

# The Big Lie: Exposing the Nazi Roots of the American Left

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## One: Return of the Nazis

### Location 45

Some of Sigmund Freud's most interesting cases involved people who did bad or destructive things and then shifted the blame onto others.

### Location 50

Transference, in its wrongful assignment of blame and responsibility, is obviously a form of lying.

### Location 64

The big lie is a term routinely attributed to Adolf Hitler. Supposedly Hitler used the term to describe Nazi propaganda. In his autobiography, *Mein Kampf*, Hitler contrasts the big lie with little or ordinary lies. "The great masses of the people," he writes, "more easily fall victim to the big lie than to a little one, since they themselves lie in little things, but would be ashamed of lies that were too big. Such a falsehood will never enter their heads, and they will not be able to believe in the possibility of such monstrous effrontery and infamous misrepresentation in others."

### Location 73

Yet while lying about the Jews and plotting their destruction, Hitler accuses the Jews of lying and of plotting the destruction of Germany. Hitler employs the big lie even as he disavows its use. He portrays himself as a truth-teller and attributes lying to those he is lying about—the Jews. Could there be a more pathological case of transference, and specifically, of blaming the victim?

### Location 84

Through a process of transference, leftists blame their victims for being and doing what they themselves are and do. In a sick inversion, the real fascists in American politics masquerade as anti-fascists and accuse the real anti-fascists of being fascists.

### Location 97

I challenged another powerful leftist paradigm. This is the paradigm that the progressives and the Democrats are the party of emancipation, equality, and civil rights. I showed instead that they are the party of slavery and Indian removal, of segregation and Jim Crow, of racial terrorism and the Ku Klux Klan, and of opposition to the civil rights movement of the 1960s.

### **Location 109**

What intrigued me most was how one can get away with such a big lie. The answer is you have to dominate all the large megaphones of the culture, from academia to the movies to the major media.

### **Location 115**

In 1860, the year before the Civil War, no Republican owned a slave; all the four million slaves at the time were owned by Democrats.

### **Location 158**

Scholars have complained that terms like Nazi and fascist have become virtually meaningless in popular culture. Many years ago, the philosopher Leo Strauss, himself a refugee from Nazi Germany, deplored what he termed the *Reductio ad Hitlerum*, by which he meant the tendency to refute whatever one doesn't like by associating it with Hitler. The reasoning goes like this: Hitler didn't like modern art, so criticism of modern art is an evil reminiscent of the Nazis. Hitler detested communism; therefore, anti-communists are continuing in the Hitler mode. All of this, Strauss suggested, is pure foolishness.

### **Location 359**

How, then, is it that the alleged fascists seem to be acting in a peaceful and lawful manner and the anti-fascists seem to most closely resemble the fascists they are supposedly resisting?

### **Location 377**

What this showed is that the Left was engaging in premeditated violence, violence not as outbreak of passion but violence as a political strategy.

### **Location 417**

Basically Marcuse argued that in order to defeat Nazism in America, it was necessary for the Left to use Nazi tactics.

### **Location 419**

Nazis called *Gleichschaltung*. The term itself means "coordination" and it refers to the Nazi effort to use intimidation across the cultural institutions of society to bring everyone into line with Nazi priorities and Nazi doctrine. Progressives in America are using their dominance—actually their virtual

monopoly—in the fields of academia, Hollywood, and the media to enforce their own Gleichschaltung.

**Location 423**

Relentless battering and forced exclusion of dissident voices from their cultural institutions, so that theirs is the only point of view that is communicated to the vast majority of students and citizens.

**Location 439**

Western welfare-state democracies, having defeated fascism, were themselves moving inexorably in the fascist direction.

**Location 440**

Hayek identified fascism as a phenomenon of the Left, a cousin of socialism and progressivism. And he warned, “The rise of fascism and Nazism was not a reaction against the socialist trends of the preceding period but a necessary outcome of those tendencies.”

**Location 452**

Goldberg terms progressivism a “sister movement of fascism”

**Location 461**

The problem began when the central prophecies of Marxism failed to occur. This created a massive crisis within the Left, and essentially Marxism split into two camps: the first became Leninism and Bolshevism, and the other became fascism and Nazism.

## **Two: Falsifying History**

**Location 564**

“Propaganda is always a means to an end. The propaganda that produces the desired results is good and all other propaganda is bad”. - Joseph Goebbels, Nazi Minister of Propaganda.

**Location 575**

In the National Assembly in Paris, the partisans of the Revolution sat on the left side and their opponents sat on the right. This is how we got our original “left-wing” and “right-wing.”

**Location 576**

The term “right-wing” in this context refers to defenders of the Ancien Régime who wanted France to return to the governing alliance of throne and altar that

had preceded the revolution. “Conservative” became a description of the old guard who wanted to conserve the monarchy and the prerogatives of the established church against revolutionary overthrow.

### **Location 579**

So right away we have a problem: if this is what “right-wing” and “conservative” mean, then there are no right-wingers or conservatives in America. America has never had either a monarchy or an established church. Modern American conservatives have no intention to introduce either.

### **Location 582**

What is it that American conservatives want to conserve? The answer is pretty simple. They want to conserve the principles of the American Revolution.

### **Location 583**

French Right opposed the French Revolution, the American Right champions the American Revolution.

### **Location 585**

The American Revolution was characterized by three basic freedoms: economic freedom or capitalism, political freedom or constitutional democracy, and freedom of speech and religion. These are the freedoms that, in their original form, American conservatives seek to conserve.

### **Location 587**

As the founders understood it, the main threat to freedom comes from the federal government.

### **Location 591**

Right-wingers in America are the ones who seek to protect the rights of Americans to pursue happiness by limiting the power of the central state.

### **Location 597**

We are under no more obligation to obey an elected tyranny than the founders themselves were obliged to obey the tyrannical authority of the British Crown.

### **Location 598**

By limiting state power, conservatives seek among other things to protect the right of people to keep the fruits of their own labor. Abraham Lincoln, America’s first Republican president, placed himself squarely in the founding tradition when he said, “I always thought the man who made the corn should eat the corn.”

### **Location 605**

The proposition from the Declaration of Independence that we are all “created equal” and endowed with “inalienable rights” including the “right to life.” This

means for conservatives that human life is sacred, it has a dignity that results from divine creation, it is so precious that the right to life cannot be sold even with the consent of the buyer and seller, and finally that no government can violate the right to life without trespassing on America's most basic moral and political values.

**Location 609**

The Left in America is defined by its hostility to the restrictions placed by the founders on the federal government.

**Location 615**

What 'progressives' mean when they use it. What they mean is progress toward greater federal power and federal control. The progressives, in other words, are champions of the power of the centralized state. Any setbacks to this program represent "reaction" and "regress." No wonder leftists term conservatives who resist expanding government power as "regressive" or "reactionary."

**Location 625**

From its abortion stance alone, we see that the Left rejects the idea of a transcendent moral order as firmly as it rejects the conservative principle of an inalienable right to life.

**Location 668**

Fascism is an Italian term that means "groupism" or "collectivism."

**Location 670**

The core meaning of the term fascism is that people are stronger in groups than they are as individuals.

**Location 684**

Gregor's *The Ideology of Fascism*: "The movement itself was not conservative. It was revolutionary. Its clear intention was to destroy all the social, economic and political artifacts of classical liberalism."

**Location 686**

Payne: "The nucleus that eventually founded fascism in Italy did not stem from the right-wing nationalists but from the transformation of part of the revolutionary left."

**Location 731**

John Locke says that whatever other tasks a government undertakes—whether humanitarian or otherwise—its primary duty is to protect its own citizens from foreign and domestic thugs. That isn't fascism; it's classical liberalism. Classical liberalism holds that a liberal society is a social compact among citizens who agree to come together for certain benefits and protections that they seek in common. In exchange for these protections and privileges, they give up the exercise of some of their natural rights. Civil and constitutional rights are the product of a social compact.

### **Location 735**

It follows, therefore, that civil rights belong only to **citizens**.

### **Location 804**

“All of Hitler's political ideas,” Stanley Payne writes in *A History of Fascism*, “had their origin in the Enlightenment.”

### **Location 809**

One of the groups that most strongly supported fascism in Italy was the self-designated Futurists. Led by Filippo Marinetti, the futurists championed fast cars and new technologies and viewed themselves as being on the cutting edge of both the sciences and art. This was the group that encouraged fascism and Nazism to use new advances in technology and up-to-date techniques of media and propaganda.

### **Location 813**

The fascists and the Nazis sought to create a new man and a new utopia freed from the shackles of the old religion and old allegiances. The whole mood of fascism and Nazism is captured in the Nazi youth depicted in the movie *Cabaret* who sings not about a lost past but rather a “tomorrow” that “belongs to me.” Fascism's appeal was, as both its critics and enthusiasts recognized at the time, more progressive and forward-looking than it was backward and reactionary.

### **Location 873**

Fascist nationalism called upon citizens to subordinate their private concerns fully to the centralized state. This type of nationalism—let's call it statist or collectivist nationalism—more closely resembles the American Left than the American Right, since the American Right holds, with Reagan, that “government is not the solution. Government is the problem.”

### **Location 907**

Even though the old Soviet canard that fascism is a byproduct of capitalism has been fully discredited—

**Location 922**

Collectivism, statism, and socialism are the essence of fascism and Nazism.

**Location 940**

The first is liberal democracy which envisions society made up of individuals who form communities to protect and advance their individual rights and interests, specifically their economic interests in property and trade. Gentile regards this as selfish or bourgeois democracy, by which he means capitalist democracy, the democracy of the American founding. In its place, Gentile recommends a different type of democracy, “true democracy,” in which individuals willingly subordinate themselves to society and to the state.

**Location 952**

Gentile emphasized that leaders and organizers are needed to direct and channel the will of the people. Gentile was, in fact, a lifelong socialist. Like Marx, he viewed socialism as the sine qua non of social justice, the ultimate formula for everyone paying their “fair share.” For Gentile, fascism is nothing more than a modified form of socialism, a socialism arising not merely from material deprivation but also from an aroused national consciousness, a socialism that unites rather than divides communities.

**Location 961**

Gentile seems to be the unacknowledged ancestor of the street activism of Antifa and other leftist groups. “One of the major virtues of fascism,” he writes, “is that it obliged those who watched from their windows to come down into the street.”

**Location 967**

Gentile argued that corporations too should serve the public welfare and not just the welfare of their owners and shareholders. Society and the state—for Gentile, the two were one and the same. Gentile saw the centralized state as the necessary administrative arm of society. Moreover the state is, as it were, unaccountable to citizens. “The authority of the State is not subject to negotiation,” he writes. “It is entirely unconditioned. It could not depend on the people, in fact, the people depend on the State. Morality and religion . . . must be subordinated to the laws of the State.”

**Location 973**

Gentile urges that all citizens must submit to the authority of the state, not just in economic matters, but in all matters. Since everything is political, the state gets to tell everyone how to think and also what to do—there is no private

sphere unregulated by the state. Fascism, according to Gentile, is a “total conception of life

### **Location 979**

The government, Gentile insisted should act not merely as a lawmaker but also a teacher, using schools to promulgate its values and priorities.

### **Location 982**

“All is in the state and nothing human exists or has value outside the state.” Mussolini said that in *La Dottrina del Fascismo*, one of the doctrinal statements of early fascism, but Gentile wrote it or, as we may say today, ghost-wrote it. Gentile was, as you have probably figured by now, the leading philosopher of fascism.

### **Location 1015**

It makes sense to examine what Mussolini and Hitler actually did, because what they did is necessarily an application, with predictable adulteration and dilution, of what they originally intended to accomplish. Fascism in speech is necessarily compromised by fascism in deed.

### **Location 1036**

One of Mussolini’s favorite phrases was “Everything in the state, nothing outside the state, nothing against the state.”

### **Location 1041**

Mussolini was so statist that he considered the word “totalitarian” a positive term.

### **Location 1114**

What Hitler wanted to do, before he did anything else, was to fight a war. His goal was essentially to first, bring Europe or at least most of Europe into subjugation; second, to expel or eliminate the Jews; and third, to implement socialism for Germany while institutionalizing subordination and slavery for everyone else. Hitler’s view was that socialism is too good for anyone other than true Aryans, and consequently he was not about to institutionalize socialism before carrying out his first two assignments.

### **Location 1128**

One might say that, as ideological blueprints for society, fascism and National Socialism have still not failed because they were never fully tried. In modern progressivism, then, we may be seeing an attempted revival and resurrection. Obviously, the revival has to be under a different name, and the Left will surely need some anti-fascist camouflage. (Look, no fascists here! Can’t you see we’re fighting fascism?) Even so, for people who know how to recognize it,

today's Left is still the party of fascism and National Socialism, old ideologies now marching on a different continent under new colors, a fascism for the twenty-first century.

## Three: Mussolini's Journey

### Location 1150

It was common practice for socialist parties to expel dissenting fellow socialists for breaking on some fine point with the party line.

### Location 1169

In the progressive paradigm, Marxian socialism is the left end of the spectrum and fascism is the right end of the spectrum.

### Location 1172

Today we think of fascism's most famous representative as Adolf Hitler. Yet as I mentioned earlier, Hitler didn't consider himself a fascist. Rather, he saw himself as a National Socialist. The two ideologies are related in that they are both based on collectivism and centralized state power.

### Location 1180

When Hitler first came to power he kept a bust of Mussolini in his office and one German observer termed him "Germany's Mussolini." Hitler was, like Mussolini, a man of the Left. Mussolini was, during those years, much more famous than Hitler. He was recognized as the founding father of fascism. So any account of the origin of fascism must focus not on Hitler but on Mussolini. Mussolini is the original and prototypical fascist.

### Location 1194

"The first fascists," Anthony James Gregor tells us, "were almost all Marxists." They became fascists because they saw fascism as the only way to rescue socialism and make it viable. In other words, their defection was within socialism—they sought to create a new type of socialism that would actually draw a mass following and produce the workers' revolution that Marx anticipated and hoped for.

### Location 1231

From their perspective, Marxism and socialism were too inert and needed to be adjusted leftward. In other words, they viewed fascism as more revolutionary than traditional socialism.

### Location 1243

Fascism arose out of the deep crisis faced by Marxism in the early part of the twentieth century.

**Location 1244**

Marx, let us recall, did not call for the workers of the world to rise up and revolt against the bourgeoisie or capitalist class. Rather, he predicted that they would. Marx saw himself as a kind of prophet, foretelling what was going to happen.

**Location 1272**

Marx's historical trajectory was from feudalism to capitalism to communism. In other words, you had to become capitalist before you could become communist.

**Location 1274**

As Marxists no less than others could see, the Russian revolution was not a revolt of the proletariat against a capitalist class but an organized military operation by professional revolutionaries against a czarist dictatorship. The revolutionaries were not from the labor class but mainly drawn from the intelligentsia—lawyers, journalists, social activists. This was not what Marx had foreseen at all.

**Location 1297**

Lenin insisted that Marx had been too complacent in expecting his revolution to occur by itself. Future revolutions, Lenin said, would require a professional vanguard of militant fighters, led by people like him, to instigate class consciousness in society and actually overthrow the ruling class on behalf of the working class. These militants did not have to be proletarians; they could be intellectuals, artists, even members of the bourgeoisie. As political scientist Joshua Muravchik puts it, from Lenin's point of view, "The proletarian revolution did not need to be carried out by proletarians; it could be done for them."

**Location 1308**

This was the central theme of Lenin's *The State and Revolution* in which he predicted that the revolution of the proletariat would be followed by a dictatorship of the proletariat and that, in turn, would be followed by the complete disappearance of any kind of state. In the communist utopia everyone in society will jointly own the means of production and there is no need to have a state at all.

**Location 1326**

Mussolini's fascism has more relevance to American progressivism than Lenin's Bolshevism.

**Location 1341**

Consciousness raising implies that the place that revolution occurs is in the human mind. Consciousness—not circumstance—determines if you are a true revolutionary.

**Location 1345**

The New Left in the 1960s was obsessed with consciousness raising. Saul Alinsky, a mentor to Obama and Hillary, devoted a large part of his training seminars to consciousness raising. People don't agitate of their own accord; their grievances have to be created or at least interpreted for them, and they have to be stirred up to get off their butts and take action.

**Location 1354**

"Class struggle is the alpha and omega of socialism," he wrote. Class struggle was "what was really true in Marxism, what was powerfully original, superior to all formulas."

**Location 1360**

Sorel, like Lenin, realized that such a strike could hardly be peaceful for the simple reason that capitalists would never give up their power without a fight. He welcomed the general strike as a means to violent revolution. Sorel spoke of violence as "beautiful" and "heroic." Beating people up is an important way to purge society of its longstanding evils.

**Location 1368**

He saw fascism as a continuation and fulfillment of socialism,

**Location 1369**

"The masses," he wrote, "cannot be the protagonists of history—they are its instrument."

**Location 1376**

He noticed that the Italian working class responded more powerfully to the appeal of the nation than they had ever responded to the appeal of class.

**Location 1382**

People will not give their lives for their class, but they will give their lives for their country.

**Location 1388**

Mussolini was starting to think differently. His change of heart came primarily from direct personal observation of what actually rallied the working class,

namely, their attachment to Italy rather than their attachment to this group called the proletariat. In the trenches, Mussolini observed, “no one spoke any longer of returning to his village or region. One talked of returning to Italy.”

#### **Location 1407**

What Italians had in common, in other words, was their ethnicity. Here we see the basis of the nationalism that is an important feature of fascism i.e. ethnic nationalism—a nationalism of ethnic identity. It is at the root not only of fascism but also of modern progressivism, with its affirmation and celebration of ethnic identity as the basis for political motivation and participation. Ethnic nationalism was the galvanizing myth of working people.

#### **Location 1422**

The nationalists advocated spazio vitale for Italy because they believed that that was the only way for Italy to rise up from its status as a proletarian nation.

#### **Location 1429**

Italy for socialist allegiance on the basis of ethnicity, another group in Germany called for socialist unity on the basis of race.

#### **Location 1430**

It was Marxist Ludwig Woltmann, who sought to integrate Marx’s scientific materialism with the evolutionary science of Darwin. Darwinian struggle for survival didn’t take place among individual creatures but—within human communities—between races. This naturally resulted in the triumph of superior races and the elimination of inferior races.

#### **Location 1467**

Revolutionary war would not be a fight between classes—rich and poor—but a fight between rich nations and poor nations in which the proletarian nations would overthrow the hegemony of the plutocratic ones.

#### **Location 1495**

The fascists, like the progressives, sought a radical transformation of society that is the very antithesis of classical liberalism or modern American conservatism.

#### **Location 1506**

Mussolini envisioned a powerful centralized state directing the institutions of the private sector, forcing their private welfare into line with the national welfare. Isn’t this precisely how progressives view the federal government’s control of banks, finance companies, insurance companies, health care, energy, and education?

## Four: A Democratic Party Secret

### Location 1536

For Hitler, America represented the worst case of unrestricted Jewish capitalism.

### Location 1574

Woltmann was a progressive social Darwinist, and progressive social Darwinism, as we'll see later in this book, was an important progenitor of fascism and Nazism.

### Location 1589

The Left loves to portray Hitler as a right-winger but notice here how he allies himself completely with the pro-slavery and Indian removal policies of the Democratic Party. Nazi DNA was in the Democratic Party from the very beginning. The Democrats—not the Nazis—are the originators of the politics of hate.

### Location 1655

There was a much smaller number of death camps, none of them in Germany, since the regime wanted to hide their existence from the German people. Most of the survivors at Dachau and Auschwitz weren't Jews; they were non-Jewish Germans and eastern Europeans.

### Location 1705

Most of these deaths were due to plagues and epidemics unwittingly transmitted from Europeans to the Indians. Whatever we call this, we cannot call it genocide because genocide involves the intent to exterminate a population. Columbus had no intention to do this and neither did the American founders.

### Location 1714

Indians themselves were just as merciless as Andrew Jackson's troops in the Indian wars. He claims Jackson's men simply had better training and better ammunition. So basically in order to defend "the West" and "America," Lewy engages in what may be termed the genocide minimization strategy. Actually, there is no need for such a strategy because neither "the West" nor "America" is guilty of genocide; rather, Andrew Jackson and the Democratic Party are.

## Five: The Original Racists

**Location 2005**

“The meeting involved lengthy discussions of the law of the United States of America.” The meeting opened with Gurtner presenting a memorandum on U.S. race law, and as it progressed, Whitman notes, “the participants turned to the U.S. example repeatedly.”

**Location 2011**

The Nazis were convinced that they could apply these same laws with appropriate modification to their own situation. They were specifically formulating laws to deal with Jews, but they were also thinking of the gypsies and other “undesirable” populations.

**Location 2020**

Freisler conceded that America was unique in passing this type of a law forbidding “mongrelization” but nevertheless insisted that the example of American racial jurisprudence “would suit us perfectly.”

**Location 2022**

The U.S. Immigration Act of 1924 which established quotas for immigration based on race, extending preferential treatment to whites and discriminating against brown.

**Location 2026**

The Nazis were excited about America having created the basis for two categories of citizenship: first-class citizens and second-class citizens. This, they knew, had direct applicability to the task of drafting their own Nuremberg Laws. Klee said that just as American race and immigration law specifically recognized the inferiority of certain races, notably blacks, so too should German law specifically recognize the inferiority of the Jew. Klee said, the simple issue was “race protection,” saving the white native majority from the menace and contamination posed by inferior races.

**Location 2040**

The radicals were forced to back down from proposing anything so extreme for Jews. “To them,” Whitman sardonically observes, “American racism was sometimes simply too inhumane.”

**Location 2051**

George Fredrickson writes, “German anti-Semitism was less rigorous in its attitude toward racial purity than was American white supremacy.” The racism of the Democrats actually shaped and influenced the policies of Nazi Germany.

**Location 2076**

Notice how just as Whitman blames “America,” Katznelson blames “the South.” Never does either of them once say, “the Democrats.” No fingers of blame ever identify “the progressives.” Never do they point to “the Left.”

**Location 2079**

This is significant because every segregation law in the South was passed by a Democratic legislature, signed into power by a Democratic governor, and enforced by Democratic sheriffs and Democratic city and state officials. Most anti-miscegenation laws were passed in Democratic states. Progressives passed the racist Immigration Law of 1924 and celebrated it as a victory of progressive science and progressive planning. The Ku Klux Klan was a creation of the Democrats and served for thirty years, in the words of progressive scholar Eric Foner, as “the domestic terrorist arm of the Democratic Party.”

**Location 2088**

So the big lie here involves Whitman and Katznelson shifting the blame from the real culprits—the progressives and the Democrats—to a generic “South” and an even more generic “America.”

**Location 2120**

Hitler subsequently railed against what he called the “emotional anti-Semitism” of the brownshirts and called for it to be replaced by the “rational anti-Semitism” of government policy. Southern Democrats struck exactly the same note, deploring lynching and the Klan and institutionalizing instead, just as the Nazis did, the organized repression of state-sponsored segregation and discrimination.

**Location 2125**

Despite the near-infinity of progressive humbug presuming fascism to be racist, there is nothing intrinsically racist about fascism. Mussolini had very little against blacks and absolutely nothing against Jews.

**Location 2140**

Mussolini did, however, succumb to anti-Semitism after he entered into an alliance with Hitler. Scholars agree this was strategic anti-Semitism, not an anti-Semitism of the heart but anti-Semitism for the sake of demonstrating political solidarity.

**Location 2174**

Modern anti-Semitism is rooted not in a perception of Jewish inferiority but in a perception of Jewish success. The Jews are hated because they are

successful! In other words, anti-Semitism is anchored in the worst of the seven deadly sins, namely envy. Jewish success is portrayed not as the consequence of entrepreneurship or effort but as the consequence of Jewish moral depravity.

**Location 2203**

Notice here that the distinction that Feder and Hitler make between two types of capitalism—productive capitalism and finance capitalism—is precisely the distinction made by the Democratic Left in America today.

**Location 2222**

Aly shows that anti-Semitism springs from the same source as leftism and socialism. The leftist antagonism to entrepreneurship as a form of unfair “profiteering” and finance as a form of “greed” and “swindling” morphs into the anti-Semitic depiction of the Jew as an unfair profiteer and greedy swindler.

**Location 2230**

For Marx, socialism represents the emancipation of mankind from Jewish capitalism. Jewish capitalism is the real enemy.

**Location 2241**

“The desire for social equality is at the heart of the German brand of anti-Semitism.”

**Location 2245**

Anti-Semitism is, in this respect, a white or Nordic type of socialism, a socialism that especially appeals to losers in the race of life. In this sense, as we will see, it closely mirrors the racism of the Democrats.

**Location 2278**

Here is the smoking gun from Jefferson’s Notes on the State of Virginia: “I advance it therefore as a suspicion only that the blacks, whether originally a distinct race, or made distinct by time and circumstance, are inferior to the whites in the endowments of body and mind.” None of the other founders agreed with him. Neither the founders nor their successors implemented racist schemes like comprehensive state-sponsored segregation or created institutions like the Ku Klux Klan for the purpose of terrorizing and exterminating blacks. These were inventions of a later era and of a new party founded in the 1820s, the Democratic Party, of Democratic racism.

**Location 2290**

Racism, of course, preceded the Democratic Party but the Democrats, in a sense, invented political racism in the early nineteenth century in order to defend slavery against Republican and abolitionist attack.

**Location 2293**

Even so, Lincoln said of the right to life and liberty listed in the Declaration of Independence that the founders “meant simply to declare the right so that the enforcement of it might follow as fast as circumstances should permit.”

**Location 2318**

What the Democratic slave-owner offered the poor white is precisely what the Democratic Party offered the white Southern voter, namely, the opportunity to belong to an aristocracy of color. By drawing a sharp line between white and black, and placing every white above the line, and every black below it, the Democrats could assure the poorest, laziest, stupidest white man that he was still above the richest, most industrious, and most intelligent black man.

**Location 2323**

So racism, we can now see, performs exactly the same psychological function as anti-Semitism. Both reinforce what may be called herrenvolk socialism—the social equality of the master class.

**Location 2330**

The Klan and the brownshirts also targeted the same types of people. Both, for instance, aimed their violence not merely at racial minorities but also at political opponents. The early Klan, for instance, killed just as many white Republicans as it did blacks. Even though the Klan’s main minority target was blacks, it was also anti-Catholic and anti-Semitic—

**Location 2337**

National Socialist Office on Racial Policy: “What is lynch justice if not the natural resistance of the Volk to an alien race that is attempting to gain the upper hand?”

**Location 2359**

The brownshirts, like the Klan, portrayed themselves as champions of social justice.

**Location 2401**

The suggestion by some progressive pundits that Hitler had Röhm killed because he was a homosexual is pure nonsense.

**Location 2404**

Goebbels now invoked this distinction to call upon all Germans to “strictly desist from all further demonstrations and acts of retribution in any form against Jewry.” Here is an incredible instance of a top Nazi leader urging restraint in expressions of public anti-Semitism. Yet of course Goebbels intended something even more insidious in its place.

**Location 2410**

The Jews, Hitler said, must be “removed from all professions, ghettoized, restricted to a particular territory, where they can wander about, in accordance with their character, while the German people looks in, as one looks at animals in the wild.”

**Location 2412**

Starting in 1933, the first year of the Third Reich, the Nazis also began the systematic exclusion of Jews from public office. Hitler added an “Aryan clause” to the civil service law which effectively banned Jews from government employment.

**Location 2416**

As should be obvious by now, the Nazi race laws were the precise equivalent of the Democratic Party’s race laws.

**Six: Disposable People****Location 2432**

So how do humans cross over into the domain of the unconscionable? History shows they sometimes do it without any awareness of the horror of what they are doing. Hannah Arendt termed this the “banality of evil,” evil that seems to its perpetrators, and even to many observers, as utterly ordinary.

**Location 2438**

As a medical student, Mengele regularly attended the lectures of Ernst Rudin, a leading eugenic scholar who inspired Mengele with the Nazi doctrine of social progress, fostered through the creation of a new type of human being.

**Location 2449**

Since Mengele viewed these captives as the lowest of the low, the debris of war, disposable people, he decided that they could be put to use by experimenting on them.

**Location 2458**

Throughout all this, Mengele never displayed the slightest awareness that he was doing anything wrong. Later, in the 1970s, he would tell his son Rolf that the inmates at Auschwitz were going to die anyway, and that his role was merely to separate the fit from the sick, and to advance the cause of science by experimenting on useful human specimens.

#### **Location 2472**

We do have our modern Mengele, and his name is Kermit Gosnell. Since 1979, Gosnell ran an abortion clinic called the Women's Medical Society. Over a period of three decades, Gosnell killed hundreds if not thousands of children in this way, far more than Mengele killed during his two-year stint at Auschwitz.

#### **Location 2478**

If Gosnell is our Mengele, we also have our Kaiser Wilhelm Institute, and its name is Planned Parenthood. Both men saw themselves as pioneers working on the scientific and progressive frontier.

#### **Location 2507**

"anyone who thinks they have the right to refuse even one woman an abortion can't continue to claim they are pro-choice."

#### **Location 2512**

Mengele evaded capture by fleeing to Argentina where he became, interestingly enough, an abortionist.

#### **Location 2556**

The Nazi euthanasia program and the Nazi final solution are indissolubly linked. Nazi program and euthanasia was simply "a cosmetic term for murder."

#### **Location 2574**

America's left-wing progressives not only outpaced the Nazis in initiating mass programs of forced incarceration and forced sterilization, but they also showed the Nazis how to implement such programs. During the 1930s, when the Nazis came to power, American states were sterilizing 2,000 to 4,000 people a year. In all, around 65,000 people were sterilized against their will as a consequence of progressive eugenic legislation in the United States.

#### **Location 2590**

Immigration Act that sharply curtailed immigration by preferring northern Europeans or "Nordics" and discriminating against immigrants from Asia, Africa, South America, and even southern and central Europe. The centerpiece of the progressive enterprise in America, however, was eugenics.

**Location 2595**

Charles Darwin's cousin, Francis Galton. Attempting to apply Darwin's theory of survival of the fittest to the human species, Galton coined the term "eugenics" to describe a project for improving humanity through genetic selection. "Although conceived in England," Angela Franks writes, "eugenics was really born in America where a highly successful political and legal program was developed" to improve what progressives termed the American genetic stock.

**Location 2630**

The leading Nazi eugenicists of the 1930s—Rudin, Fritz Lens, and Eugen Fischer—were all men of the Left who interacted closely with progressives in the United States. At international eugenics conferences, the Germans were typically considered the second most advanced eugenic community in the world, and the Americans the most advanced.

**Location 2664**

Sanger was, like many progressives of her time, a blatant racist who saw blacks as low, uneducated people deserving of segregation and forced sterilization. Sanger accepted an invitation to speak to the women's chapter of the Ku Klux Klan

**Location 2667**

Sanger explained why she hired black ministers to be her ambassadors to the black community. "We do not want word to go out that we want to exterminate the Negro population!

**Location 2674**

Sanger's eugenics and Nazi eugenics were cut from the same cloth,

**Location 2695**

Historian Richard Weikart writes in *From Darwin to Hitler* that "Hitler drew upon a bountiful fund of social Darwinist thought to construct his own racist philosophy."

**Location 2714**

"The demand that defective people be prevented from propagating equally defective offspring," Hitler wrote, "is a demand of clearest reason. If systematically executed, it represents the most humane act of mankind."

**Location 2721**

Hitler knew there were religious conservatives in America who opposed such laws as draconian and excessive. He scorned these people whom he called "liars" and "hypocrites."

**Location 2728**

Marriage exists largely to serve the collective goals of the state and the species. No traditionalist will agree with this, but many progressives did and still do.

**Location 2731**

Rudolf Hess, later a prominent figure in the Third Reich who popularized the slogan “National Socialism is nothing but applied biology.”

**Location 2756**

While the old progressives relished their association with Hitler, progressives since World War II have worked assiduously to cover their tracks and bury all connections between their cause and that of the Nazis. Even in 1944, however, links to the Nazis had become politically radioactive, and Hofstadter got to work to redefine Social Darwinism, sever its link with progressive eugenics, and link it instead to the political Right. Hofstadter’s big lie scheme involved redefining Social Darwinism as the philosophical foundation of free-market or laissez-faire capitalism. This would ensure that in the future Social Darwinism could be blamed on the “right-wing.”

**Location 2794**

For the past few decades, however, eugenics has marched under a new banner, the banner of “pro-choice.”

**Seven: American Führers****Location 2948**

The view on the Left in Germany, Italy, and the United States was that planned societies function best under the firm hand of a single leader. The Führerprinzip in Germany and its equivalent in Italy closely mirrored FDR’s own view—echoed in the progressive media—that FDR is America and America is FDR.

**Location 3014**

Wilson, a disciple of Hegel, liked best about the German philosopher was Hegel’s apotheosis to the all-powerful state. Having studied under German mentors, Wilson’s model for government was drawn from the militaristic experience of Bismarck’s Prussia. Wilson ridiculed the American founders—he was the first American president to do so—calling their ideas about individual rights, decentralized power, and checks and balances, simpleminded and outdated.

**Location 3029**

Wilson implemented racist policies throughout the federal government and helped revive the dormant racist terrorist organization the Ku Klux Klan. Second, Wilson suppressed the civil liberties of Americans in a manner never seen before or since.

**Location 3042**

Wilson's racism can be highlighted by his enforcement of segregation throughout the federal government. Many people don't realize that while Democratic-Party-dominated state legislatures had made segregation widespread throughout the South, the federal government in Washington, D.C., had not been segregated since the end of the Civil War. Wilson reversed this and instituted segregation in pretty much every division of the federal government. Wilson's actions were bitterly protested by the leading spokesman of black America, Booker T. Washington, who was a Republican.

**Location 3072**

Wilson's goons even turned their venom against private citizens, encouraging children to spy on their parents and neighbors to spy on their fellow neighbors. They encouraged vigilantes to threaten and even beat up ideological nonconformists. In a phrase that could easily have been spoken by Hitler or Mussolini, Wilson insisted that "conformity will be the only virtue and any man who refuses to conform will have to pay the penalty."

**Location 3092**

It should be said at the outset that FDR personally had no affection for Hitler. But he did for Mussolini. FDR urged leading members of his brain trust to visit Italy and study Mussolini's fascist policies to see which of them could be integrated into the New Deal. FDR also dispatched three members of his Committee on Administrative Management to Rome to examine Mussolini's administrative structure for organizing his dictatorial government, again with a view to reorganizing FDR's own administration.

**Location 3105**

He quoted favorably from the 1927 charter of Italian fascism, the Carta del Lavoro, which seems to have impressed him far more than the American constitution. Fascism, he concluded, "is the cleanest, neatest, most efficiently operating piece of social machinery I've ever seen. It makes me envious."

**Location 3141**

The progressive African-American scholar W. E. B. Du Bois said Hitler's dictatorship was "absolutely necessary to get the state in order."

**Location 3242**

FDR laid the foundation for future progressive administrations to continually undermine economic liberty.

**Location 3244**

The main thrust of fascist economics involves the expansion of centralized state power at the expense of individual rights and the liberty of the private sphere. So FDR's actions in destroying economic liberty are fascist in this sense.

**Location 3254**

Like FDR, these fascist dictators didn't just overthrow the system but rather persuaded and pressured the system to give them essentially unchecked authority. FDR's Blue Eagle program, symbolized by the image of a blue eagle. It was the most recognized symbol in America and was widely compared to the swastika symbol in Nazi Germany.

**Location 3261**

The government actively urged the public to shop only in Blue Eagle stores and to boycott companies that did not display the symbol. Like Hitler and Mussolini, FDR established a massive propaganda machine within the government and, at the same time, sought to restrict the liberty of the press.

**Location 3284**

FDR appointed Hugo Black, a former Ku Klux Klansman, to the Supreme Court.

**Location 3294**

FDR also supported racist Democrats in Congress in their efforts to thwart anti-lynching laws.

**Location 3298**

FDR made a deal with racist Democrats to cut blacks out of most New Deal programs including Social Security and unemployment benefits.

**Location 3305**

Republicans and blacks regularly called for desegregation in the military and promotion by merit. FDR refused. FDR interned more than 120,000 Japanese-Americans in what he himself called "concentration camps"

**Location 3312**

Dramatically fewer German-Americans or Italian-Americans were targeted by the government and forced to relocate from America's coasts.

## **Eight: Politics of Intimidation**

### **Location 3388**

Universities systematically “weed out” conservative professors and refuse to hire new ones. Interestingly the mechanism for doing this is diversity statements. Leftists in the universities insist that conservatives lack commitment to diversity. So diversity becomes the pretext for progressives to root out the little intellectual and ideological diversity that remains on campus.

### **Location 3472**

Bringing all of society into line with the leftist priorities of Nazism. Gleichschaltung at its core is a doctrine of political uniformity and social control; it is the original form of political correctness. Gleichschaltung operates largely through outside pressure and intimidation but the Nazis considered it most successful when it led to Selbgleichschaltung or “self-coordination,” as people willingly placed themselves under the sway of Nazism.

### **Location 3510**

Heidegger's atheism—his assertion in *Being and Time* that we are mortal beings and must find our purpose not in some transcendent order but within the compass of our human morality—has fortified the secular, non-religious basis of modern progressivism. In light of all this, should we view it as astonishing—or merely appropriate—that Heidegger was an admirer of Hitler and a dues-paying member of the Nazi Party?

### **Location 3518**

In this now-infamous rector's address, Heidegger mocked the notion of intellectual freedom saying it was a false freedom that should be subordinated to the larger objectives of Hitler's new Germany.

### **Location 3573**

The Left today has a new category of undesirables; this time they are not Jews but conservatives.

### **Location 3658**

So the Frankfurt School decided to repackage fascism as a form of capitalism and moral traditionalism. In effect, they reinvented fascism as a phenomenon of the political Right.

### **Location 3667**

Adorno produced this list of questions aimed at detecting fascist affinities: “Obedience and respect for authority are the most important virtues children should learn. . . . Homosexuality is a particularly rotten form of delinquency. . . . No insult to our honor should ever go unpunished. . . . No matter how they act on the surface, men are interested in women for only one reason.” Basically, a yes answer to these questions showed that you were a budding fascist.

### **Location 3722**

Hitler despised Christianity as a kind of disease and regularly spoke of seeking its eventual eradication in the Third Reich. “Pure Christianity,” Hitler said, “leads quite simply to the annihilation of mankind. . . . Let’s be the only people who are immunized against the disease.”

### **Location 3733**

Historian Stanley Payne writes that we find in Nazism “the first major expressions of modern environmentalism.”

### **Location 3809**

To fight fascism with intolerance is one thing. But to fight classical liberalism and modern American conservatism with intolerance is, well, fascist.

### **Location 3814**

I’ve sometimes wondered how Marcuse, a refugee from Nazism, could so glibly recommend the very Nazi tactics that he ran away from in Germany. Reading Marcuse—his Machiavellian admiration for the cunning use of force, his Nietzschean exaltation of power—I think I’ve figured it out. Whatever his revulsion of Nazi anti-Semitism, Marcuse also observed that the Nazi use of terror tactics was effective. The Nazis got the job done: they beat their opponents into submission. In short order, they produced their Gleichschaltung. So Marcuse figured, why don’t we, who are also on the Left, apply some of those same successful tactics in the United States?

### **Location 3849**

How does Soros see his role in shaping America and the world? I’ll let him speak for himself. “I fancied myself as some kind of god.”

## **Nine: Denazification**

### **Location 4047**

Clueless and invertebrate, hollow Republicans seek to moderate the fascism of the Left by accommodating it.

**Location 4073**

“the legitimate will of the citizens is that will that corresponds to the will of the state.”

**Location 4078**

We should restore the government to the limited powers and limited sphere delineated by the Constitution. The first step, of course, is to get rid of the Obama legacy. This means overturning Obamacare, a progressive seizure of one-sixth of the U.S. economy, and replacing it with a health care system that restores private control and encourages private initiative. Second, repeal Dodd-Frank and return the banking and investment industries to private control. Third, let’s tighten eligibility requirements so that food stamps only go to the small population of people who are truly needy. Obama deliberately swelled the ranks of people who receive food stamps in order to make more Americans dependent on the government.

**Location 4198**

We have to create over time our own rival institutions. I know, of course, that we can’t start hundreds of new campuses of our own, but the good news is that, thanks to technology, we don’t have to. **What we must do, rather, is create one or more world-class online universities that rival the best in progressive academia.** If we can figure out a way to provide a high-quality education at a fraction of existing college tuition, we will revolutionize higher education and challenge, perhaps even displace, its existing power structure.

**Location 4219**

We should not hesitate to unleash the law and the police on these leftist brownshirts.

**Location 4236**

Gentile described it as a stage in the development of fascism, when fascism is “no longer a revolution against the state but a revolutionary State mobilized against the residue and internal debris that obstructed its evolution and organization.”

**Location 4250**

If we don’t do to them what they have been doing to us, how else are we going to get them to stop?

**Location 4252**

There's even precedent for the approach I'm discussing. During the Civil War Lincoln learned that Confederate soldiers were killing captured black federal troops or selling them into slavery rather than treating them as lawful prisoners of war. Lincoln promptly issued an Order of Retaliation. It said, "It is therefore ordered that for every soldier of the United States killed in violation of the laws of war, a rebel soldier shall be executed, and for every one enslaved by the enemy or sold into slavery, a rebel soldier shall be placed at hard labor on the public works."