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Dear Patriot,

This will be a critical week in the world.

The left wants us focused on insane Democrats having tantrums in Minnesota.

But, that would be a distraction from the events that may change the world in Davo

President Trump is making very bold and historic moves right now. Keep your eyes ears open to the truth.

The Globalists are not amused that their fiefdoms are crumbling.

More details below on....

- DOJ plans to hold church disruptors accountable.
- Trump to hold banks accountable for political debanking.
- how you can never escape a communist government, a.k.a California.
- why the war in Minnesota must happen.
- trash to treasure.
- is there something in the White House water?



1- ALL of the people involved in this evil action should be arrested at dawn in their pajamas, hauled into court and charged with everything possible.

Spending the next 3 years in a courtroom, being bankrupt by legal costs, and then hopefully jailed, would be real accountability. But, we will see if that actually happens.

Townhall

DOJ to Investigate and Arrest Don Lemon and Minneapolis Church Stormers

QUOTE: The Department of Justice has announced that they will be arresting Don Lemon and open investigations into the storming of Cities Church in St. Paul, Minnesota.

Lemon will reportedly be arrested by the Trump administration under the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act and the Ku Klux Klan Act.

"The Klan Act is one of the most important federal civil rights statutes," said Civil Rights Assistant Attorney General Harmeet Dhillon on The Benny Johnson Show. "a law that makes it illegal to terrorize and violate the civil rights of citizens. Whenever people conspire this, the Klan Act can be used."

"Don Lemon himself has come out and said he knew exactly what was going to happen in that facility," Dhillon continued. "He went into the facility, and then he began, quote-unquote, committing journalism, as if that is some sort of shield from being a part—an embedded part of a criminal conspiracy."

Dhillon then confirmed that her office would begin launching investigations into those who took part in the storming of Cities Church after learning the pastor served as a local ICE official, and issued a warning for any would-be copycats.

"Come next Sunday, nobody in the United States should think that they're going be able to get away with this," Dhillon finished. "Everyone in the protest commun needs to know that the fullest force of the federal government is going to come down and prevent this from happening, and put people away for a long long tim

President Trump has come out in support of pursuing lengthy prison sentences f Lemon and his alleged co-conspirators.



2- There are many wonderful aspects of being a socialists/communist in America. For one, you never have to worry that you will be debanked due to your political positio

Yep, Don Lemon, for example, may be arrested but we guarantee you that he will NEVER get an email from his bank denying him service.

The banks still deny they did this to President Trump and others. That is a lie. There abundant evidence that organizations and individuals the Biden Regime was afraid were denied banking services. Sidney Powell is a prime example. There can be NO doubts that she was tossed out of her bank of 24 years and given little time to mak other arrangements because she dared to question the election we now know was stolen.

As a side note, this also happened to Rush Limbaugh over 20 years ago. It is not a method of intimidation and harassment.

We fully support President Trump in this lawsuit.

The Epoch Times

Trump Says He Will Sue JPMorgan Chase Over Debanning

QUOTE: President Donald Trump on Jan. 17 said he intended to file a lawsuit against JPMorgan Chase for what he said were efforts to remove his access to banking following the Jan. 6, 2021, U.S. Capitol breach.

In a post on Truth Social, the president wrote, "I'll be suing JPMorgan Chase over the next two weeks for incorrectly and inappropriately DEBANKING me after the January 6th Protest, a protest that turned out to be correct for those doing the protesting." He also wrote that the 2020 presidential election was rigged against him.

A spokesperson for the banking giant, Trish Wexler, told media outlets in response that JPMorgan "won't get specific about a client" but stipulated that it does not "close accounts because of political beliefs."

Trump did not provide more details about the lawsuit.

In August 2025, Trump issued an executive order to ensure that banks cannot refuse services to individuals based on their political or religious beliefs, a practice known as "debanning." A watchdog in December found that nine large U.S. banks active engaged in the practice between 2020 and 2025.

Advocates against debanning have cited cases of Christians and conservatives who have stated that they have been victims of the practice by major financial institutions, including claims from the Indigenous Advance Ministries, former Ser

Sam Brownback (R-Kan.), and Trump himself, among many others. First Lady Melania Trump, in her memoir "Melania," wrote that she, too, was denied banking services.

"I was shocked and dismayed to learn that my long-time bank decided to terminate my account and deny my son the opportunity to open a new one," she wrote in book.



3- When a communist government gets their claws in you, it is almost impossible to escape.

This is why electing even marginally acceptable Republicans (as most sadly are) at every level is so important.

John Nolte at Breitbart

California Harasses Former Resident for Taxes '4 Years' After He Moved

QUOTE: Entrepreneur Hari Raghavan posted a screenshot of a letter he received from California looking for taxes from four years ago — after he says he moved out of the former Golden State.

"Seriously: 4 years later CA is hunting down those who left," Raghavan wrote on X adding that the state is demanding a "Narrative of the circumstances surrounding you becoming non-residents. What a joke. This is what a failing state looks like."

Yep.

This comes as no surprise to me. Back in August, California put a freaken lien on bank account for over \$2,000 in back income taxes for the tax years 2019 and 2020. But here's the thing.... I haven't lived in California since 2011. Nevertheless, over the last five months, with considerable assistance from my employer, I've been trying to prove that I didn't live there in 2019 and 2020. California is making me prove a negative.

And California makes this deliberately impossible to resolve. Sometimes, when you call the Franchise Tax Board, you can't even wait on hold for someone to become available nor request a callback. When you are able to request a callback, someone will call you back, but it's always someone different; never the person you spoke with before or faxed the documentation to. So, you fax it again, and you never speak to that person again.

This process is meant to wear you down so you say, "Just take my money."

Look at what Raghavan is being forced to do... Look at all the hoops he'll be forced to jump through... All the time and expense... This is a deliberate harassment campaign from a failed and bankrupt state to bully people into paying taxes they do not owe.

Believe me, I'm far from rich, but after five months of worrying about this, sometimes I'm one more "Can you fax that again" from saying, "Just take the money so I can go on with my life."

It's the "Hotel California," only it's not drugs and debauchery that ensure that the only way to leave is to "check out" — it's a corrupt franchise tax board.

Trust me, don't move to California. There is no escape. None. Once you touch that soil, you will be hounded to the ends of the Earth until you "check out." And then your heirs will be hounded.



4- It is becoming impossible to conceive the massive wealth of our country that has been stolen. We like a good heist movie but the complexity of this heist would be impossible to portray on film.

It is easy to think that this is “the government’s” money, so it doesn’t matter that much.

It is OUR money. We worked for this money and had it taken in taxes for the good of everyone. But, it was stolen and the government LET it be taken. For YEARS.

Americans must DEMAND that government leaders, at all levels, stop the money flow and put all of these people in jail.

This fight in Minnesota, while uncomfortable, is one that our country needs to have

The Epoch Times

Dr. Oz Says Minnesota Fraud Coverup Reaches ‘Highest Levels’ of State Government

QUOTE: Dr. Mehmet Oz, the administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, revealed that health care fraud in Minnesota is more significant than previously known.

After speaking to whistleblowers across the state, Oz said there has been a “cover up” for years and that it reaches the “highest levels” of state government.

Oz made reference to Somalian Americans and Somalian nationals who have a significant presence in the Minneapolis-Twin Cities area, who have recently been accused by administration officials of engaging in the defrauding of federal government entitlement programs, including Medicaid.

"For example, the Somalian sub-population, who have different cultural mores than the folks who have historically been in Minnesota, might be taking advantage of systems that were built for 'Minnesota Nice' people," Oz said. "And this is what we told to me by people working in the Department of Health and Human Services there, from folks who are police, law enforcement, they were witnessing it."

The administration has gained "evidence now that we might be seeing that in other Somalian populations" in the United States, Oz said, adding that "they talk to each other. Once you figure out that no one's watching the till, you begin to steal more in other areas," he said. "In any case, we are aggressive on this."

Providing an example, Oz said that investigators in the Twin Cities discovered a building with "boarded-up windows" that allegedly had "400 businesses running out of there in the last couple of years that had generated about three \$80 million in bills" for the federal government and Minnesota.

"And these are all social service businesses. So as you start to probe into how this beehive of corruption arose, the question does come up, you know, who owns the building? Like, how did this even come about? The building owner would not let us go into the building," he added.

Aside from the Medicare and Medicaid agencies, the Treasury Department also announced last week that it will investigate financial transactions between Minnesota residents and businesses in Somalia, as the government ramps up an operation targeting illegal immigration in the state.

The Department of Homeland Security, too, has deployed thousands of agents to Minnesota as part of that broader federal effort, although protests have erupted recent days over the shooting of a protester.



5- As we have said many times, President Trump is an out of the box thinker and problem solver. He looks at things in ways that befuddle most politicians.

Click the link for a more in-depth discussion of this important aspect of foreign affairs.

The American Mind

Our Trash Could Help Us Defeat China

QUOTE: In his escalating attempts to cut ties with China, President Trump has aggressively employed tariffs, threats, and embargoes. But there's one potentially powerful tool the Trump Administration has yet to leverage fully: trash.

Hidden among America's trash heaps and mining waste are potentially rich accumulations of critical materials that China currently monopolizes—and that the United States desperately needs. Capitalizing on those materials will remove one of China's greatest sources of leverage over American national and economic security.

Mining operations are highly regulated in America. Companies are required to dispose of waste according to stringent environmental guidelines, leaving little room for startups or entrepreneurial mining companies to leverage the waste for

coproduct generation. Even if they were able to use the waste more effectively, it would be difficult to run a profit because China keeps prices artificially low.

China monopolized the critical mineral marketplace not because it was blessed with stores of minerals that other nations lack, but because it mines and processes the minerals at cut-rate prices by flagrantly ignoring environmental standards. The U.S. was happy to power our EVs and wind turbines using Chinese-produced mineral long as the toxic waste sites were kept out of view. Now, with China restricting the flow of critical minerals to the U.S., we don't have the luxury of continuing this devil's bargain.

Successfully, efficiently, and cleanly extracting rare earth minerals from mining waste, coupled with thoroughly recycling electronic devices, will help maximize the American supply of critical minerals.

There is no reason we should be beholden to China for critical minerals. But it's better late than never. Responsible deregulation and investments in mining waste processing can turn our trash into an economic weapon that defeats the Chinese magnet monopoly.



6- It is a baby boom at the White House!!

Press Secretary Karoline Leavitt is also expecting her second child, a girl, in May.

We love seeing these families grow.

Breitbart

Second Lady Usha Vance Reveals She's Expecting Fourth Child, Due July 2026

QUOTE: Second lady Usha Vance revealed Tuesday that she is expecting the couple's fourth child, a son, who is due in late July, marking a historic first for the office she holds.

Usha Vance made the announcement alongside her husband, Vice President J.D. Vance, in a post published on X.

The message reads in full:

We're very excited to share the news that Usha is pregnant with our fourth child, boy. Usha and the baby are doing well, and we are all looking forward to welcoming him in late July.

During this exciting and hectic time, we are particularly grateful for the military doctors who take excellent care of our family and for the staff members who do much to ensure that we can serve the country while enjoying a wonderful life with our children.

— J.D. Vance and Usha Vance”

While births among spouses of U.S. presidents and vice presidents are rare, Usha Vance's pregnancy stands out as unprecedented. Historical records show that while two first ladies have given birth while their husbands were in office—Frances Folsom Cleveland, in 1893 and 1895, and Jacqueline Kennedy, in 1963—there is a widely documented instance of a second lady giving birth during a vice-president's term.

The Vances, married since 2014, are already parents to three children: Ewan, Vive and Mirabel. This new addition will mark their third son.



PRAY for all US officials and the President while in Davos.

PRAY for accountability for leftist evil.

PRAY for warriors and whistleblowers.

PRAY for families and all children.

SHARE the truth.

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Hold Fast,

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Follow Sidney on X @SidneyPowell1

UPDATED: Read the five part series truthfully explaining the unprecedented lawfare used by the left to remove Sidney Powell's right to free speech.

This will be permanently available for all at Defending The Republic.

Regardless of who wins any election, to have confidence in the outcome, we must continue to demand **(1)** real paper ballots, **(2)** hand counted in a bipartisan transparent process, and **(3)** citizen voter ID.

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