, this is how genocide goes down. Having seen the sausage factory for what it is, the "Jews" in the American version of this horror story know what is afoot. They recognize the true Nazis for whom they are. While the Nazis have ascribed all of the worst attributes to their opponents, none of it could be true, or they would not have lived as long as they have. As insult is turned to assault, the tables begin to turn and when those who have been vilified for long enough and the intent becomes clear to the majority, the outcome will be reversed. Having called for blood, they will see it. They mistakenly take silence for fear, when in fact the silence is merely the rational mind extinguishing the instinct toward mercy. They survive now in the middle ground where their aggression might still be shrugged off as foolish braggadocio, but the sides are defining themselves, just in case their blood lust is insatiable.

Jill Stein's bid to obtain recounts in WI, MI and PA are an attempt to deny Donald Trump the presidency by delaying the certification of the votes through delays in recounting the ballots. This is an act of attempted Constitutional sabotage. It is a hijacking of the electoral process as are the death threats received by electors. The Electoral College serves several purposes, one of which is to deny the Presidency to one unqualified to hold the office, regardless of votes cast. But, a rabble of dissatisfied Leftists does not rise to the "unqualified" bar that has been set for them to act to deny. It is intended to provide an "out" if, after the election, it is discovered that the winner of the election is either not a citizen, insane or, like Hillary, an unindicted felon. But, even then, it places the electors on shaky ground and might still be seen as a coup d'etat. What is clear, is that the Leftists are willing to overthrow the government to take power and pursue their eradication of the White Christian loyalist. Sounds a lot like 1933 to me.

RULE 12: Pick the target, freeze it, personalize it, and polarize it." Cut off the support network and isolate the target from sympathy. Go after people and not institutions; people hurt faster than institutions. (This is cruel, but very effective. Direct, personalized criticism and ridicule works.)

- From Saul Alinsky's *Rules for Radicals*, a favorite book of Socialist Progressives.



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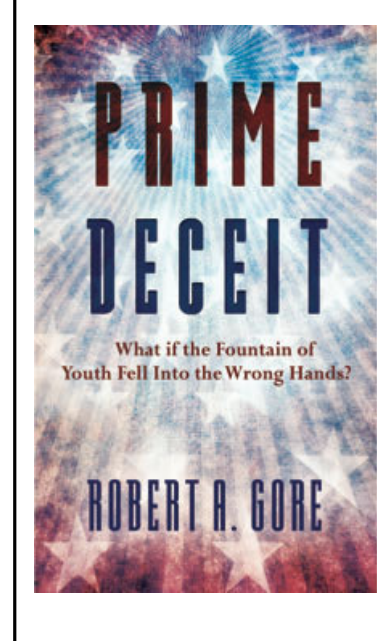


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Nobody pines for the glory days of the 1870s when half the American workforce was agricultural. Now 2 to 3 percent of the workforce produces multiple amounts of the crops produced back then for the same reason two-thirds the manufacturing labor force produces twice as many goods as it did in 1984: increased productivity. Competition drives that productivity; the requirement to do more with less is relentless, especially when international trade means that competition is global. We are not moving to a post industrial society any more than we have moved to a post agricultural one. People still need food and manufactured goods, but the number of workers required to generate either will continue to shrink, as it has for decades.

Mercantilist governments like Japan's depreciate their currencies, suppress interest rates, and restrict access to their home markets, screwing most of their citizens for the benefit of favored export industries. Take a look at how those policies have worked out. Its stock market topped just as Japan was supposedly going to take over the world at the end of 1989 (its main averages are still less than half of what they were then), and it has had multiple recessions since. It staggers under the developed world's highest government debt load (as a percentage of GDP) and huge private debt, with an aging population and well below replacement birthrate. As debt continues to grow and opportunities dwindle, the Japanese are foregoing children.

China, whose mercantilist policies provoke Donald Trump's wrath, is due a reckoning as well. Its credit outstanding has gone from \$500 billion to over \$30 trillion in three decades, a sixty-fold expansion. Much of its miraculous growth has been the same kind of "growth" you get when you run up your credit card. Because of its one-child policy, its demographics are almost as ugly as Japan's. It has to cheapen the yuan to keep the export machine humming, but that's spurring capital flight. It has gone beyond the point where a yuan's worth of credit buys more than a yuan's worth of output, but if it turns the credit spigot off or even raises interest rates, it tanks its economy, financial system, and housing market. The next few years should demonstrate that the brilliant bureaucrats in Beijing are no more brilliant than their counterparts in Washington, London, Brussels, or any other apparatchik-infested burg.

Trump's recent Carrier deal is mercantilism: tax Indiana's taxpayers to preserve Carrier jobs. His proposed 35 percent tax on American companies that move factories to foreign nations and then export to the US market is more of the same. He may keep US companies in the US, but the competition is global. Unless he's going to impose across-the-board tariffs—more mercantilism—nothing stops foreign companies from availing themselves of the lower labor rates denied US companies and exporting to the US market.

No matter what tariffs and other trade barriers Donald Trump and team enact, in the face of relentless automation the halcyon days of manufacturing employment aren't coming back. There will also always be competitors, including American companies, who actually compete, who drive productivity gains that both destroy and create jobs. If Trump wants to ensure that US companies and workers lead the pack, he has to make America competitive again. Counterproductive mercantilist gestures won't do it. He has to tackle multiple Augean stables befouled by the government he will soon lead. It shall indeed be a Herculean task.

Rules for Changing a Limited Republican Government into an Unlimited Hereditary One.

Published in 1792 by Philip Freneau in Thomas Jefferson's National Gazette



will for some time keep the public mind in a heedless and unsettled state, let the press during this period be busy in propagating the doctrines of monarchy and aristocracy. For this purpose it will be particular useful to confound a mobbish democracy with a representative republic, that by exhibiting all the turbulent examples and enormities of the former, an odium may be thrown on the character of the latter. Review all the civil contests, convulsions, factions, broils, squabbles, bickering, black eyes, and bloody noses of ancient, middle, and modern ages; caricature them into the most frightful forms and colors that can be imagined, and unfold one scene of horrible tragedy after another till the people be made, if possible, to tremble at their own shadows. Let the discourses on Davila then contrast with these pictures of terror the quiet hereditary succession, the reverence claimed by birth and nobility, and the fascinating influence of stars, and ribands, and garters, and cautiously suppressing all the bloody tragedies and unceasing oppressions which form the history of this species of government. No pains should be spared in this part of the undertaking, for the greatest will be wanted, it being extremely difficult, especially when a people have been taught to reason and feel their rights, to convince them that a king, who is always an enemy to the people, and a nobility, who are perhaps still more so, will take better care of the people than the people will take of themselves.

6. But the grand nostrum will be a public debt, provided enough of it can be got and it be medicated with the proper ingredients. If by good fortune a debt be ready at hand, the most is to be made of it. Stretch it and swell it to the utmost the items will bear. Allow as many extra claims as decency will permit. Assume all the debts of your neighbors - in a word, get as much debt as can be raked and scraped together, and when you have got all you can, "advertise" for more, and have the debt made as big as possible. This object being accomplished, the next will be to make it as perpetual as possible; and the next to that, to get it into as few hands as possible. The more effectually to bring this about, modify the debt, complicate it, divide it, subdivide it, subtract it, postpone it, let there be one-third of two-thirds, and two-thirds of one-third, and two-thirds of two-thirds; let there be 3 percents, and 4 percents, and 6 percents, and present 6 percents, and future 6 percents. To be brief, let the whole be such a mystery that a few only can understand it; and let all possible opportunities and informations fall in the way of these few to cinch their advantages over the many.

7. It must not be forgotten that the members of the legislative body are to have a deep stake in the game. This is an essential point, and happily is attended with no difficulty. A sufficient number, properly disposed, can alternately legislate and speculate, and speculate and legislate, and buy and sell, and sell and buy, until a due portion of the property of their constituents has passed into their hands to give them an interest against their constituents, and to ensure the part they are to act. All this, however, must be carried on under the cover of the closest secrecy; and it is particularly lucky that dealings in paper admit of more secrecy than any other. Should a discovery take place, the whole plan may be blown up.

8. The ways in which a great debt, so constituted and applied, will contribute to the ultimate end in view are both numerous and obvious. (1) The favorite few, thus possessed of it, whether within or without the government, will feel the staunchest fealty to it, and will go through thick and thin to support it in all its oppressions and usurpations. (2) Their money will give them consequence and influence, even among those who have been tricked out of it. (3) They will be the readiest materials that can be found for a hereditary aristocratic order, whenever matters are ripe for one. (4) A great debt will require great taxes; great taxes, many taxgatherers and other officers; and all officers are auxiliaries of power. (5) Heavy taxes may produce discontents; these may threaten resistance; and in proportion to this danger will be the pretense for a standing army to repel it. (6) A standing army, in its turn, will increase the moral force of the government by means of its appointments, and give it physical force by means of the sword, thus doubly forwarding the main object.

9. The management of a great funded debt and a extensive system of taxes will afford a plea, not to be neglected, for establishment of a great incorporated bank. the use of such a machine is well understood. If the Constitution, according to its fair meaning, should not authorize it, so much the better. Push it through by a forced meaning and you will get in the bargain an admirable precedent for future misconstructions.

In fashioning the bank, remember that it is to be made particularly instrumental in enriching and aggrandizing the elect few, who are to be called in due season to the honors and felicities of the kingdom preparing for them, and who are the pillars that must support it. It will be easy to throw the benefit entirely into their hands, and to make it a solid addition of 50, or 60, or 70 percent to their former capitals of 800 percent, or 900 percent, without costing them a shilling; while it will be difficult to explain to the people that this gain of the few is at the cost of the many, that the contrary may be boldly and safely pretended. The bank will be pregnant with other important advantages. It will admit the same men to be, at the same time, members of the bank and members of the government. The two institutions will thus be soldered together, and each made stronger. Money will be put under the direction of the government, and government under the direction of money. To crown the whole, the bank will have a proper interest in swelling and perpetuating the public debt and public taxes, with all the blessings of both, because its agency and its profits will be extended in exact proportion.

10. "Divide and govern" is a maxim consecrated by the experience of ages, and should be familiar in its use to every politician as the knife he carries in his pocket. In the work here to be executed, the best effects may be produced by this maxim, and with peculiar facility. An extensive republic made up of lesser republics necessarily contains various sorts of people, distinguished by local and other interests and prejudices. Let the whole group be well examined in all its parts and relations, geographical and political, metaphysical and metaphorical; let there be first a northern and a southern section, by a line running east and west, and then an eastern and western section, by a line running north and south. By a suitable nomenclature, the landholders cultivating different articles can be discriminated from one another, all from the class of merchants, and both from that of manufacturers.

One of the subordinate republics may be represented as a commercial state, another as a navigation state, another as a manufacturing state, others as agricultural states; and although the great body of people in each be really agricultural, and the other characters be more or less common to all, still it will be politic to take advantage of such an arrangement. Should the members of the great republic be of different sizes, and subject to little jealousies on that account, another important division will be ready formed to your hand. Add again the division that may be carved out of personal interests, political opinions, and local parties. With so convenient an assortment of votes, especially with the help of the marked ones, a majority may be packed for any question with as much ease as the odd trick by an adroit gamester, and any measure whatever carried or defeated, as the great revolution to be brought about may require.

It is only necessary, therefore, to recommend that full use be made of the resource; and to remark that, besides the direct benefit to be drawn from these artificial divisions, they will tend to smother the true and natural one, existing in all societies, between the few who are always impatient of political equality and the many who can never rise above it; between those who are to mount to the prerogatives and those who are to be saddled with the burdens of the hereditary government to be introduced - in one word, between the general mass of the people, attached to their republican government and republican interests, and the chosen band devoted to monarchy and Mammon. It is of infinite importance that this distinction should be kept out of sight. The success of the project absolutely requires it.

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1 It being necessary in order to effect the change, to get rid of constitutional shackles and popular prejudices, all possible means and occasions are to be used for both these purposes.

2. Nothing being more likely to prepare the vulgar mind for aristocratical ranks and hereditary powers than titles, endeavor in the offset of the government to confer these on its most dignified officers. If the principal magistrate should happen to be particularly venerable in the eyes of the people, take advantage of that fortunate circumstance in setting the example.

3. Should the attempt fail through his republican aversion to it, or from the danger of alarming the people, do not abandon the enterprise altogether, but lay up the proposition in the record. Time may gain it respect, and it will be there always ready, cut and dried, for any favorable conjuncture that may offer.

4. In drawing all bills, resolutions, and reports, keep constantly in view that the limitations in the Constitution are ultimately to be explained away. Precedents and phrases may thus be shuffled in, without being adverted to by candid or weak people, of which good use may afterward be made.

5. As the novelty and bustle of inaugurating the government

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Perhaps a few of these didn't involve Facebook corporate or American enforcers, but the point stands: Facebook is the evidence gatherer, with a direct, automated connection to their enforcement partners.

Everyone Is Targeted

We're used to thinking of policemen working backward from the crime: Get some clues, follow them, then target an individual or two for closer scrutiny. But *that's not the way it's done now*.

Now, under the new enforcement regime, *everyone* is targeted... *in advance*.

This has been done in the name of efficiency and safety of course because that's what sells. Targeting individuals after the fact "might allow something bad to happen," and so the aforementioned outfits simply suck it *all up* - every website you visit, every mouse click, every email, every text... from everyone.

And by the way, there are probably a dozen projects that want to use that data to predict crime. In fact, that's already being done. Lampposts are now installed with hidden microphones. Again, they are gathering evidence on everyone, in advance. And this on top of cameras everywhere.

So, almost everything you do is *already* organized to be "held against you in a court of law." The evidence has been gathered and is available at all times. The new martial law is already here.

And It Gets Worse

All that data is not used merely for enforcement - not by a long stretch. A far more efficient use of it is to manipulate you. But whether they're nudging you to a more socially useful opinion or to buy a different pair of shoes, *that's how Google, Facebook, and the rest make their money*. Their users don't pay them.

Simply as a means of increasing profit, once these outfits already have all the data, why not use it for three things, or twenty, or a hundred?

Someone said to me the other day: "*Free is the most dangerous word in the English language*". And indeed it is, because free has brought a new kind of martial law upon us all. And what's worse, millions are addicted to it and many more millions don't want to know.

And if you're tempted to think that this doesn't involve the military, remember that the NSA and GCHQ were teaching military operatives to manipulate people on the Internet years ago. Are we really to assume that they haven't automated this?

New Laws Will Accomplish Nothing

Please don't let yourself think that new laws will fix this, because they won't. Laws take long periods of time to write and still longer to implement. By the time they have any effect, technology has moved along and new ways to gather and abuse data have replaced the old ones... then it'll be years before those are outlawed, presuming that enough pressure is applied.

And pressure is no guarantee either, since the data-grabbers throw a lot more money around Washington than you do.

What Should We Do?

I've explained what to do several times already (freemansperspective.com/plan-b-internet/), so I won't repeat it here. But the essential step is to recognize what's going on. Without that, nothing else matters.

The truth is that we're already living under a new kind of martial law. Either we face it or we don't.

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Dec 16-17—Live Nativity, Murphy, NC. 6pm-8pm. Come and view a Live Nativity at Shepherd of the Mountains Church (located on the hill above Eller & Owens). Free admission. For more information contact 828-837-4276.

Dec 17—Holiday Contra & Square Dance Party, Brasstown, NC. 8pm-11pm. Come celebrate the holidays with us on the dance floor! Free admission. Holiday treats potluck - Bring your favorite refreshment to share. The calling and music will be a splendid array of local talent. Beginners, couples and singles are welcome. For more information see www.folkschool.org.

Dec 17—Tri-State Model Railroaders Open House, Mineral Bluff, GA 10:00 am-2:00 pm. Come and see a model railroad layout depicting Copper Basin Railroad in the early. Learn how railroads played such an important role in the development of the Tri-State area and the unique history of the restored historic brick depot. From Hwy 60, to 150 Railroad Avenue, Mineral Bluff. Contact 828-361-2210 for further information.

Jan 9—The Well Armed Woman, Georgia Mountain Chapter, Blairsville, GA. 5:30 p.m. A women's group dedicated to educating, equipping and empowering women gun owners. Meeting at G meeting room 226 Gainesville Hwy, Suite C, Blairsville, GA 30512. or more information please contact Carrie Brekke at twawgeorgiamountainchapter@yahoo.com for information.

Jan 12—The Well Armed Woman, Murphy Chapter, Murphy, NC, 6 p.m. A women's group dedicated to educating, equipping & empowering women gun owners. Meeting at Christian Martial Arts Center, 56 Valley River Ave, downtown Murphy. Contact Carrie Brekke at twawcherokeecountyncchapter@gmail.com for information.

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11. As soon as sufficient progress in the intended change shall have been made, and the public mind duly prepared according to the rules already laid down, it will be proper to venture on another and a bolder step toward a removal of the constitutional landmarks. Here the aid of the former encroachments and all the other precedents and way-paving maneuvers will be called in of course. But, in order to render the success more certain, it will be of special moment to give the most plausible and popular name that can be found to the power that is to be usurped. It may be called, for example, a power for the common safety or the public good, or, "the general welfare." If the people should not be too much enlightened, the name will have a most imposing effect. It will escape attention that it means, in fact, the same thing with a power to do anything the government pleases "in all cases whatsoever." To oppose the power may consequently seem to the ignorant, and be called by artful, opposing the "general welfare", and may be cried down under that deception.

As the people, however, may not run so readily into the snare as might be wished, it will be prudent to bait it well with some specious popular interest, such as the encouragement of manufactures, or even of agriculture, taking due care not even to mention any unpopular object to which the power is equally applicable, such as religion, etc.. By this contrivance, particular classes of people may possibly be taken in who will be a valuable reinforcement.

With respect to the patronage of agriculture there is not indeed much to be expected from it. It will be too quickly seen through by the owners and tillers of the soil, that to tax them with one hand and pay back a part only with the other is a losing game on their side. From the power over manufactures more is to be hoped. It will not be so easily perceived that the premium bestowed may not be equal to the circuitous tax on consumption which pays it. There are particular reasons, too, for pushing the experiment on this class of citizens.

(1) As they live in towns and can act together, it is of vast consequence to gain them over to the interest of monarchy. (2) If the power over them be once established, the government can grant favors or monopolies, as it pleases; can raise or depress this or that place, as it pleases; in a word, by creating a dependence in so numerous and important a class of citizens, it will increase its own independence of every class and be more free to pursue the grand object in contemplation. (3) The expense of this operation will not in the end cost the government a shilling, for the moment any branch of manufacture has been brought to a state of tolerable maturity the exciseman will be ready with his constable and his search warrant to demand a reimbursement, and as much more as can be squeezed out of the article. All this, it is to be remembered, supposes that the manufacturers will be weak enough to be cheated, in some respects, out of their own interests, and wicked enough, in others, to betray those of their fellow citizens; a supposition that, if known, would totally mar the experiment. Great care, therefore, must be taken to prevent it from leaking out.

12. The expediency of seizing every occasion of external danger for augmenting and perpetuating the standing military force is too obvious to escape. So important is this matter that for any loss or disaster whatever attending the national arms, there will be ample consolation and compensation in the opportunity for enlarging the establishment. A military defeat will become a political victory, and the loss of a little vulgar blood contribute to ennoble that which flows in the veins of our future dukes and marquesses.

13. The same prudence will improve the opportunity afforded by an increase of military expenditures for perpetuating the taxes required for them. If the inconsistency and absurdity of establishing a perpetual tax for a temporary service should produce any difficulty in the business, Rule 10 must be resorted to. Throw in as many extraneous motives as will make up a majority, and the thing is effected in an instant. What was before evil would become good as easily as black could be made white by the same magical operation.

14. Throughout this great undertaking it will be wise to have some particular model constantly in view. The work can then be carried on more systematically, and every measure be fortified, in the progress, by apt illustrations and authorities. Should there exist a particular monarchy against which there are fewer prejudices than against any other, should it contain a mixture of the representative principle so as to present on one side the semblance of a republican aspect, should it, moreover, have a great, funded, complicated, irredeemable debt, with all the apparatus and appurtenances of excises, banks, etc., upon that a steady eye is to be kept. In all cases it will assist, and in most its statute books will furnish a precise pattern by which there may be cut out any moneyed or monarchical project that may be wanted.

15. As it is not to be expected that the change of a republic into a monarchy, with the rapidity desired can be carried through without occasional suspicions and alarms, it will be necessary to be prepared for such events. The best general rule on the subject is to be taken from the example of crying "Stop thief" first - neither lungs nor pens must be spared in charging every man who whispers, or even thinks, that the revolution on foot is meditated, with being himself an enemy to the established government and meaning to overturn it. Let the charge be reiterated and reverberated till at last such confusion and uncertainty be produced that the people, being not able to find out where the truth lies, withdraw their attention from the contest.

Many other rules of great wisdom and efficacy might be added; but it is conceived that the above will be abundantly enough for the purpose. This will certainly be the case if the people can be either kept asleep so as not to discover, or be thrown into artificial divisions so as not to resist, what is silently going forward. Should it be found impossible, however, to prevent the people from awaking and uniting; should all artificial distinctions give way to the natural divisions between the lordly minded few and the well-disposed many; should all who have common interest make a common cause and show an inflexible attachment to republicanism in opposition to a government of monarchy and or money, why then.....

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