

Editorial

It Wasn't President Reagan

Eugene Robinson, writing on *The Washington Post's* OpEd page for September 30, was wrong, when he wrote, "Reagan changed everything, shifting the nation's center of gravity to the right," although he was fair to add, in his next sentence, "... the man had at least a certain generosity of spirit." As Presidents come and go, it was not Reagan who identifies "the shift of gravity to the right," it was President Harry S Truman who, as soon as FDR was dead, faithfully followed the lunatic, anti-Roosevelt recipes of Britain's Winston Churchill, in carrying out the sharpest right-wing turn yet experienced in U.S. policy orientation in our national history since our republic's self-inflicted catastrophes under the Coolidge, Hoover—and Andrew Mellon administrations.

President Eisenhower did much good for the nation and the world, in turning the U.S.A. back toward traditional U.S. outlooks, but the change to the right, under President Ronald Reagan, to which Robinson refers, was actually caused, not by the Reagan election. It was caused by the effects of the Carter Administration's Trilateral Commission program of deregulation, as engineered by National Security Advisor Zbigniew Brzezinski. Candidate Ronald Reagan was swept into office by a surging national revulsion of 1979-1980 against the 1970s policies associated with neo-Confederate, right-wing Harvard Professor William Yandell Elliott's "Nashville" Agrarian trainees Henry A. Kissinger and Brzezinski.

That is not my only rejection of the populist misjudgment shown by Robinson's commentary. The root and issue of his blundering view of President Reagan is it tends to steer his readers into evading the most crucial and politically urgent fact about the brutish and catastrophic policies of the Charles II-like Bush-Cheney Cabal of today. Robinson echoes sensitivity to some of today's important instances of social injustice, but his sloppy choice of rhetoric must be condemned in the public interest, as a dangerously misleading lack of comprehension of the current threat to our nation at this moment of its currently soaring existential crisis.

We are suffering under the most incompetent, as much as corrupt Presidential administration in memory, while facing the world's worst monetary-financial breakdown-crisis in modern history, since Europe's mid-Fourteenth Century. With about three years remaining until the next presently scheduled general election, we are in a situation, under this administration, that our constitutional system of government could not stand three more years of this massive mixture of sheer lunacy mixed with fathomless corruption. All other issues are dwarfed by the enormity of that specific challenge.

What those who were adults back then, remember about the Truman Presidency, was the U.S. delaying the implementation of terms of surrender negotiated with the Emperor of Japan through Monsignor Montini's Vatican Office of Extraordinary Affairs for long enough to drop the only two deployable nuclear-weapons prototypes in our arsenal upon the Hiroshima and Nagasaki populations of a virtually defeated, and almost hermetically isolated Japan. Few, even then, knew the fact that it was the "premature" surrender of Germany which prevented "Bomber Harris's" Winston Churchill from enjoying the dropping of those prototypes still in preparation, on Berlin; so, Truman chose Hiroshima and Nagasaki, instead.

Churchill's and Bertrand Russell's shared common purpose in that, was the use of nuclear arsenals then to be built up, for launching a preemptive nuclear assault on the Soviet Union, that for the sole purpose, as stated by Russell publicly in 1946, of establishing a one-world government under a transformed, Anglo-American dictatorship of the type to which Russell and H.G. Wells had agreed publicly in 1928. That, dear chaps, was the real "right-wing" turn of 1945-1946, not 1981.

However, few then recognized the real issue of the closing days of the actual war-fighting in Europe, between Allied Supreme Commander Dwight Eisenhower and types such as his subordinate General George Patton. Patton was right about Montgomery;

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but, Eisenhower was right about Patton.

The issue then, in 1945, was the same issue, but under vastly different circumstances, with the Bush-Cheney Administration today, an administration far, far, far below the intellectual level of the Churchill and Truman of 1945.

Obviously, Robinson knows none of this, and therefore does not understand the realities of the present situation in Washington, D.C. today. He clearly fails to grasp the essential reality of the present situation. The problem which Robinson's blunder exposes for today, is the same problem against which the Egyptians warned Solon of Athens and Plato, back then: we have too few really old men who can remember three millennia of those crucial points of the continuing, living history of today's globally extended European civilization, issues which, in their recurring, present incarnation, are still shaping the issues of current history today.

In these days, for most politicians, as for the contributing authors for most leading news agencies, as for Robinson, history plainly "ended" in 1989-1991. We live in a time when trivial people today exchange even more trivial opinions as billiard balls might do; everything must be explained by what they chance to have chosen to remember from the gossip they swapped, percussively, at the preceding weekend's social event.

What Really Happened in 1980

There are two principal facts which must be put into focus to locate the source of Robinson's blunders.

In fact, the immediate sociological factor behind President Reagan's election victory over both George H.W. Bush and Jimmy Carter, was the "68ers." It was the hatred against the horrifying effects of both the oil-price hoax orchestrated under National Security Advisor Henry A. Kissinger, and the hatred against Brzezinski's Trilateral Commission, which denied Bush the Presidential nomination and sent Carter into retirement.

The rest was chiefly the effect of the aging process. The Baby-Boomer generation's compulsion to overturn the Franklin Roosevelt "New Deal" economic tradition took over the Democratic Party of the 1970s and 1980s, while the Republicans of the same generation, took over more and more of the Republican Party for the promotion of a shift from producing steel to a form of legalized stealing, the looting of our dwindling

agro-industrial capacity, as expressed by the currently ongoing financier looting collapse of the air-travel and national automobile industries.

Behind and below all those shenanigans, the immediate form of the essential issue is, today, the same old fight which began in the aftermath of that February 1763 Paris Treaty which gave virtual imperial-power status to Lord Shelburne's neo-Venetian British East India Company. Today's situation inside the U.S.A. is, once again, the fight for, and against the principle upon which our Federal republic was founded, the fundamental commitment to promote the general welfare of our population and its posterity, included as the fundamental principle of law in our Constitution.

The leading expression of that fight, inside the U.S.A., as throughout the world today, is the existential struggle of the forces of constitutional self-government of sovereign nations against the predatory rampage of vast cartels of financier interest which, in a modern continuation of the predatory Venetian tradition, demand that governments, when permitted to exist at all, must be merely lackeys of financier cartels. These are, again today, continuations of the Synarchist cabal behind the creation of the dictatorships of banker Volpi di Misurata's Mussolini, the Bank of England's Montagu Norman's choice of Adolf Hitler, and G.K. Chesterton's favorite, Francisco Franco. That is the meaning of the campaigns by Cheney's controllers against the memory of FDR, for a "post-industrial society," for "globalization," against regulation of the financier interests behind the greatest world-wide swindle in known history since the mid-Fourteenth-Century "New Dark Age," hedge funds.

We have reached the point of immediately looming, hyperinflationary global breakdown crisis, today, that we either return the U.S. to the policy-shaping outlook associated with the memory of FDR, or the lunatic incompetence and greed of the Bush-Cheney Administration, combined with the lunatic incompetence of the financier interests behind the hedge-fund swindles, means the early breakdown of civilization as we have defined that term in modern times. That is the issue which the misguided Robinson, among others, seeks to avoid by trivializing facts which, in any case, are not really the important facts actually threatening each or all of our principal constituencies today.

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