

"It is bad psychology to tell people who do not believe that they are racist – who may even actively despise racism – that there is nothing they can do to stop themselves from being racist – and then ask them to help you ." - Helen Pluckrose

# VICTORY REPORT

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Howard Phillips, founder and three-time presidential candidate of the Constitution Party, was a prolific writer and a savvy political activist. Among his many activities, he penned an insightful newsletter called the *Issues & Strategy Bulletin*. Each issue highlighted current events and under-reported news. The VICTORY REPORT is following his lead by occasionally providing information and motivation for patriots in the original *I&S* format.

# The *Counter-* *Attack* Has *(finally!)* Begun

By Charles W. Kraut

Welcome to the *Victory Report*, where I am pleased to report that a few people in the United States have finally obtained a couple of tiny but significant victories against the Progressive/Socialist/Communist/Democrat juggernaut. That assault has been under way since the days of Karl Marx, and Americans have mostly either ignored or supported it ever since.

Frankly, I have not been this encouraged about our chances of saving this country since I joined the Constitution Party in 2008, and began my course of study on the Constitution. Never before has America enjoyed even a small victory against Progressivism; for more than a century every Progressive assault has succeeded. The Progressives have advanced from one shattered institution to another during all those decades. They have done it by lying. In fact, lying, deception, misdirection, dishonesty, subversion, and sedition seem to be a way of life for Progressives, many of whom are



among our elected officials and leaders.

I believe the Progressives have gotten ahead of themselves this time. They are so full of themselves and so puffed up by their many victories that they got careless. They pushed a dangerous narrative one big step too far. In so doing, they have opened the door to their complete and utter destruction – **if** those of us who love our country will go through that door, and work to take our country back.

This victory has to do with Critical Race Theory (CRT), the most disgusting, America-bashing set of teachings ever to disgrace American public and private schools – and you have to beat out a long list of candidates for that distinction.

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CRT is the idiotic notion that by teaching children to hate their parents, their country, and themselves they will grow up mature, well-adjusted, and “woke” – or so “they” say. CRT proclaims that all white people are racist, and that all nonwhite people are not and cannot be racist by definition. CRT states that white people have created a racist system that grants them “white privilege,” an economic classification that enables them to take advantage of people of all other races and colors. CRT demands that white people humble themselves before the god of government, acknowledge their sins, and undertake a lengthy course of study, indoctrination, and behavioral change in order to become “pure” – or extinct, whichever comes first.

CRT also demands that all traces of white racism, including books, statues, memorials, and more be erased, “cancelled,” removed, and destroyed. Finally, CRT demands that white people pay massive reparations to some undefinable group of people of color who are the victims of white privilege and slavery because, in some unprovable way, their ancestors suffered, and their suffering must be atoned for.

In other words, CRT is being utilized as a catch-all for numerous Progressive and dangerous ideas that are specifically designed to do great harm to America, its institutions, and its families.

Like all Marxist and Progressive narratives, CRT is based on utter falsehoods and heavily biased assumptions. It ignores the truth, denies the very existence of God, and compartmentalizes individuals into impersonal groups –

primarily as oppressor or victim.

The purpose of this nonsense is to indoctrinate all of us into thinking differently about ourselves, our families, our communities, and our country. Such indoctrination has been wildly successful, especially since the early 1960s. However, I am getting ahead of myself. Let’s identify the battleground for this massive conflict.

## America’s public schools

The Constitution rightly did not mention education, for the Founding Fathers understood that the federal government should never control education. In their day they had little to fear, for most universities were theological seminaries and most Americans were God-fearing Christians of one stripe or another. Public education got organized in fits and starts all over the colonies, with one-room schoolhouses dotting the land and teachers teaching several grades simultaneously.

Early on, most parents could not afford to send their children to school because they were needed at home to perform chores. America was primarily an agrarian country, as was the rest of the world prior to the Industrial Revolution. Only the wealthy could afford to send their children to school, and for many of them it was three to five years of such “formal” education before they went to college – if they got to attend college at all.

There was no shame in this. George Washington had virtually no formal education. He may have attended school as a child,

but that ended at his father’s death when George was 11. He may have had some tutoring later on, but he was essentially self-taught.

The public schools that were formed focused on reading, writing, and numbers. Teachers often taught faith in God and good citizenship. This later became formalized through the publication

## CRITICAL RACE THEORY

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FOR DUMMIES

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Critical Race Theory is an ideology that says:

- Society must reject Martin Luther King Jr.'s message in his 1963 "I Have a Dream" speech for people to "not be judged by the colour of their skin but by the content of their character."
- The 1964 Civil Rights Act that outlawed racial discrimination and segregation was only passed to benefit white people and perpetuate white supremacy.
- Storytelling and anecdotal claims of oppression by racial minorities must be valued above objective facts and statistics in every discussion and the legal system. Critical Race Theory actually rejects the idea of objectivity and objective truth, even  $2+2=4$ .
- Meritocracy or hiring/admitting the most qualified people on the basis of their skill and experience without the consideration of race, is racist and a form of white supremacy.
- It is ok to constantly lie or manipulate language to mislead people into accepting the ideology as long as it advances the agenda of Critical Race Theory activist teachers, politicians, media, social workers, doctors, scientists, etc.

EXAMPLES: calling Critical Race Theory trainings in the government "racial sensitivity trainings" or subtly redefining racism as "power + prejudice" rather than "belief in the superiority or inferiority of any racial group." Always insist on asking for precise definitions.

and wide dissemination of books like the McGuffey Readers. Children were taught charity, kindness, compassion, loyalty, honesty, faith in God, decency, responsibility, and other important virtues. Millions of copies were sold as well as those of competing, but less popular, volumes. America's children were, by and large, being given an adequate foundation for living a worthwhile life.

## And then Karl Marx came along . . .

The most central of Marx's teachings was this: in order to be equal, all men (and women) must relinquish all property. Only if the State owns everything, he said, can men be truly free. The goal is not for each individual to diligently labor to create a good life for him- or herself; the goal was for all humans to experience equal outcomes. Aside from being impossible and foolish, of course, this flies in the face of human nature and the Christian understanding of the purpose of life.

Humans are competitive. They have a great need to work and to struggle to provide for themselves and their families. Indolence and sloth are no more part of God's plan for his children than voluntary dependence upon others or criminality.

## John Lennon expressed Marx's ideas perfectly:

Imagine there's no heaven  
It's easy if you try  
No hell below us  
Above us only sky  
Imagine all the people  
Living for today... Aha-ah...

Imagine there's no countries  
It isn't hard to do  
Nothing to kill or die for  
And no religion, too  
Imagine all the people  
Living life in peace... You...

You may say I'm a dreamer  
But I'm not the only one  
I hope someday you'll join us  
And the world will be as one

Imagine no possessions  
I wonder if you can  
No need for greed or hunger  
A brotherhood of man  
Imagine all the people  
Sharing all the world... You...

You may say I'm a dreamer  
But I'm not the only one  
I hope someday you'll join us

And the world will live as one.

From *Imagine*, by John Lennon

In just 131 words Lennon lays out the entire Marxist/Socialist/Communist conspiracy:

- No heaven (no God / no salvation / no purpose in life / no reason for existence)
- Live for today (life has no meaning, and death is the end of existence)
- No countries (no borders / the entire planet should become a [Socialist] welfare state, with universal poverty, suffering, hunger, disease, and pestilence)
- Nothing to kill or die for (no nationalities, no countries, no patriotism, no symbols of freedom, no loyalty, no individuality)
- No religion (Marx said that religion was the opiate of the masses)
- No possessions (No pride of ownership / no personal security / complete dependence upon government / "You will own nothing – and you will be happy" - Davos Economic Forum 2021)
- No greed or hunger (Socialism, Fascism, and Communism are alone responsible for more than 100 million involuntary deaths in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, many of them due to unnecessary conflict, forced starvation, and genocide inflicted upon people who were compelled to be fully dependent upon government).

That's it. That's the Marxist worldview. It was forcibly imposed upon major portions of the world's population during the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, but it has gained its greatest following and triumphs in – wait for it – the United States.

*Imagine* is said to be the best-known song of all time. Even if that were not entirely true, think about its message, which hundreds of millions of people unconsciously absorbed into their minds, and allowed it to affect the way they think.

Now think about subtle messages like *Imagine* being poured into the minds of our children for five or six hours a day, five days a week, with only a few weeks off for summer vacation and a brief respite during holidays. Instead of McGuffey's Readers, which are full of teachings that develop character, integrity, faith, morality, and personal responsibility, Progressivism teaches all that John Lennon sang about; that life has no purpose, that we are not individuals but rather members of the collective, that if we wish to have possessions and be creative we are evil and must be destroyed, that government is God and must exercise complete control over every aspect of our lives.

Marxism replaces humanity and civilization with a life fit only for a slug.

Keep in mind that ardent, staunch Marxists actually believe this stuff. Of course, they have an ulterior motive, the fatal flaw of Marxism; someone has to enforce equality of outcomes, control the economy, regulate the affairs of the State, and wage a constant struggle for power. Those people are the self-proclaimed elite, the Party stooges who serve the state in the hope for a piece of the pie that is unavailable to the masses.

Those who seek power today are, in Doug Casey's words, more often than not psychopaths; they are hungry for power and wealth. They hope and fully expect to retain their dachas and their privileges even while the masses live in abject poverty and despair – and those who protest are sent to suffer and die in the gulags.

Now that our public schools (and virtually all of our private schools, colleges, and universities as well) have become indoctrination camps where only one opinion is tolerated, our children have been deliberately “dumbed down” and taught immorality, sexual promiscuity, drug abuse, Islam, jihad, homosexuality, “alternate lifestyles,” class struggle, gender confusion, everyone gets a trophy just for showing up, and more.

Now, however, the Progressives have attempted “a bridge too far.” They thought that Americans had swallowed the Progressive propaganda hook, line, and sinker, and that we were now ready to succumb to the complete destruction of our way of life. They thought they could compel our government, our corporations, our research laboratories, and our schools to teach hatred, division, and racism in the final blow to our individuality and our reason.

They were wrong.

## Behind the Iron Curtain

I often look back on my time in Berlin during the Cold War, and the “front-row seat” I enjoyed with a clear view of a modern Communist state. In East Germany schoolchildren were taught a version of Critical Race Theory. Theirs was a little different from ours, or perhaps it was just a little farther advanced than what we have seen so far.

For instance, East German children were trained to listen for any speech that could be deemed critical of the dictator or his cronies – or their policies, or their failures, or anything else. Children reported to the Secret Police about their parents, their teachers, and anyone else who might make a foolish statement. If you watched *The Killing Fields* you know where this is going.

The Berlin Wall was built, the leaders said, to prevent evil capitalism from encroaching on the Workers' Paradise. In reality, of course, East Germany employed thousands of guards armed with land mines, electrified fences, high concrete fences with rollers on top, guard dogs, and

watchtowers with machine guns to keep people from escaping that “workers paradise.” I know; I saw them on many occasions. I also met a few who had escaped, whether in the trunk of a car, by a dangerous swim across the Havel River, in a homemade glider, or by other means.

I frequently took a sealed train between Berlin in East Germany and Helmstedt in the West Zone. Four such trains departed each evening, two from Berlin and one each from Frankfurt am Main and the fourth from Hamburg, if I am not mistaken. This was 1973-1974. The entire East Zone was dark, illuminated by an occasional gas lamp on the sidewalk. The few cars were mostly from the 1950s; most of the railway equipment was powered by steam. The contrast between East and West could not have been greater; the despair and hopelessness in the East were palpable.



East Germany was so desperate to keep its people in captivity that even barge owners were forced to leave their wives and children behind when they were about to enter Western waters. Their families were restored to them only when they re-entered the East Zone.

I bring this up simply because this is the direction in which America is headed. Decades of subversion, sedition, , indoctrination, and propaganda have taken their toll on the American people. We have been taught to question everything – and we have been taught that there is no truth. The foundation of our individual lives has been stripped away, and American society, culture, and values are in free fall. Truly, an enemy hath done this. But this enemy is one we foolishly welcomed in, thinking that we were smart enough to recognize and avoid the influence of evil.

We were not.

## The chink in the enemy's armor

America was treated differently by the Marxists than most of the world. The Soviet Union, China, Cuba, North Korea, large chunks of Africa, much of southeast Asia – these nations and area suffered military takeovers and violent revolutions in

gestating a Communist state. That didn't happen here, and it didn't happen mostly because of our Constitution and especially the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment. Many Americans may not know the real reason why the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment exists, but they understand the great importance of being free to defend themselves and their families. It doesn't matter whether the assailant is a criminal or a criminal government; we take that aspect of our freedom very personally.

A heavily armed populace is anathema to a Communist takeover. The Marxists and Progressives had to find a better way to destroy the United States. They did.

Americans have been beaten up about their honesty, their religion, their morals, their laws, their Constitution, their values, their education, and basically everything they hold dear for more than a century. We have been worn down, beaten into submission by Marxist voices that tell us we are terrible people and must submit. The Marxists thought we had become so soft that we were now pushovers for any demands they might place upon us. They were almost correct.

## But then . . .

A few American parents began to find out what their children were being taught in the public schools. Homeschooling took off as millions of American parents refused to send their children to the K-12 indoctrination camps.

Then the universities became indoctrination camps, havens of political correctness, Marxism, Socialism, free love, and questioning everything. Academic freedom and the search for truth were replaced by the Party line and the suppression of all ideas and thoughts contrary to those of the Progressives.

But there was more to it than that. Progressives are all about replacing truth with false narratives. It was vital to them to replace, for instance, belief in the sanctity of life with the false doctrine that a woman who has come up with an unwanted pregnancy has authority over her own body and the freedom to kill anything that gets in the way of her "freedom."

It was essential to replace the sanctity of marriage with the suppose importance of "trial marriages," pre-marital sex, and getting to know a potential partner to determine sexual compatibility.

It was essential to take homosexuality and many other forms of sexual deviance "out of the closet" and promote them universally as lifestyle choices clearly superior to heterosexuality.

It was essential to create division and strife between various elements of society (as defined by the Progressives) in an effort to make America ungovernable.

We changed. We began to think differently about things that once seemed so important. Maybe pornography was an expression of free speech, like the Supreme Court said it was. Maybe prayer in school, even without invoking the name of Deity, was shaming or demeaning to certain impressionable

children. Maybe it really was important that children be exposed to immorality, indecency, gender confusion, and other psychologically damaging ideas in their very early years.

It wasn't.

A complicit Supreme Court, a Progressive Congress, and Progressive Presidents made these abuses the law of the land – and suddenly we had no choice left.

What was all this supposed to accomplish? It's simple, especially in hindsight. All these demands and policies were designed to weaken America, setting our country up for a takeover from within. The movement has been extremely successful.

Finally, in 2020 things came to a head and a few brave people began to protest what was being done to their children. Perhaps they began to learn from their children about the dreadful things that were going on in the classroom. Perhaps they found out that in certain instances their children were forced to sign a statement swearing that they would never tell their parents what they were taught in school that day.

Maybe they found out that the school has endorsed and embraced institutionalized racism in one or more of its insidious forms. Possibly they learned that their children were being taught to disbelieve in God, that morality did not exist, that there was no truth, and that there was nothing to hope for in life.

Let's say you are a parent or a grandparent. How would you feel about having your children or grandchildren taught such things?

Personally, the moment I learned that my children or grandchildren were being taught such things I would pull them out of public school and never look back. Then, I would organize my neighbors, get all of us informed about what was being done, and bring effective action against the school board, the curriculum committee, the city council, and every other political entity that had any say in how the local schools were run.

I would do everything in my power to ensure that teachers who willingly taught such things were dismissed. Same for



administrators, school board members, and all the rest.

This is what has just begun to happen in America. If you will get involved in this movement in your local community today you will begin to take back America. I can almost guarantee that virtually every public school in the United States has embraced one or more aspects of what I have described. In fact, our leaders are so afraid of the possible backlash that they are doubling down on their efforts.

## Biden the Socialist

Sleepy Joe Biden's new plan involves establishing mandatory indoctrination camps all over the United States for **pre-school children**, to ensure that they learn from a very early age that there is only one way to think, that they need to be obedient little cogs in the collective, that they should have no personal property nor anything that might distinguish them from their peers, and that they should not believe in truth (or God). They will be encouraged to be sexually promiscuous, to explore different gender choices, to indulge their basest desires in drugs and alcohol, and to be completely dependent upon the government for their entire lives.

Biden's plan also mandates the showing of huge amounts of pornographic material to our K-12 children and grandchildren, thus making them "woke" and fully aware of the meaninglessness of life and its utter hopelessness.

This is what we are up against. This is where we must all draw "the line in the sand." If we fail to get involved now, even if we have no children, we will live to see America die. Its financial death has already been accomplished; I am speaking of its spiritual death, when we will have traded everything that is important and precious for nothing at all but bondage and suffering.

## How can I get involved?

Do your homework! Every American lives within a local school district. Attend a meeting of the school board. Talk to your neighbors. Find out what is going on in your public schools. When you find negative information including CRT and all the rest, educate yourself on what is being taught and who pushed for its introduction.

Don't discount the federal employees the school district was forced to hire who do nothing but ensure compliance with these terrible Federal mandates. They too are vulnerable. If the school district votes to end all Federal support (as it should) those bureaucrats may immediately be sent packing back to DC.

If you have children or grandchildren in the public schools, spend some time with them in their classes (don't take no for an answer if the principal says you can't come in due to "privacy issues." Attend PTA meetings. Attend City Council and/or County Commission meetings. These programs may come from the Federal level, but 95% of

the school district's budget comes from local property taxes.

Begin writing letters to the editor. Send emails. Get in touch with organizations that are fighting to restore K-12 education. Organize your friends and family to gather information and disseminate it throughout the community.

Talk to your minister, rabbi, or other spiritual leader and enlist their help. Yes, there are a substantial number of professional ministers who no longer believe in God, but this still comes under their purview. Hold meetings at your local churches. Put pressure on your local leaders. Work to put Progressives out of office using any and all legal means.

Above all, public awareness is key. Some Americans may need to be shamed into acknowledging their responsibility to their offspring. Others may just be "going with the flow," not realizing the extent or seriousness of the Progressive assault upon our children.

Along with this issue of the **Victory Report** I am sending you articles about CRT and the successful protests against it. This is timely; it is vital; our future will depend on whether we unite and take action now to begin to reverse this terrible Progressive onslaught. Success in this very first step will provide essential training, motivation, and leadership in reversing each successive Progressive victory until we have won back all that we have lost since Teddy Roosevelt occupied the White House.

It's up to you. God will grant the victory, but only if you do your part.

I will have more to say in the next **Victory Report** about the positive influence you and I may have in restoring our freedoms and our values. In the meantime, please feel free to share this Report and the accompanying articles far and wide, throughout your neighborhood and school district and all across the country.

This is our country. We, the People can blot out every trace of this Progressive conspiracy—if we have the will to do so.

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