The Judicial Lynching of Attorney Edgar Steele

Lawyer a Victim of Judicial Corruption?

By Pat Shannan

n May 5, a deluded jury of 11 women and one man found Idaho attorney Edgar J. Steele, 66, guilty of plotting the murder of his wife and mother-in-law and three related lesser charges. While planning his appeal, this First Amendment lawyer who stood up for the rights of the oppressed expects the "full book" to get thrown at him at sentencing in August. With failing health—and at his age—and without a successful appeal, he will likely die in prison.

Steele was also found guilty of use of interstate commerce in commission of a crime, possession of a destructive device and tampering with a victim. No evidence was shown in court that he was ever in possession of the pipe bomb built by handyman Larry Fairfax, and the "tampering" charge came when he frantically spoke with his wife from jail warning her of what to say to authorities, believing that the recorded conversation between husband and wife would be "privileged," but it was played for the jury anyway.

Jurors almost never get the whole story and are often the last to know facts of a case that might have swayed their vote to the other side. The biggest reverse influence in the Steele case would have been the knowledge that two experts, independent of each other, had reviewed the FBI recordings purporting to be Steele offering a payoff to Fairfax and emphatically stated that these digital recordings were contrived.

In addition, both Cyndi Steele, wife of the accused and alleged victim, as well as her attorney, Wesley Hoyt, told this writer that the tapes played in the courtroom were not the same as she heard last summer or what were forwarded to Hoyt in March 2011.

"They kept changing them every time the experts pointed out a discrepancy," Hoyt said in the courtroom hallway during a recess.

When Mrs. Steele asked FBI agent Mike Sotka in July about listening to another recording he had told her about the previous month, he replied, "They are not ready yet." She, of course, wondered at the time about what might



A gaunt Edgar Steele appears here in prison garb.

have had to be "readied" about recordings done in previous months. She still has never heard what she was initially told would be available.

Testimony from world-renowned voice editing expert Dr. George Papcun of Santa Fe, N.M. and Dennis Walsh, a former New York City detective in charge of audio at the precinct level, was denied for different reasons by Judge Lynn Winmill. Walsh listed more than 300 faulty melds and even went so far as to state that his voice testing graphs, as accurate as fingerprints today, indicate that the voice claimed to be that of Steele is not his.

Shortly after this case broke in the summer of 2010, this reporter received correspondence from a former CIA operative telling me that one common use of law enforcement's talents in recent years has been with the creation of realistic but false videos, DVDs or audio recordings of individuals to be used as evi-

"Judge Winmill would not allow the defense to call witnesses to prove the audio was fabricated. Nor would he allow those who heard the recordings to comment about the subject. The trial was show and nothing more." —Dr. Al Banks

dence of a crime.

"Creating false evidence, with all the new technology, is one of our easiest duties today," he wrote, "and what makes this misdirection work so well is that the strong personal moral code of average Americans cannot allow them to believe that their leaders have no honor and no integrity. They can't imagine the depths of trickery and treachery to which their own leaders will stoop to deceive the world."

He went on to tell us that they sometimes entertain each other with ridiculous portrayals by taking a voice print of a man well known and in just a couple of hours having him on TV, for example, dancing on top of a pile of dead Catholic nuns and shouting that he'd just purchased 100 weapons of mass destruction from the Boy Scouts of America.

"You name it, we can create it," he said.

Jurors also failed to realize, when the sales receipts surfaced as evidence, that when Fairfax was already selling silver to local dealers in April 2010, it was far more likely at that time to have been evidence of a theft from the Steeles' home rather than funds given to him as a murder payoff by Steele.

Steele's fate was probably sealed when the jury was denied access to the didactic testimony of the audio experts, but it will never be known to what degree his defense might have also failed him by discouraging rather than encouraging his plan to take the stand in his own defense. In any criminal case with nearly all of the evidence purely circumstantial, the jury wants and needs to hear from the defendant. But for some reason, Steele's attorneys did not advise this, according to Steele himself via telephone from the jailhouse.

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FRAME-UP

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So just who plotted against whom? That Steele, 65, would want his wife murdered because he expected a 25-year-old Ukrainian woman that he had never met to run away with him seems off the chart.

On the other hand, a bankrupt and about-to-lose-his-house Fairfax stealing the family's silver from its secret hiding place that he worked around weekly reflects both motive and opportunity. Jailhouse inmate Darrell Hollingsworth was dogmatic and convincingly unflappable when he testified that Fairfax told him that the FBI had "made a deal" with him to frame Steele.

LITTLE-KNOWN FEDERAL STATUTES

Last September, when Colorado attorney Wesley Hoyt saw our story about the federal statutes in Title 5 allowing payoffs to witnesses for testimony that assist toward convicting a defendant, he was incredulous. Not satisfied without doing his own research, Hoyt examined the statutes and further endorsed the utter duplicity therein when he penned the foreword to a new book whose title depicts the Steele case as well as its own: *A Cesspool of Judicial Corruption*.

Concerning the attacks on innocent, politically incorrect people, who speak out against government oppression, Hoyt says that the government agents, prosecutors and judges deliberately attack innocent individuals who criticize the New World Order movement and that "the tie that binds" is a form of peer pressure mixed with legalized bribery that encourages government employees to stick together "even if their consciences tell them they are prosecuting an innocent person on false charges."

He wrote: "Legalized bribery comes in the form of cash awards for government employees from \$10,000 to \$25,000 per conviction to 'recognize and reward' each official under 5 USC sections 4502, 4503 & 4504 and 5 USC 4302 to enhance their performances and for so-called 'superior accomplishment' or 'a special act or service' or if the act 'achieves a significant reduction in paperwork.' The criteria are so loose, any employee can be given a cash award for almost anything. [One must] consider the power this law gives the head of each agency to manipulate employees. In addition, the government employee can also receive 'time off from duty without loss of pay' as a part of the reward for bringing down a politically incorrect person."

The unfairness of these statutes is blatantly clear and would be just as unfair if benefiting the defendant in such a manner. However, the first question to Steele's attorneys (and every defense attorney working a federal criminal trial in the future) would be why did they not ask every government witness that took the stand under oath whether it had been promised, inferred or any way suggested that they would receive a cash award should the defendant be found guilty?

Could it be that they had been forewarned not to ask under threat of contempt? ★











ED STEELE

CYNDI STEELE

LARRY FAIRFAX

GEORGE PAPCUN

LYNN WINMILL

A Timeline of Events in the Steele Case

c. 3000 B.C.—"One witness shall not rise up against a man for any iniquity, or for any sin, in any sin that he sinneth; at the mouth of two or three witnesses, shall the matter be established. (Deut. 19:15)

Feb. 1, 1999—A new voice morphing technology is introduced to Gen. Carl Steiner, chief of U.S. Special Operations Command at Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico. By taking a 10-minute digital recording of Steiner's voice, scientist George Papcun, PhD, is able to clone his speech patterns and develop an accurate facsimile so exact that it even fools Steiner himself. (Pp. 247-48, Everything They Ever Told Me Was a Lie)

Nov. 21, 2009—Edgar Steele lies near death in a north Idaho hospital after suffering an aneurysm of the aorta. Unconscious much of the time, he spends three weeks there.

December 2009 to April 2010—Steele recuperates at home, at first under much medication and pain drugs. Cyndi helps nurse him back to health, and Edgar calls her his "Rock." However, attention to her ill and sometimes bedridden mother in Oregon requires Cyndi to begin dividing her time between the two residences. Edgar assures her that he is well enough to fend for himself and encourages her to go to the aid of her mother while he pursues via the Internet an investigation into the scam of Russian women fleecing American men out of money in exchange for promises of marriage that never transpire. Cyndi, their family and friends are well aware that he is corresponding by email with dozens of women pictured on a website and that his purpose is not to feed his own prurient interests but to spring an investigative trap.

May 5, 2010—Edgar suffers another health setback and is rushed to the hospital for an operation to stop bleeding from a nasal aneurism. Cyndi rushes home from Oregon to be at his side. Larry Fairfax has been in place for a few months as a part-time handyman, visiting the Steele ranch weekly. At various times during the previous month he has sold about \$10,000 in silver to local dealers.

May 27, 2010—Fairfax attaches a pipe bomb to the underside of Cyndi's Mitsubishi SUV.

June 9-10, 2010—Noon. Fairfax meets with FBI agents and tells them that Steele has hired him to kill

his wife and her mother, with the promise of \$25,000 following an insurance payoff. Fairfax does not know that Steele canceled the insurance on his wife two years earlier and never had any on his mother-in-law. FBI agent Mike Sotka wires Fairfax with a recorder and sends him back to the ranch to talk further with Steele. Fairfax records Steele the next day.

June 11, 2010—8:30 a.m. Steele friend Dr. Allen Banks stops by to help Steele with a lumber run to Home Depot but is halted outside by FBI. Two hours later, Steele emerges in handcuffs and is under arrest.

A few minutes later Sotka gleefully approaches Banks, brandishing a recorder, saying, "We've got everything we need right here." Banks considers his behavior "very unprofessional" and believes it is an amateurish attempt at making him believe Steele has confessed. Sotka will later admit in court that Steele never made any confession or even said anything incriminating.

June 15, 2010—Arriving in Coeur d'Alene for her husband's arraignment, Cyndi takes advantage of her early arrival to get the oil changed on her SUV. Service station man Josh Young discovers the unexploded pipe bomb and alerts her and authorities. BATF agents cannot explain why, after two weeks of travel, the bomb did not explode or why they did not take fingerprints on or around it.

April 20-21, 2011—A pretrial hearing finally has Judge Lynn Winmill ruling that the jury will not hear the conflicting testimony of audio experts. He will later decide during mid-trial that a satellite beam-in of Papcun from Bora Bora will be allowed. Then, the next morning he will waffle again, ruling that only the physical appearance of Papcun will be allowed and that the witness must be there by 8:30 a.m. the next day. Knowing the 18-hour flight to be an impossible feat from the South Pacific, the defense acquiesces.

April 27, 2011—Opening statements begin in the murder-for-hire trial. He is also charged with three other related counts. It is the Steeles' 26th wedding anniversary.

May 5, 2011—Steele is convicted on all counts.

May 5, 2011—Steele plans appeal of his conviction for attempted murder.

A TRANSCRIPT OF COMMENTS MADE BY EDGAR STEELE AT THE 2003 AFP/TBR CONFERENCE

Injustice for All



A WARNING FROM ATTORNEY EDGAR STEELE

In June 2003, The TBR/AFP Fourth International Conference on Authentic History, Real News and the First Amendment hosted attorney Edgar Steele, who discussed the corruption and decline of the judicial system in America. For years, Steele has risked his life defending clients the media deems "politically unacceptable." While the government wanted them railroaded into prison, Steele felt they deserved fair treatment in accordance with the Constitution. Steele's words were then—and still are—an inspiration for all who want to take action to set America on a proper path once again. Known as "the Attorney for the Damned," Steele now faces life in prison for what many experts feel are bogus charges of attempted murder. What follows is a slightly edited version of that speech bringing it up to date.

have become known for taking hopeless cases involving the politically incorrect. It used to be there weren't that many, but it has turned into a flood today. I can't even keep track of all of the controversial individuals who crop up these days. These cases bode ill for every single person in this room, indeed, everybody throughout America today, particularly for our ability to speak out as we are doing in this conference.

For example, back in Idaho recently I tried a case I have dubbed "Say the 'N' word, Go to Jail," wherein a black man who assaulted and physically injured a white woman in the presence of her husband was never charged with anything.

But the white woman's husband was. He faced five years in prison under a hate crime charge because he hurled the "N" word at the back of the black man as he fled. Convicted of a lesser offense, the husband was sentenced to a week in jail. We are appealing that right now. The jury convicted him because the white couple was politically incorrect: Poor, white and on the wrong side of a racial insult.

Another case I tried just this past year involved a young couple whose children were taken from them on an anonymous tip by Child Protective Services [CPS] while the family was visiting Oregon, allegedly due to criminal mistreatment. The kids were skinny, you see-the family was vegetarian-and one girl had a small cut on her forehead. They refused to cooperate for several months, because they felt they had done nothing wrong, so CPS said it_ would adopt out the kids.

Now, these folks were home-schooling Christians. At trial, the state made a big point of having found a copy of the Declaration of Independence taped to the inside wall of the converted bus that served as the family's home. State officials claimed that this was evidence of the parents being anti-government.

The parents took their children back from the state at gunpoint and fled the state. Tried for kidnapping, robbery and lesser charges, the wife received seven years and her husband 12 years. Under state law, those are minimums—without any sort of early release pos-

A similar case with which I was briefly involved two years ago saw an Idaho widow jailed, allegedly for mistreating her children. Again, the kids were home-schooled and skinny—again, the family was vegetarian.

The children and the family dogs were in a highly publicized one-week standoff with sheriff's deputies in the county where I live in Idaho, after they witnessed their mother's arrest. She lost her kids and her home. She was politically incorrect, of course: Poor, white, vegetarian, home schooling and distrustful of the government.

Now I see a move to try to declare homes unfit if children are being home-schooled. Next you will see children being taken because the families are Christians. Indeed, that was one of the justifications for Waco, you know.

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Attorney Warns of Courtroom Corruption

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Two years ago, I tried a case for Richard Butler, founder and head of the Aryan Nations in Hayden, Idaho. In that case, three borderline derelicts that Butler allowed to stay on his property in exchange for yard work went racing off late one night, chasing after two people they believed had just taken a shot at the compound buildings in the dark. These fellows shot out a rear tire of the car they were pursuing, running it into a ditch. Morris Dees and the Southern Poverty Law Center came to town for what the judge insisted was "just another personal injury case." Nothing could have been further from the truth. This was a free speech case—they were out to silence Butler, pure and simple.

You simply don't get more politically incorrect than Butler, of course. And, even though the two occupants of the car that was run into the ditch had no medical bills, because of the nature of the case, the jury awarded \$6.5 million against Butler, forcing him into bankruptcy and taking his home away from him.

Several years ago, the Supreme Court dealt free speech another mortal blow when it ruled, in *Virginia vs. Black*, that states may outlaw cross burning. The Council of Conservative Citizens asked me to submit an *amicus curiae* brief to the Supreme Court, arguing against the position now adopted. I was happy to oblige.

The court's ruling flies directly in the face of a long line of flag desecration rulings, which hold that flag burning is symbolic speech, thus deserving of First Amendment protection.

So, too, is cross burning a form of symbolic speech, of course. Thus the court advances the frontier of American thought crime yet another notch.

Ask yourself: If you don't "hate," can you still burn a cross? How does one divine your secret intent to intimidate others while you perform your symbolic speech of cross burning in your own back yard? Is this like saying the "N" word, which is okay if you're black, but now a hate crime if you're white? Can the new law properly be called "Burning While White"? Talk about racial profiling. Since what is being punished ostensibly is one's evil intent, what if I harbor the evilest of intents and burn, say, a lawn chair? Do I still go to jail?

Few will dispute that cross burning is ugly behavior. But it is just the sort of ugliness in which true beauty resides—the beauty of free speech. Too bad that, as a society, we have yet to mature to the point where we see real beauty regardless of the context.

And there are lots of other cases, just like these that I have mentioned, going on in America right now—thousands and thousands of them. Some involve known public figures, always politically incorrect. Though it isn't being reported as such in the media, there is a roundup taking place of those who dare to speak out against the current administration, usually on bogus charges.

Another example was that of Matt Hale, head of the World Church of the Creator, who was taken down on what appears to be manufactured charges of soliciting the murder of a judge sitting on a copyright case in which his organization had been involved.



Hardly anybody agrees with or approves of Hale. Most dismiss his church as being not a church at all, but merely an excuse to vent racial hatred. That is not the point. Hale disagrees with and criticizes the policies of the American government, and that is the point. Hale was held in solitary confinement. Nobody, including his father and lawyers, was allowed to see him. All letters to him were returned. They treated Hale as a domestic terrorist under the Patriot Act.

And then there was Ernst Zundel, a Canadian expatriate who had been living in Tennessee with his American wife. Zundel was central to a notable hate speech trial in Canada years ago, which he lost when the court ruled that he was a "Holocaust denier," merely because he took issue, in writing, with many of the claims made concerning the Holocaust. It didn't matter if Zundel could prove his points to be correct. What mattered was that Zundel disagreed with the Canadian government.

What matters also is that he disagreed with the American government regarding many things. His crime? He missed a visa hearing of which he swears he never received notice.

We all should have the right to be wrong. Society needs people who dispute the historical record. After all, some of these people may be right. If spreading false information is a crime, as Zundel is accused of doing, shouldn't we also lock up the administration officials who lied to us about Iraq's weapons of mass destruction?

A lady running something called the Aryan Baby Drive, which collected children's clothing for free distribution solely to needy white people, was arrested in southern California. Government agents found a couple of things—things that probably are in your garage right now—things they said could be used in the manufacture of a bomb. What were these people doing in her garage in the first place? Well, she had been openly critical of the government. Worse, she blatantly discriminated in favor of the white race.

David Duke worked out a plea bargain whereby he served a year's worth of hard time, allegedly for embezzling contributions. The facts do not hold water in his case, but he didn't dare go before a jury on any charge, because a conviction was certain simply because of who he is.

Chester Doles is a state-level organizer for the National Alliance, founded by the late Dr. William Pierce. Doles was charged with being a "felon in possession of a firearm" though he owned no firearms and though he is not a felon. It's because of an old misdemeanor conviction—and because one of his family members owned guns—that the Joint Terrorism Task Force charged Doles. He was arrested because of his politically incorrect beliefs, of course.

PREJUDICE OF JUDGES

I had never lost a case at trial until I got involved with politically incorrect cases like these—they have opened my eyes to the prejudice of judges and juries.

The bottom line is that the politically incorrect are going to jail in record numbers, often for trivial or trumped-up charges, and they quite simply can't get justice in America today. And they can't afford lawyers, either, which is why I have had to handle the vast majority of mine *pro bono*, because I believe in the issues involved.

In the weeks leading up to the trial in the Aryan Nations case, my children received death threats from a woman who I believe is Jewish. I personally received many death threats, among them one from Mark Wiles, lead henchman for Irv Rubin's Jewish Defense League.

I sent my family away for several weeks prior to that trial and slept with a .45 semiautomatic, which I carried with me at all times I wasn't in court.

Note that these cases always involve political conservatives, usually Christians, often home-schoolers, always poor, always white, often outspoken regarding race or the shortcomings of the current administration.

THE POLITICS OF SPEECH

Freedom of speech and religion are both on their way out, make no mistake.

George Orwell's fantasy has become the media's reality. Whites are depicted as stupid and racist, while blacks are both noble and witty. Christians are narrowminded bigots, and patriots are traitors.

Orwell was right, you know. It was just his timing that was off. Orwell said, "War is peace." Today, we have perpetual war to "keep the peace." Orwell said, "Freedom is slavery." Today, we yield our civil liberties in the name of domestic security. Freedom is slavery now. Orwell said, "Ignorance is strength." Today, we accuse those who merely ask questions of being unpatriotic. Ignorance is strength now. Orwell's "Ministry of Peace" waged war. Our Defense Department conducts nonstop wars that "we" start. And we have gone beyond even Orwell with our language of Newspeak.

There is nothing conservative these days about conservatives. Now, conservative means bigger government and more control—not less, the classic definition of conservative. Since the Republicans took power in Congress nearly 10 years ago, federal spending has gone up 60 percent.

And there is nothing liberal about liberals anymore—who fall over one another to surrender personal freedom. Many today do not realize that liberal used to mean favoring personal freedom and liberty.

Racial diversity requires that everyone think the same. We destroy countries in order to save them—as in Afghanistan. We kill foreign civilians in order to liberate them—as in Iraq. We allow the Homeland Security Department to arrest our fellow citizens so that we might feel safe and secure. It is our Child Protective Services that facilitate wholesale child kidnapping, abuse, rape and murder.

We support and create totalitarianism, then call it democracy, both at home and abroad. Anti-Semites, in truth, have become simply those of us who are hated by Zionists. A great many Christians have become singularly unchristian toward those with whom they disagree. There are none so intolerant as those who preach tolerance.

It used to be that dad worked and mom was home with the 2.7 kids. Today, they both work, are usually divorced anyway, and their one child sits home alone, watching television for hours on end every day.

It used to be that everyone read and wrote well. Today, even teachers can't spell. Today, it's the entitlement mentality of socialism, with the centralized control of everything and everybody. Today, it's the overriding control freak outlook of fascism.

A coup has taken place—and right under our noses. The Patriot Bill was passed by Congress without even being read by most legislators.

Meanwhile, laws are already on the books—as part of the first Patriot Act—that allow the government to visit our local libraries and bookstores to examine our reading habits. Neighborhood watch programs encourage neighbors to spy upon one another.

Freedom of Information Act changes implemented by Bush have put most public documents out of reach. Very recent executive orders put still more public data out of reach, marked as "sensitive, but unclassified."

Provisions in Patriot Act II will allow secret arrests, warrantless searches, broad asset forfeiture and, believe it or not, the stripping of citizenship from Americans. Once so disfranchised, we can be deported for "further processing."

GUILTY TILL PROVEN INNOCENT

While we debate the merits of military tribunals, far worse takes place as family after family is ripped apart by courts sitting without juries, closed to the public and with sealed records—no right to cross-examine or even confront accusers, no right to present evidence other than that offered by the state—where you are guilty until proven innocent, but there is no way to prove your innocence. Tomorrow, thought control will look like today's hate crime laws.

The charge of hate is used selectively, of course. For example, some lesbians spread their hatred of men but are never charged, while some militant feminists teach young girls that all men are potential rapists. Blacks taunt whites with names like "honky" or "cracker," without recrimination. Some people say Jewish written scriptures overflow with hatred of Christ and Christians. Say the "N" word while white and go to jail. Burn a cross while white and go to jail. Challenge Holocaust statistics



Above, a Steele family photo. At left in the back row is Edgar's son Rex next to Edgar. In the front are, from left to right, Cyndi Steele, daughter Nicole and, at far right, daughter Kelsey.

with the truth while white and go to jail.

Tomorrow's police state already has been established—just go down to your local airport to see it in action. Tomorrow's property rights will go the way of today's rural cleansing—especially with federal zoning.

As a lawyer, I'm inside the system. You don't know how bad things really are. I take the cases that I do in order to make a statement. No way can I change things. I can take on only a tiny fraction of the cases that come

Meanwhile, the great masses of our countrymen who have not yet become tyrannized are living on borrowed time. They are the ones to whom I am shouting.

We have suffered affirmative action due to a false sense of guilt about the treatment of blacks we never knew by whites with whom we have nothing in common except skin color. We didn't realize we were merely trading places with those who had been discriminated against in the past. We have endured the spectacle of renaming schools, streets, buildings and parks after blacks, replacing the memory of our Founding Fathers with those whose primary contribution to American society is their skin color. Not one of the Founding Fathers has a holiday named solely for himself. Martin Luther King Jr. does, though.

We have witnessed the Confederate flag stricken from public venues. Now we see the beginnings of the Stars and Stripes being labeled a mark of oppression. Schools teach to the bottom of the classes then keep lowering the standards so that students appear as smart as ever. We know why. Nobody left behind means nobody

We have sacrificed our children to a false sense of guilt in pursuit of intellectual equality that never will be achieved.

POLITICS OF CRIME REPORTING

We suffer massive levels of crime that did not exist even 30 years ago, overwhelmingly at the hands of "people of color." Though our media and government do

everything possible to skew the statistics, we know who is to blame.

Blacks commit seven times more violent crimes than do whites but are only one-seventh of the total population. Do the math: Blacks are 50 times more likely to commit violent crime than the average white.

In the last 30 years, 45,000 Americans have been killed in interracial murders, overwhelmingly black on white. Almost as many as the number of Americans lost in Vietnam and much more than the 34,000 killed in Korea.

There is a very real war—a race war—being waged in the streets of America. School shootings. We know why. Victim mentality. We are tired of the whining. Our financial system is being destroyed.

The Fed runs its presses around the clock, with each dollar printed cheapening further those already in circulation. The dollar has declined 25 percent in a little more than a year, and its fall has only just begun. In 1929, our money was backed with gold and silver. Today, nothing

The coming economic crash will lead to a change in our calling the Depression of the early Thirties the "Great" Depression, just as World War II caused "the Great War" to be renamed World War I.

The coming crash will be spectacular, combining hyperinflation with the simultaneous devaluation of primary assets—ideal conditions for a totalitarian police state. Stupefying government deficits. Unpayable levels of corporate and personal debt. Factory overproduction in America now approaches Depression-era levels. Yet, American corporations continue to ship our manufacturing and service jobs to third-world countries.

No longer a major producer nation, we have become a country of consumers. There remains continuing corruption in the corporate world and no effort on anybody's part to fix things.

We have a financial system on the verge of collapse and all we hear are lies from our government, Wall

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What Would the Founding Fathers Do Today?

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Street, corporate America and the media. Social Security benefits are being cut while new age limits undercut younger workers. Expect benefits to be cut further for those who enter retirement with even modest means. Cost of living adjustments are a joke and based on false calculations of the consumer price index [an indicator of inflation, published monthly, that measures the change in the cost of goods and services].

Soon, this fraud will be joined by a 50-percent loss in private pension payments, already existing, but not yet booked by the funds. Further stock market declines will only make things worse.

UNCHECKED IMMIGRATION

The Bush administration wanted to give nearly a half-billion dollars in Social Security funds to Mexican citizens who have worked in the United States, even illegally, including those now living in other countries.

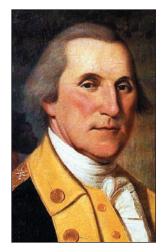
Under what is being called "totalization," a foreigner can add the years worked in a foreign country to the years worked in the U.S., to qualify for lifetime benefits, even if he is no longer living in the U.S. and even if he worked here illegally. In other words, they can get a full pension without having paid one penny into the system.

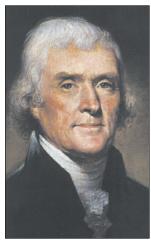
Unemployment is a national disaster. Over a half million jobs were lost in three months [during the Bush administration], yet the government says unemployment hovers around 6 percent. Yeah, right. In two years, millions of jobs have vanished from America, mostly to the third world, and there are now 4.8 million people working part time, people who used to work full time. We're just limping along, while consumers hemorrhage money received from refinancing their homes. And millions of American homes have been lost to foreclosure. Record numbers of individuals and businesses have declared bankruptcy.

A recovery requires investment in capital by business, together with savings all across the board. Neither is happening in America today. Massive immigration without assimilation. America no longer is the melting pot. Now it's the potluck free lunch.

Billions of dollars for welfare, food stamps, school and medical care for illegals, paid for by us, though many of us can no longer afford to feed our own kids properly. Some of us haven't seen a doctor in years because we haven't the money. Some of us qualify for welfare, but we are too proud. We can't afford to send our kids to college, the same college that provides free tuition and living expenses to those whose sole qualification is their skin color. We spend trillions to hold countries that hate us in check, while many of our own people live in poverty. We can't watch TV or read newspapers and magazines without having "hate whitey" also known as "diversity"—thrown in our face at every turn. Of course, fewer and fewer of us read as a result of the illiteracy engendered by the failing social experiment that America has become.

We endure the dismantling of Christianity and its removal from every public edifice. We see our pastors





"I can't advocate a violent revolution or I would be disbarred. But, that's exactly what Jefferson, Washington and other Founding Fathers would do today if they were still among us."

stand idly by, often lending a hand to those who would replace Christianity with other religions. We prohibit the mention of Christ in our schools, yet our children are instructed in Islam and homosexuality.

The American population consists of 2.5 percent Jews versus 70 percent Caucasians. It used to be 95 percent, not too long ago. Yet they have a strong say in setting the agenda in the Middle East. Why else do you think we are even there? The oil is just the excuse that allows us cynically to stop and look no deeper for reasons.

Notice the extreme difference between U.S. policy in the Mideast versus elsewhere. [First, we eliminated Osama bin Laden], the chief threat to Arab client states of the U.S. and a prime enemy of Israel. Then we invaded and destroyed Iraq, a country with nothing except Israel's enmity.

Now government statements are beginning to emerge concerning a supposed nuclear bomb program in Iran, another blood enemy of Israel. They have a familiar ring, don't they?

Meanwhile, we give a pass to North Korea, a country which has threatened to nuke Los Angeles.

American borders are kept wide open to a flood of illegal immigrants apparently to dilute the population, thereby making us more easily controlled. Yet, there is a furious struggle to jail those who criticize Israel and the Holocaust.

Contrast this policy imposed upon America with the extremely closed society of Israel, which is reserved solely for Jewish immigrants. And consider the money that Israel has cost us. It is nothing short of breathtaking. Economist Dr. Thomas R. Stauffer estimates the cost of our Middle Eastern policies at over \$2.5 trillion, more than the cost of the Vietnam War. Boggles the mind, doesn't it?

Let's see now, America has a population of 355 mil-

lion and about 80 million households, so that amounts to \$31,250 from your family to Israel. And that doesn't include some other items which easily could double that figure, says Dr. Stauffer.

That brings us to the \$64,000 question, which is approximately double the \$31,250 figure just cited: Is Israel worth it to you? Or could your family have put that \$62,500 to better use?

What is particularly ironic is how much of that money came back from Israel for the purpose of lobbying America's elected representatives. Movies and TV depict an America that doesn't exist, that never existed, except in the wishful thinking of warped leftists, sexual deviants, cultural communists, globalists, neo-conservatives and other assorted control freaks.

There have been terrorist attacks and will be more to come, yet we pretend not to know why. The answer is because we continue to be the world's bully and because America does the bidding of others. We have betrayed our grandparents and theirs before them. We have squandered our birthright and our heritage. We sacrifice our children upon the altar of political correctness.

This is not the country we grew up in. This is not the society that formed us. This is not the future we were promised. Life comes in one size now, dispensed largely through the TV set. We deserve better. We demand better. We deserve to be left alone, to live without interference. We deserve to be different from others. We deserve not to be taxed to advance the agenda of others, an agenda which has nothing to do with our best interests and which actually seeks our destruction.

It is time to stop being strangers in our own land. Is it hopeless? Not entirely.

I can't advocate a violent revolution, but that's exactly what Thomas Jefferson, George Washington and the other Founding Fathers would do today if they were still among us. There are too many lemmings and too few real patriots for a revolution, anyway. What I advocate is being prepared and awakening others to what is

What is coming? Not worldwide empire, Americanstyle, despite the best efforts of the inner party and international banking interests. What's coming is America's comeuppance; in fact, that is likely planned as part of the attempt at empire. I think it likely that it will go badly for the NWO crowd and, consequently, for America. But that will create an opportunity we don't currently possess—an opportunity to start over.

America worked once as a constitutional republic. It

It will be up to us to pick up the pieces. For now, we must awaken the others.

A new America—an idea whose time has come. God help us all in the troubled times that lie just ahead.

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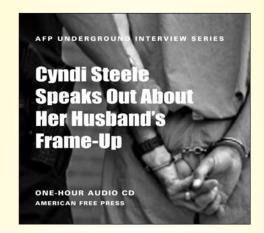
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