

READERS' LETTERS

Definition has been twisted

I am a racist! And proud of it. It's truly a compliment to be called a racist today. The liberal left has twisted the definition to mean anyone who objects and is unwilling to bow to the demands of the left.

The liberal left's bizarre definition of "Racist" has utterly nothing to do with race.

According to the liberals, intent on ripping apart the United States, I am a racist. I imagine their right because:

I do not support the BLM Organization, I believe that all lives are God's creations, and all lives matter. Including the life of the unborn child.

I do not support their criminal plan to ruin our society.

I prize our history and how, as a nation, we have grown.

I hold that every person has a right to be heard without concern of being attacked.

I believe in a person's freedom to work and earn a living.

I think that our churches should eternally be the center of our family and community.

I believe that it is the right and responsibility of parents to raise their children and not that of the government.

I stand with and support our police and all first responders.

I believe that if you break to law, you should be placed under arrest, be giving a fair trial, and if found guilty, you should be punished.

If, like me, based on the new liberal definition, you are a racist, proudly share it. No longer will I allow the liber-

al prostitution of the word racist to ruin good people.

The Nazis were capable of slaughtering people in bright daylight because good people decided to remain mute out of fear. Do not let fear make you one of those "good people."

Stephen Butler
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Right-wing media distorts

This is what I believe to be true concerning the sociopolitical state of our country at this critical time:

Why do most of the people I know vote Republican?

1. Fear that Democrats will take away their guns and reduce military spending.
2. Fear that people who don't look or think like them will gain power.
3. Fear that Democrats will raise taxes.
4. They believe Donald Trump will make America great again.

Why do they believe one through four?

They watch and listen to right-wing media and social media posts that are owned and funded and supported by corporations, groups and individuals that manufacture, distribute and sell and buy weapons.

Mark Anderson
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Journalists fanned flames of these protests

So it seems now that "journalists" are assaulted it seem more important for the looting, burning, assaults on business owners or just plain regular citizens to be addressed?

It was all OK as night after night the ri-

oters, looters, arsonists roamed the streets terrorizing and tearing down the city, as the press called "peaceful protests."

But now a so-called journalist is assaulted it's a crime? The press are the ones fanning the flames and giving legitimacy to these thugs.

And now it's all wrong. Can you spell hypocrite?

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Don't let school districts endanger lives

Teachers of Oregon: Why is our health, and the health of our students, worth so little in the eyes of our "leaders"? Now is the time for all of us to band together and refuse to take part in a march to our possible deaths.

Cases of COVID-19 are rapidly rising with the partial re-opening of businesses, and they will likely skyrocket if students and staff return to the classroom this fall. Unless classes are held entirely outdoors, and children are somehow straightjacketed from touching their peers or removing their masks, there is simply no way to avoid furthering the spread of the virus in our schools. We must not stand for this irrationality.

In a profession which is already underpaid, understaffed and grossly undervalued, we teachers must ask ourselves this question: If all of us refuse to endanger our lives by returning to work, who will the school districts be able to find and recruit to replace us? I think we all know the answer.

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