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We Are Witnessing History in The Making – The Devolution of Western Culture

PHOENIX – The Porticus Centre (BTITPC), prides itself in maintaining, and archiving material dating back 140 years of history relating to principally The Bell System, and Beatrice Foods (Beatrice Creamery), and Borden Company. The corporate history of these particular companies reflect the unique symbiosis of the growth of our nation, The United States of America.

- Gail Borden begins experiments to condense milk in 1852, which later was instrumental for the Union Army during the Civil War, as it was easily transported. Her success helped establish modern dairying, and Gail Borden founded Condensed Milk Company, later to become the Borden Company.
- Alexander Graham Bell, who as a child in Scotland, had interest in electricity, and intense desire to help the deaf, stemming from boyhood days when his mother first began to lose her hearing. This eventually led to the invention in 1876 to what we know as the telephone. Mr Bell, also was interested in flight, and in 1907, with J. A. D. McCurdy, Lieutenant Thomas E. Selfridge, F. W. Baldwin and Glenn H. Curtiss, organized and formed the Aerial Experiment Association which was financially backed by Mrs. Bell. This Association played an important role in advancing the cause of aviation.

Our nation, and Western culture in particular, are founded on core historical principles that are ignored, and shunned in so-called “higher education” universities in favour of replacement alternate historical facts. Outlined below is what our government and legal system is based off of, and should be mandatory learning in order to better understand who we are as a nation, and society.

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1) The 10 Commandments.

2) Athenian democracy (6th century BC), known as the first known democracy, which Western governments are based off of.

3) Codex Justinianus [Corpus Juris Civilis] (6th century AD), by Justinian I, Eastern Roman (Byzantine) emperor, which is the basis of Western law.

4) Magna Carta Libertatum (1215 AD), a charter of rights.

5) The Federalist Papers (1788 AD), by Alexander Hamilton, James Madison, and John Jay, which are a collection of 85 essays and articles for the promotion to ratify the United States Constitution.

6) The United States Bill of Rights (1789 AD), which are the first ten amendments to the Constitution of The United States.

As a company who prides itself on preserving history, it is difficult to see historical monuments be destroyed around the country, and now the world. All this without dialogue of any kind. Some notable, and ridiculous attempts to destroy historical monuments are as follows:

- Charles Grey, 2nd Earl Grey Prime Minister of the United Kingdom from November 1830 to July 1834, whose government abolished slavery in the British Empire in 1833. Violent uneducated thugs want to destroy his statues in England for what reason?
- Lord Baden-Powell - Created the Scouting movement in 1908, and the Girl Guide and Girl Scout in 1910. Efforts by protesters who want to destroy the statue that resides in Poole Quay, Dorset, England, have prompted residents and others that were scouts themselves to protect the statue.
- Thomas Jefferson - Third president of the United States, and main author of the Declaration of Independence is having his statues being targeted.

- Shaw 54th Regiment Memorial in Boston - Solely dedicated to those black soldiers that fought for the Union army, was vandalized by uneducated, ignorant thugs that know nothing of history. This is truly shameful to the memories of those that gave their lives for freedom. A thousand fold shame on those that put their ugly graffiti on this monument.

There are many more examples of wanton destruction of historic pieces that are being erased from our very eyes. Dialogue, philosophical and civil conversation no longer exist. The days of the Athenian Republic of Plato, and Socrates, or the Roman Republics greatest orator, Cicero would allow such conversations. Have we as a society descended to allow the proverbial Vandals, Visigoths, Huns, Franks and others to plunder, loot, and destroy our culture, both here in the USA, and Europe? What befell the Western Roman Empire in its later years, is happening before our eyes, and our so called leaders just let it happen.

As what happened in more modern times, with the abolition of the Russian Czarist monarchy in 1917, unprecedented destruction of the historic monuments in their country was in full force, and the rewriting of history from a Bolshevik perspective would now dominate until 1991. If you did not fall into line with the new system of Bolshevik thinking, you were automatically an enemy, and in most cases, your life was forfeit, just as the imperial family of the Czar was, when his family was murdered in July 1918, on orders of Vladimir Ilyich Lenin.

The Bolsheviks destroyed monuments, and when the National Socialists Workers Party (NSDAP) took over in Germany in 1933, they themselves started going after literary works, and had large book burnings. Not much difference between the two authoritarian regimes. Once totalitarian groups start to target statues, books, TV programmes, people are their next logical target, and history has proven this time and again.

Lest we also never forget The Buddhas of Bamyan in Afghanistan, built in 507 BC, which were monumental statues of Gautama Buddha. These were carved into the side of the cliff in the Bamyan valley in central Afghanistan. March 2001, the Taliban destroyed these statues, after having been there for 2,500 years. History blasted to pieces for purely ideological reasons.

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Two quotes that should be ingrained in everyone's memory are as follows:

"Every record has been destroyed or falsified, every book rewritten, every picture has been repainted, every statue and street building has been renamed, every date has been altered. And this process is continuing day by day and minute by minute. History has stopped. Nothing exists except an endless present in which the Party is always right."

-George Orwell (Nineteen Eighty-Four: A Novel) 1949

"A Communist is nothing more than a Nazi painted red." ("red-painted Nazis.")

-West German politician Kurt Schumacher

Western society is at a pivotal and historical juncture that we may regret one day for allowing mass hysteria take over sane and civil discourse. If we allow our culture to be obliterated, history books rewritten, TV shows, cinematic films to be hidden away, or edited, which includes cartoons, or have historical monuments torn down and either thrown into rivers or dragged away, we have given in to anarchy, and a Bolshevik blood lust mindset that should not be tolerated.

A civil society can only prosper if there is a proper education system that teaches history in a non-biased manner. Also, the news media that people have been watching has done nothing to help, and has only stoked the fury ever more so. History will show that our education system, all the way up to so called "higher education", is really indoctrination, and has done such a shameful disservice to our great country with not giving a balanced view of how our constitutional republic was formed, and though not perfect, was always considered a beacon of freedom to many around the world. Our politicians, news media, and educational system that panders to mob rule, and even encourages the destruction of public property is not a progressive society, but a regressive one.

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Our Western culture, despite its flaws, has given the world so much, and should not be allowed to be demonized and destroyed. We should learn from history. When the Western Roman Empire fell in 510 AD, it took the Renaissance period of the 14th century AD to rekindle a stagnant culture that was once Rome.

At The Porticus Centre, we try to preserve and share with what history we have, and if there was a more concerted effort from others to do the same, instead of eradicating history, perhaps a real dialogue can begin.

About The Porticus Centre

The Porticus Centre, a business unit of Beatrice Technologies, Inc. (www.porticus.org), is an on-line historical business archival system that enables businesses, universities, libraries, and museums, to store, retrieve, and feature, through secure or open network connections, their historical documentation. Our main archives consist of AT&T (Bell System), GTE (General Telephone System), Beatrice Foods Co., and Borden Company. The Porticus Centre relies on donations of materials, but on occasion, we will acquire materials to fill gaps in our archives.