



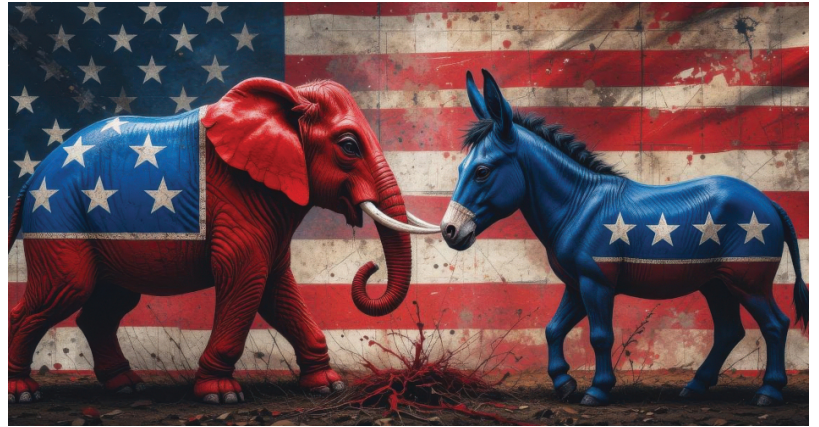
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The Two-party Illusion

AT A GLANCE

- **The two major parties in U.S. politics appear to occupy opposite sides of the political spectrum.**
- **Any difference between parties is less defined at the top than with the rank and file.**
- **By controlling both sides of the street, the elites can offer the people a “choice” that is no choice at all.**



The year was 1952. Robert Taft, a three-term U.S. senator from Ohio known as “Mr. Conservative,” was running for the Republican presidential nomination. This was his third and most promising try. He was the clear favorite among Republican voters, a prospect that was terrifying to the Establishment.

Taft was a true believer in small government and the free market. He had emerged as the leader of the GOP about six years earlier, in 1946, when Republicans took both chambers of Congress. That Congress ended up cutting taxes, balancing the federal budget, and reducing the national debt. It accomplished all that under Taft’s leadership.

By 1952, though, the elites had sufficient control of the machinery of both parties to enable the historic nomination skulduggery that happened later that year. But despite its stranglehold over both parties, the Establishment had yet to fully convince average Republican voters to embrace internationalism and the welfare state. That mission would be accomplished over the following decades.

In 1949, the Establishment had created an organization to pull the Republican Party to the left. The Democrats already had one by then; it was called Americans for Democratic Action. Nelson Rockefeller funded the creation of the GOP version, called Republican Advance. By 1952, Republican Advance was looking for a GOP candidate who accepted President Franklin D. Roosevelt’s New Deal programs as a permanent feature of American life, as well as someone who had a favorable view of globalism. This candidate also needed to be popular enough to stop Taft. Enter war hero Dwight David Eisenhower.



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Big Business and Big Banking were all-in on Eisenhower. *Human Events*, a conservative newspaper that favored Taft, wrote in January 1952: “Bankers and financial interests which play ball with and profit from the Fair Deal ... are just as much a menace to the weal of the country as Socialists, Communists and corrupt practitioners. These elements of high finance played a role, and a big one, in getting us into both World Wars.”

By May, Taft had finished the primary and caucus season up 462-389 in committed delegates. Things looked promising. But then the Establishment started turning the screws. Mainstream newspapers began to run editorials designed to convince voters that if they elected Taft, Republicans would lose the general election. Remember, Republicans hadn’t won the White House in 24 years, since before the Great Depression. They needed this win.

The GOP convention kicked off in July. Once the smoke cleared, Eisenhower had captured 595 delegates to Taft’s 500. Eisenhower went on to win the presidency and solidify FDR’s socialist programs, which remain to this day. The Establishment torpedoed Taft’s nomination. John Birch Society founder Robert Welch, who authored a controversial book on Eisenhower, *The Politician*, called what happened to Taft “the dirtiest deal in American political history.”

Taft and the Republican grassroots electorate were the victims of a scheme the Establishment has been using for some time — controlling the nomination phases of both parties. The point is to corner general-election voters into having to choose between two Establishment-approved candidates who will essentially push the same core policies. Georgetown University professor and Establishment historian Carroll Quigley cited the 1952 Republican nomination slugfest between Taft and Eisenhower as an example of that strategy at work.

Quigley did not view the battle between Democrats and Republicans as a true contest offering a choice. It’s an illusion. He wrote:

The argument that the two parties should represent opposed ideals and policies, one, perhaps, of the Right and the other of the Left, is a foolish idea acceptable only to doctrinaire and academic thinkers. Instead, the two parties should be almost identical, so that the American people can “throw the rascals out” at any election without leading to any profound or extensive shifts in policy.



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Quigley described the machinations of the Uniparty, a term that has only recently become common but refers to something that has existed since at least the beginning of the 20th century. The Uniparty is a singular political behemoth dressed up as two distinct political movements. It keeps the foreign wars going, the national debt rising, the federal government perpetually bloated, and individual liberty on a permanent trajectory of reduction.

The Uniparty's tentacles stretch beyond control over presidential candidates. It is a broad network of political power that overlaps with and serves the interests of the cabal of Insiders making up the international conspiracy. It is a system comprised of powerful donors, many of whom donate to both political parties; Deep State agents (including globalist-oriented intelligence elements); tax-exempt organizations; media reporters and personalities; Capitol Hill staffers; presidential Cabinet members who hail from globalist think tanks such as the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR); entrenched bureaucrats; and, of course, the majority of federal legislators. It is a system that's internally reinforced so that no matter who's in the White House or which party controls Congress, the Uniparty's core policies march along undisturbed.

A prominent component of the Uniparty is the CFR, a private think tank that was built up with funding from the Rockefeller, Carnegie, and Ford foundations. In his book *The Invisible Government*, former FBI agent Dan Smoot said this about the CFR:

I am convinced that the Council on Foreign Relations, together with a great number of other associated tax-exempt organizations, constitutes the invisible government which sets the major policies of the federal government; exercises controlling influence on government officials who implement the policies; and, through massive and skillful propaganda, influences Congress and the public to support the policies.

CFR members permeate every influential institution, from media to the corporate world to academia to government, and the council has been placing its agents in presidential Cabinets since at least the Herbert Hoover administration. Hoover himself was a CFR member, as were his treasury secretaries. FDR's treasury secretaries were also CFR, as was his secretary of war, Henry Stimson. Harry Truman's administration was riddled with CFR people. Eisenhower, whom we mentioned earlier, had more CFR members in his administration than the previous presidents. Eisenhower himself was CFR, as was his vice president, Richard Nixon. So were his CIA directors, his national security advisors, his economic advisor, his health secretary, etc.

Many Americans believed and hoped that Donald Trump would finally break the Uniparty's stranglehold, and for a while it looked as though the president truly was at odds with it. Democrats and Republicans attacked him viciously and tried to prevent his ascension. The Deep State worked overtime to impede his agenda, especially during his first term. They buried him in investigations, hoaxes, and impeachments. Then, according to many Americans, they stole his election victory in 2020. After that, they tried to lawfare him into ruin and imprisonment. He appeared to be a true enemy of the Uniparty.



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But in his second term, Trump has, at least in some ways, morphed into a Uniparty man. It's been a stunning reversal. Aside from his tremendous accomplishment in securing the border, severing ties with some international organizations, and achieving some success in restoring sane energy policies, Trump 2.0 has been a typical neoconservative president. He continues the long-standing pattern of reckless deficit spending (though this was the case even in his first term), for instance, and has shown no interest in using his influence to reduce the government's footprint in our lives. But there is no better example of Trump's Uniparty turn than his newfound appetite for bombing campaigns and wars. He's bombed Somalia, Iraq, Yemen, Syria, and Nigeria — mostly to neutralize legitimately malign actors, but always without congressional approval. He also has launched unconstitutional war actions in Venezuela and Iran. The war in Iran has left many Americans scratching their heads, especially since one of Trump's main campaign promises was that we would stop the military adventures. For years, he told ecstatic rallygoers that under him there would be "no more regime-change wars." He largely kept that promise during his first term, but then carried out the regime-change campaigns in Venezuela and Iran in his second.

Many Americans today believe that another Uniparty tentacle is foreign influence. Indeed, the threat of foreign influence on American policy is as old as this country. In his Farewell Address, George Washington warned Americans that hyper-partisanship creates opportunities for foreign nations to influence our policies. Washington told the people, "[Partisanship] opens the doors to foreign influence and corruption, which find a facilitated access to the Government itself through the channels of party passions. Thus the policy and the will of one country, are subjected to the policy and will of another."

So, here we are: A nation under the yoke of a malevolent network that projects a façade of choice while deceptively exerting a tight grip over the most crucial policies. The picture we've painted is gloomy, especially given Trump's disappointing and somewhat surprising betrayal. But it is not hopeless. There is more hope now than there has been in decades. More Americans today than ever realize the Uniparty exists. The younger generations are especially disillusioned and skeptical of the current power system, and it appears we are in the midst of a mass awakening.

But the work is just beginning. First, we need more Americans to realize that the Democrat-Republican paradigm is an illusion. The Insiders' core agenda items — persistent and suicidal deficit spending, perpetual wars, and increasing government power at the expense of individual liberty — advance no



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matter which party is in power. Those agenda items are enough to bring about a tyrannical one-world government.

The people must break the Uniparty's death grip. Truth is the biggest threat to its power; that's why people must have an accurate understanding of constitutional principles and the government's proper and limited role in our lives. We must spread the truth, and that's a task that anyone who reads this magazine can help with.

We must also elect enough constitutionally oriented lawmakers. Having constitutional legislators is essential for passing legislation that will reduce the government to its originally intended size, repeal the Federal Reserve Act and shut down the central bank, and enforce constitutional restrictions on the executive branch, especially in the arena of war. These steps will break up the centralized power Big Government has over our lives and reintroduce the government's original checks and balances. They will transfer power back to the people, and that will essentially neuter the Uniparty.



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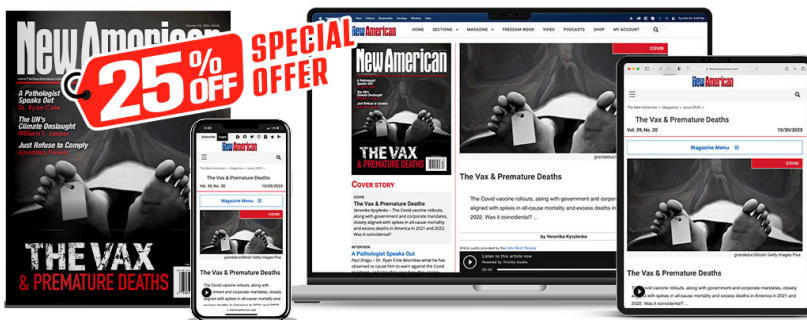
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