

INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS TRICKLE DOWN TO STATE

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If you have a clear concise view on the state of affairs on the state and national level you are much more astute than I am. I have tried to look at all aspects and have come to definitive conclusions on the several onerous problems we face on both fronts. Following are a few of my random thoughts on some of them.

First and foremost is the eminent and present danger to life, limb, culture and nation. If we fail to act positively in protecting and maintaining the status quo everything else becomes a moot point. I question the motives and actions of politicians on both sides of the aisle.

It is ironic that our open and democratic society has contributed in large part to the success and expansion of the organizations whose admitted objective is to destroy us. Those responsible for the emphasis on adherence to programs based on political correctness and racial profiling are directly responsible for the results.

These people appear to be more concerned with accommodating and protecting the rights and culture of illegal aliens than those are that pay the bills and support the constitution. They are the same people who believe the constitution is a living document. One that is open to interpretation by liberal justices who are prone to making law rather than ruling on it as it is written by legislators empowered to do so.

The ACLU appears to be bound and determined to destroy our culture and way of life. Some of the causes it champions and campaigns for actually seem bizarre and stifle freedom rather than enhance it.

In all of the media hype and rhetoric about the problems we are encountering from the Middle East, I hear nothing from the West indicating we are on a holy war. Our protagonist on the other hand makes no bones about referring to the dispute as a jihad. Has it ever occurred to those of the liberal persuasion that they will never be content to coexist alongside other religions? They have promised to continue the conflict as long as any vestige of western civilization remains. How do you appeal or negotiate with such radicalism?

I have given some thought to the lack of support from many of our neighbors. I think it boils down to several things. They are intensely jealous of our success as a nation. Monetary considerations are taking place over world peace and stability. They could care less what happens to us and refuse to recognize or acknowledge any of the aid and support we have given over a period of many years to many less fortunate than we are. My

only question to all of the crap we are given is what are we going to do about it?

We are beginning to learn that we have a burgeoning problem with our out of control immigration policies. They have already compromised our ability to deal effectively with many of the problems facing us nationally and domestically. Can anyone see any positive action to reconcile the situation from either of the two major political parties?

All of the problems brought about by our international quandary have trickled on down to our state government. I have been amazed at how quickly the rosy picture the Governor painted of state affairs has deteriorated since last November. Money is tight and we will have to cut some essentials such as in the fields of health care and education. I note with interest millions have been earmarked to purchase more land in the forest preserve. I apologize for announcing it that way instead of the usual way it's couched as being "saved". Saved from what, being put to some more useful purpose such as being managed for its best use? Instead it would be added to the already bloated and unmanaged mess that principally serves to perpetrate the myriad so-called environmental groups.

With the stringent controls of both the Park Agency and the D.E.C. regulating private land, where is the crisis they and the environmental groups thrive on?

If anyone needs an example of how shallow and disingenuous these environmental groups are he or she need look no further than the headline in the January 19, 2003 *Watertown Daily News*; "Adirondacks group wary of more fighter flights".

In the midst of a life and death struggle to preserve the nation, members of these groups are concerned that their elitist reveries will be rudely interrupted by the sounds of fighter jets training. Dear me, how inconsiderate to choose wild uninhabited areas to train when more densely populated areas are readily available. Must make one proud to be a paying member of such patriotic organizations.

The thought occurs to me that a great many people care more for their personal well being and comfort than for the overall safety and welfare of the state and nation. It's more terrible to me to believe that there are legislators who feel the same way, also.

There you have it as Brit Hume says, "fair, balanced and unafraid".