

Principle or Tactic? Fix or Change a System?

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The Platoon Leader gave the order: “We march.... Any questions?”

The wise guy (a Baby Boomer, obviously) in the ranks asked: “Do we have to use our legs?”

A few quick observations for this occasion, about an urgent problem:

The member of the species called “Baby Boomer” is either a typical member of the persons born, and often raised in suburbia, during an interval between about the 1945 end of World War II until the beginning of the 1957 U.S. recession, an individual who is currently either from the upper twenty percentile of family income-brackets, or thinks of himself, or herself as “having the same family values” as the upper twenty-percentile, and who tends to mimic the current vogue in social prejudices of that upper twenty percentile. The typical member of this species is found on both sides of the Atlantic west of the former Comecon border, and is commonplace among comparable social strata south of the U.S. border.

In other words, they are Sophists, who are able to deny that they are habitual liars, because they, in fact, are agnostics who express strong, if amoeboid opinions, known generically as “spin,” but who, having no practiced loyalties to the existence of truth, consider themselves, in practice, as exempt from any implied contractual obligation to be truthful. Although Baby Boomerism is associated with traits of certain strata among families, their primary loyalties of the currently shifting moment, are to one or more clique formations whose guidon, in each instance, is recognized by a certain patter of group-think, group-think which the group employs in the fashion of a masonic secret handshake, as a substitute for truthful concern for fact.

This peculiarity of the Baby-Boomer species extends, like an epidemic, into the process of legislation. That problem is pervasive, but the point to be emphasized here and now, is the effect of these indicated traits on the recent and ongoing efforts to introduce and enact certain legislation on which the likely continued existence of the U.S.A. now depends. Exemplary is the fate of the legislative action we proposed, beginning the first quarter of

2005, to remedy the then already onrushing collapse of the major portion of U.S. auto-manufacturing capacity.

My many decades of experience with problems of group behavior, in business and other organizations, and with the evolution of the characteristics of Boomer behavior in particular, the latter over the course of the past half-century, have supplied me with an unusual degree and quality of expertise on this subject of “Boomerism as, like syphilis, a social disease.”

The Boomer reaction to my proposed legislation, among the members of the Congress, as others, on this account, illustrates the kind of “clear and present danger” which Boomer traits represent. In this case, the effect has been an outright threat to the continued very existence of this republic.

The distinguishing functional characteristic of any current expression of culture, or so-called “sub-cultures” such as the “Baby-Boomer” phenomenon just summarily defined, is a set of beliefs which are treated in practice as unchallengeable “definitions, axioms, postulates, or theorems” of the relevant social stratum. The conflict between the real universe, and the imagined universe represented by that set of beliefs, determines what experience suggests are the characteristics of the system of behavior of those actual or implicit believers. Sometimes, the mental disorder so defined, is referred to by the believer as “our tradition.”

The inherent problem this type of implied, axiomatic-like belief represents, is often typified by the sociology of business organizations, as it is also to be seen in the axiomatic conflict caused by the attack upon the Franklin Roosevelt legacy by the Truman “traditions” within the post-April 12, 1945 Democratic Party. The hallmark of the disorders this phenomenon generates, is the phrase, “We believe,” or other formulations, such as even merely arbitrary prejudices to the same functional effect. In nearly all instances, such “belief systems” of social organizations are reflections of an overarching influence of a contemporary Sophistry, the same type of Sophistry which led Pericles’ Athens to its own destruction in the Peloponnesian War.

‘La Calumnia!’

The complementary hallmark of the pathological state of mind which the collection of such populist or comparable belief-systems represents, the commonplace, clinically most immediately revealing symptom of such pathologies, is the role of the idea of the archetypical “bad guy” in holding the social organization of such belief systems together.

The most notorious example of this in the history of European civilization, is the widespread anti-Semitism which polluted what were nominally most varieties of self-styled Christian churches. Although the New Testament and examination of the code of Roman Imperial law are clear, that Jesus Christ was crucified, chiefly because he was a Jew, by the authority of the

Roman Emperor Tiberius, through his nominal son-in-law Pontius Pilate, there was a widespread use of the venomous “Christ killers” by nominally Christian organizations against Jews.

This use of anti-Semitism by what were nominally Christian churches, had arisen as a by-product of the attempted coopting of the leaders of Christian churches into virtual membership in the Roman Imperial Pantheon by the former protégé of the savage Diocletian, Constantine. For the Christians generally, as for the Apostle John’s authorship of “The Apocalypse,” the Roman Empire was “The Whore of Babylon,” as that on sound historical grounds even apart from John’s epithet.

Modern anti-Semitism dates from that emergence of the medieval alliance of the Venetian financier-oligarchy with the Crusading Norman chivalry, the alliance which launched what became the root-stock of modern European anti-Semitism against both Islam and the Jews, which had both been on good terms with Charlemagne. The same evil turn by corrupted churches was repeated in Spain, by the monstrous Grand Inquisitor Tomás de Torquemada. Torquemada launched the anti-Semitism of Spain which was also the spark through which both the “old” and “new” factions of the Venetian financier oligarchy, and its Habsburg lackeys, unleashed the religious warfare which dominated 1492–1648 Europe.

This recurring paradigm of similar pseudo-Christian fanatics, who have also been controlled by the mechanisms of such obscene cult-beliefs as those just described from the period since the rise of the Roman Empire, has surfaced in many nominally Christian and other guises, such as medieval Flagellants, and the similar Tweener “fundamentalist” base of the cultish idiot George W. Bush, Jr.’s Presidency. This was the revivalist method of traitor Aaron Burr’s notorious grandfather, up and down the Connecticut River Valley, which supplied the kernel of the slave- and drug-trafficking, treasonous Essex County Junto and its Hartford Convention swindle, as also the treasonous British agent, Aaron Burr himself.

This was the paradigm used by British monarchy and Anglo-Dutch Liberals to use racism as the lever for creating the attempted division and destruction of London’s U.S. rival through the mechanism of forms of racist victimization of persons of African descent.

This was the method of Trumanism in that Presidency’s complicity with Britain’s Bertrand Russell’s scheme for a preventive nuclear attack on the Soviet Union.

That was the method represented in a post-Franklin Roosevelt U.S. in the launching of virtually treasonous associations of moral degeneracy such as the Congress for Cultural Freedom, the American Family Foundation, and the Committee on the Present Danger. That has been the method of the Bush-Cheney Administration’s exploitation of the

September 2001 9/11 attack to empower an attempted destruction of the U.S. Federal Constitution, and bankrupting of the nation.

These methods, using synthetic hate-images to terrorize the duped believers into conformity with their controllers, are also the principal functional characteristic of the kinds of Sophistical “sub-cultures” only typified by the case of the indicated Baby-Boomer and related cults.

The method is, to pick what had been a respected, or even heroic figure from within the population, even one’s own association, and corrupt that organization as a whole by heaping wildly fraudulent allegations against that targetted person, or persons. By such methods of defamation, complicit and corrupt individuals and close circles have used rumors of that intention to take control of political parties and other organizations, even in their own personal interests, or the interest of some government agency, financier group, religious association, or other corrupting agency.

This is what the circles of Synarchists of the Bilderberger circles, and former fascists of France, did to corrupt the 2005 Democratic fraction of the U.S. Senate, thus bringing the relevant right-wing and other financier interests typified by Felix Rohatyn into a renewed position of power for the Democratic Leadership Council (DLC).

Those methods of corruption work as they do, because the relevant areas of the world, such as the U.S.A. and western and central Europe, have produced the indicated Baby-Boomer generation whose susceptibility to the financier pimps of the DLC has threatened to bring about the political suicide of the Democratic Party, and the elimination of the role of the U.S.A. as a sovereign power, by the influence of the traditionally fascist friends of Felix Rohatyn.

Thus, what should be the obvious countermeasure against such corruption, as I have pinpointed that corruption among the indicated “Baby Boomer” strata, is the replacement of the pro-Satanic politics of hatred by the lesson of the 1648 Treaty of Westphalia. Love of mankind, even a very corrupted and sinful mankind, is the only effective weapon for resisting and defeating those cultish, Satanic influences of irrational religious and related hatred which have led the U.S.A. and other nations to the threshold of a lemming-like plunge into doom today.

And, Otherwise, the System

The specific, crippling intellectual problem which the members of the Senate, and others, failed to overcome in the matter of the 2005 wrecking of the core of the U.S. industrial economy by the circles of Felix Rohatyn, is the typical streak of opportunism associated with

the particular form of Sophistry permeating what I have defined as the Baby-Boomer generation, as distinct from other members of the same age-interval.

By “others” of the same interval, I mean, emphatically, the lower eighty-percentile of family-income strata, whose conditions of life have been collapsed at an overall ruinous rate since the 1977 launching of the Trilateral Commission’s program of what it described as its intended “controlled disintegration” of the U.S. economy,

The knee-jerk turn of otherwise well-meaning Baby-Boomer circles of the Democratic Party, toward Artful Dodgers like Felix Rohatyn and the morally doubtful DLC, was an explicitly stated orientation toward the upper three-percentile of the family income-group constituency of the U.S.A. and against the lower eighty-percentile which should be regarded as the post-1932 Democratic Party’s principal electoral base. This introduction of a harder right-wing turn into naked class-politics by the Party, if allowed to continue, would portend the kind of chaotic outcome of the November 2006 mid-term election which might, more than merely probably, present us with a U.S. which has rendered itself ungovernable under the kind of currently onrushing general breakdown crisis of the world’s present monetary-financial system now in full-throated progress.

This so-described corruption within the Baby-Boomer ranks of the Democratic Party’s leadership is not as much a reflection of individual judgment of those Party leaders, as a manifestation of a kind of Orwellian “group-think” of the specific type I have described above.

While I am by no means the only target of maximum hatred by the treason tradition of the Congress for Cultural Freedom *et al.*, I have become the most feared such target because of the role I represented in the famous 1971 New York debate with Congress for Cultural Freedom leader and former avowed Communist Professor Sidney Hook’s associate and avowed, pro-Schachtian Liberal, Professor Abba Lerner. As Hook stated in the immediate aftermath of that debate, I had just demonstrated myself to be a capable spokesman against the Congress for Cultural Freedom’s pro-Schachtian cause. Thus, over the interval 1971–2006, I have become the most feared political target of my collected opposition from among the New York City, Washington, D.C., and kindred club-rooms of the Anglo-Dutch-American-Synarchist financier oligarchy.

The Baby-Boomer Liberals of the Congress, out of fear mixed with Sophist qualities of opportunism, may have sympathized with what I was proffering, but they manifestly feared my Synarchist and related adversaries, more than they were willing to care for the endangered welfare of our nation. They wished to believe in a world-system in which there are no life-and-death issues for civilization, but merely a kind of ancient Roman open forum in which everyone should try to go along to get along.

The problem is, while many of those Senators and others are intelligent and well-meaning persons of some degree of courage, when they act as a group under the influence of group-think, they usually fail in the function of commanding, which a true leadership must satisfy at whatever personal risk.