

How the FBI Crushed America's Spirit

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Feb. 22—How has America arrived at its current state of political and moral decay? How is it that American citizens tolerate or even defend a President who routinely murders people in cold blood? How is it that in this, an election year, we are presented with an array of presidential candidates who are either buffoons and blowhards, or who defend the sadistic actions of our currently insane President?

What has happened to our nation? Why do we acquiesce in this degeneration? Why are we so small?

The answer to this begins in 1944. It is a story of corruption, threats, fear, and murder. It is the story of a conspiracy, and at the center of that conspiracy is the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), an evil, treasonous organization, which for more than 70 years has operated to attack and destroy the American Constitutional Republic. Under J. Edgar Hoover, the FBI became a national gestapo, operating on behalf of Wall Street financiers and the British empire. Their paramount post-1945 obsession was to destroy the political apparatus associated with Franklin Delano Roosevelt; then to eradicate even the memory of the Roosevelt Presidency; finally, to ensure that no “FDR phenomenon” would ever again be allowed to present itself on the national stage as a viable political option. Since 1944, it has been forbidden for any Presidential candidate to



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emerge as a “major” contender for the nomination who posed a serious threat of reviving the moral philosophy and policies of the Roosevelt Presidency.

The 1944 Coup

By 1944 two things were clear. The first was that the war was soon to be over, and the question before the world was what dynamic would shape the post-war era. Second was the clearly deteriorating state of Franklin Roosevelt's health. Given this situation, the British, Wall Street, and their political networks in the Democratic Party had no intention of allowing FDR's Vice-President, Henry Wallace, to be re-nominated at the 1944 Democratic Presidential nominating convention.

Franklin Roosevelt considered Henry Wallace to be the most competent person in the U.S. government, and had fought the Democratic Party machinery, even to the point of threatening to reject the 1940 Democratic nomination for President, in order to see to it that Wallace was placed on the 1940 ticket as Vice-President. FDR wanted Wallace to be his Vice-President no matter what.

Not only was Wallace an agricultural scientist and a competent administrator and economist, he was most of all, in FDR's utterance, “a thinker.” As a scientist, Henry Wallace was already discussing the



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The 1944 coup, which removed Henry Wallace as vice president, led to the succession of FDR by Truman, opening the way for unleashing the Cold War and the survival of the British empire.

peaceful uses of nuclear power for the post-war period.

As an administrator, Henry Wallace had run the economic war mobilization of the U.S. government. He was fiercely anti-colonialist.¹ One example of Henry Wallace's outlook was that Wallace would recommend that everyone read Alexander Hamilton's *Report on Manufactures*, and referred to "the line of action so wisely laid down by Alexander Hamilton," in which an ounce of government stimulation or participation would result in a pound of private initiative and enterprise.

The prospect of Henry Wallace succeeding FDR in the American Presidency meant the end of the British empire. The 1944 coup which removed Wallace and installed Harry Truman was a crucial turning point in U.S. history. Wallace's response to Henry Luce's call in *Life* magazine for an "American Century," an American empire directed by the British, was instead to call for a "Century of the Common Man."

It was this coup run against a sick and dying FDR that unleashed the Cold War, the unnecessary atomic bombing of Japan, the revival of European colonialism, and the subsequent massive political inquisition against the American population, its intellectuals, its thinkers, its scientists, its artists, and its genius; an inquisition administered by the FBI.

1. For a full discussion of Henry Wallace, see [Henry Wallace Would Never Have Dropped the Bomb on Japan](#), by Robert L. Baker, *EIR*.



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With the installation of Truman as president, the British took control of the direction of the United States. Shown here, on Truman's yacht (right to left), British Prime Minister Winston Churchill, Truman, Secretary of State Dean Acheson, and British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden.



Allen Dulles (left) and John Foster Dulles (right), along with Secretary of State Dean Acheson, were the key personnel in the Truman Administration directing the Cold War on behalf of the British empire.

The Inquisition: We Are No Longer Americans, Just Anti-Communists

Once Harry Truman succeeded Roosevelt, the British, through Winston Churchill and the 1,000 employees of the British Embassy in Washington, D.C., took control of the direction of the United States. Dean Acheson and the Dulles brothers, Allen and John Foster, eventually emerged as the key persons in the Truman Administration directing the Cold War, and the coups and assassinations against nationalist leaders in other nations on behalf of the British empire.

Those associated with FDR, like Wallace and William Donovan (of the OSS), were purged and driven from political life.

While Wall Street and its lackeys in the Democratic Party leadership played the key role in seizing control over the U.S. Presidency, it was left to the FBI to initiate and enforce a profound, far-reaching "Cultural Revolution" within the United States. Ironically, given the anti-Communist character of the method they chose, what was done bears a striking resemblance to the later 1966-1976 efforts of Mao Zedong in China. Terror, fear, self-criticism, persecution, and ostracism were tools used both by Mao and J. Edgar Hoover.

Beginning with Roosevelt's death, a wave of anti-Communist hysteria was unleashed, using the FBI as the principal tool. As a result we, the

American people, ceased being Americans and we all became *Anti-Communists*. Being American was no longer defined by positive principles to which we adhered, but rather by an agreed-upon enemy whom we were all against. It got to the point that anything we couldn't understand was suspect of being "Communist." Everyone who started discussing ideas that required serious thought was "suspected of having Communist sympathies." Everything we did in the world was now justified with "stopping Communism." Protecting colonialism was done because "we had to stop Communism." Protecting the Nazis after World War II was done because "we had to stop Communism." The United States went into Vietnam because "we had to stop Communism." This legacy can even be seen still today, that despite all the changes that have occurred in Russia and China, Americans are told "they are still the Communists, they are our enemies, and we need to stop them."

The way this inquisition developed was that the House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC) would subpoena prominent individuals to testify before the House Committee. They would be asked: "Are you now, or have you ever been a member of the Communist Party?" The Committee members would be illegally armed with the defendant's entire FBI files. The FBI would covertly gather the information, and then would channel it to the HUAC as anonymously provided evidence against the defendant. There were thousands of such high-profile subpoenas and hundreds were sentenced to jail for contempt of Congress for refusing to answer questions.

Publicly, the FBI ran a high-profile media campaign through the House Un-American Activities Committee in the Congress, and later as well, with Senator Joseph McCarthy and California Congressman Richard Nixon. On the covert side, the FBI used the public witch-hunt to run extensive operations to brutally intimidate and destroy key individuals in government, in trade unions, in political parties, in the media, in the military, as well as in corporations.

Take the case of my father Steve Glumaz. This is a typical story. In 1950 he was a leader in the West Coast Longshoremen's Union, the ILWU. He was also in the Communist Party, which by then had been infiltrated and taken over by the FBI. The FBI used its assets in the Communist Party to "snitch-jacket" my father. In other words, accuse him falsely of working with the FBI. He lost all his friends and acquaintances as a result.

Then the FBI approached him with numerous offers

of assistance if he would testify falsely that the head of ILWU, Harry Bridges, was a Communist. Since Harry Bridges was from Australia, that testimony would be used to get Bridges deported to Australia under the then-pending McCarran Act, which was about to be passed in Congress. My father refused the offers. With his life and reputation ruined, he ended up leaving the country, as many did in these situations. Had he accepted the FBI offers, he would have been crushed as a human being.

This kind of thing was going on everywhere in all aspects of our society. It began right after Truman took office in 1945. While the anti-Communist aspect of the inquisition reached its peak in 1954, with Joe McCarthy going after the Army, these practices of targeting individuals have continued to the present day. Either through fear or corruption, or both, the intention is to break the person's independent spirit. Those most especially targeted were those with uncompromising intellects.

In William Sullivan's, *The Bureau*, that former high-ranking FBI official states: "During the Eisenhower years the FBI kept Joe McCarthy in business. Senator McCarthy stated publicly that there were Communists working for the State Department. We (the FBI) gave McCarthy all we had, but all we had were fragments, nothing could prove his accusations. For a while, though, the accusations were enough to keep McCarthy in the headlines."²

National Security and the Caste System

Against this backdrop of anti-communist hysteria and the inquisitorial atmosphere, an even greater and more damaging process was going on. This revolved around the advancement of careers and employment. All persons seeking jobs in the defense sector, as well as many other areas, had to give proof of their unwavering anti-Communism to get a decent job. It was the FBI that decided who could have these jobs and who could not. If people didn't grovel enough, they couldn't get the jobs. This spilled over into the unions, corporations, colleges, and every area of American life. This constituted the beginning of a post-World War II caste system governing who was promoted and who was not.

Perhaps the best documented, and certainly the most notorious example of this "rooting out" of undesirables was what occurred in the entertainment industry, begin-

2. William Sullivan, *The Bureau*, New York: W.W. Norton and Company, 1979, p. 45.

ning with the prosecution of the Hollywood Ten. Hundreds of Hollywood actors, directors, producers, and screen-writers were interrogated either by a Congressional committee or by the FBI directly. To be “cleared” of suspicion, one had to “name names.” There was no other way to get one’s own name off the list of suspected communists.

It was also made clear that one’s career advancement was dependent on having the “right” attitudes, the “right” politics. John Wayne is a good example of this. Simply swearing fealty to anti-Communism was the least of it. It was the repression of ideas, the repression of thought, and the repression of intellect that was expected of those who wished to advance in the world of the media and entertainment, and in other fields as well.

It must be stated, however, that what occurred in Hollywood, as famous as it is, was only a small part of what also occurred on university campuses (where many professors were purged), in the defense industry, in government employment, in the nation’s scientific laboratories, in the trade unions, and elsewhere. Conformity and obedience became second nature to those who wanted to get ahead. In fact, it was even common that many low-level job applicants, performing such menial jobs as janitor or sales clerk, had to sign loyalty oaths before they would be considered for employment.

Some of this was later revealed in the Church and Pike Committee Congressional Hearings of 1975-76, which brought it to light that for years the FBI had been working with the news media to feed the public an artificial picture of key people and events. Media companies, such as CBS, NBC, the *Washington Post* and the *New York Times*, regularly churned out stories dictated by the FBI, often with the assistance of Wall Street-sponsored public relations experts.

All political associations were routinely penetrated by the FBI, including and especially both right-wing and left-wing organizations. If anyone aspired to leadership in these organizations, being on good terms with the FBI as an informant was often the key factor in promotion. Some political leaders are recruited to the FBI early in life, and the FBI helps them move up the ladder in exchange for their involvement and assistance. These “leaders” also represent part of the caste system. One case of this is former Vice-President Al Gore who, in Tennessee as a young reporter, cut his teeth working for the FBI in helping to frame up African American leaders.

Over the years this has created a society where those who “went along to get along” rose in society, and those



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who didn’t were condemned to a lower caste, and a harsher life. This caste process tended to select the least truthful and most unquestioning individuals for promotion, while the most truthful and most questioning individuals tended to be relegated to a lower status. The sociologist William H. Whyte, in his 1956 book, *The Organization Man*, describes some of the changes in the American identity within the leadership of corporations, such that the individual executive had become conformist without initiative or creativity. These changes described by Whyte correlate with the FBI inquisition and the transformation of America into a caste system.

Gossip and Slander

Perhaps the most insidious means of political control is rumor, gossip, and slander. Any individual who is independent and has the potential to become a leader, someone who will not “go along to get along,” is targeted with rumor, gossip, and slander. One’s friends, family, and co-workers will hear through the “grapevine” that so-and-so is getting carried away about something politically, and that perhaps so-and-so should pay more attention to “getting ahead in life,” or “show concern for the family.”

Once someone has become active politically, and might be stepping on the toes of those whom the FBI prefers, then the rumors, gossip, and ultimately slanders in the media occur. Some of the most notable examples of this include Albert Einstein, who was



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Singer and actor Paul Robeson was hounded by the FBI for stepping on the toes of the British empire. Robeson is shown here leading shipyard workers in singing the Star Spangled Banner.

hounded in this way from the time he applied to immigrate to the United States in the 1930's, to the last day of his life. Another prominent example was Paul Robeson, who was similarly hounded. The same occurred with Dr. Martin Luther King. There are countless examples: virtually anyone who is independent of Wall Street and their British masters. The most slandered individual in America today is Lyndon LaRouche. LaRouche is routinely portrayed in the media as racist, an anti-Semite, a right winger, a communist, a crackpot, a cult leader, a narcissist, a CIA agent, and an agent of the Vatican,— depending on the targeted audience. All of this comes from the FBI. In addition to these planted media articles, the FBI deploys networks of rumor and gossip-mills, especially to the periphery or social milieu of the targeted group or person.

Infiltration and Agents Provocateurs

It is estimated, according to Trevor Aaronson in his book, *The Terror Factory*, that the FBI, in this current decade, deploys a force of 15,000 registered informants. If unofficial and other confidential sources are added in, the number goes up to between 45,000 to 60,000 persons in our society, who collaborate with the FBI. This means that there is one FBI collaborator for every 5,000 to 7,000 people in the United States. What are these 45,000 to 60,000 individuals doing? How many of them are elected officials at the local, state, or federal level? How many of them are working as jour-

nalists? How many of these are in trade unions, in corporations, in political organizations, in criminal associations, in prisons, and other positions? This information is secret. Then there is a special sort of FBI operative called the “agent provocateur.” One day in the late 1960s, the FBI “heroically” broke up a plot to bomb the Washington Monument. The organizer of the “attempt” was an FBI *agent provocateur*. This man, who was in his early fifties at the time, had also earlier been, at one time or another, a hit man for the mob, a street pimp on 42nd Street in New York City, the chief of security for Stokely Carmichael of SNCC, and was the instigator of the Louisville riots immediately following the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King.

I knew this man, and at the time of our acquaintance, he was on his way to prison for instigating the Louisville riots, and then, after prison, he was hoping to retire from being an FBI *agent provocateur*. If one searches the internet one will find case after case of the FBI “heroically” breaking up various plots, all concocted by the FBI. The organizer of the 1993 Trade Center bombing, for instance, was an FBI *agent provocateur*. On March 7, 1971, anti-war activists broke into the FBI offices in Media, Pennsylvania, stealing files which bore the heading “Cointelpro” and leaked them to the press. The revelations contained in these files, combined with the Watergate hearings, began a process intended to end such FBI crimes. The subsequent Church and Pike Committee Congressional hearings of 1975-76 revealed that under the FBI's Cointelpro program, dissident political leaders were subjected to false arrests, burglaries, thefts, imprisonment, defamation of family, friends, and potential associates, unauthorized wiretaps, and assassinations. To facilitate these activities, FBI informants were flooding into targetted organizations—on the alert to record personal flaws, gossip, organizational intrigue, and family, sexual, and financial practices and problems.

Blackmail and Frame-ups

It gets much worse. Blackmail is the “coin of the realm” for the FBI, and this is particularly the case with their targeting of independent elected officials. An FBI agent visits a Congressman, showing a photo, or referencing something either embarrassing or illegal that is known to the FBI, and says: “The Bureau wants the

Congressman to know that we appreciate the good work that the Congressman is doing.” It is implied that henceforth, the Congressman will cooperate with the FBI or suffer “unfortunate consequences.”

It is estimated by many that most of the elected officials in the country have embarrassing personal matters that may be known to the FBI. Either they have been notified of this by the FBI, or else they fear that the FBI might be aware of them. With the revelations about NSA surveillance that have recently been leaked, the picture is still worse. To this day, the power of blackmail is held over the heads of our elected officials. If one wonders why the Congress doesn’t really work when it comes to the interests of the nation, that question should be directed to the FBI.

If rumors, gossip, slander, and blackmail prove insufficient to control a situation, the next step is a frame-up. Sting operations and entrapment schemes are commonly used. Often the IRS is enlisted to do an audit to see if there is a tax violation that could be used against the target. It is not possible to list all the persons who have been framed up by the FBI,—the list could number in the thousands. Lyndon LaRouche is one who was framed up and sent to prison. Former New Jersey Congressman Cornelius Gallagher, now 94 years old, and a friend of John F. Kennedy, is another. The transcript of an interview conducted with Congressman Gallagher in this issue of the *EIR*, is one of the best accounts of how this process works.

There were two larger groups of politicians who were framed-up *en masse* because they represented constituencies that were organically “not on board” with the policies of Wall Street and the British empire. One group was that of African American elected officials, and the other was that of labor-connected elected officials. On Jan. 27, 1988, then-Rep. Mervyn Dymally (D-Calif.) put into the Congressional Record a sworn affidavit from former FBI special agent Hirsch Friedman. It was then that the longstanding “Operation Fruehmenschen,” which had begun in the 1940’s and 1950’s targeting African American elected officials, came to light. The reason stated in the affidavit was that “black officials were intellectually and socially incapable of governing major governmental organizations and institutions.” The word “Fruehmenschen” in German



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In 1988, then Representative Mervyn Dymally (D-Calif.) exposed the FBI’s “Fruehmenschen” operation targetting African-American elected officials. He put a sworn affidavit from a former FBI agent into the Congressional Record.

means “early” or “primitive men.” Some of the prominent officials targeted were New York Congressman Adam Clayton Powell, Cleveland Mayor Carl Stokes, California Lt. Governor Mervyn Dymally, D.C. Mayor Marion Barry, Massachusetts Senator Edward Brooke, and New York Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm. There were many more.

The real reason for this was that the African American community and its leaders were the sector most resistant to the policies coming from Wall Street and the British empire. Allegiance to the heritage of Franklin Roosevelt, the Presidency of John Kennedy, and the Vision of Martin Luther King made African American leaders a prime target for the FBI.

The other mass frame-up centered on operations called ABSCAM and BRILAB. There were more than 1,200 investigations involving some 3,000 special FBI agents targeting “white collar” crime. Some targeted powerful Congressmen and Senators. Key Senators targeted were New Jersey Senators Harrison Williams and Frank Thompson, and Nevada Senator Howard Cannon,—very powerful Senators. The purpose of these frame-ups of elected officials under the ABSCAM/BRILAB program, was to remove from the Senate and Congress the key labor-connected officials who were standing in the way of the deregulation of the financial system. If they had remained in office, and without the demonstration of the power of Wall Street through the

FBI in their removal, there would have been no possibility that the subsequent torrent of financial “reforms,” culminating in the repeal of FDR’s Glass-Steagall legislation, could have passed the Congress. These are the “reforms” that have ultimately led to the financial crisis we are in today.

Ripping Out the Soul of America

Let us return to what occurred after 1945. In a very, very brief period of time, the entirety of Franklin Roosevelt’s Administration was purged from the government. Henry Wallace was gone, labeled as a Communist sympathizer. William Donovan was gone. Dozens of Roosevelt Administration officers and policy makers were investigated and questioned as to their loyalty. Key people were actually indicted and imprisoned. The most famous of these were Alger Hiss and Harry Dexter White. It was charged that the Roosevelt Administration was riddled with Soviet spies.

Let’s be clear: among the thousands of employees in the Roosevelt Administration there were some Communists. First of all, this was not illegal. Second, the Soviet Union was our ally. Third, there were also right-wing Republicans and many other types of people in the Roosevelt Administration. The glue which held them together was their loyalty to Roosevelt and the vision which FDR had for a return to the principles of the American Constitution. However, what was done instead, in very short order, was to smear the entire legacy of FDR as being soft on communism, or worse. By the 1950s, the twelve-year Roosevelt Presidency was being portrayed as an aberration, something which only came about because of the Depression, and something out of step with traditional American values.

As we have shown, after about 1945 the FBI imposed a reign of terror to turn Americans into cowards. People who spoke up were targeted, shunned, fired, or indicted. When Ethel Rosenberg was executed, the message was clear,— even your family members are not safe. John Kennedy, who tried to revive the vision and outlook of FDR, was murdered. His brother was murdered. Martin Luther King was murdered. The American people became more afraid.

Since 1944, not a single “major” candidate for the U.S. Presidency has called for a return to the policies of Franklin Roosevelt,— this despite the undeniable fact that Roosevelt was both the greatest and most successful President since Abraham Lincoln. Discussing Roosevelt is simply taboo. It is something that one simply

does not do if one wishes to be considered for higher office. It is crucial to recognize that in extirpating the legacy of FDR, the FBI has also succeeded in erasing the true nature of the United States, because it was Roosevelt, and before him Abraham Lincoln, who most faithfully represented and defended the Hamiltonian nature of the American Republic.

The FBI and J. Edgar Hoover are not subjects of historical curiosity. We are not discussing here past events of the 1940s or 1950s. What was done then is being done today! What began in 1944 is still with us, and the political/social control is still with us. The ban on fighting for an FDR solution to the financial-economic crisis is still with us. The fear within the population is still with us, now greatly exacerbated by having a cold-blooded killer in the Oval Office. The FBI still continues its treasonous dirty work on behalf of Wall Street and London. All of its methods are still in use.

Hope

The system of Wall Street and the British empire is disintegrating. A new global economic system is emerging around China, Russia, and India that incorporates the same vision that the 1944 coup against FDR and the assassination of Kennedy intended to crush. We are witnessing the equivalent of the collapse of the Roman Empire.

This also means that the power that controls the FBI is going down. The power behind the mental shackles that have been imposed on the American people is collapsing, and will soon not exist. Our problem is no longer an objective problem. Our problem is a subjective one. In each of us is the accumulated habit of an internal policing mechanism which is the FBI. The FBI could cease to exist, and we would still act as mental slaves. It is the spirit of the FBI in us that is preventing us from seizing the opportunities for our nation that the collapse of Wall Street and British empire represent.

It is imperative that those reading this begin to become conscious and reflect on the effect that the FBI has had on the mental processes of one’s parents, one’s grandparents, as well as on oneself. It is also imperative that one begin to face the ugly reality of what has happened. There is hope, but hope does not exist in avoiding reality. Our hope as a nation now rests on the revival of the vision of FDR and Kennedy. That revival cannot happen if we remain in the mental shackles imposed upon us by the FBI. Recognizing those shackles is the first step.