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When first we learned of Jeffrey Epstein's demise, many both Left and Right thought this was an assisted suicide.

According to this Rasmussen poll, 42 percent of respondents thought Epstein was murdered, 29 percent thought he committed suicide, 29 percent were unsure.

Epstein committed suicide, the medical examiner said. But when we learned the hyoid bone in Epstein's neck was broken, skepticism increased. This happens often in suicides by hanging, but is more common in manual strangulation.

It's atypical for the hyoid bone to break in the manner in which Epstein is said to have hanged himself.

"*The hyoid bone in the neck being fractured, and other fractures in the neck make it more likely… that this was a homicide*," Dr. Marc Siegel of the NYU School of Medicine told Fox News.

It was the Russians, said MSNBC talk show hosts Joe Scarborough and Joy Ann Reid, and Actor Alec Baldwin.

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President Trump retweeted Terrance, which produced the predictable howls of outrage from the

Lying Swine.

For hours on Saturday (8/10), until the censors woke up, #Clinton BodyCount and #Clinton Crime Family were trending on Twitter. Which indicates the MSM is losing control of the narrative.

It’s dangerous for people to believe conspiracy theories the MSM isn’t peddling, the New York Times said in a lengthy editorial Sunday (8/11).

For the Great Unwashed to imply the Clintons offed Epstein is akin to domestic terrorism, but it's ok for MSM anchors to say Russians did it to cover for Trump.

Epstein was going to spend the rest of his life in prison, which – if he were put in the general population – was likely to be nasty, brutish and short (other convicts don’t like pedophiles). It’s easy to see why he’d want to commit suicide.

But he couldn’t have if officials and guards at the Metropolitan Correction Center were doing what they were supposed to do.

So gross is the negligence required to permit Epstein to kill himself, it isn’t much of a stretch to suspect prison personnel were bribed, or threatened (*plomo o plata*) to murder him.

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The chief reason for believing Epstein killed himself is because those who partied with him gain little from his death.

“Let me assure you that this case will continue on against anyone who was complicit with Epstein,” a very steamed Attorney General Bill Barr said Monday (8/12). “Any co-conspirators should not rest easy.”

Because Epstein has no heirs, evidence the feds collected from searches of his residences and orgy island can’t be challenged by anyone else.

“Everything will be admissible against any other defendant without possibility of a motion to suppress.”

That’s good, because the safe in Epstein’s Manhattan townhouse from which the FBI took documents and videotapes wasn’t included in the warrant.

Epstein’s victims, employees and business associates can tell their stories now because non-disclosure agreements he had them sign expired with him.

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Who are the co-conspirators the feds may be investigating?

Presumably, Ghislaine Maxwell, Peter Listerman, Ray Chandler, Sarah Kellen, Nada Marcinkova and others who procured underage girls for Epstein and his guests.

Presumably also, the government officials, state and federal, who gave Epstein such a sweetheart deal in 2007.

These would include the sheriff and former states attorney in Palm Beach County (who are being investigated by the state of Florida), and whoever it was in Washington who told then U.S. Attorney Alex Acosta to stand down.

And presumably whoever helped Epstein commit fraud, blackmail the rich and famous, or launder money for them.

For the time being, what those who partied with Epstein have to fear most is exposure.

Al Gore, former Dem Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, and former Dem New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson were among those embarrassed by release of the first tranche of depositions from a lawsuit former sex slave Virginia Roberts filed against Maxwell.

“Thousands and thousands” more documents will be released in the coming weeks, said Miami Herald reporter Julie Brown, whose reporting prompted the decision to make the depositions public.

Epstein went to great lengths to cover up something on Orgy Island.

Three weeks before the Miami Herald published Ms. Brown’s expose, Epstein shipped a $50,000 cement truck to Little St. James, paid extra to have it delivered quickly.

If what was covered with cement were graves, those who partied with Epstein there have more than embarrassment to worry about.

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Harry Beller is not at his office, which is permanently closed. Reporters can’t find Harry at home. He may be on vacation in Europe, associates say, but don’t know where.

Odds are Harry is in hiding, in witness protection, or in a landfill somewhere.

Harry Beller was Jeffrey Epstein's accountant, oversaw all of his shell companies. Nobody knows more about how Epstein got his money, from whom, and what they were paying him for.

Which is why many prominent people wouldn't mind if he were in landfill somewhere.

Epstein made his considerable fortune by stock fraud, blackmail, and money laundering. Harry Beller would know a lot about that.

Two of Epstein's lawyers have hired criminal defense attorneys. If Harry isn't in a landfill, I bet he has too.

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The Trump administration announced Monday ((8/12) the final version of a "public charge" rule which will increase substantially the ability of the government to deny green cards to legal immigrants who are likely to go on welfare.

"To protect benefits for American citizens, immigrants must be financially self-sufficient," said President Trump.

The rule was announced by Ken Cuccinelli, Acting Director of the U.S. Customs and Immigration Services (USCIS). It was published in the Federal Register Wednesday (8/14), will go into effect 60 days thereafter.

The new rule enforces two laws Congress passed in 1996 which require legal immigrants to provide for themselves. It could deny green cards to more than half of all family-based immigrants, whined the Migration Policy Institute. Leftist heads exploded.

The rule could save $57.4 billion a year, because 63 percent of non-citizen households receive some form of public assistance, according to the Center for Immigration Studies. That's nearly double the percentage of native-born households that get food stamps, welfare checks, or other public assistance.

Watch Cuccinelli destroy CNN chucklehead Erin Burnett after she accuses the Trump admin of being anti-American big meanies:

"I don't think I've ever seen anyone handle hostile questions this smoothly," said Scott Adams. "Keep an eye on this guy."

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Also Monday (8/12), Interior Secretary David Bernhardt announced changes to regulations on how the Endangered Species Act will be enforced.

A big change is the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is rescinding its "blanket rule," which gave threatened species the same protections as endangered species.

An endangered species is one "which is in danger of extinction throughout all or a significant portion of its range."

A threatened species is one "which is likely to become an endangered species within the foreseeable future.

Currently, 2,244 species are listed as endangered or threatened. Most are plants. Next are insects, mollusks and other invertebrates. Only 96 are mammals, 95 are birds.

The rule changes will provide greater clarity to farmers, ranchers, water users and local governments as to how the ESA is administered, will make it harder for the law to be abused by environmental activists, GOP lawmakers said.

The “sweeping rollbacks” gut protections for endangered and threatened species, environmental activist groups said.

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Those risking their lives to demonstrate for freedom in Hong Kong fly the American flag and sing (badly) the Star Spangled Banner.

MSM didn’t show this. Big surprise.

I wish we could do this.

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He's prepared to break up Facebook, Twitter, and other major technology platforms if they are harming competition, Joe Simons, Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, said in an interview Tuesday (8/13).

He'll unwind past mergers if investigators find the deals were anti-competitive, Simons told Bloomberg News. A breakup would require court approval.

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A whistleblower at Google illustrated Wednesday (8/14) why that tech platform should be broken up, its CEO sent to prison.

Zachary Vorhies came forward because "I felt that our entire election system was going to be compromised forever."

Hundreds of internal Google documents Vorhies gave to Project Veritas make clear Google's algorithms are deliberately designed to censor conservatives.

One of the documents is a "news black list site for Google Now." Black listed sites won't show up underneath the search bar.

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Google's decision to develop military AI for China "is a serious betrayal of the USA and a galactic national security problem," said former Navy SEAL and federal LEO Craig Sawyer.

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These tech moguls have much to worry about if Epstein revelations continue.

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Key Spygate figure Stef Halper asked a federal judge Tuesday (8/13) to dismiss a lawsuit filed against him by Svetlana Lokhova, a British academic who was born in Russia.

Halper told journalists Lokhova was a Russian spy who used sex to lure LTG Michael Flynn, she said in the lawsuit she filed in Virginia in May.

Here's Svetlana's story.

Halper admits he lied about Ms. Lokhova, but asked the suit be dismissed because if – as she

alleges – he was acting as an FBI informant targeting President Trump, he's entitled to immunity from prosecution.

Halper doesn't admit he was a government agent, but wants to be protected as if he were. That takes real chutzpah.

"I can't wait to see the FBI/CIA/DoD contract which required Stefan Halper to spread blatant lies about the Obama administration's political opponents in exchange for taxpayer money," said Sean Davis.

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If this poll is accurate, Slow Joe Biden is a dead man walking. To limit his gaffes, Biden's staff may scale back events.

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Israel will bar Reps. Ilhan Omar and Rashida Talib from entering Israel "due to suspect provocations and promotion of BDS," the Israeli government announced Thursday (8/15).

President Trump is to blame, said Democrats and NeverTrumpers.

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President Trump wants to buy Greenland from Denmark. China will be unhappy if he does.

“In chess terms, Donald Trump’s strategic purchase of Greenland would be a zugzwang moment for Russia and China, placing them at a disadvantage if they encroached any more on America’s Arctic domain,” said Kyle Obert.

A zugzwang is when you force your opponent to make a move that can only end badly for him.

Here are the four pillars of Trump’s Arctic plan.

Denmark refused to sell Greenland to the U.S. in 1946, but it’s since become a major financial liability.

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President Trump held a rally in Manchester, New Hampshire last night (8/15). As per usual, the stadium was filled. Here's the overflow crowd:

The Lying Swine gave massive attention to the "huge crowd" (700+) rising Dem star Fauxcahontas drew in Franconia the day before (8/14), ignored (as per usual) the Trump rally.

Time for the Fake Newsers to trot out another fake poll.

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The New York Times was caught "flat-footed" by the implosion of the Trump collusion narrative (it had done so much to promote), Executive Editor Dean Baquet told his staff during a "town meeting" Monday.

The meeting was called because staffers were upset by a headline that reported, accurately, the president called for unity in the wake of mass shootings in El Paso and Dayton.

The Times would make up for that lapse into factual reporting by doubling down on the Trump is racist narrative, Baquet promised staffers.

Michael Ramirez sums up the state of journalism today with this cartoon:

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Jeffrey Epstein's demise is the biggest news of the week, the month, the year to date, because it's red-pilling millions.

Normals and moonbats are following developments, but the MSM is reporting them, in the vain hope they can gaslight people by blaming Epstein's death on Trump.

The MSM narrative is hysterically funny. It relies on the debunked Russia collusion narrative to provide a motive for their fact-free narrative that Trump and Epstein were buds.

That's already been debunked. After Epstein was exposed as a pedophile in 2006, Trump was the only person in New York and Palm Beach social circles to cut off contact with him.

Trump barred Epstein from Mar a Lago, testified against him in a civil suit. Trump was never a guest at orgy island.

Epstein got a sweetheart deal from Palm Beach authorities and the Bush administration. Obama's DOJ did nothing about him. It's the Trump DOJ that indicted him.

If Trump had something to hide with regard to his relationship with Epstein, he could have done what Obama did: nothing.

Nearly all, perhaps all, of those who'll be exposed in the next few weeks as Epstein's party pals – or indicted in the next few months -- will be Democrat pols and contributors, members of the global

elite.

The mystery surrounding Epstein's death has made millions of normals skeptical of the competence and integrity of government officials. The longer it takes for there to be an official explanation, the more skepticism will grow.

This will put millions in the right frame of mind to accept the truth, when it's revealed, of how FBI, CIA, DOJ and State Department officials plotted a coup against the president.

No matter how much Democrats and the Lying Swine flail, they cannot stop what is coming.

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Our friend Joel Wade is the goalie for the Santa Barbara Silver Surfers, which won the Gold Medal in the Masters Water Polo World Championships, held last Sunday (8/11) in South Korea. Congratulations, Joel!

Jack Kelly is a former Marine and Green Beret, and was the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force during the Reagan Administration. Until his retirement in January 2017, he was the national security writer for the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette.