BULLY PULPIT

#### Prostate cancer

You know, I actually feel sorry for the old fellow; of course, I'm referring to former President Joe Biden. His wife and family should be ashamed of themselves for using the hull of what was a viable man years ago to further their continuing political

Now, it comes out that Biden has prostate cancer. According to Foxnews.com, "Former Biden COVID advisor and Obamacare architect Dr. Ezekiel Emanuel said Monday that former President Joe Biden likely had cancer since the beginning of his presidency, if not before.

"Biden's office confirmed in a statement on Sunday that he had been diagnosed with an "aggressive form" of prostate cancer that "was characterized by a Gleason score of 9 (Grade Group 5) with metastasis to the bone."

"Based on the advanced state of the cancer, Emanuel, an oncologist, told MSNBC's "Morning Joe" that Biden would most likely have had the cancer for "more than several years."

Several things don't add up on the cancer diagnosis; some do, but I have a tendency to think about the abstract where the Deep State is concerned.

First, I've dealt with prostate cancer through my husband. After treatment and monitoring, the doctors were in agreement that prostate cancer would not be the mechanism that killed my husband; eventually, it was heart disease.

So, looking at Biden, a man with top-notch medical doctors and hospitals at his finger tips, I ask why did a cancer that is detectable with a simple blood test that most doctors administer yearly get out of control?

At the heart of that question, media is beginning to look at Biden's chosen doctor, "Signing off on the final routine medical examination of Joe Biden's presidency, physician Kevin O'Connor declared the former US president to be a "healthy, active, robust 81-year-old male".

"But the diagnosis of an aggressive form of prostate cancer, said only to have been discovered last week, has raised questions over the transparency of White House physicians and their personal loyalty to the presidents they serve."

What many in the American public are beginning to look at as just another cover-up, the media is spinning that PSA tests, normally given to men to determine if prostate cancer cells exist in the prostate, are unreliable. Well, Biden served with Obama for eight years, then four years after President Trump, his own four years. Tell me that a PSA test is unreliable over a 16-year period.

Anyone in the Navy or military can tell you, "Loose lips sink ships." With that, given the man has been diagnosed with dementia, I speculated Biden's life would not be very long after the end of his presidency. I figured a plane wreck would take him out; but, alas, it looks like a natural disease will be the demise of our former president.

On that line, and I've got my tin hat on, I now assume that they knew Biden had dementia. They, his cabinet and his handlers, whoever they may be, thought they'd put Biden in office, let his dementia roll with unfettered prostate cancer pummeling the man's body. Cancer would kill him while he was in office and Kamala would take over. But God had different plans and Biden was stronger than that and lived through the tenure of his office; he lived long enough where the American public could again see how the poor guy was used by his family and friends to accomplish their goals.

Biden's handlers have to be worried about what he'll talk about in public; the man was involved in what is becoming apparent as many "hinky" deals, many of which none of his compadres want the beans spilled on. Aggressive prostate cancer that has spread to the bones will do the man in, and probably in record time. The cabal wants Joe's lips sealed forever.

But alas, "the best-laid plans of mice and men often go awry;" but truer yet is God's word that tells us He will bring light to the darkness.

I just pray that Biden's last days will be restful and peaceful; heaven help him with the company he keeps.

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"Socialism only works in two places: Heaven where they don't need it and hell where they already have it." - Ronald Reagan

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# Intellectual property is America's bedrock

BY PHIL KERPEN

Elon Musk is probably the second-most powerful man in the world these days, so when he responded to Twitter co-founder Jack Dorsey's "delete all intellectual property (IP) law" post with "I agree," we need to take this radical proposal seriously.

Musk and Dorsey want their AI bots to remix all the world's content without having to worry about who owns it, but it's important that we slow down and start from first principles, or we risk undermining one of the foundations of our Constitution and economic system.

The moral case for IP was already powerfully articulated prior to American independence by John Locke. In his 1694 memorandum opposing the renewal of the Licensing Act, Locke wrote: "Books seem to me to be the most proper thing for a man to have a property in of anything that is the product of his mind," which is no doubt equally true of more modern creative works. Unlike physical property which is a mixture of an individual's work effort and the pre-existing natural world, creative works are the pure creation of the human mind. How could they not then properly be owned by their authors?

The Constitution cements this truth. Article I, Section 8 empowers Congress "to promote the Progress of Science and useful Arts, by securing for limited Times to Authors and Inventors the exclusive Right to their respective Writings and Discoveries." This clause isn't incidental; it's a deliberate choice to recognize inventors and authors properly have a property right in their creations and is the only right expressly protected in the base text of the Constitution, before the Bill of Rights was added.

In Federalist No. 43, James Madison said "the utility of this power will scarcely be questioned." He continued: "The copyright of authors has been solemnly adjudged, in Great Britain, to be a right of common law. The right to useful inventions seems with equal reason to belong to the inventors. The public good fully coincides in both cases with the claims of individu-

Denying creators ownership over their ideas violates their natural rights, handing their work to those who contribute nothing. If we deleted all IP law, this fundamental principle would fall by the wayside, and anybody's work could be copied by anyone – resulting in less creation, costly trade secret measures, and a thicket of contract law to mimic IP protections, bogging down courts and businesses even more than our current sys-

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## More should get expedited processing like the South Africans

BY CHRISTINE FLOWERS

I am writing this column on an Amtrak train to Newark. My destination is immigration court, where I will try and obtain asylum for an abused woman from Central America. So you can imagine that I have more than a little interest in the topic of refugees.

That's why my antenna went up when I heard about the small group of Afrikaners from South Africa who, according to trustworthy reports, have been given expedited processing as ... refugees.

The mainstream media, much of which is Trump-pho-

bic, has made it a point of mentioning that the Afrikaners are white, which is self-evident to anyone who understands South African history. They are the descendants of Dutch settlers who instituted the evil policy of Apartheid, which enslaved generations of non-white Africans.

There is nothing that can ever justify a regime that in many ways mirrored the race laws of Weimar Republic Germany.

It is possible that the Afrikaners who were given preferred status by our government were alive during Apartheid and even contributed to it, since the regime only ended 30 years ago.

It is even probable that the majority of the refugees benefited from the bloody and horrific crimes of the South African government, which dehumanized an entire race of indigenous people. As such, it is extremely difficult to have any sympathy for them. I don't.

And I am outraged that they have been given preferential status over Afghans, Sudanese and many other populations that have been told their applications for refugee admission have been put on an indefinite hold.

Trump either does not know, or does not care, that

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### Sleepy's New Clothes

"I was shocked to see his condition," CNN commentator Van Jones tells Jake Tapper on State of the Union. Mr. Jones is talking about when former (but then-) President Joe Biden stepped up to debate his challenger, current (but then former-) President Donald Trump.

"And so was the world," he continues. "And that wasn't the first time [Biden] was in that condition; the book makes it very, very clear."

The book noted above being Original Sin: President Biden's Decline, Its Cover-Up, and His Disastrous Decision to Run Again, written by host Jake Tapper and Alex Thompson, a national political correspondent for Axios.

"There are people who knew and said nothing and that is a crime against this Republic," argues Jones, "and I think the Democrats are gonna pay for a long time for being a part of what is now being revealed to be a massive cover up."

"It was obvious to the American people before the debate," former Obama strategist David Axelrod offers. Obvious to politicians, too, but not "politically wise to speak out."

"[T]his is The Emperor's New Clothes playing itself out in real time," Jones elaborates. "Everybody knew but everyone was afraid to say."

Later in the program, still pitching his book, Tapper blames a "small, secretive group of advisors" as the culprits, clarifying that "the original sin of the 2024 election" was "President Biden's

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