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To the Editor:

For over four years the most powerful security agencies of the Obama administration and their comrades in the propaganda arm of the Democrat Party, the mainstream media, have attempted to put President Trump, his family, and his staff in prison or drive them out of office.

Now the American people are expected to stand passively by while Joe Biden and his San Francisco minder ascend to rule America and implement the statist collectivist utopia the Left demands. Socialism with steel teeth.

Larry Benson



To the Editor:

What if the state of Oregon asserts it knows what is best for you and your ability to earn a living or live a full life, but that same state government can't maintain it's computer systems, can't manage a healthcare exchange, can't manage mental health services, can't manage foster care, can't manage Oregon's forests, can't track sex offender's, can't process unemployment claims and lacks transparency?

What if Article X-A of the Oregon Constitution requires the Governor to get a three-fifths approval from both houses of the Oregon Legislature to extend any declared emergency beyond thirty days? What if the Oregon Supreme Court engaged in judicial gymnastics to strike down a lower courts ruling that Governor Brown's emergency powers expired in May? What if the Oregon Supreme Court claimed the written words in Oregon's constitution for emergency powers don't mean what they say? What if five of seven justices on the Oregon Supreme Court were appointed by Kate Brown? What if the court handed the Governor unlimited power over you and I?

What if a Philadelphia federal judge ruled that Philadelphia's lockdowns and social distancing are unconstitutional by reasoning "such a dramatic inversion of the concept of liberty in a free society as to be nearly presumptively unconstitutional"?

What if U.S. Attorney General Bill Barr stated, "stay-at-home orders is like house arrest" and excluding slavery, "this is the greatest intrusion on civil liberties in American history"? What if Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito stated the pandemic has "highlighted disturbing trends" in the law

such as "dominance of lawmaking by executive fiat rather than legislation" and "previously unimaginable restrictions on individual liberty"?

What if the virus is real but the numbers are not? What if the New York Times reported that coronavirus tests are over-sampled during analysis, causing positive results for genetic fragments that pose no particular risk of the virus in ninety percent of positive test results? What if Tesla CEO Elon Musk recently tweeted, "something extremely bogus is going on. Was tested for COVID four times today. Two tests came back negative, two tests came back positive. Same machine, same test, same nurse. Rapid antigen test from BD"?

What if personal responsibility and free choice based on the best information from the government is our natural and constitutional right as free people?

What if we are being stomped on by our government?

JK Wells



To the Editor:

Recently, the executive committee of the Sisters Folk Festival made the difficult decision to restructure its staff configuration, eliminating the development director position in response to the significant financial challenge presented by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

The annual Sisters Folk Festival isn't just a community celebration with a huge economic impact to local businesses; it is also the SFF organization's single largest revenue generator, funding the lion's share of our programming and operational costs. Despite the loss of that revenue in 2020, we were able to persevere with the help of the Payroll Protection Program, \$195K in emergency funding through the CARES Act, and deep cuts to staffing hours across the board. There are no guarantees there will be additional economic relief for businesses next year — or an end to the pandemic — and the survival of the organization is our number one priority.

We are so grateful to our outgoing development director, Steven Remington, not only for the great work he's done during his time with SFF, but also for his ongoing professionalism and dedication to the nonprofit organization as he assists staff through the transition. His wry wit and years of industry experience will be greatly missed around the office.

SFF will continue to serve the Sisters community in the best way possible throughout the duration of this pandemic, building on the recent success of our Close To Home Concerts and Creativity Camps with more day camps for kids next spring

and summer, as well as music clubs, art classes, more outdoor, socially distanced concerts at our backyard venue. Stay safe and we will get through this crisis together!

Crista Munro
Executive Director
Sisters Folk Festival



To the Editor:

In a recent letter to the editor, Michael Wells submitted some rather inflammatory statements regarding President Trump that were simply false or misleading.

Mr. Wells first indicated that when and if Biden takes office that we should all engage in civility, cooperation and concessions.

Does he mean like the lack of civility and cooperation we have seen from the left for the last four years?

He indicated that President Trump is patently unfit for office and his election was a nightmare. Does Mr. Wells know who thought his election was a nightmare except the far left who never accepted his election? Mr. Wells is good at name calling such as serial sexual assaults on women. He also calls the president unfit and racist. He goes on to say the president encourages corruption and violence.

Laughable.

He indicated that the Trump administration engaged in targeted kidnapping and tearing children from their parent and putting them in cages. Perhaps Mr. Wells should do some research here. It was the Obama administration who built the cages. Our president has gone out of his way to provide help for these children.

He continues to say the response to the pandemic was gross mismanagement. However, it was Biden who called the president xenophobic when he started shutting down our borders to keep the virus at bay. Trump didn't lie, he simply did not want chaos. It was Pelosi who went into the throngs of Chinese people in Chinatown telling the people it was good to come there and not be afraid of it.

And then Michael calls the president a charlatan. Michael stated further that the President's supporters are claiming that Biden's win was illegitimate. You mean like when Al Gore in 2000 fought the election for 47 days? Mr. Wells alluded, that when losers only recognize they have lost is when we have democracy. Again, laughable. Does he mean like the last four years that the left won't recognize they lost in 2016? The violence, vitriol and conflict

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