

From Press Room Raids to Indictments, Anything Goes When the Government Piles On

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"When players are piled on top of each other after a mad scramble for a loose ball, it's a free-for-all. [There are no rules. Anything goes](#). That's because there's nobody in the pile to monitor what's going on."—Mike Thomas, sports editor

What is playing out before our eyes right now should be familiar to any fan of football: it's called the pile on, a brutal, frenzied, desperate play to seize control and gain power while crushing the opposition.

In this particular analogy, "we the people" are trapped at the bottom of that pile, buried under a mountain of bread-and-circus distractions, economic worries, environmental disasters, power plays, power grabs, [police raids](#), [indictments](#) and circus politics.

The Maui wildfires. The Trump indictments. Hunter Biden's legal troubles. The looming 2024 presidential election. The Ukraine-Russia conflict.

In the midst of this pile on of woes, worries and semi-manufactured crises falling with sledgehammer-like frequency, monopolizing the media narrative and eclipsing all other news, it's difficult to stay focused on what's really going on, and yet something is brewing.

Pay attention.

Caught up in the partisan boxing match that is politics today, it's easy to lose sight of what's real.

The indictments against Trump, the investigation of Hunter Biden, and the chatter of the political classes aren't real; they are more sound and fury, signifying nothing in the end.

As Aldous Huxley observed in *Brave New World Revisited*:

“Non-stop distractions of the most fascinating nature are deliberately used as instruments of policy, for the purpose of preventing people from paying too much attention to the realities of the social and political situation... Only the vigilant can maintain their liberties, and only those who are constantly and intelligently on the spot can hope to govern themselves effectively by democratic procedures.”

So what is real?

What's real is the [\\$5,000 fine and five-year jail sentence](#) that could be levied against anyone found driving an illegal immigrant in their car in the state of Florida.

What's real are the hi-tech policing tools such as [robotic dogs equipped with all manner of weaponry and surveillance technology](#) that are rewriting the ground rules when it comes to privacy and security.

What's real is the North Carolina [pastor who was fined \\$60,000 for ministering to the homeless](#) on church property without a permit.

What's real is the revelation that Boston officials [created and sent police a watch list of the mayor's most vocal critics](#), not unlike the government's own growing databases for anti-government dissidents.

What's real is what happened in Marion, Kansas, on Fri., Aug. 11, 2023, when [police raided the office of the Marion County Record](#), blowing past the constitutional safeguards intended to safeguard the freedom of the press.

Are you starting to get the picture yet?

The manufactured media spectacles, piled on one after another, have a very real purpose, which is to distract us from the government's constant encroachments on our freedoms.

In the larger scheme of things, these individual incidents—the police raid of a small-town newspaper, a state ban on who gets to be inside your car, an outrageous fine for feeding the destitute, a politician's use of an enemies list to silence critics—might easily go unremarked, yet they are all part of the police state's tendency to pile on: pile on the distractions, pile on the retribution, pile on the show of force in order to completely eviscerate anything that even remotely resembles opposition.

The police state has embarked on a ruthless, take-no-prisoners, all-out assault on anyone who even questions its authority, let alone challenges its chokehold on power.

“We the people”—the proverbial nails to the police state's heavy-handed tactics—*will* be hammered into compliance, intimidated into subservience, and terrorized into silence.

It doesn't matter which party dominates in Congress or the White House: all of us are in danger from these fear-inducing, mind-altering, soul-destroying, smash-your-face-in tactics.

In this way, **anarchy is being loosed upon the nation.**

Day after day, the government's crimes against the citizenry grow more egregious, more treacherous and more tragic. And day after day, the prison walls holding the American people captive become ever more inescapable.

The upcoming election and its aftermath will undoubtedly keep the citizenry divided and at each other's throats, so busy fighting each other that they never manage to present a unified front against tyranny in any form.

Yet the winner has already been decided.

As American satirist H.L. Mencken predicted almost a century ago:

"All the odds are on the man who is, intrinsically, the most devious and mediocre — the man who can most adeptly disperse the notion that his mind is a virtual vacuum. The Presidency tends, year by year, to go to such men. As democracy is perfected, the office of president represents, more and more closely, the inner soul of the people. [On some great and glorious day the plain folks of the land will reach their heart's desire at last and the White House will be adorned by a downright moron.](#)"

In other words, as I make clear in my book [*Battlefield America: The War on the American People*](#) and in its fictional counterpart [*The Erik Blair Diaries*](#), nothing will change.

You cannot have a republican form of government—nor a democratic one, for that matter—when the government views itself as superior to the citizenry,

- **when it no longer operates for the benefit of the people,**
- when the people are no longer able to peacefully reform their government,
- when government officials cease to act like public servants,
- **when elected officials no longer represent the will of the people,**
- when the government routinely violates the rights of the people and perpetrates more violence against the citizenry than the criminal class,
- when government spending is unaccountable and unaccounted for,
- when the judiciary act as courts of order rather than justice, and
- **when the government is no longer bound by the laws of the Constitution.**

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