

# Is This Country Going Nuts Or What?

☒ I don't know if we're turning into a bunch of spineless, whiny, wussies or if we're just going nuts. This endless quest to be politically correct in all areas of our lives is just plain crazy.

Take for example this pathological need to change how we normally speak. The University of North Carolina will no longer use the word "freshman" and instead insists on the term "first year student." Has any woman out there felt the least bit slighted when referred to as a "freshman"? If you have, put on your big girl panties and live with it.

And for all you actresses, yes, actresses, who prefer to be called "actors," I'll be sure to suggest to the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences that it eliminate the category of "Best Actress" and "Best Actress in a Supporting Role" and you can all compete for Best Actor. How would you like that?

Last year, the House approved a Senate-passed bill striking the word "lunatic" from federal law, without removing a reference to "idiot." The advocates of this waste of time consider "lunatic" an outdated, offensive term for mental illness from the U.S. Code. If I had any confidence that the "idiots" in Congress could actually multi-task, this wouldn't bother me, but I'm not confident that anyone in Washington can walk and chew gum at the same time. With all the serious issues facing this country, you'd think this kind of "busy work" would be low on the list. And how much did this waste of time actually cost the taxpayer in copying costs, time, energy, manpower (oops! perhaps I should say peoplepower)?

And in my state of Washington, our fearless leader, Gov. Jay

Inslee, just signed a bill which bans gender-specific words in state laws, calling for the massive rewrite of legislation that mentions terms like “fisherman” and “journeyman plumber” – which will now read “fisher” and “journey-level plumber.” Even “penmanship” has gotten the boot and will be replaced with “handwriting.” Can you believe this crap? Our ever vigilant Democrat state Sen. Jeanne Kohl-Welles, the bill’s sponsor said, “mankind means man and woman ... [but] no good reason for keeping our legal terms anachronistic and with words that do not respect our current contemporary times.” Well, if “mankind” means man and woman, then why do I hear people use the term “humankind,” Senator? By the way, Sen. Kohl-Welles ranks #5 on the Freedom Foundation’s Big Spender List, having proposed over \$24 billion in new spending.

“Person of color” is alright, but “colored person” is not.

An “illegal alien” is now an “undocumented immigrant.”

Even the real estate business is getting in on the act. “Master bedroom” is a no-no – it’s now called the “owner’s suite” or “owner’s bedroom.”

People too stupid to know that the word “niggardly” means stingy or miserly are actually offended by the proper use of the word because it sounds like a racial slur. Same goes for the word “nigging.” Is this the dumbing down of American or what?

I guess I shouldn’t be too surprised when our Administration continues to use the words “workplace violence” instead of terrorism when it refers to the Ft. Hood massacre or when it refuses to say that the Boston terrorist attack was perpetrated by Islamic jihadists.

What’s really amazing is that everyone is so concerned about whether someone is a “Chairman” or holding the “Position of Chair” or whether the guy is a “brakeman” and not a “brake operator” or whether the “flagman” is actually a “flagger” but

no one seems to care that the word "fuck" is nonchalantly used in public, in books and repeatedly used in movies. That word apparently doesn't disturb any of the PC kookaloonies.

I guess all this touchy-feely nonsense is supposed to make us feel good; we're not supposed to make any one feel excluded. If any of this would solve a real problem, I'd say, "ok." But it really doesn't. It's all a mere distraction from our real problems.

I don't get it, but if you do, God bless you.