

drawing as therapy by harvey dickson



took every precaution to make sure no one was hurt. How could they possibly be compared to those men who drove planes into crowded skyscrapers?

With the recent rulings, the federal government has succeeded in distracting many of us from real threats of terror — that is, real threats against our lives. They have succeeded in minimizing the suffering of those who have lost loved ones and felt the true terror of being targets of those attacks.

*Eliza Calhoun,
Brooklyn, N.Y.*

A NEW GIPPER

The GOP is in trouble, and we need a candidate. I know, let's find a second rate actor with a nice speaking voice and little original thought — there's this guy from Tennessee. Sounds like a plan. OK, next if we can get someone to grab 50 American hostages and blame the Democrats, we'll be on our way. Once elected, the hostages can be released on inauguration day, and we can sell arms to the captives, the profit from which can fund death squads in Central America. Great.

Now let's fire some union workers. I know, how about air traffic controllers? Nice.

We're on a roll now. Let's do away with the Fairness Doctrine which protects the public airways from our political propaganda and have the first lady lead a fantasy war on drugs with mandatory sentencing so we can disproportionately jail African Americans.

Yeah baby, but there's more. How about spending gazillions on a Star Wars defense system? The kids love Star Wars. Who cares if it has as much chance of working as Wile E. Coyote's big slingshot thingy, it costs a lot and our pals need the cash. Besides, it upsets the Russkies, who are much easier to fight. We're sitting pretty now.

Oh yeah, how about an interior secretary from the oil biz — Cheney will need a job. Done. All we need now is Pat Buchanan to write Freddy's speeches, and we'll have the new Great Communicator, and he can give out jelly beans, and we'll call him the Gipper.

*Harper Keeler
Eugene*

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