

The Trumpian Avalanche

By the time you read *Trumpianity*, much of it will have been overtaken by events. Trying to stay ahead of the Trumpian Trainwreck is like trying to outski an avalanche. During the four weeks I was finishing my final edits, these were among the headlines.

- It was revealed that Donald Trump, who has been pressuring the Federal Reserve Board to lower interest rates, earlier this year purchased \$100 million worth of bonds for his own account. The price of bonds increases when interest rates fall so Trump will personally profit when the Fed gives in to his duress and lowers interest rates. *The conflict of interest is glaringly obvious.*
- The FBI raided the home and office of John Bolton, Trump's former National Security Advisor turned harsh Trump critic, in a marked escalation of Trump's weaponization of the Department of Justice to harass and intimidate people he sees as his enemies. *The timing of the raid was clearly set to create a distraction from release of the first batch from the Epstein files to Congress that same day.*
- After Putin told Trump that mail-in balloting cost him the election in 2020, and seeing the handwriting on the wall for losses in the midterm elections, Trump threatened to issue an executive order to end the use of mail-in ballots and voting machines and to require voter ID. *Meanwhile, Putin was seen convulsed on the Kremlin floor in fits of laughter.*
- A federal judge ordered closure of Alligator Alcatraz for having been constructed in violation of environmental protection regulations and for threatening the fragile Florida Everglades.
- A federal judge blocked Trump's efforts to expand a fast-track deportation process on the grounds that it would create "a significant risk" to migrants legally entitled to stay in the country.
- A federal judge issued an emergency order over Labor Day to stop the Trump administration from deporting more than 600 *unaccompanied* Guatemalan children as young as 10 years old (*this moral atrocity from an administration that claims to be pro-life and pro-family*).
- A federal court of appeals upheld a Court of International Trade ruling that Trump's tariffs were illegal and that he had exceeded his authority by declaring an emergency to justify them.
- The IRS launched a frantic recruiting campaign to rehire Internal Revenue Service employees who had been fired or laid off during the first Trump-Musk purge.
- Trump threatened to send U.S. military troops to take over Chicago and other Democratic cities. In late night social media rage posts he wrote, "I love the smell of deportations in the morning. Chicago about to find out why it's called the Department of WAR!" and threatened that he was going to "wipe out" protestors in Portland, Oregon. *Trump has so cowed military leaders that there was not a peep of dissent from the Pentagon about this unconstitutional use of our armed forces against the civilian population.*
- In Washington D.C. National Guard troops who were sent in response to Trump's imaginary "crime emergency" were put to work on sanitation and landscaping not being done because

Trump had previously laid off 90% of the National Park Service staff who had been doing the work. *When Trump crowed about having eliminated crime in DC, it appears he was talking about the crime of littering.*

- Trump fired the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor Statistics for having told the truth about weak job growth; fired the Director of the U.S. Defense Intelligence Agency for having told the truth about the limited effectiveness of bomb strikes on Iranian nuclear facilities; fired the Director of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for having refused to rubber-stamp the anti-science agenda of anti-fax fanatic RFK Jr.; fired one of the CIA's most highly-regarded Russia experts to cover up for Trump's own failure to reach "a deal" with Putin to end the war in Ukraine; placed 140 EPA staff on unpaid leave in retaliation for having signed a letter voicing concerns about Trump's environmental policies; fired a senior career ethics official at the U.S. Department of Justice; forced the resignation of U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia after he refused to bring charges against Trump critic Letitia James; and attempted to fire a Federal Reserve Board Governor by fabricating a dubious criminal allegation to cover up the real reason – she is a black woman who has not caved in to Trump's demand for lower interest rates. *There was not a peep of protest from the gutless obsequious puppets of his party.*
- ~~HHS Chief Witch Doctor~~ Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr. blamed mass shootings on anti-depressants and claimed that he could diagnose a sick child just by looking at them.
- Nine former Directors of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention published an unprecedented open letter in *The New York Times* stating that RFK Jr. is "endangering every American's health" by replacing competent health professionals with "unqualified individuals who share his dangerous and unscientific views."
- Florida's surgeon general announced that the state would be the first to end all childhood vaccine mandates, *thus assuring that Florida would continue its right to lay claim to having the nation's highest concentration of elderly people by increasing the state's future childhood mortality.*
- More than 85 climate experts contributed to a comprehensive report excoriating a Department of Energy document written by five climate skeptics falsely claiming that the impact of climate change has been overstated – in other words endorsing Trump's lie that global warming is a hoax. The DOE report, said these climate experts, "makes a mockery of science." *Trump to your grandkids: Drop Dead.*
- After slashing funding for supplemental nutrition support in the Big Beautiful Tax Break for Billionaires, the Trump administration sought to cover up the human impact by eliminating the USDA's annual Household Food Security Report, which for the past 30 years has been documenting poverty and food insecurity in the United States, calling it a politicized document. *But if you look up the word "politicized" in the dictionary you will see a picture of Donald Trump and his MAGA cronies.*

- As part of his campaign to become Dictator of Washington DC, Trump took control of Union Station away from Amtrak. *Mussolini claimed that he made the trains run on time – if you think Trump is capable of that, please see me about the bridge I have for sale.*
- Responding to his recurring nightmare of more and bigger *No Kings Day* events, Trump ordered the creation of a National Guard rapid response unit that would allow him to deploy armed troops to confront disturbances in American cities – in effect creating a standing army strike force to be used against the civilian population.
- A federal judge ruled that Trump’s deployment of the National Guard in Los Angeles was illegal and barred the administration from “deploying, ordering, instructing, training, or using” these troops to engage in civilian law enforcement in the future.
- Trump signed an executive order making it a crime to burn an American flag. The first person arrested for doing so was a decorated U.S. Army combat veteran protesting this violation of his First Amendment free speech rights. *Take that, draft-dodging flag-shagging Corporal Bonespur!*
- Giving in to overt threats from Trump’s Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission Brendan Carr, who was a key conspirator in creating Project 2025, Disney’s CEO cancelled the Jimmy Kimmel late night show. *At Disney, they have evidently stopped asking the question “What would Walt do?” because Walt would never have taken the knee before the likes of Donald Trump and Brendan Carr.*
- Speaking to the press in DC, Trump bemoaned the fact that domestic violence is included in crime statistics, saying “Things that take place in the home they call crime...If a man has a little fight with the wife, they say this is a crime.” *It makes one wonder what else is in the Epstein files that Trump is so desperately trying to bury.*
- Before being appointed Trump’s “Border Czar” Tom Homan was caught on camera accepting a paper bag filled with \$50,000 in cash from an undercover agent investigating bribery. Trump’s flunkies in the DOJ and the FBI made the charge magically disappear. *Again, without a peep from “law and order” Republicans in Congress.*
- Acting on Trump’s orders and without first consulting the CIA, the Director of National Intelligence released a list of 37 current and former officials she’d stripped of security clearances for having supported Trump’s first impeachment trial or the allegation that Russia had interfered in the 2016 election, *in the process exposing the identity, and potentially endangering the life, of at least one undercover agent.*
- Perennial election loser Kari Lake, who in payback for her loyalty to Trump’s 2020 election lies, was chosen to dismantle Voice of America, which for 75 years has been telling our side of the story to the rest of the world, announced another 500 people were to be laid off. *This means that the likes of China, Russia, and Al Jazeera will now shape our narrative for the rest of the world.*

- Thirty-nine countries suspended mail service to the United States in response to Trump tariff policies, specifically termination of the U.S. “de minimis” tariff exemption, thereby endangering the viability of small businesses on all points of the globe.
- In the first six months of Trump’s second term the United States was the only nation in the world to see a reduction in visitors from other countries, along with the corresponding harm to businesses dependent upon tourism dollars.
- The Yale Budget Lab issued a report titled “The Effect of Tariffs on Poverty” predicting that between 650,000 and 875,000 Americans would be forced into poverty as a result of Trump’s tariffs, including a disproportionate number of children. *Trump could not be reached for comment because he was out playing golf.*
- In Washington State, firefighting crews working to contain the largest wildfire in the Pacific Northwest were pulled out of the line by ICE Agents for identity verification, with two key team members being arrested on the spot. As one commentator put it, this showed that Trump and his xenophobic cronies are willing to watch America burn in their quest to cleanse the country of brown-skinned migrants. *Cue Nero and his fiddle.*
- In a replay of Herbert Hoover’s 1932 demolition of Hooverville, Trump ordered the IMMEDIATE destruction of all homeless encampments in DC with no plan in place for humanely taking care of homeless people whose only possessions were destroyed by the raids.
- In three separate cases filed by Trump’s attorney for DC, grand juries refused to indict people accused of assaulting ICE agents, including one where the alleged “assault” was by a man who threw a Subway sandwich against the bulletproof vest of an agent. *Fortunately for that agent, his vest was thicker than Trump’s thin skin.*
- The Trump administration rearrested Kilmar Abrego Garcia, a father of three who was illegally deported to the CECOT concentration camp and only returned home following a U.S. Supreme Court order. He was threatened with deportation to Uganda unless he confessed to crimes he swears he did not commit, and only intervention by a federal judge prevented that from happening. *Kristi Noem’s obsession with torturing this man and his family is nothing short of psychotic and sadistic.*
- Trump held a televised 3-hour Cabinet meeting where members went around the table trying to outdo each other planting kisses upon The Donald’s bottom. *In preparation for the meeting, housekeeping staff had placed airline barf bags under the placemats at each table setting.*
- At the above-mentioned cabinet meeting Trump also said: “The line is that I’m a dictator, but I stop crime. So a lot of people say, ‘You know, if that’s the case, I’d rather have a dictator.’” *He did not mention his failures to stop crimes committed by members of his own family.*
- Trump issued an executive order renaming the Department of Defense to The Department of War, presumably in a snit about his failure to be given the Nobel Prize for Peace.

- Across America, in red states as well as blue, Republican congressional representatives who were sent home early for their summer break to avoid having to vote on the Epstein files were roundly booed by their own constituents at town hall meetings. Trump himself was booed when he showed up at the U.S. Open Tennis Tournament and, after promising that anyone could go to a DC restaurant with fear of confrontation, being heckled by patrons at a swanky DC restaurant.
- The very day that victims of Epstein's sex trafficking crimes spoke in Washington urging release of the Epstein files unredacted, a Trump spokesperson threatened members of his own **gutless obsequious puppets** party that voting for release of those files "would be viewed as a very hostile act to the administration." *Probably as close to a guilty plea as we'll ever see from Trump.*

*All that chaos over just a four week period! And not a peep from members of the lower case gop (**gutless obsequious puppets**) we elected to govern our nation. Who knows what further crises our nation's *Drama-Queen-in-Chief* will have created between my sending *Trumpianity* to press and the time you read it.*

Donald Trump is the only President of either party in my lifetime, beginning with Harry S. Truman in 1951, I would be ashamed to hold out to a young person as a role model to emulate, even if with significant reservations. Trump is the antithesis of what it means to be a Christian and what it means to be a Patriot.

Joe Tye, September 22, 2025



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