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## So, You Want to Talk About Scandals?

Most Americans do not know their own country's history. This is a huge detriment to those fighting to keep the Republic, and a huge advantage for those intent on destroying it. And those intent on destroying it didn't just miraculously appear with the onset of Black Lives Matter a few years ago, or ACORN a decade ago, or the Students for a Democratic Society 60 years ago, or even the Communist Party one hundred-plus years ago. Since the advent of sin, there have been organized efforts to squelch good in favor of evil, with immorality used as a sledgehammer to turn people away from good.



Along with immorality comes scandal. At the risk of downplaying the current scandals permeating the Biden family and administration, as well as those targeting President Trump, knowledge of the past shouldn't make us insensitive to taking action, but rather motivate us to fight the enemies of freedom.

Those who think the Founding Fathers had established a utopia with their victory over Great Britain and eventual establishment of our constitutional Republic are not aware of the internal and external forces that were working against them and their great experiment of freedom, *and are still working today*. Even the most seasoned historian does not know of *all* the forces working against freedom, due to the deliberate censorship of history.

Personal, professional, and governmental scandals accompany those who are morally corrupt. So it should be no surprise that scandals have been operative throughout history. More specifically, the birth of the United States of America was a hotbed for scandals, censorship, subversion, and treason — all of the things that today's Americans are experiencing.

Former John Birch Society CEO Arthur R. Thompson documented some of this in his book [To the Victor Go the Myths & Monuments](#). Chapter Three details the major groups that history has largely forgotten that worked against the fledgling American freedom movement. Such groups include the Illuminati, the Jacobins, the Democratic Clubs, the Gallo-American Society, the French Lodge of the Nine Sisters, and the French Society of the Friends of the Blacks, among others. These were the leftist groups of their day working to subvert the new nation. If you haven't heard of them, that illustrates the above-mentioned point about the censorship of history.

As an example, the Whiskey Rebellion that is often framed as a group of farmers rebelling against a federal tax was actually much more. As Thompson quotes from a 1920 New York Senate report, "The Whiskey Rebellion ... was the outgrowth of agitation carried on by so-called democratic societies acting under the guise of protectors of civil liberties, which received their inspiration from the French revolutionary societies." Didn't learn that in school, did you?



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Agitation from “democratic societies” is the same tactic being used today. Leftist revolutionaries have always been here, and always will be — whether they are agitating in the streets or sitting behind a mahogany desk at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue. Scandals will plague the nation, but only if those who are immoral continue to be elected to office. And if they are elected, whose fault is that? Aren’t We the People the employers of the elected? What we are willing to tolerate is directly reflected in those whom we elect.

Do you want better elected officials? Then improve the electorate by informing them. Thomas Jefferson said this was the “true corrective of abuses of constitutional power.”

Exactly what does that mean?

An organized, deliberate effort to inform other Americans of the forces seeking to enslave them and seeking to destroy the very foundations of the American Republic is needed, as are the solutions needed to overcome these forces. Such an effort will motivate others to get involved and attack the problem at its source, rather than fighting the symptoms.

Thankfully, there is an organization already doing this. Don’t reinvent the wheel; join The John Birch Society. Start at [JBS.org](#).

— *William S. Hahn, CEO of The John Birch Society*



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