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Alt-Right & Agents Provocateurs

The political tremors from the deadly confrontation in Charlottesville, Virginia, on August 12 continue to reverberate. The violent clash between neo-Nazis/white nationalists on one side with masked Antifa thugs and Black Lives Matter activists on the other — along with their respective allies — was guaranteed to be ugly. And ugly it was, deadly and very *ugly*. It culminated in the death of demonstrator Heather Heyer. The victors in that scripted skirmish are the extremists on both sides who are determined to rip America apart — as well as the media and political elites who are doing everything possible to fan the flames of racial hatred and turmoil.



The virulent Trump haters couldn't have asked for a better-staged event to reinforce their narrative of President Trump as Hitler reincarnated: The Ku Klux Klan came swaddled in their white robes and hoods; the neo-Nazis appeared bearing swastika flags, armed with shields and clubs; the "white nationalists" were festooned with Confederate flags, hijacking that symbol of Southern heritage and commingling it with the fascist icons and rhetoric of the militant racists. Former KKK leader David Duke put in an appearance, but he was relegated to a cameo role (as an "elder statesman" of sorts), while the limelight was commandeered by a younger generation of "nationalist" and "racial identity" leaders whose names are barely known to most Americans, even though in the pantheon of the "alt-Right" (Alternative Right) some of them have achieved demigod status: Richard Spencer, Jared Taylor, Jason Kessler, Tim Gionet (aka Baked Alaska), Mike Peinovich (aka Mike Enoch), Matt Heimbach, and Andrew Anglin.

The above-mentioned leaders and celebrities of the alt-Right, along with a motley assortment of knuckle draggers from the National Socialist Movement, the Ku Klux Klan, the Traditionalist Workers Party, Vanguard America, and other groups that are virulently racist and/or openly neo-Nazi, came together at the much-publicized "Unite the Right" rally on August 12. The gathering would more accurately have been called "Blight the Right," since the organizations and individuals involved in no way represent the Republican Party, Tea Party groups, conservatives, libertarians, Christians, pro-lifers, or any other segment of the authentic "Right." In fact, they are a blight whose primary purpose — if not sole purpose — appears to be to help the establishment media smear and discredit the Right, and to validate Hillary Clinton's charge that Trump supporters (that is, those who voted against her) are "a basket of deplorables." The alt-Right, at least as represented in Charlottesville, provided the precise optics needed by the Fake News media not only to boost its relentless anti-Trump campaign, but also to associate legitimate concerns about illegal immigration with xenophobia, and efforts to retain Confederate symbols and Southern heritage with racism. They also served to boost the image of the communist-directed Antifa mobs as heroic opponents of fascism and bigotry. As we have reported



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previously, Harvard Professor Cornel West, a veteran promoter of the Revolutionary Communist Party, claimed that he and other “non-violent” counter-protesters were “saved” from the neo-Nazis by the masked Antifa thugs. West’s glowing Antifa endorsement has been picked up and repeated in countless media stories.

The bloody Charlottesville brawl was a horrible loss to our already unraveling civil society; it was a win-win for the extremist “demonstrators” on both sides, and for the forces behind them that want to tear America apart. From the standpoint of those people who desire our destruction, the “Unite the Right” rally could not have gone better. In previous articles (in these pages and online) we have examined the forces — some semi-hidden and others openly visible — behind the violent Antifa movement. In this article we will be taking a closer look at what is being called the alt-Right, the false opposition that is being put forward as a response to Antifa and the oppressive left-wing political correctness that is becoming omnipresent.

While some of the alt-Right celebrities are merely losers seeking fame by attaching themselves to Donald Trump’s coattails, others more closely fit the profile of *agents provocateurs* — that is, saboteurs whose purpose is to “discredit from within.” Thanks to the undercover camera work of James O’Keefe’s Project Veritas, we have damning “confessions” from top Democratic Party operatives boasting about infiltrating Trump campaign rallies and events, staging conflicts, and “creating anarchy.” Scott Foval, Bob Creamer, and other “dirty tricks” agents for Hillary Clinton’s campaign and the Democratic National Committee (DNC) were caught *in flagrante* admitting to staging and instigating conflicts for maximum media effect. A prime example was Shirley Teeter, the 69-year-old woman wearing an oxygen mask and lugging an oxygen tank who claimed to have been “cold-cocked” at a Trump rally in North Carolina. The media pounced on the story, featuring photos of the poor woman sprawled on the ground, a victim of nasty Trumpers. But, it turned out, Teeter was a paid *agente provocatrice*. She “was one of our activists,” Scott Foval bragged on video. And, he said, she “had been trained up to birddog,” and to perform her stunt exactly as it played out. Team Hillary reaped enormous propagandist value from that stunt, while Team Trump was crucified with it.

Foval made it clear that he knew that many of his tactics are illegal and that he didn’t care that some of the DNC’s legal experts were worried about possible prosecution, if discovered. “It doesn’t matter what the friggin’ legal and ethics people say, we need to win this mother*****,” he said, adding, “We’re starting anarchy here.” Did the same media that blasted the Teeter story all over the universe then go back and clobber Clinton and the DNC for the deception after the Foval revelations? Of course not; instead they went after O’Keefe and Project Veritas.

Bob Creamer, a convicted felon and veteran left-wing activist from Chicago (and Foval’s mentor), was also caught on video describing the anarchy he was orchestrating. He was merely following the program prescribed by infamous Marxist and Chicago-based “community organizer” Saul Alinsky (shown), the author of *Rules for Radicals*.

In his flattering biography of Alinsky, *Let Them Call Me Rebel*, Sanford D. Horwitt recounts Alinsky’s advice to students at Tulane University in 1972, who were planning to protest a speech by George H. W. Bush, who was then the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations. Horwitt writes:

The students told Alinsky they were thinking about picketing or disrupting Bush’s address. That’s the wrong approach, he rejoined, not very creative — and besides causing a disruption might get them



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thrown out of school. He told them, instead, to go to hear the speech dressed as members of the Ku Klux Klan, and whenever Bush said something in defense of the Vietnam War, they should cheer and wave placards reading, “The KKK supports Bush.” And that is what they did, with very successful, attention-getting results.

Before we examine key members of the alt-Right who were involved in the “Unite the Right” affair in Charlottesville, we should point out to those unfamiliar with the subject that the use of *agents provocateurs* — by private organizations and government agencies — has been a common practice throughout history, and it has become more prevalent and sophisticated in our day. In the past year, we have seen dozens of examples of fake “hate crimes” committed by anti-Trump activists that have been exposed by police or private investigators. In most of these cases the perpetrator of the “stunt” — as far as we know — has turned out to be an individual simply acting on his own, in an effort to discredit Trump and advance the “America is racist, homophobic, fascist” meme. Elaborate *agent provocateur* ruses are usually not exposed until years, or decades, after they have worked their damage. A good example of this delayed exposure is the massive campaign carried out during the Cold War by the communist regime in East Germany, through its State Security Service (the *Staatssicherheitsdienst*), more popularly known as the “Stasi.” Among the many discoveries that were found in the Stasi files after the fall of the Berlin Wall was proof confirming that the Stasi had carried out a huge, decades-long campaign of anti-Semitic provocations in West Germany — painting swastikas on synagogues, vandalizing Jewish cemeteries — to discredit the West German government. It also worked to prevent the rise of any genuinely anti-communist political party, since the anti-Semitic attacks were usually made to appear to be the work of anti-communists.

Many additional explosive revelations have since come out of the Stasi files, including the fact that Karl-Heinz Kurras, the West Berlin policeman who shot and killed student Benno Ohnesorg in 1967, was actually a Stasi agent. The Ohnesorg shooting became a cause célèbre in Germany and was exploited by the communists (as the Kent State shootings in Ohio were used here) to fan the violent campus riots. The false-flag operations were continued by the West German intelligence agencies after German reunification. In 2002, the German government was embarrassed by the revelations that Germany’s leading neo-Nazi front, the National Democratic Party (NDP), was completely a government operation. The NDP’s ugly racist and anti-Semitic demonstrations were used by the government to pass “hate crime” legislation and stifle all political dissent. Evidence was released showing that top NDP officials had been paid agents tasked with stirring up perpetual anti-Semitic incidents that would keep Germany in turmoil.

We have shown in many previous articles in *The New American* that the FBI, ATF, and other agencies of our federal government have also engaged in funding, training, and promoting *agents provocateurs* whose words and actions have jeopardized our freedom and caused lasting damage to our national security and social cohesion. Radio talk-show host Hal Turner, known as the “Host of Hate” and the “Farmbelt Fuehrer,” is but one of many virulent racists exposed as having been funded for years by the FBI. Are any of the Charlottesville miscreants also, like Turner, *agents provocateurs* (paid or otherwise)? We don’t have definitive evidence to that effect, just yet, but judging from past experience, that likelihood is very high. Here is some of what we know at present.

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Jason Kessler: How did this recently “converted” left-wing Obama supporter end up being the



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organizer for a “Unite the Right” rally that did so much to discredit the Right? What does he truly believe, and whom does he actually work for? Those questions remain unanswered. Kessler is one of the most recent alt-Right personalities to burst upon the scene, having inexplicably switched from being a progressive Democrat only in 2016. He is a former activist in Occupy Wall Street, the Marxist movement that proved to be a violent training ground for many of today’s Antifa rioters. He was a supporter of President Obama and gave thumbs up to Obama’s Iran deal. He was a consultant to a Democratic Senate candidate. He was pro-gun control, pro-abortion, and supported Obama’s radical environmental agenda. He also regurgitated the Left’s favorite talking points, such as the claim that Republicans are heartless ghouls who want to starve poor people and are actually worse than serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer: On January 26, 2012 Kessler posted a tweet on Nation One News stating, “Republicans in #cnndebate are grotesquely mesmerizing as an interview w/ a serial killer. @ least Dahmer couldnt wage war or starve poor ppl.”

In the wake of the Charlottesville fiasco, some of Kessler’s closest allies repudiated him, apparently viewing his execrable celebration of Heyer’s death as stepping over the line of acceptable behavior. “Heather Heyer was a fat, disgusting Communist. Communists have killed 94 million. Looks like it was payback time,” Kessler said in a tweet that linked to an article on the Daily Stormer, a neo-Nazi website.

“I will no longer associate w/ Jason Kessler; no one should. Heyer’s death was deeply saddening,” tweeted alt-Right guru Richard Spencer. “‘Payback’ is a morally reprehensible idea.”

“This is terribly wrong and vile,” tweeted Tim Gionet, aka Baked Alaska. “We should not rejoice at the people who died in Charlottesville just because we disagree with them.”

The Daily Caller, for which Kessler was a columnist, dropped him immediately.

Kessler did more in that one tweet to confirm in the minds of millions the claim of radical Antifa professor Mike Isaacson that “anti-communism is code for fascism” than all of the pro-Antifa tweets by the Left.

Although, as President Trump has noted, there are many “good people” who are defending Confederate monuments, very few of them showed up at the Charlottesville “Unite the Right” rally. Most of the genuinely good people, evidently, recognized that the misfits invited by Kessler are national socialists, racial collectivists, and haters with whom they do not want to associate. Alt-Right media and Internet personality Gavin McInnes, founder of the Proud Boys, declined an invitation to speak at the rally because, he said, he was unwilling “to be associated with explicit neo-Nazis.” He was not the only one to decline, or to question Kessler’s selections and motives. Following the Charlottesville fiasco, speculation has run rife — and not only among the alt-Right — that Kessler is a plant, an *agent provocateur* in a “false flag” operation to discredit conservatives and the Trump administration and advance the Marxist-globalist agenda.

In a 2015 blog post, Kessler reinforced that view, writing, “I can’t think of any occupation that I admire more than the professional provocateur, who has the courage and self-determination to court controversy despite all slings and arrows of the world.”

Richard Spencer: “Germany, Israel repulsed by Nazi-style salutes at pro-Trump event.” That was the headline that greeted readers of Deutsche Welle, a major German newspaper, on November 23, 2016. The subtitle to the article read: “The German government said it is repulsed by the Nazi-style salutes at



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a far-right event in Washington this week. Trump has disavowed links to the innocuously named National Policy Institute (NPI), but doubts remain.” To reinforce the message, the *Deutsche Welle* article featured a photograph of a woman holding up a sign with a picture of Adolf Hitler holding a Trump mask next to his face, along with the text, in big letters, “Make America HATE Again.”

Similar stories appeared across the globe, appearing to confirm the incessant media barrage allegedly linking the newly elected President Trump to fascism. The man responsible for this global outrage directed at America and the new administration is 39-year-old provocateur Richard Spencer who aspires to be the philosopher and public intellectual of the alt-Right movement. He is credited with originating the term, as an abbreviated form of Alternative Right, and is the owner of the [altright.com](#) and [alternativeright.com](#) websites. He is also the founder of *Radix Journal* and founder/owner of the National Policy Institute (NPI) referred to in the *Deutsche Welle* article referenced above. The event to which it refers was a November 19, 2016 NPI conference in Washington, D.C., at which Spencer ended his speech by declaring “Hail Trump! Hail our people! Hail victory!” It was clearly intended to invoke Nazi “Heil Hitler” comparisons. And to assure that that impression was made, several members of the audience gave the stiff-arm Nazi salute. And, of course, a reporter from *The Atlantic* magazine, which is notoriously left-wing and anti-Trump, was there to record this outburst and flash it around the world as proof of the coming Fourth Reich in Trumpland.

Spencer followed up his “Hail Trump!” exploits — now referred to as Trump’s “Hailgate” — the following day, on January 20, President Trump’s inauguration day, by being a “victim.” While standing and giving an interview on a sidewalk near the inaugural proceedings, a black-clad Antifa protester ran up and punched him in the side of the face. Video of the attack went viral, with Antifa websites and “progressives” jubilantly flooding it across social media platforms. In a matter of 48 hours, the two events had made Spencer a global celebrity — even if a mostly reviled one at that. Some analysts are convinced that the Antifa punch was a staged affair, a brilliant publicity stroke devised by Spencer to catapult himself to stardom. They insist that the “puncher” pulled his punch, providing dramatic effect but no physical damage to Spencer. I have watched the video repeatedly and acknowledge that that view is certainly plausible, though not really provable. Regardless, it did indeed launch Spencer to global prominence.

Richard Spencer is not your average racist troglodyte or stereotypical redneck hillbilly. He attended an elite prep school in Dallas, Texas, in 1997, before going on to secure a B.A. in English Literature and Music from the University of Virginia (2001), an M.A. in the Humanities from the University of Chicago (2003), and further studies at the Vienna International Summer University in Austria (2005 and 2006). From 2005 to 2007, he attended a Ph.D. program at Duke University studying modern European intellectual history, but did not complete it. He also has served short editorial stints with *The American Conservative* and *Taki’s Magazine*.

Spencer’s normal sartorial array — dapper suit/sport coat and tie, together with his signature Reich-era haircut — is frequently described as fascist-chic (or “fashy”), and he affects an air of erudition, sprinkling his writing and speeches with German philosophers Friedrich Nietzsche and Carl Schmitt. Certainly not a champion of the Christian right, Spencer is an atheist and, like early 20th-century population-control advocate Margaret Sanger (and her Planned Parenthood followers today) he favors full legal access to abortion — especially for the black and brown races. He also doesn’t mind homosexual “marriage” and LGBT “rights.” He avoids the racist and neo-Nazi labels brazenly adopted



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by many of his confreres, and he prefers to speak in the softer terms of “white nationalism.” However, in recent months he has increasingly associated with the open Nazis. His most spectacular follow-up to the NPI “Hail Trump” event was his speech to the torch-bearing crowd of neo-Nazis in Charlottesville.

“What brings us together is that we are white, we are a people, we will not be replaced,” Spencer told the rally. “You will not replace us. You will not destroy us.” As the torch-light march surged through the town, his words, chanted by the marchers, morphed into “Jews will not replace us.”

Spencer is not a small-government Republican by any stretch of the imagination. Indeed, in a video interview widely available on the Internet, he endorsed socialism and socialized medicine. “To be honest, I am not totally opposed to socialism, when done right,” Spencer told the interviewer during a rally in Washington, D.C., on June 25 of this year. “I think we actually should use the government to benefit ourselves, and the people of this country. I think we should have a national health care system. I think we should quadruple national parks. I think we should make this world a better place. I think government has a role to play in that.”

That endorsement of national socialism should surprise no one. The official name of the Nazi Party, after all, was the National Socialist German Workers’ Party. At that same rally, Spencer conspicuously posed for cameras in front of the Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool while holding his arm up in a classic clenched-fist salute used by communists and socialists worldwide. Thus, on the same day he publicly endorsed — verbally and symbolically — both national and international socialism. And this is the “alt-Right” individual the Fake News media have been promoting as the face of the “Right” in America, a convenient, unsavory strawman who can be used to discredit constitutionalists, conservatives, and libertarians.

Mike Peinovich, aka Mike Enoch: Creator of the popular alt-Right blog *The Right Stuff* (TRS) and co-host of a podcast called *The Daily Shoah* (TDS), “Mike Enoch” is usually mentioned as a member of the alt-Right’s “First Triumverate,” together with Richard Spencer of AltRight.com and Andrew Anglin of the Daily Stormer. Peinovich/Enoch claims to have migrated from libertarian/free market roots to “white nationalism” and “race realism.” However, he has denied being racist or a neo-Nazi — despite bragging that he was the first one to give the Nazi salute at Richard Spencer’s National Policy Institute conference following Trump’s election last November. He also has shown no qualms about associating with open neo-Nazis and racists, speaking at their events and hosting them on his website and podcast. His podcast, *The Daily Shoah*, is openly anti-Semitic (the Hebrew word “shoah” being the Jewish name for the Holocaust). Thus, the alt-Right universe was thrown into a tailspin when Enoch was doxxed — a term referring to revealing someone’s private information online — in January of this year. The doxxing revealed that “Mike Enoch” is really Mike Peinovich, a New York web developer. And (drum roll) his wife is Jewish. Peinovich’s wife had actually appeared on TDS/TRS promoting anti-Semitic propaganda. The alt-Right blogosphere exploded. Former followers and allies denounced him as a Zionist *agent provocateur* — and worse. After initially denying the revelations, Peinovich admitted they are true and apologized for his deception. What his future will be in the alt-Right world is unclear, but his brand is definitely damaged among a large segment of erstwhile followers.

Tim Gionet, aka Baked Alaska: A white rapper and dooper with a reported genius for Internet marketing, Tim Gionet transplanted himself from Alaska to California to seek his fortune. He got hired by the liberal-left news site BuzzFeed, and, reportedly, used his marketing savvy to hugely boost BuzzFeed’s traffic. He also was a supporter of Black Lives Matter. BuzzFeed, in turn, gave Gionet a



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break into online show business. However, according to Gionet, he couldn't take BuzzFeed's corporate culture of feminist and "anti-white" political correctness. He jumped on board the Trump train in 2016, but his increasingly anti-Semitic and pro-Nazi postings on Twitter caused him to be disinvited (along with Richard Spencer) from the DeploraBall by alt-Right impresario Mike Cernovich. The Spencer/Gionet-aligned forces that have taken the plunge into the deeper waters of neo-Nazism scornfully refer to the Cernovich camp as "Alt-Light." Gionet was a speaker at the "Unite the Right" rally in Charlottesville.

Andrew Anglin: Unlike those he criticizes as "Alt-Light," Anglin, the publisher of the neo-Nazi website The Daily Stormer, is not in the least bit subtle. He is given to referring to Jews as "kikes" and posting remarks such as: "The day is coming when we're going to tear down the hoax [Holocaust] memorial in Berlin and replace it with a statue of Hitler 1,000 feet tall." Here's another Anglin gem: "I ask myself this, in all things: WWHD? (What Would Hitler Do?).... Hitler was, ultimately, the symbolic (and in some ways actual real life) culmination of traditional Europeanism."

Matthew "Matt" Heimbach and Jeff Schoep: Matt Heimbach, age 26, heralded as the new hot thing in the neo-Nazi revival, is the founder of the Traditionalist Workers Party and the Traditionalist Youth Network. In 2016, he got together with Jeff Schoep, age 43, head of the National Socialist Movement (NSM), to launch the National Front, which was to be a grand coalition of dozens of KKK, neo-Nazi, racist, and Aryan skinhead groups. Like most other similar efforts over the years, the effort quickly fell apart, with bickering, in-fighting, and back-biting. But Schoep and Heimbach are continuing to push the coalition effort. A decade ago NSM was rocked by the revelation that Andrea Herrington, the wife of NSM chairman emeritus (and Schoep's mentor) Cliff Herrington, was then high priestess in the Oklahoma-based Joy of Satan Ministries. In July 2016, members of Heimbach's Traditionalist Workers Party and the Golden State Skins gained national notoriety in a violent clash with Antifa and BAMN (By Any Means Necessary) activists at the California State Capitol in Sacramento. Several people were stabbed and dozens were arrested.

After the defamatory campaign of the past year, in which the media justly earned its "Fake News" label for viciously attacking everyone to the right of Hillary Clinton as racist and fascist, many patriots may be inclined to think that maybe the alt-Right individuals profiled above are also fellow patriots who have been unfairly smeared. No, they are not; they are the false opposition whose job it is to "discredit from within." And they will do so — if we allow the left-wing media campaign to succeed in promoting these pernicious reprobates as authentic representatives and leaders of the American "Right."

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