The democrats are having a SEIZURE $^{!}$ -a $^{!}$ One $^{!}$

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A seizure! They're seizing "the moment"; seizing "the opportunity"; and seizing with both hands a "societal tragedy" – a crisis they can't let go to waste. – 21st Century Curmudgeon and Pundit, Stefano Bakovich

Some Think They Can See in the Dark!

Last Saturday when Representative Giffords was shot, six were killed, and many others wounded, the bodies were still on the ground and ambulances only just arriving when democrats and some in the national media began making this a politically motivated assassination attempt. We don't need an extensive list to remind who was making the accusations: The New York Times, democrat politicians, traditional media personalities, and on and on. The local sheriff, a highly politicized democrat himself, admitted he had no proof but even named those who should be blamed. And who was to blame other than a handful of conservative politicians and commentators? I won't list the entire focus of their disdainful accusations. And of course, the Tea Party was largely responsible for inciting this young man to violence. All of this without a shred of evidence!

The Light Comes Shining Through!

The murdering lunatic is solely to blame! According to observers and professionals, this was a possibly psychotic, disconnected, disturbed man. He related to nothing in the real world, be that politics, people, institutions, or rational thought. He killed six people and severely wounded many more. It is now clear to all, whether they admit it or not, that this was not caused by conservative criticism of democrats or Obamacare. It was a sad, tragic, incident! Thankfully, this fact is beginning to be "whispered" in the traditional media. On Tuesday the 11th of January, CBS's early show had a segment in which correspondent Ben Tracy reported the following:

Authorities tell CBS News that Loughner's attack on Congresswoman Giffords was not partisan, but more likely because he was anti-government in general and she was a symbol of it.

I got the feeling they were almost becoming accepting of this. And later, co-host Erica Hill reported about a new CBS News poll on the shooting:

A majority of Americans, however, don't necessarily agree that's the case 57% of respondents don't believe the harsh tone had anything to do with the shootings. Just 32% say it did.

Thoughtful and clear-thinking Americans know that the **blame for this** assassination attempt and murders is not political rhetoric, but **UNTREATED MENTAL ILLNESS!**

Case closed! It should be over! But

We Still Need to be Wary – We Need to Develop Facts and Arguments!

I don't want to argue about what is the right kind of rhetoric for political commentary. That argument will ebb and flow and eventually find a comfort level on its own. However, there will certainly be continuing self-righteous liberals and democrats pointing fingers at conservatives as being purveyors of inflammatory comments and hatred. I found a quote that fits here:

The great enemy of truth is very often not the lie, deliberate, contrived and dishonest, but the myth, persistent, persuasive and unrealistic.

- President John F. Kennedy

Therefore, the purpose of this report is to emphasize the **abject hypocrisy** we are witnessing when we listen to the liberal diatribes. I went into my files for some old material, and I scoured current reports from many different sources to come up with **examples you and I can use to counter those who point at us and say, "tell your conservative friends to 'Cool it!'"** You can politely and calmly point out these examples of democrat hypocrisy. **Tough commentary, inflammatory language, and military analogies are some of the few bi-partisan aspects of politics in our society!**

Fort Hood vs. Tucson – quite a contrast in restraint by the New York Times: Immediately after a radical Muslim Army officer killed a dozen soldiers at Fort Hood, the NYT editorialized "it will be important to avoid drawing prejudicial conclusions from the fact that Major Hasan is an American Muslim whose parents came from the Middle East." There was no restraint by the NYT after Tucson, however. They editorialized: "... it is legitimate to hold Republicans and particularly their most virulent supporters in the media responsible for the gale of anger ... setting the nation on edge."

President Barack Obama is not a shrinking violet when it comes to tough, hardball politics, and inflammatory analogies: Prior to the 2010 election he told Hispanic voters that "republicans are your enemies."

Recall his tough talk at a Philadelphia fundraiser in 2008 about how he would take battle to the GOP: "If they bring a knife to the fight, we bring a gun. Because from what I understand folks in Philly like a good brawl. I've seen Eagles fans."

Our President once implored his followers thus: "I need you to go out and talk to your friends and talk to your neighbors. I want you to talk to them whether they are independent or ... Republican. I want you to argue with them and **get in their face!**"

Obama has tried to assure donors and voters that he's been schooled by Chicago politics. This during the campaign for the presidency: "I'm skinny but I'm tough."

Speculating on a republican majority in congress Obama said it would be "hand-to-hand combat" on Capitol Hill. There was also an analogy by Biden about "strangling" and Obama implied the act of "fixing bayonets."

MSNBC's Ed Shultz is truly an offensive fellow! The Media Research Center has been most helpful to me on this project. MRC reports that in a moment of self-righteousness Ed avoided his own shocking history by saying: "I get passionate, but not in a violent way." GIVE ME A BREAK!!! How about when he said about Dick Cheney: "He is an enemy of the country, in my opinion ... Lord, take him to the Promised Land, will you?" ... then in 2010 he screamed that "Dick Cheney's heart's a political football. We ought to rip it out and kick it around and stuff it back in him."

Or how about: "I will fight these bastards every night at 6 o'clock because I know what they're up against. I know what they want to do ... they want to destroy the American dream. Concentrate the wealth to the top, and control minorities ..."

Consider his advice to the democrats' Senate leadership: "Shove the republicans into the ditch! Shove those bastards right into the dirthole! This is about power! It's about winning!"

Nope! Nothing violent or even inflammatory about Ed Shultz – fur shur!

Movie and book about a presidential assassination — During the "George W" administration there was a movie made showing the imagined assassination of a U.S. President — not a loose representation of someone like "W." It was George W. Bush being portrayed. It was shown at a film festival and was entitled "Death of a President." And a book came out which gave instructions on how one could assassinate "W." Do you recall all the uproar in liberal circles? No? I wonder why?

During "W's" presidency, liberal print and on-air media continually called for his "blood" – literally and figuratively. He was routinely called a Nazi and a "war criminal." And there was no outrage by these same phonies who are now complaining!

Chris Matthews from NBC and MSNBC – The "tingle up my leg" guy has been very critical and self righteous in accusing others' of inflammatory comments. Wasn't he the guy who, on the one hand, was upset with the rhetoric of Rush Limbaugh, and in a moment of weakness" said that "Somebody's going to jam a CO2 pellet in his (Limbaugh's) head and he's going to explode like a giant blimp." Wow! Pacifist to the max! Nothing inflammatory there!

Keith Olberman, the "Piece" maker sometimes puts people in his "crosshairs." And every few days he picks out a conservative or republican (or someone even more disgusting) to give his award for being the "Worst Person in the World."

In 2009 Olbermann referred to conservative columnist Michelle Malkin as "a big mashed-up bag of meat with lipstick on it."

In 2006, Olbermann teed off against the government's anti-terrorism policies: "We now face what our ancestors faced at other times of exaggerated crisis and melodramatic fearmongering: A government more dangerous to our liberty than is the enemy it claims to protect us from."

To his credit, this week he seemed to acknowledge that he has gone over the top at times. But does he really understand the issue and will he maintain a more reasonable tone of commentary? I doubt it because that's not what he's paid to do!

Ariana Huffington's blog "Huffington Post" is well known for edgy "over the top" commentary. Here's an item posted in early 2007 mocking the cancer that would eventually take the life of "W's" White House press secretary Tony Snow. Liberal San Francisco radio host Charles Karel Bouley wrote: "I hear about Tony Snow and say to myself, well, stand up every day, lie to the American people at the behest of your dictator-esque boss and well, how could a cancer NOT grow in you. Work for Fox News, spinning the truth into a billion knots and how can your gut not rot?" Ouch! That's tough stuff!

Liberal radio host Mike Malloy, a former news writer for CNN, went a little overboard on January 4, 2010. This was just a few days after conservative radio host Rush Limbaugh was hospitalized for chest pains. He actually wished for Limbaugh's demise by stating: "I'm waiting for the day when I pick up a newspaper or click on the Internet and find he's choked to death on his own throat fat or a great big wad of saliva or something Go away, Rush, you make me sick!"

Montel Williams Even Got Into the Act – In 2009, Williams was a radio host for now-defunct Air America. He urged Minnesota Congresswoman Michele Bachmann to kill herself – or so it seemed – by saying: "Slit your wrist! Go ahead! I mean, you know, why not? I mean, if you want to – or, you know, do us all a better thing. Move that knife up about two feet. I mean, start right at the collarbone." He may now claim comedic license with that comment (I don't know that he has), but it was rude, crude, violent, disgusting and most certainly inflammatory to the MAX!

Arizona Democrat Congressman Harry Mitchell — The democrats are now forgetting about Mitchell's campaign against republican J.D. Hayworth. This featured Hayworth in the crosshairs of a rifle. But who's counting when it comes to crosshairs.

A New Republic editor once started an article like this: "I hate George W. Bush. There, I said it."

The Democratic Leadership Council (DLC) — Sarah Palin used a map with "cross-hairs" on it to represent districts and states which should be targeted for serious republican opposition in the hope of defeating the democrat incumbent. This is one of the things she has been most criticized for since the Tucson massacre. What is ignored is that not long before that, the DLC issued a similar map with (not cross-hairs but) true targets/bull's-eyes on it. What's the difference?

Daily Kos writes lots of hateful things. This leftist organization also talked of a "target list" of legislators they wanted to destroy. Who were they opposed to? Representative Gabrielle Giffords – a "Blue Dog" democrat whom they considered just too conservative! And Daily Kos dehumanized Giffords by referring to her as "congresscritter." Wow! Go figur'!

A devoted supporter of Gabrielle Giffords recently placed a somewhat ominous message on a social website indicating his dissatisfaction over Gifford's vote against Nancy Pelosi for Minority Leader in the new 112th Congress. He posted a long explanation of his disappointment over her conservative inclinations. He wrote: "Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords is dead to me now." Of course he wasn't making a threat! My point is that analogies like this occur and can't be stretched into something they are not. If posted by Sarah Palin, it would have gone viral in the liberal blog/media empire!

Some Surprising Experts!

Why would CNN ask Bill Maher and Roseanne for "expert commentary"? – Uff Da!!!! A conservative celebrity would have been "dragged over the coals" if the following comments would have been spoken about (you pick a name).

Bill Maher - onetime comedian, now a pretend political pundit – I wouldn't have considered this fellow for inclusion here, but CNN has been calling on Bill to share his wisdom on all things political and societal. He holds himself out as a voice of wisdom. But remember when he said: "Democrats in America were put on earth to do one thing – drag the ignorant hillbilly half of this country into the next century, which in their case is the 19th."

And get this! In 2007, talking about then-Vice President Cheney after al Qaeda exploded a truck bomb at a base in Afghanistan near where Cheney was visiting. It's easy to conclude that he was wishing for Cheney's death when he said: "I'm just saying if he did die, other people, more people would live. That's a fact."

In 2008 he fanaticized about Rush Limbaugh being a better candidate for death than a recently deceased actor: "Why couldn't he have croaked from it instead of Heath Ledger?"

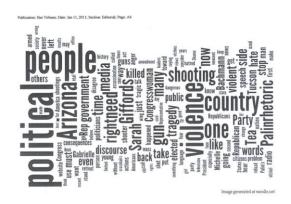
CNN's Anderson Cooper recently asked Roseanne Barr to comment on conservativism: Why they would look to her as any sort of expert I don't understand, but this was inflammatory: "The Teal Party is owned by the richest people in the world ... Dick Cheney didn't earn one damn thing ... never worked an honest day in his life ... (Palin is) a loon and I think she's kind of a traitor to this country ... Her followers are the dumbest people on Earth ... They can barely scare up a pulse."

A footnote! – Below is a "cartoon/montage" about the recent slaughter in Tucson. This item focuses on the accusations that republican/conservative were at fault by inspiring the act through inflammatory and combative language. I view this as a regrettable "celebration" of the liberal/democrat/media harangue about the conservative role in the tragic event. It appeared on the editorial page of the Minneapolis Star Tribune on Jan 11, 2011. I find it rather embarrassing that my hometown paper was so indiscrete as to do this under the guise of a balanced account – even before the funerals of the deceased and without even a preliminary report from the police investigation. It was pure politics – not qualifying as editorial commentary! Below is their own explanation of the project:

TOPIC OF THE DAY Arizona tragedy is foremost in letter writers' minds

Roughly 80 percent of the letters to the editor that arrived over the weekend were about the shootings of Arizona Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords and 19 others on Saturday in Tucson. A majority decried the negativity in the nation's discourse. Above, in the space normally used for a cartoon, is an image created at the website wordle.net showing the 150 words that appeared most frequently in those letters. (The larger the word in the image, the more

often it appeared.) – David Banks, Assistant Commentary editor



I think the project is more sad than clever! – SB