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Kindergarten

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The author was not prepared for this.

His parents placed him in the first grade at just four months after turning five. He missed pre-school, head start, kindergarten, and other important educational opportunities.

He also missed one year of exposure to the bullies he would encounter the remainder of his life.

He also lost one year of civilizing in the public school system. As well, he was deprived of the early indoctrinations regarding the Constitution Of The United States Of America. This latter deprivation left him ill-prepared for his eventual comprehension of that 'sacred' document.

In the first grade, everything was assumed to be so, that the Constitution was founded on three co-equal branches of government; and that a system of checks and balances were part of that assumption. That is what every inculcator parroted, and what every student believed.

This was the very foundation of our government which guided every public servant who filled the offices designed to effectuate the words and to implement the spirit of the document. They even oathed to it. Get That! Until NOW! The triumvirate; Trump, McConnell, and Barr, have loathed it, usurped it, and absconded with the prize.

From the beginning of time of man on this planet, many individuals (homo sapiens) have acceded to positions of 'power', and/or leadership, through 'fiat' (big over the little); and have become 'dictators'; i.e., individuals who 'ran the whole show'. Very few other individuals have found this system of governance to their liking. After some thousands of years, those not liking one individual running the whole show, gathered together, to create a document that would assure each individual a share of fairness, equity and justice; terms that were understood to mean a variety of things, but were not really defined; a case of expectations built upon assumptions (wishful thinking). These extrapolations from assumptions and expectations were codified into 'laws' that applied to all equally; the king be damned. To further extend the intent of this document (and its predecessor), it was decided

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representative government was the method by which all participants in this 'democratic' parlance were assured a voice in their own governance.

To interject an amusing anecdote into this diatribe, the author recalls the bargain struck by the Don and Sancho, whereupon Sancho would follow the Don as Squire wherever and whenever he chose to go, in exchange for a "Governorship", when the Don's mission of rectifying all the ills of human society had been accomplished (Mission Accomplished). It was not revealed why Sancho wanted a governorship, although in those days (Cervantes Days) governorships came with lot of perks. Being a lowly peasant without perks, however amenable was Dulcinea, the Squire had other passions. You know the rest of the story; after one week of governance, all the petitioning humanity who sought favors of the governor, soon became so burdensome (as must be the case with all the prayerful souls beseeching Jesus) that he opted for a return to his former way of life. As amusing as this may seem, it does not apply to the state of the state some 500 years later.

500 years later things have been purportedly changed for the better (relative term) in one particular area of the planet. There are, of course, many opinions regarding the success of establishing 'Democratic' institutions anywhere at any time since the very beginning of homo saps introduction into the prospective evolutionary aegis. There have been countless failures, where domination of one over the other, has arisen to taint the brew.

As pertains to today, the brew has been tainted. An arrogant bully has been 'elected' to the ultimate position of leadership: 'President' (one who presides). While its not clear what a presider does, after years of precedents [norms and guard rails] (which more of less define what a president is, or the limits of 'his' authority), the officeholder is expected to reflect the time-honored traditions; as well as uphold the Constitution (the document that preserves the intent of the founding fathers). This state of affairs is being challenged by a 'bully' who never got his comuppins. Prior to preschool and head start or kindergarten, a nebulous time frame exists between birth and the incipient learner and civilizer; that time period is identified as infancy, whereupon 'infantilism' (the persistence of markedly infantile physical, physiological and psychological characteristics in an adult) is born. To elaborate further, it is commonly recognized that infants are not born with any limits

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incorporated into their behavior; they must learn these limits one way or another in order to be accepted into human society. It requires an indulgent parent or guardian in order for this 'process' (setting limits) to be carried out. This is not done as a means of controlling the unruly, but more to assure social acceptance, but also in the interest of self-preservation (avoiding being knocked on your ass for shitty behavior).

Well, guess what, we got a bully for a president, who needs to be knocked on his ass for his shitty behavior. Somewhere in his early training someone failed to do their job. Knocking a president on his ass is forbidden in one sense. While the president may kill someone on Fifth Avenue, and not be held accountable, is one thing, but for a citizen to knock the president on his ass constitutes a highly accountable crime. NO!, it 'doesn't' seem fair, but when you are 'above-the-law', you get what you get (injustice as well as inequity, and unfairness).

Those who support the tyrant claim he has unlimited executive powers granted to him under Article II of the Constitution, and although guilty of a crime under any ordinary definition of a crime, he may claim privileges (non-culpability) not available to any other citizen in his country. One hysterical story teller (historian) [Meacham] has characterized this bully tyrant as the most powerful president ever (most powerful infant) ever. Hey! Meach; it's only human!

The height of illogicality has been achieved in bringing this bully to account for behavior that contravenes all expectations of those who occupy the office in question. Not only did he break the law for which any other citizen would be held accountable, his apologists and defenders, who, in response to a call for all available evidence to be entered into the record, willingly admit his guilt, but reject any further corroboration; the logic: 'if it already smells bad, why is it necessary for it to reek?'

Abe said "You can fool some of the people all of the time, you can fool some of the people all of the time, but you can't fool all of the people all of the time." When ~75% of the population wants to hear corroborative testimony, it bears out President Abraham Lincoln.

There is a lot of cynicism emanating from one political 'party'. They look down upon the people (regard the Mitch reading from his podium; pointing [jabbing authoritatively]) his finger; it has become their

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trademark, along with creating tax breaks for the wealthy, and supporting their corporate hegemony, showing almost complete indifference to fair and equitable, and affordable health care for every citizen, to whitewashing the environment (instead of preserving it); the list goes on and on and on; the bankrolled party (preserving vested interests), to the very great detriment and ruination of the nation as a whole. Just ask anybody on the receiving end of such horseshit (Crap! – quoting Lindsey Graham).

To cut to the chase, having attended kindergarten, or not, a great many of us know, whereas many only suspect, that something has gone wrong. This is not a sudden occurrence; it has been evolving for some time, perhaps even before the great document was forged. But to lodge in a reasonable (practical) time frame, let us join our thoughts with Alfred North Whitehead whereupon he deduced that we had missed the opportunity to become the greatest civilization. He opined, we still possessed virtues, and potential, worth preserving. Al lived in the Eastern ivory tower, but thought he could see somewhere in the Midwest something yet to become; perhaps more agrarian, closer to the earth, but also assuming the governmental status quo. He probably factored in the Civil War, without commenting. Most likely he witnessed the rise of controlling Corporate interests, long before they became the all-consuming and destructive *modus operandi* they are today. Whereof did he opine that we had missed an opportunity to become the greatest civilization? He could see the lack of fairness, equity and justice. A great civilization would find these lacks intolerable and would do everything in its power to rectify or remedy them. Al could see this was not about to happen. Did he suspect it would get even worse; perhaps so, given the avarice and greed so affined to the human element. The Midwest is owned and controlled by something he did not envision, Agribusiness; that completely controls the production and the marketing of the agrarian prospect; not with idea of creating a great civilization..

Yes, something has gone wrong. Can we begin again? This author emphatically opines NO! Can we admit our mistakes, by that I mean, can we admit our all-consuming avarice and greed, and what these leave in their wake? It has taken some time to recognize there is such a thing

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as climate change. Grudgingly, those in influential positions, whether in Corporations or governments, admit to facts in evidence (what nincompoop would not?) BUT, they also ask, how much time do we have left? Can we get ours before it all closes down? Can we get legislation that will grandfather us in. or will allow us to use up our available stocks etc, etc, etc? They do this because their greed leads them on to After Rapture. Nothing else matters; even the welfare of their own children. Yeah, well, as you know, GREED is pretty close-to-the-bone stuff.

Donald leaped from infancy to plutocracy, as though it was ordained. Through castigation, humiliation, and intimidation of his peers and opponents, the infant perseveres.

He's gotta be removed, one way t'other! Do us a favor.