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Letter to the Editor

I am not an African American. I am an American!

When I joined the United States Marine Corps in 1970, I took an oath to the Constitution. I did not take that oath as a black man, but as an American.

That oath has no expiration date.

The Left is trying to divide us by race, gender and income to pit us against each other. I love this country, and it makes me angry to see them pushing Marxist, racially divisive, anti-American ideology. They denounce our country as racist, white supremacist, exploitive, imperialist and any other disparaging description they can find.

On the other hand, they praise Cuba and the brutal and murderous Fidel Castro. They justify and defend the Communist Party of China, and the totalitarian dictatorship of Xi Jinping who imprisons, tortures and kills any Chinese citizen who dares question the government.

They loved Hugo Chavez who turned Venezuela from a thriving nation of free enterprise to a socialist nightmare which starves and brutalizes its people.

If anyone wonders what the Left wants for America, look at the results of the last 1-1/2 years of riots, looting and Black Lives Matter incitement. Crime is at epidemic levels. Elderly people are attacked and beaten. Car jackings are occurring in formerly safe downtown areas. Shootings and murders are increasing dramatically with no relief in sight. Two hundred and forty-three innocent children have been murdered in street violence since January 2020. Chicago and many of our cities have become war zones.

After all the riots, looting, and disorder across America last year over alleged police brutality, the result is not justice but skyrocketing crime, violent daylight attacks on innocent people, and children killed by bullets flying through their backyards and piercing the walls of their bedrooms.

Children in the inner city are being murdered at record numbers. They are not being killed by police or white supremacy groups, but by black criminals who have been given carte blanche to roam the streets and kill at whim. When they are arrested, Black Lives Matter works to get them released to commit ever more heinous crimes.

Black Lives Matter has propagated the big lie that police are the great threat to black citizens, but the blood flows and the body count grows because of black on black crime. Police were saving black lives, not taking them. The more the police are pushed aside, the more poor people die because there are not enough cops to protect them.

Now that the police have been disparaged, demoralized and defunded, more women are raped, more elderly people are attacked, more homes are broken into and more stores are looted in brazen shoplifting sprees. The crime is spreading from the inner cities into downtown areas and the suburbs. No one is immune.

These Marxist radicals have put all of us at risk!

This was predictable, but few were willing to say it. I did.

While criminals are unleashed to do whatever they want to whomever they want, law abiding citizens are abandoned by mayors and city councils whose foremost responsibility is public safety. They have abdicated their responsibility and failed their constituents.

If you think your community isn't affected, just wait - every place in America will see the impact eventually!

There are those in our country who want to overthrow our Constitution and way of life and replace it with a Marxist system. More and more Americans are now seeing this for what it is. It is communism in another guise. They can call it equality. They can call it diversity. They can call it inclusion. They can call it social justice. But all of these are mere euphemisms for their real agenda of destroying the America we know and love and replacing it with Marxism, socialism, and ultimately totalitarian communist rule.

Critical Race Theory ("CRT"), which has invaded our colleges and universities and is now spreading to our public schools, is Marxist and anti-American. It has been spreading like a virus in our colleges and universities for forty years. It was being taught by one of its originators, Derek Bell, when I was at Harvard Law School in the late seventies.

This so called theory, couched in the technical

language of pseudo-scholarship is an evil cult. Like communism, it is a religious system. It doesn't offer a solution to racial problems; it exacerbates them. It offers a distorted world-view and perverse way of looking at life which fills people with suspicion, bitterness, resentment and hatred. It demands that we view people either as virtuous victims or evil oppressors, based on skin color or gender or religion. In this psychotic view, all white people are evil oppressors; all men are evil oppressors; all heterosexuals are evil oppressors; and all Christians are evil oppressors. Anybody else is a hopeless victim.

This ideology is the true evil that sets neighbor against neighbor.

In my view, it is no exaggeration to say that this "wokeness" is a paranoid world-view which creates mass psychological delusion. It uses words and phrases like "systemic" and "structural racism", "unconscious bias", and "micro-aggression" to deceive and convince everyone that America is hopelessly racist.

It doesn't matter how decent an individual may be. If he is "white" he is automatically a perpetrator of "white supremacy" and a beneficiary of "white privilege."

It doesn't matter how wealthy or influential a black or Hispanic citizen may be, he or she is still a helpless victim. We are supposed to believe that Oprah Winfrey, LeBron James, Spike Lee, Barack and Michelle Obama, and the many millionaire and billionaire black citizens are all hopeless victims? This is absurd.

Yet this is exactly why some American Olympian athletes turn their backs on the flag and disrespect the National Anthem. They have been taught by the example of these spoiled elites that America is evil. They have been indoctrinated with the belief that all "people of color" are virtuous victims and all white people are evil oppressors.

The real evil is in spreading such racist propaganda.

The Bible I read tells me there is none righteous, no not one. All have sinned and come short of the glory of God. No ethnic or racial group has a monopoly on sin and evil, and no group has a monopoly on morality and virtue.

CRT is evil because it teaches the lies that "white people" are inherently bad and oppressors, and "people of color" - whatever that means - are virtuous victims of the bad white people. In substance, this is no different than Nazi ideology which taught that all Germans are good and all Jews are bad.

CRT is not merely wrong. Like Nazism it is morally depraved.

"People of color" is a false construct designed to divide the world into two racial camps.

In reality, we all come from the same original human parents. We all bleed the same red blood. We are all imperfect. We all have problems. We all suffer. We all die.

We Americans share a common destiny. As American goes, so go we all. Racial demagoguery and division is national suicide. Teaching our citizens - especially our young people - to hate our country leaves us defenseless against our enemies.

Jesus said, "If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand." (Mark 3:24-25)

In 1787, the Congress passed the Constitution and sent it to the states for ratification. They gave us the most successful governing document in the history of mankind. Constitutions are changed on average every 17 years. Ours has lasted nearly a quarter of a millennium. That is something worth celebrating.

Our history is not perfect, but it is the noble, inspiring story of a nation constantly moving toward a more perfect union.

There is a desperate need for an answer to all of the lies spewed against our country. Not only do we need to teach the nobility of American history, but we must teach the philosophy, principles and ideals which made us the greatest nation in history. I call this "Americanism." It is an antidote to Marxism, socialism, communism and Critical Race Theory. Americanism debunks the 1619 Project as a work of historical fiction born of hatred for America.

Americanism explains how faith, family, freedom, individual liberty, personal responsibility, and Constitutional limits on the power of government have served to unleash the productive and creative capacities of our people. We have contributed more to raising the standard of living than any other economy past or present.

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