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Letters to the Editor

College Socialists

It's not what Russian Premier Khrushchev said over 60 years ago that matters as much as what might have led him to say it. Way back on June 19, 1962, the Russian leader stated in part, "The United States will eventually fly the Red Flag... The American people will hoist it themselves." Back in the day, this was viewed as humorous. Today, humor has left town!

Of the Democrat candidates Clinton and Sanders, one is openly and defiantly socialist, while the other attempts to mask her socialism. A Bernie Sanders strategist, Tad Devine, has been quoted by the *Wall Street Journal* as saying, "We've done what we came to do, which is establish him as a serious candidate." Given Sanders' self-proclaimed socialist beliefs, along with his professed intentions to demolish capitalism as we know it, Devine's point is too clear: The candidacy of Senator Sanders sets a precedent for establishing and accepting future presidential candidates with similar ideological bents. Socialism has arrived and attained its final acceptance.

Thus, our presidential integrity, along with our American constitutional Republic, has been marginalized. The overall intent is an eventual political takeover and, likewise, a remake of our constitutional framework. *The Wall Street Journal* piece added, "He inspired voters who said they were attracted to his ... promise of a 'political revolution.'"

Similar to Obama's support throughout the campus circuit, we note revolutionary fascinations. The young are, and always will be, an impressionable lot.

Could it be that Khrushchev realized this youthful vulnerability 60 years ago and the political unrest being institutionalized throughout academia?

Today, college unrest has mushroomed into adoring throngs of socialist-minded students being attracted to the possibility of a "political revolution." At what point does a college education become a liability? This self-destructive attitude, which eventually will trample free thought, speech, and expression, is inherently dangerous and is antithetical to our national well-being. Yet, this mentality has not only been permitted to prosper on campuses, it has been endorsed throughout the majority of college classrooms. Just when is enough, enough?

Already, presidential standards greatly dipped when Bill Clinton, who dodged our nation's draft during a time of need, was elected. Today, his wife, a former senator who also possesses a dubious record as secretary of state, has the gall to actually become a presidential candidate.

Considering all her unsettled e-mail questions, in addition to an ongoing congressional investigation of Benghazi, this Clinton candidacy makes a mockery of the entire election process from the standpoint of honesty, integrity, respect, and worthiness.

In sync with this apathy toward candidate integrity, we are lectured about how the need to produce voter identification by the electorate would be too harsh a demand. Is anything still relevant? Have we lost all sense of citizenship?

Sixty years ago, a despised communist leader predicted our country's downfall. Khrushchev was ahead of his time.



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Calling Out Cuba

Your article on Cuba was excellent ("Castros' Cuba," April 18 issue). One aspect of this situation that is rarely discussed is how the Castro regime, attempting to make up for shortages in its inferior medical system, frequently bled their political prisoners before marching them to the firing squads. That's how inhumane the Cuban communists are. Unfortunately, the torture of the Cuban patriots prior to their execution was ignored by the left-wing media in the United States.

Also forgotten was the statement of the former head of the Cuban Air Force under Castro, Pedro Diaz Lanz, who later remarked that had there been a John Birch Society in Cuba prior to Castro's rise to power, the country would not have fallen to the communists. That's because of the successful educational knowledge imparted by Birch members to their friends and neighbors.

We must continue educating the American people; and we can't pass the buck!

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