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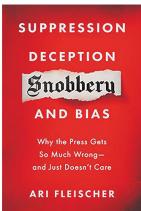
Globalist Agenda: Transitioning to Dystopia

The Great Reset and Transhumanism, by

Dennis Behreandt, Gary Benoit, et al., Appleton, Wisconsin: American Opinion Publishing, Inc., 2022, 100 pages, bookazine. (Available from <u>ShopJBS.org.</u>)

How does Covid-19 fit into the intended "Great Reset"? And what really *is* the Great Reset? The answers depend on whom you ask.





One of the key advocates of the concept of the Great Reset, World Economic Forum founding chairman Klaus Schwab, has ghoulishly characterized the deadly pandemic as an "opportunity." He and his powerful allies push an enthusiastic view of their goal, their type of utopia. As Schwab wrote in June 2020, "The pandemic represents a rare but narrow window of opportunity to reflect, reimagine, and reset our world to create a healthier, more equitable, and more prosperous future."

The changes made in response to the coronavirus, in his words, "prove that a reset of our economic and social foundations is possible." It's a lofty goal. "The world must act jointly and swiftly to revamp all aspects of our societies and economies, from education to social contacts and working conditions. Every country, from the United States to China," insists Schwab, "must participate, and every industry, from oil and gas to tech, must be transformed. In short, we need a 'Great Reset' of capitalism."

The costs are not quite as obvious. Euphemisms cloak ultimate goals. After all, it would be more difficult for those who see themselves as the world's elite to sell a stratagem if it were called the "Great Re-Serfdom."

The publication under review, *The Great Reset and Transhumanism*, sees through the sham, revealing the utopian delusion as a grim dystopia. A score of pieces in the bookazine — which combines elements of a book and a magazine — consider the objectives, ambitions, and machinations of the global effort from different angles. Packed with photographs and graphics and billed as a collector's edition of *The New American* magazine, the publication allows multiple authors to dig deeper into aspects of the larger picture, beyond the pandemic itself.

The 100-page bookazine is divided into broad sections covering depopulation, the control grid, and the potential endgame. Individual topics include the war on agriculture and food, vaccines, energy issues in Europe and the United States, and various ramifications of inflation. Other sections examine, among other themes, the potential of war, how conservatives are demonized, the growth and dangers of transhumanism (which anticipates eventual blurring of identities and merging of man and technology), and the historical tendrils of what is now being termed the Great Reset.









More From Schwab; Less Energy for Europe, U.S.

Schwab (the cover boy of the bookazine) and his coterie of billionaires at the WEF, as well as other powerful globalists, are playing a long game. They know that achieving their aims will take time. Indeed, when you look at Schwab's latest (2022) book (co-authored by Thierry Malleret) — *The Great Narrative* (a follow-up to the 2020 volume *COVID 19: The Great Reset*) — you see that they understand that there is still a lengthy road ahead. Some in their clique now acknowledge that they no longer consider us to be in a "Covid-19 crisis," but part of a longer "Covid-19 era."

In a small but telling aside in his new book, the WEF leader speaks to his effort of almost five decades against free markets. "Until the early 2000s," he writes, "unfettered free markets and shareholder capitalism seem to be the only way forward." Ever wonder how the concept of "stakeholders" in corporations became so influential (as opposed to actual "shareholders" who have investments in a company)? Picturing himself as a David against Goliath, Schwab boasts that he has, after almost 50 years, "vindicate[d] the idea of stakeholder capitalism" — thus somehow proving (don't gag at his self-serving altruism) that "the purpose of an economy is to serve society."

Space limitations only allow samples of what is contained in the *Great Reset* bookazine. Here's a taste of one — Theo Richel's "De-energizing Europe: A Warning for America," in which he outlines how his nation, the Netherlands, despite owning the largest gas field in Europe, is decidedly *not* serving its society or common sense. Rather, its leaders are using fears of climate change as an excuse to wind down domestic production for the Dutch people (and driving up energy costs). Meanwhile, Germany is still receiving "Dutch gas from fields that still operate and is forced to use gas as well as coal since closing its (carbon-free) nuclear plants. Money the Netherlands makes exporting gas is spent to build wind turbines and solar panels."

Elsewhere in Europe, industrial closings and other damages caused by soaring energy costs and restrictions on power foreshadow more shortages and long lines for Poles, who wait "for days in queues reminiscent of communist times," as one wire service put it. In other countries, firewood is being sought from forests for heat. "America, is this the future you want?" asks Richel.

Some influential Americans clearly want us to go down the (inefficient and expensive) "green" path. Did socialist Bernie Sanders and progressive heroine AOC actually win the last presidential election? It





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often seems so. Actions do matter. And President Biden has done his utmost to pull the plug on America's most abundant power supplies. Summarizing, Richel notes that Biden, from his first day in office, has

discouraged domestic energy production by withdrawing the Keystone XL pipeline permit, prohibiting new oil and gas leases on federal property while canceling many that were current, and adding onerous infrastructure regulations. He re-joined the Paris climate agreement, placing crippling international economic controls on the United States. The radical provisions of his 2021 infrastructure bill included hundreds of billions of dollars for net-zero carbon emission fantasies.

Making matters worse, for all the pain, there is trifling "green" gain: The impact of such actions on the climate is negligible.

ACLU, Others on Left, Promote Mandates

In the meantime, because of additional controls and restrictions imposed amid the "Covid era," the historical protections so vital for Americans against our own government are suffering. You might remember when many liberals found such restrictions to be troubling. These days, however, it is those on the Left who generally are the biggest fans of mandates.

There is a clear-headed article on this issue in the bookazine ("Shredding the Bill of Rights, by Col. John Eidsmoe), taking note of how so many "liberals" have switched their professed views about civil libertarianism. We now find leftists backing draconian public measures, even while conservatives "have generally opposed such measures," Eidsmoe says. "Faced with business and church closures and forced masks and vaccination," he writes, "many wondered, 'Where's the ACLU when we need it?'"

Here's an answer to that rhetorical question: The American Civil Liberties Union has also jumped dramatically and quickly to the side of government mandates. Indeed, ignoring the organization's previous public stances, representatives of the ACLU have trumpeted such support in the vaunted "newspaper of record," *The New York Times*.

The piece in question in the *Times* was dated September 2, 2021 (we noticed that the original title was apparently adjusted for the archives) and was written by David Cole and Daniel Mach. (Cole is identified as the national legal director of the ACLU, and Mach is listed as director of its program on freedom of religion and belief.) Here's its incongruous kicker: "We care deeply about civil liberties and civil rights for all — which is precisely why we support vaccine mandates."

George Orwell, in his dystopian novel *Nineteen Eighty-Four*, referred to such phenomena as "doublethink" in the fictional language of Newspeak — the act of simultaneously accepting two contradictory beliefs as correct.

There are places in the bookazine where this reviewer would have taken a different approach, such as a portion characterizing (too positively, in the opinion of this reviewer) the postulated stability and economic strength of multiple (government-expanding) decades in the post-World War II United States, but overall it's on target.







Big Tech Takes Sides, Suppresses

A solid section of the bookazine covers attacks on free speech, the left-wing proclivities of Big Tech, and the growth of "cancel culture." Selwyn Duke discusses several consequences of these trends (in "Demonizing and Criminalizing Conservatives"). One is related to partisan politics and money, as Duke explains how manipulation can affect search engines, and "shadowbanning" can keep your messages from their intended audience.

Cited is the concern of Robert Epstein who is, notes Duke, a liberal and the senior psychologist at the American Institute for Behavioral Research and Technology. Epstein has "warned that Big Tech now has the ability to shift up to 15 million votes in an election, enough to *determine who our leaders will be.*" (Emphasis in original.)

Indeed, even as we were reading an advance review copy of the bookazine, similar practices were coming to light (at least in a few conservative circles). For example, the *Washington Times* reported that the Republican National Committee was accusing Google "of suppressing critical fundraising and get-out-the-vote emails 'like clockwork' at the end of each month, adding to concerns that Big Tech is putting its thumb on the scale to benefit Democrats in the midterm elections."

RNC officials maintained that "the suppression of its emails follows a pattern. Email delivery has shifted from inboxes into spam folders by 90% to 100% in the final days of each month. The end-of-month phenomenon dates back to February, they said." This was not a unique incident. The paper also pointed to a North Carolina State University study that found that Google "flagged more Republican campaign emails than Democratic emails as spam during the 2020 election cycle. Republicans calculated that the unseen emails caused them to lose \$2 billion in donations."

Coincidence? Not likely. In his bookazine piece, Duke cited reports that 90 percent of the political donations of employees of Alphabet (parent of Google) went "to Democratic pockets" between 2004 and 2018.

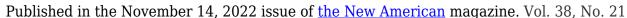
Reinforcing Duke's thesis is a recent admission, made after the bookazine was compiled, that caught the attention of some in the non-leftist media, including Marc Morano's "Climate Depot" website. That site reported that the United Nations had "revealed that they 'own the science' of climate change and they have manipulated Google search results to suppress any climate view that deviates from UN claims." Melissa Fleming, the under-secretary for global communications at the United Nations, made her remarks at a World Economic Forum "Tackling Disinformation" event on September 29, 2022. Her comments were also quoted by the editors of *The Wall Street Journal*.

Here are some of her words:

We partnered with Google. For example, if you Google "climate change," you will, at the top of your search, you will get all kinds of UN resources. We started this partnership when we were shocked to see that when we Googled "climate change," we were getting incredibly distorted information right at the top. We're becoming much more proactive. We own the science, and we think that the world should know it, and the platforms themselves also do.

You can do a lot if you "own the science" worldwide, it would seem.







The "distorted" information referred to by the UN official is generally that which is not approved by our noble would-be overlords. But distribution and explanation of its honest meaning does show that, with proper distribution, antidotes to globalist propaganda can indeed break through.

Such an incentive is clearly driving the publishing of this therapeutic bookazine, which aptly recalls the words of George Washington: "Truth will ultimately prevail where pains is taken to bring it to light."

- William P. Hoar

There's Little "Mainstream" About the Media

Suppression, Deception, Snobbery, and Bias: Why the Press Gets So Much Wrong — and Just Doesn't Care, by Ari Fleischer, Broadside Books, New York: 2022, 368 pages, hardcover.

Though they would never admit it, the elite who run the left-wing so-called mainstream media are often indistinguishable from bigots: They agree that there are two sides to every question — theirs and the wrong one. In the meantime, they weigh the facts with their own thumbs on the scales, while meeting the demands of their like-minded consumers.

Author Ari Fleischer is too polite to say it that baldly (indeed, he maintains that "the press is not the enemy of the people. But they sure can be their own worst enemy.") Yet, the considerable evidence he has accumulated argues otherwise.

The greatest strength of *Suppression, Deception, Snobbery, and Bias* lies in its specificities, its essentials. Here are some examples, selected from the wide-ranging number in this volume.

- The liberal press tailors the language they favor to fit the desired narratives. In a news story, for instance, *The Washington Post* pushed for \$1.5 trillion in additional federal funding for a plan that seeks, in the paper's telling, "to invest heavily in a number of government agencies to boost education, expand affordable housing, bolster public health and confront climate change" as opposed to initiatives that President Trump had "unsuccessfully tried to slash while in the White House." As Fleischer notes: "Democrats invest. Republicans slash. I see how that works."
- "When I use a word," as the famous Lewis Carroll character put it in Through the Looking Glass, "it means just what I choose it to mean neither more nor less." Thus it is with the "biased use of words," a regular media tactic "overwhelmingly tilted in favor of the left," writes Fleischer. As he observes, "Republicans refer to people who enter the United States illegally as 'illegal aliens.'" Democrats, on the other hand, "refer to them as 'undocumented immigrants,' as if they just happened to leave their paperwork lying around somewhere. Most of the media use the Democratic phrase."

Or, in the words of "Humpty Dumpty," "The question is which is to be master — that's all."

• Similarly, a top wire service tells it one way for Democrats and another way for Republicans, depending on who is in the White House. In this case, it differs when describing the massive assault on national sovereignty on our southern frontier. When Trump was president, the Associated Press "routinely called the situation on the border a 'crisis,'" recalls Fleischer. When Biden became president, there was a huge surge of illegal immigrants at the border. Yet, according "to an internal Associated Press memo first obtained by Futuro Media, the AP instructed reporters to 'avoid hyperbole in calling anything a crisis or an emergency.'"

Guess who else "didn't want to call the situation a 'crisis'?," asks Fleischer rhetorically. "Joe Biden and







his administration!" And the AP "went right along with the Biden dictate."

Predisposed to Prejudice

Author Ari Fleischer knows the press at first hand, having served as the White House press secretary from 2001 to 2003 (under George W. Bush); he wrote about those experiences in a previous bestselling book. He is now a contributor to Fox News and runs a communication company. He recalls when the mainstream press maintained — an accusation that didn't end in 2000 — that Bush "stole" the race that year. And Hillary Clinton has charged that Trump was "an illegitimate president," even as other Democratic leaders (and their media echo chamber) joined a "resistance" challenging the legitimacy of Trump's 2016 election. According to NBC News, such overturn efforts were "a great big civics lesson."

Fleischer sardonically summarized the contrast of the partisan and media treatment: It is "okay for Jimmy Carter, Hillary Clinton, John Lewis, Cory Booker, Sherrod Brown, and numerous liberal reporters to delegitimize election results that they don't like, but is perilous when Trump does the same thing."

The volume under review has a chapter on deception and double standards, but most of *Suppression*, *Deception*, *Snobbery*, *and Bias* fits that theme. And there's much more than rehashing how differently Trump and Biden are treated.

The left-wingers get you coming and going. And that includes how Supreme Court justices are considered from their nominations to their burials. This is handled graphically (literally) in the book, with reproductions of, among other things, newspaper headlines. When a liberal Obama nominee was to be questioned by the Senate Judiciary Committee, she declined (as long had been the practice) to answer questions about how she might vote on upcoming cases — leading to this headline in *The New York Times*: "Kagan Follows Precedent by Offering Few Opinions." Yet, when Trump nominated conservative Brett Kavanaugh, the dogs were called out; as part of the pack attack, this was the derisive *Times* headline: "Kavanaugh Ducks Questions on Presidential Powers and Subpoenas."

Similarly, the leftist media didn't come to praise Constitution champion Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia, with *The Washington Post* hit obit piece with this headline (in 2016): "Supreme Court conservative dismayed liberals." The *Post* was a pole apart when liberal icon Ruth Bader Ginsburg died, with a glowing front-page banner: "A pioneer devoted to equality." The juxtaposition of both headlines, pulled from the paper's archives, tells the story well in *Suppression*.

There are other visuals that add to the book's impact, including coverage of the riots, arson, and destruction that followed the death of George Floyd in 2020. The preferred tale of the day was to downplay the rampaging. One reproduction from the Internet Archive shows a CNN correspondent in Wisconsin with a fire raging behind him. As Fleischer describes it, image notwithstanding, on the screen below the reporter "was a chyron that read, 'Fiery But Mostly Peaceful Protests After Police Shooting.'"

That "mostly peaceful" report about rioting sparked widespread ridicule. Yet, *The New York Times* still pushed its own style of the truth with a look-back story about the summer of rioting — alleging that there were just "isolated instances of property destruction." Not exactly. As *Suppression* reminds readers, with details, these were likely the costliest civil disorders in the nation's history. More than 700 police officers were injured in two weeks (including 150 in New York City, 130 in Chicago, 60 Secret Service agents, and 40 members of the U.S. Park Police). Beyond the personal injuries, more





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than 150 federal buildings were damaged in the "mostly peaceful" frenzy.

Long History of Slanting

While the author does recognize that liberal media slanting is not a new development, some of his underlying concerns appear misdirected. He is apparently worried about why the press is so clearly less trusted, suggesting it might be because the media have become overly opinionated and/or partisan in the last several decades. (He cites polls showing a large drop in such trust since around 1980.) However, might this trend be linked to the fact that there are more reading, listening, and viewing choices these days, and that consumers have become more observant to suppression and deception? Why fret about the loss of trust — when it was forfeited?

Fleischer also seems to look wistfully for the days of *CBS Evening News'* Walter Cronkite (anchor between 1962 and 1981). After all, "Uncle Walter" was, according to the pollsters at the time, the most trusted public figure in the country. One chapter of this book ("The Way It Was") incorporates a version of Cronkite's catchphrase ("And that's the way it is"). This is the same Cronkite, however, who also declared (not quoted in the reviewed book), "I think most newspapermen by definition have to be liberal; if they're not liberal, by my definition of it, then they can hardly be good newspapermen."

Bias in the media goes way back, even if many journalists don't find it as necessary to fake being "objective" these days. This reviewer cannot total how many books, articles, and studies about media bias that he's examined covering different eras. Fleischer does point to why so many journalists might be out of touch with America, citing those emanating from the prestigious Columbia School of Journalism — where "young, college-educated, mostly Democratic voters are trained how to become journalists by older, college-educated, mostly Democrat-voting professors."

We also lost track, and patience, with how many times versions of certain phrases appear in this book — such as the domination of "college-educated Democrats writing for other college-educated Democrats." It was also akin to a nail scratching on a blackboard to hear repeated references to the supposed role of the press, calling it (awkwardly and wrongly) the "fourth pillar of our democracy."

Training in groupthink has been going on for eons. Consider just a few of the stats from a four-decadeold *The Once and Future Journalists* (a 1982 book by Linda Lichter, Robert Lichter, and Stanley Rothman). At the time, 85 percent of journalism students were calling themselves liberal; 90 percent of those who voted in 1972 acknowledged they went for George McGovern (when he won but one state), while a mere four percent voted for Ronald Reagan; and Cuban Communist dictator Fidel Castro was rated higher than Reagan by these budding opinion-makers.

That is believable. Here, for example, is the considered viewpoint of NBC *Today* anchor Bryant Gumbel, who didn't hide his leanings very well, saying in 1989, "Largely as a result of the policies of priorities of the Reagan Administration, more people are becoming poor and staying poor in this country than at any time since World War II."

It's no exaggeration to recognize that the left-wing media despised Reagan. This reviewer recalls attending presidential press conferences in the East Room of the White House when groups of top reporters — from the "objective" press — were waiting for Reagan to appear before televised events. These purported "serious journalists" gabbed like vicious, back-biting teenaged girls, openly mocking Reagan to each another — that is, until the cameras were turned on, and Reagan walked out and talked





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over them to the national audience.

Their coverage at the time was not "middle-of-the-road" or even-handed. Tim Graham, writing for Media Research Center in 2004, put it well: "Think of everything Reagan did, and then add: He did it all before Fox News. He did it all before the Rush Limbaugh phenomenon. He did it all before the instant battle cry of his defenders could hit the Internet."

It's assuredly a different world today, but it's a stretch to claim that just a few decades ago *The New York Times* and *The Washington Post* stressed "objectivity," as Fleischer puts it. We will grant, on the other hand, that they did pretend better.

Partisanship, Now and Then

Partisan newspaper coverage didn't just appear on the scene — though it may be a bit unfair to compare media over centuries. David McCullough, in his masterful *John Adams* volume (2001), for example, noted that James Madison and Thomas Jefferson encouraged the establishment of a newspaper (*National Gazette*) as an "antidote" to a Federalist paper, and "it appeared that Jefferson himself had a hand in the attacks on the President [Washington] and the administration."

There was no pretense of "objectivity" in the papers and partisan attacks involved in 1800 when a president found himself running against his vice president, as noted by Kerwin Swint, a professor of political science and author of *Mudslinging* (2005). As Swint has written:

Things got ugly fast. Jefferson's camp accused President Adams of having a "hideous hermaphroditical character, which has neither the force and firmness of a man, nor the gentleness and sensibility of a woman." In return, Adams' men called Vice President Jefferson "a mean-spirited, low-lived fellow, the son of a half-breed Indian squaw, sired by a Virginia mulatto father." As the slurs piled on, Adams was labeled a fool, a hypocrite, a criminal, and a tyrant, while Jefferson was branded a weakling, an atheist, a libertine, and a coward.

Astonishingly, these journalists were not trying out for slots on CNN.

CNN does get its own revealing chapter in *Suppression*. Here's a taste: The network's White House correspondent John Harwood has not disguised his political leanings. When it was his longtime target Donald Trump's last day in office, Harwood marked the transition on Twitter (the tweet is reproduced in Fleischer's book). He was direct, saying the change from Trump to Biden would be marked by going from "lies to truth, ignorance to knowledge, amorality to decency, cruelty to empathy, corruption to public service." He also brought that flavor to his reportage.

Harwood is now a *former* CNN correspondent, since his recent departure amid several moves by new network chief executive Chris Licht. The CEO, according to *The Wall Street Journal*, "has indicated he wants the network to change its perception that is too partisan in its political coverage." Good luck with that. Perhaps the CEO reviewed some of the outrages involving the network in the book (which was published a few months earlier).

In short: There's a lot to like about *Suppression*, *Deception*, *Snobbery*, and *Bias*. Just read selectively.

— William P. Hoar







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