

A Potpourri of Grievances

If you have decided along the way that I despise liberals, it merely proves that you've been paying attention. I don't just think they're misguided or that they have a different take on the issues than I have, I believe they are evil. I believe that if they had their way, America would be a third world nation.

I think they lie, partly out of habit and partly because they know that the equally evil media will aid and abet them by providing cover and by churning out propaganda.

For instance, when some flabby-brained weasel like Barbara Boxer, Joe Biden or Nancy Pelosi, claims that Republicans don't care about the plight of old people and would love to just push them off the edges of cliffs, the way they illustrated conservative objections to ObamaCare in their TV ads, does anyone take them seriously? Even their fellow left-wingers must know better, but they belong to a cult that demands total fealty. Catholics will doubt the Pope's infallibility sooner than liberals will doubt Obama's. On the Left, you either fall into line or you stand condemned for heresy.

In a recent article, I questioned the wisdom of the 19th Amendment, the one that gave women the vote in 1920. Insisting that women just aren't very good when it comes to voting shouldn't be taken for misogyny, any more than saying that most men tend to get tongue-tied when trying to express their emotions should be regarded as my clumsy attempt to appear even-handed .

In spite of what the feminists say, the genders are not the same; each has its strengths and its weaknesses. The proof in this case is not in the pudding, but in the voting. Consider that starting with the 1980 presidential election, women gave

Reagan only a 1% advantage over Carter. That's Jimmy Carter, for heaven's sake! In 1988, proving that it wasn't a fluke, the ladies gave Bush a mere 1% edge over Dukakis. That's Michael Dukakis, for heaven's sake!

After that, things only got worse. In the next five elections, they not only helped to elect Clinton twice, but they voted overwhelmingly for Gore, Kerry and Obama.

If a major league baseball player struck out that many times, he'd be on the next bus to Trenton or Wilkes-Barre.

One of the most annoying things about this election is that people keep asking the candidates what they'll do to create jobs. The problem is that the only way the federal government can create jobs is by hiring more bureaucrats, which is the last thing any sane person wants to see. The job of the president is to create an environment in which entrepreneurs and small businesses can flourish. That means you cut the tax rate and you get rid of stupid, power-grabbing, regulators, like the storm troopers at the EPA, and you take the jackboot of the federal government off the necks of those driven to succeed and get wealthy. Prosperity is the greatest engine for job creation and it's the only way that a \$16 trillion national debt won't sooner, rather than later, turn us into Greece.

Speaking of money, in 2010, during the worst days of our recession, we were sending \$4.16 billion in foreign aid to Afghanistan, \$1.8 billion to both Pakistan and Haiti, \$758 million to Mexico and \$615 to Nigeria. All of that would have been bad enough, but that was money we had to borrow and then pay interest on to the Chinese. To me, that sounds a lot like the dumb schmuck who borrows money from a shylock and then races down to the corner bar to buy drinks for the house.

Speaking of Mexico, a nation that has seen 50,000 of its citizens murdered by drug dealers in recent years, I, for one,

don't believe that the government couldn't wipe out the creeps if it really wanted to. Those goons may have a lot of automatic weapons, thanks to Eric Holder, but they don't have tanks. I suspect that the cartels are allowed to run wild for the same reason that Mexico does nothing to shut down its northern border: money, money, money.

If it weren't for millions of illegal aliens in the U.S. wiring billions of dollars back to their relatives, and the drug loot that's floating around south of the border, Mexican politicians would actually have to do something for the people or face a civil war. It's the same reason that Pakistan lets its farmers continue to grow poppies, the source of most of the world's heroin.

Finally, although several motives have been suggested to explain why John Roberts sided with the loons on the Court, the one I like best is that by doing so, he not only forced Obama to defend ObamaCare during the campaign, but to defend what is now officially, thanks to Roberts, the largest tax increase in history. Only time will tell, based on his future decisions, if Roberts suffered a brain cramp or if he is so diabolical that people might start referring to him as Mac, short for Machiavelli.

Although Obama's immediate reaction to the Court's decision was one of unbridled glee, by the time this all plays out, he may find himself like the fencing master in the cartoon who apparently dodges his opponent's sword, and says, "Aha, you missed!" a second before his severed head drops to the floor.

©2012 Burt Prelutsky. Send your comments to BurtPrelutsky@aol.com.

Cataloguing Liars & Loons

At times, I find myself wondering if, after a thousand postings, I will eventually run out of things to carp, whine and scream about. I should only be so lucky, for it would mean that liberalism had finally all but vanished from our nation's capital, and the likes of Barack Obama, Harry Reid, Nancy Pelosi, Maxine Waters, Henry Waxman, Sheila Jackson Lee, Patty Murray, Charles Schumer and Pat Leahy, had all been returned to the various zoos from which they'd been on loan.

In the spirit of bi-partisanship, I would acknowledge that there are a fair number of naïve bumpkins in both parties. Although they are far more numerous in the voting blocs of Democrats, even in the GOP there are those I refer to as Utopians. Whereas on the Left, such lunkheads tend to think that if only a thousand more laws are enacted, we will achieve Nirvana; on the Right are those who believe there is an ideal presidential candidate who will somehow combine the best elements of George Washington, Abe Lincoln and Ronald Reagan. Anything short of that and they threaten to stay home and sulk on Election Day, even if the alternative is to allow an international disaster like Obama to be re-elected.

Another source of annoyance is the U.S. military. While I continue to respect and admire the young warriors who risk life and limb on our behalf, Bill Clinton's influence on the armed forces has begun to show in various unpleasant ways. When nothing was done about Major Nidal Hasan prior to his massacring dozens of innocent people, when every single one of his superior officers at Fort Hood knew they had a committed jihadist in their midst, it's because Clinton had filled the officer ranks with men like himself, politically correct cowards.

It then took Barack Obama, whose contempt for the military has been made blatantly clear by his gutting of defense funding,

to further demoralize the troops by ending the policy known as "Don't Ask/Don't Tell." In his latest attempt to neuter the troops, he has overseen a program that insists that combat troops wear fake breasts and "empathy" bellies so they'll understand how pregnant soldiers feel during physical training. Apparently, nobody has bothered pointing out that pregnant soldiers have no place in the military, unless it's typing, filing and/or nursing. And because I wouldn't want to risk being labeled a sexist, I would say that holds true whether the expectant mother is male or female.

But what else would you expect of a president who recently announced a plan to diminish our nuclear stockpile by 80% at the same time that China, North Korea and Iran, are all rattling their nuclear sabers?

As bad as Clinton and Obama have been, the Democrats have been lousing up this country going back at least as far as Woodrow Wilson, whose contempt for the Constitution rivaled his contempt for black people, a century ago. More recently, we had FDR, who long before Rahm Emanuel observed that a crisis is a terrible thing to waste, used the excuse of the Great Depression to introduce socialism to America and massively expand the size and power of the federal government.

It would be unfair to overlook Lyndon Baines Johnson and his own updated version of FDR's "New Deal," which he called "The Great Society." LBJ, who wreaked havoc on our foreign policy by doubling down on the Vietnam War, did similar damage to us domestically. His Civil Rights Bill gave us Affirmative Action, which sold itself as the first step towards a colorblind society, when in fact it actually condoned reverse-racism.

At the time, LBJ's policy led Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan to point out: "If you create government incentives that make it more profitable for people to abandon their children than to stay with them, which is exactly what Aid to Families with

Dependent Children did, you will reap the demographic whirlwind.”

Moynihan was tragically prophetic, as borne out by the poverty, crime and out of wedlock birthrate that has ravished black communities, making two-parent homes nearly as rare as teeth on a chicken.

Yet another unintended but predictable consequence of the Great Society is known as the 1965 Voting Rights Act. Because certain states had been guilty of disenfranchising blacks of their voting privileges either through Poll Taxes, Jim Crow laws or physical intimidation, it was decided that they would be overseen by Big Brother in the form of the Department of Justice.

As a result, such states as Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina, Texas and Virginia, along with certain counties in California, Florida, New York, North Carolina and South Dakota, and a handful of townships in Michigan and New Hampshire, would have to seek federal approval to not only amend any of its voting laws, but to move polling venues from a church to a school or a school to a private home.

In spite of the fact that blacks have had no problem being elected to public office in any of those places, the law has been renewed four times over the past 47 years, most recently in 2006 when George W. Bush, no doubt currying favor with Ted Kennedy, signed a 25-year extension! The tragic irony of all this is that the man currently heading up the Justice Department is Eric Holder, the same self-righteous bigot who refused to indict the Black Panthers for threatening white voters in 2008 and who, for good measure, instructed his agents not to prosecute cases of voter intimidation unless, of course, it involved whites threatening blacks or Latinos.

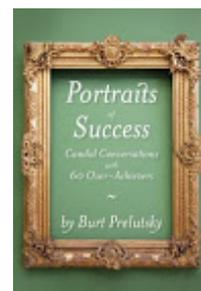
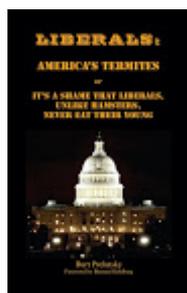
Perhaps on the day that our next president nullifies

ObamaCare, he can also rid us of that toxic item.

I was actually referring to the Voting Rights Act, not to Attorney General Holder. But on second thought...

©2012 Burt Prelutsky. Comments? Write BurtPrelutsky@aol.com!

Get your personally autographed copy of *Liberals: America's Termites* or *Portraits of Success* for just \$19.95, postpaid.
Get both for just \$39.90.



The Silly Season

by BurtPrelutsky

With football season finally over, we face the rest of the year, during which victories and awards are not usually determined by actual talent, true grit or any other standard that can be measured objectively. Instead, we will have some group of generally goofy individuals determine who will cart home Oscars, Nobel Peace Prizes and the U.S. presidency.



The Academy snubbed Jimmy in 1939...

In fact, I'm convinced that the reason that so many people are addicted to sports is because they remain just about the only

meritocracies in existence. While it's true that injuries occasionally play a role in which team wins the World Series or the NCAA basketball tournament, it is nearly always the best team that cops the trophy.

When it comes to Academy Awards, there is a long history of mind-boggling injustices. For instance, "Sweet Leilani" beat out the Gershwins' "They Can't Take That Away From Me"; James Stewart got the Oscar for *The Philadelphia Story* to make up for his losing it the previous year to Robert (Mr. Chips) Donat, when he starred in *Mr. Smith Goes to Washington*; *Going My Way* and its director Leo McCarey beat out *Double Indemnity* and Billy Wilder; *The Greatest Show on Earth* beat out *High Noon*, *The Quiet Man* and *The Bad and the Beautiful*; and, lest we forget, the Academy members, in their infinite stupidity, decided that "It's Hard Out Here for a Pimp," performed on the Oscarcast by the group that composed it, the 3-6 Mafia, was voted the Best Song of 2006. It thereby took its place on a list of honorees that included "The Lullaby of Broadway," "The Way You Look Tonight," "Over the Rainbow," "The Last Time I Saw Paris," "White Christmas," "It Might as Well Be Spring" and "Moon River." If you close your eyes, you can almost picture some bureaucrat in Heaven telling the likes of Harry Warren, Jerome Kern, Harold Arlen, Irving Berlin, Richard Rodgers, Oscar Hammerstein, Henry Mancini and Johnny Mercer, to be sure and make room in their clubhouse for the dudes in the 3-6 Mafia.

I keep hearing that Newt Gingrich is a great idea man. That begs the question why he should be the president. It seems to me that if someone is an innovator, you don't make him the CEO of the company, you put him in charge of the lab. In Newt's case, I think he might make an admirable Secretary of State or, maybe better yet, as a John Bolton-like ambassador to the U.N.



... so they gave it to him in 1940.

When it wound up taking Iowa weeks before deciding that Santorum and not Romney had won the caucus – but even then they couldn't be sure because they had somehow misplaced a ton of ballots – I expected Florida's governor, Rick Scott, to send Iowa's Governor Terry Branstad a one-word telegram: "Thanks!" After those folks botched the counting of a mere 121,000 votes, it couldn't help but take the onus off Florida. Iowa didn't even have all those blankety-blank hanging chads to contend with.

Speaking of which, one of the absurdities of the primary system is how much attention it focuses for months on end on states such as Iowa, New Hampshire and South Carolina. In addition to the 121,000 caucus votes cast in Iowa, there were 248,000 cast in New Hampshire and roughly 600,000 in South Carolina. In short, we have devoted endless time and energy to analyzing less than a million votes when, in the general election, more than 140,000,000 votes will be cast. To me, that makes about as much sense as judging a book by its first paragraph.

Finally, as dumb as Obama's nixing the Keystone XL oil pipeline is, it's even dumber that we're not drilling for oil in Alaska and in the lower 48. I still recall when Bill Clinton was railing against the endless demands that he "Drill, Baby, Drill!" In 1996, he actually had the gall to argue that even if they opened ANWR to the oil industry, it would still take 10 years before the oil would reach our local gas pumps. At the time, I pointed out that it would eventually be 2006 in any case, and wouldn't it be nice if we no longer had to depend on the likes of Saudi Arabia, Iran and Russia, to supply our energy needs.

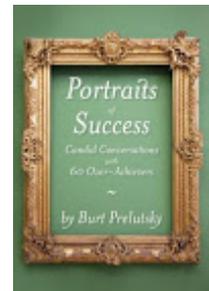
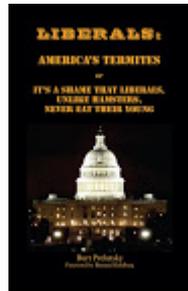
The fact is, because of environmental Nazis and their advocate in the Oval Office, we have pretty much shut down the oil and

coal industries. It seems to me that should be a constant source of shame for every member of Congress, including those on the right side of the aisle.

The very idea that America is still dependent on foreign oil makes about as much sense as Mexico having to import tortillas, Italy having to import olive oil and France having to depend on Luxemburg to supply them with snails.

©2012 Burt Prelutsky. Comments? Write BurtPrelutsky@aol.com!

Get your personally autographed copy of *Liberals: America's Termites* or *Portraits of Success* for just \$19.95, postpaid.
Get both for just \$39.90.



Numbers Don't Lie, Liberals Do

Republicans are worried sick that the Democrats will be able to use all the nasty sound bites from the GOP debates in the general election. I'm not too concerned for a number of reasons, but the main one is that the GOP will merely have to produce ads in which we show Barack Obama saying, "I'm pledging to cut the deficit in half by the end of my first term in office" and "If I don't get the unemployment rate under 7%, I deserve to be a one-term president."

For good measure, I would produce another ad in which I showed Obama and jobs czar Jeffrey Immelt giggling as the president says, "I guess shovel-ready jobs weren't quite as shovel-ready as we thought." The viewer would be reminded that this came a long time after Obama, Pelosi and Reid, shoved through a trillion dollar stimulus that they promised would turn around the economy.

Only a know-nothing know-it-all like Obama would even consider blowing hundreds of billions of tax dollars on solar panels and railroads, two things that Americans crave about as much as they do a case of measles or mumps.

In spite of Obama's chief of Homeland Security Janet Napolitano's insisting that our southern border has never been more secure, according to Townhall writer Katie Pavlich, there is at least one official sign posted in southern Arizona that reads: "Travel Caution: Smuggling and Illegal Immigration May Be Encountered in This Area." But I suppose Ms. Napolitano can't possibly see the sign from 2,000 miles away.

It's also worth mentioning that the American Bar Association has rated a record number of Obama's judicial nominees as "not qualified," and they weren't even referring to Kagan and Sotomayor. Or, for that matter, to Attorney General Eric Holder, under whose watch the feds allowed over a thousand weapons to be delivered to Mexican drug cartels and who, for good measure, refused to prosecute the Black Panthers for intimidating white voters. For purposes of comparison, the ABA rejection rate of Obama's judicial appointments is four times as high as it was under Clinton or Bush. But I guess that's to be expected when you keep trying to pay off hundreds of crooked Chicago cronies with federal judgeships.

Speaking of numbers, Newt Gingrich came under fire from the self-righteous Juan Williams for referring to Obama as the Food Stamp President. Led by Williams, liberals insisted that was a racist slur. But, then, those self-righteous ninnies

consider every honest comment about Obama's administration to be a racist slur.

Liberals were quick to point out that most of the 47,000,000 people now collecting food stamps are white. As typically happens when liberals start tossing numbers around, the purpose isn't enlightenment, but obfuscation. Their intention, whether it's food stamps or crime statistics, is to pretend that guilt can only be ascribed to white Americans.

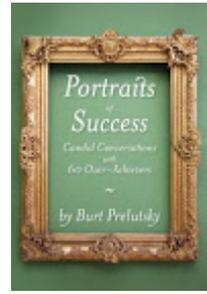
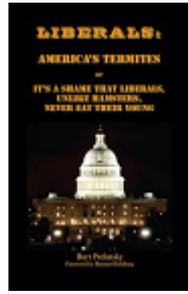
In the case of food stamps, all they had to do was point out that the majority of those using food stamps are whites, not blacks. While that's true, it's also true that whites constitute two-thirds of the population, blacks roughly one-seventh. So while it's a fact that whites are 34% of the folks on food stamps and blacks only 22%, 66% of the population is white and only 13% black. In case you're one of those who never quite mastered percentages in junior high, let me try to clarify things. There are 310 million Americans, 205 million of whom are white, 40 million are black. That, we can agree, is quite a gap. On the other hand, of the 47 million Americans collecting food stamps, only about 16 million are whites, while nearly 10.5 million are black.

So, while I don't favor Newt Gingrich in the primaries, I think we can all agree that he's not a racist.

Unfortunately, the same can't be said of Juan Williams.

©2012 Burt Prelutsky. Comments? Write BurtPrelutsky@aol.com!

Get your personally autographed copy of *Liberals: America's Termites* or *Portraits of Success* for just \$19.95, postpaid.
Get both for just \$39.90.



Winners & Losers

All in all, 2011 provided us with some pretty good news. For one thing, our military took care of Osama bin Laden and Anwar al-Awlaki, God got rid of Kim Jong-Il and, for good measure, Barney Frank finally got around to announcing his retirement.



Kim Jong-Il

It was to be expected that Jimmy Carter, who insisted on paying his last respects to the otherwise unlamented Yasser Arafat, was probably the only person in the civilized world demented enough to send his sincere condolences to North Korea on the passing of its longtime dictator, the aforementioned Kim Jong-Il. So it is that although Carter's claim to the title of Worst President of the United States has been usurped by Barack Obama, Mr. Peanut retains clear title to being the Worst Ex-President of the United States.

Speaking of titles, I had been unaware until reading his obituary that among Kim Jong-Il's own honorifics were Best Leader Who Realized Human Wisdom; Master of Literature, Arts and Architecture; Humankind's Greatest Musical Genius; World's Greatest Writer; and, contrary to Al Gore's opinion, Greatest Man Who Ever Lived.

One of the titles I fully expected to see, but didn't, was Greatest Golfer in the Universe. After all, even the likes of Tiger Woods, Jack Nicklaus, Phil Mickelson and Arnold Palmer, could only fantasize about shooting a round of 38 that included 11 holes-in-one. Although I have no reason on earth to doubt the North Korean news agency that reported such a miraculous round of golf, I have always wondered why Jong-Il required 27 shots to complete those other seven holes. I can only imagine that those damn little windmills threw him off his game.

An odd coincidence is that I believe 38 is the same score that Obama once reported bowling, a score that justifiably earned him the title of World's Biggest Wienie.

Speaking of the man who is destined to take his place with the likes of James Buchanan, Warren G. Harding and Jimmy Carter, as America's most inept one-term presidents, Obama has been accused of picking winners and losers in the business world by subsidizing the winners with our tax dollars. Furthermore, cynics claim that he selects them solely on the basis of the owners' financial contributions to his re-election campaign. Pshaw! Even someone as openly partisan as I am can see how unjust that is. If that charge had any merit at all, Solyndra, as well as several other green energy concerns handpicked by this administration would be flourishing. So where, I ask on Obama's behalf, are all these alleged winners? Instead, I say that Obama has exhibited the exact same questionable instincts when picking winners in the world of commerce that he's shown in picking cabinet members, friends and religious mentors.

Finally, in all the squabbling between Republican presidential contenders, I have yet to hear anyone utter the unfortunate truth about Arabs and Muslims. For all the joyous blather that greeted the so-called Arab spring, the world has had no reason to rejoice over the results in Egypt, Libya or Syria. For their part, Iraq, Afghanistan and Pakistan, continue to be the same cesspools they were before America sacrificed blood and

treasure in the hope of protecting one group of medieval terrorists from another.

In Saudi Arabia, one of our alleged allies in that part of the world, school textbooks continue to promote the official Islamic bilge that women are “weak and irresponsible,” that homosexuals “should be killed,” and that “the hour of judgment will not come until the Muslims fight the Jews and kill them.”

In the meantime, any Christian unfortunate enough to find himself in the Middle East is fair game for jihadists.

But all the while, we Americans are trained to parrot the lie, so often repeated by George Bush and Barack Obama, that Islam is a religion of peace and that America’s Muslims – in spite of Major Hasan’s murderous rampage at Fort Hood, the campaign to erect a victory mosque at Ground Zero, and the Muslims in Dearborn, Michigan, who, along with their friends and relatives in Gaza, celebrated on 9/11 – are every bit as benign and patriotic as the folks in the Tea Party movement.

Until we get a president who is willing to acknowledge that we are at war with Islamic fundamentalists; that Muslims played absolutely no role in the creation of the United States; that they are dedicated to a worldwide caliphate, whose primary goal would be the extermination of Jews and Christians; and that in any war waged between one Muslim sect and another, our place should be on the sidelines, cheering them on; we will continue being drawn into one bloody and ultimately futile enterprise after another.

©2011 Burt Prelutsky. Comments? Write BurtPrelutsky@aol.com!

Get your personally autographed copy of *Liberals: America's Termites* or *Portraits of Success* for just \$19.95, postpaid.
Get both for just \$39.90.

