
Protests Are 'Un-American'

Pelosi Campaigns as Marie Antoinette

Aug. 13—House Speaker Nancy Pelosi has spoken out, apparently, with a straight face: She has charged Americans, who face job losses, home foreclosures, and now, an attempt by the Obama crew to impose a Nazi-style health-care scheme, with “un-American” activities, for protesting these policies.

In an Aug. 10 *USA Today* op-ed, co-signed by her sidekick, House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer, titled “Un-American’ Attacks Can’t Derail Health Care Debate,” Pelosi lashed out at what she calls “an ugly campaign [that] is underway not merely to misrepresent [the issue] ... but to disrupt public meetings.... The tactics have included hanging in effigy one Dem member of Congress in Maryland and protesters holding a sign displaying a tombstone with the name of another congress-

man in Texas, where protesters also shouted.... “Drown- ing out opposing views is just plain un-American.”

Although she stops short of calling for a revival of the House Un-American Activities Committee of the 1940s and '50s, it's clear from the intensity of her pas- sion, that she would be willing to entertain the idea.

Pelosi's rant has already triggered a furious back- lash, with editorials and denunciations from all over the country. Washington, D.C.'s all-news radio station, WTOP, had to post a plea on its website, where it re- ported on Pelosi's *USA Today* column, asking readers: “Please note that WTOP strives to be a family-friendly website, so please keep the language clean when you add your comments....”

Pelosi's Ultimate Facelift

Just before her op-ed attacking Americans who are attempting to defend their fast-eroding living standards, Nancy Pelosi and her millionaire financier husband, Paul, hosted two private soirées for high-rollers, one at their San Francisco mansion Aug. 7, and another, the following day, at their posh Napa Wine Country estate. While millions of Americans are unemployed and des- perate, the Pelosis wine and dined 170 A-List guests

and Democratic political types, at a “donor mainte- nance” party, at their seven- acre vineyard in St. Helena, the ritzy Napa Valley town.

References to Pelosi-as- Marie Antoinette immedi- ately began to pop up. For example, “‘Let Them Eat Cake’ Democrats,” is the headline of an opinion column by Monica Crowley, in the Aug. 12 *Washington Times*. Crowley recalls Marie Antoinette's (alleged) dis- missal of the starving French with her remark, “Let them eat cake,” then writes, “To- day's equivalent would be House Speaker Nancy Pelosi.... [Such] soulless leaders carry on self-indul- gently until they are finally swept away. Marie Antoi- nette's neck met the business



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The image of Nancy Pelosi as Marie Antoinette (“Let them eat cake”) is making the rounds, following the Speaker's tirade against protestors as “un-American,” and her big-bucks-bashes in California, for A-List donors.

end of a guillotine. Mrs. Pelosi and her band of profligate spenders may well meet the business end of voters' anger next year. It's something she should worry her pretty little head about now, before she loses it."

Another reference is found in a posting on Salon.com Aug. 12, in "Obama's Healthcare Horror—Heads Should Roll—Beginning with Nancy Pelosi," by Camille Paglia. Paglia denounces Pelosi charge that American citizens who object to Obama's "reforms" are an un-American mob, asking: "And what do Democrats stand for, if they are so ready to defame concerned citizens as the 'mob,'—a word betraying a Marie Antoinette delusion of superiority to ordinary mortals."

Lyndon LaRouche suggests that Pelosi is actually pleased by the comparisons to Marie Antoinette. "It has the feel of a real face uplift—an historical, sociological face uplift!" What she should do is resign, and get that burden off her shoulders, he said.

Obama/Orszag Board: Hitler's T4 Program

The centerpiece of the "health-care reform" being pushed by President Barack Obama and his Budget chief Peter Orszag is nothing but a replay of Adolf Hitler's T4 (Tiergarten 4) euthanasia board. The Obama Administration's undisguised orientation toward "cost-cutting," "cost-effectiveness," "bending the cost curve," and health-care rationing, leaves no doubt that it is planning to rid itself of the "burden" of those "lives unworthy of life."

The Nuremberg Tribunals following World War II condemned and executed the Nazi doctors for the wholesale killing of what Hitler's men termed the "non-rehabilitable sick." Today, the Obama Administration has also concluded that there are lives "not worthy to be lived." Obama's cold-eyed health-care bureaucrats have come up with the same approach that Hitler did in 1939: a board of soulless "experts" to determine who shall live, and who shall die. Hitler's program was T4; Obama's is IMAC, or MEDPac.

Hitler's Program

The Nazi program was officially put into effect in October 1939, when Hitler issued his secret authorization, under the title, "The Destruction of Lives Unworthy of Life":

"Reichsleiter Bouhler and Dr. Brandt are charged with the responsibility for expanding the authority of physicians, to be designated by name, to the end that patients considered incurable according to the best available human judgment of their state of health, can be accorded a mercy death."

In July of 1939, a conference of medical professionals was held in Berlin, where the professors and chairmen of the departments of psychiatry of the leading universities and medical schools of Germany, gathered, to collaborate on determining the criteria for deciding what patients would be considered to have "lives unworthy to be lived," and what was the most "practical and cheap" manner of removing these burdens on the health-care system, i.e., killing them. (Initially, T4 targeted the entire German population; ultimately, millions of Jews and non-Germans met the same fate in Hitler's death camps.)

The T4 program took its name from its Berlin office address, Tiergarten 4, where the coordinating organization for the program, code-named the Reich Work Group on Sanatoriums and Nursing Homes, was housed. In charge were Philip Bouhler, chief of the Chancellery, and Dr. Karl Brandt, Hitler's personal physician and chief medical officer of the land.

Their first task was to devise the questionnaires which would be used to categorize the targeted institutionalized populations. Four categories were specified:

1. Patients suffering from specified diseases who are not employable, or are employable only in simple mechanical work. These included schizophrenia, epilepsy, senile diseases, therapy-resistant paralysis, feeble-mindedness, and the like.
2. Patients who have been continually institutionalized for at least five years.
3. Patients who are criminally insane.
4. Non-German patients.

Once the questionnaires were completed by physicians at the institutions that housed the mental patients, epileptics, the mentally retarded, and other handicapped persons, they were sent to panels of psychiatric experts, who would decide, based on the answers, who was to live or die. The questionnaires were then sent to a chief expert, who passed the final judgment. Those patients determined to be "useless eaters" were then sent to "killing centers."

Orszag's Medical Advisory Council

The leading role in promoting the Obama version of T4 is "behavioral economist" Peter Orszag, who heads