



martial law powers. I don't think they were just whistling Dixie — they put it there so they could use it if need be.

OK, let's say they do it. Think about it. Would the joint chiefs roll over? Would the self-styled conservative Supreme Court take it sitting down? Would not we the people rise up in insurrectionary protest at this final violation?

We don't know, but it's just about 100 days to go until Election Day, and then we'll find out.

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**OUR SORRY BUTTS**

As the hopes and dreams of young wrestlers to someday wrestle for the UO are dashed, we have news that Ernie Kent and gang will receive a nice pay increase with the big Ern pulling in more than a million dollars a year. Rumor has it that Kilkenny hates wrestlers because he was beat up by a freshman 98-pounder when he was a junior in high school. Phil and his cronies have proved that a successful athletic program can be bought. Go Beavers.

Furthermore, we all know that unless the scientists can do the next to impossible and magically pull a few rabbits out of their hat and/or asses to fix our energy, water and environmental problems, shit is going to hit the fan. Our sorry butts may very well be spared, but our grandkids will likely be at ground zero when the caca starts flying. Grow some food, get on your bike, reduce, reuse.

Also, let's elect candidates that lie more opposite of George Bush on the compassionate/ enlightenment vs. greedy/ ignorant continuum. Think Piercy and Obama in November, Kucinich in 2012.

Finally, most cops are OK. Peace.

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**DEBILITATING IGNORANCE**

Just how dumb are we? Some polls show Obama with a slight lead over McCain and some polls actually show McCain ahead of Obama! "Fool me once, shame on you. Fool me twice, shame on me." Fool me three times and I'm a blithering idiot! I don't know what to think! Do that many people in this country want a third term for the current White House gang? With every aspect of the "American Dream" literally disintegrating before our eyes and McCain promising to continue the policies that got us to this desperate point, he appears to have substantial support from the very people who will be totally screwed if he's elected!

Obama should be cleaning McCain's clock in the polls, not a mere few points ahead or worse a few points behind!

Author Rick Shenkman's book *Just How Stupid Are We?* contends we haven't reached the point of total debilitating ignorance yet. I'm not so sure.

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