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**QUOTE FOR THE DAY**

**“We must meet the challenge rather than wish it were not before us.” William J. Brennan, Jr., Associate Justice, SCOTUS.**

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**So, here we are after all these months, or is it years, and the big day is here. As you read this, surely 98% of you will have already voted. May I suggest keeping several bottles of your favorite wine or alternative beverage at hand for celebrations or commiserations as it will not be surprising if we have to wait three days or longer for a winner.**

**This is being hyped as the biggest election since 1860 when the south could see the handwriting on the wall and feared for the future of slavery and a way of life. There are similarities today as many Republicans (Reds)**

**view the progressive tilt of the Democrats (Blues) as creating a government dependent country, a move in the direction of a Socialist society. In some ways, it isn't a mega deal if the Blues lose at this outing ( but not likely) because the changing demographics of the country are such that, except for major unforeseen events or significant changes in party platforms, the Blues are going to be a dominating force for many years in the future.**

**Isn't it ironic in this supposedly most important election of all time that so many qualified endorsements have appeared – ones written by staunch Republicans, bemoaning president Trump, but stating, you've got to vote Red. And, the exact same thing about Biden by the Blues – not the best, but the only thing we've got. Face it folks, the candidates are important, but it's the ideologies that this election is all about.**

**Apropos of the current climate, an old friend and HH reader recently wrote of his alarm about Ms. Barrett going on the Supreme Court and the disastrous road ahead for Roe V Wade and Obamacare. Ever the prophet of doom**

**when he is not in the driver's seat, Senator Schumer said, "This will go down as one of the darkest days in the 231 year history of the U.S. Senate." Hey, but wait a minute Senator, didn't you say almost exactly the same words previously? Well, that's a "gotcha" question, because you did indeed say that about the tax reform package and the failure to convict president Trump after his Congressional impeachment.**

**The point to be made is that this is not a "run henny penny, the sky is falling" moment in our history. Our SCOTUS Justices will do the job in front of them. Chief Justice Roberts being a prime example. Anyone thinking he was going to be a rubber stamp for all issues conservative has to be very disappointed. Further, the concept of "precedence" is extremely important to the court. Reversing previous court rulings is a mega third rail. And then, just yesterday, the Supreme Court, refused to fast track a Republican appeal to disqualify approximately 120,000 Pennsylvania mail in ballots, effectively rejecting what would have been a positive event for the Reds.**

**If we were to wind up with a Democratic administration, there would be ample time and cases to see if the fear of a lock step conservative SCOTUS is a reality or a Schumer scare tactic. The proof will be in the pudding and, if SCOTUS rulings are heavily lopsided and the citizenry is irate, Congress would certainly have grounds to reconsider the SCOTUS structure.**

**The health care issue – a true nightmare. The Affordable Health Care Act doesn't get it done. The politicians can't seem to solve it, and it's not just the fault of the current administration. Two of the biggest concerns being that there has to be coverage for people with pre existing conditions, and we can't initiate a government led program that economically forces tens of thousands of medical professionals out of business.**

## **MYSTERY MAN**

**Tony Bobulinski(TB) continues to be a cipher. His testimony about the Biden matters is taking it's own course with the FBI reviewing**

**40,000 e-mails. The laptop, e-mails and other information are being treated as credible and much of what TB has said is backed up by his own cell phones, laptop and Hunter Biden's laptop. No telling where this is going, but for sure, it's not going away.**

**Put the above aside. Let's just talk about TB, the mystery man. Born in 1972, he went to Penn State where he was a wrestler. He came from a family with no known political, international or financial connections.**

**Apparently, soon after college, TB became an officer in the Navy. All the press coverage refers to his having been a veteran and having "retired" from the Navy with the rank of Lieutenant, which, as I mentioned in last issue, makes no sense. Another article states he was only in the Navy for four years, which does make sense with his having been a Lieutenant.**

**But then, in other biographical information we learn that, "He worked in the Navy for a very long time as an instructor and Chief Technology Officer (CTO) for the Naval Nuclear Power Training Command." Whoa! Wait a**

**minute – just that title would imply substantial training and experience to get to that level – and he’s only a Lieutenant? Why isn’t anyone picking up on this?**

**Not to forget his wrestling days at Penn., he is also listed as having been a professional wrestler. At five foot eight and 165 pounds – really? Anyway, after either 4 years, or a high level, under compensated career, TB exits the Navy. With no business school behind him and no finance, investing, international or political connections he morphs into an “institutional speculator” and claims to have been involved in business development efforts in fifty countries, most recently popping up as CEO of SinoHawk Holdings working in partnership with Hunter and Jim Biden, and others.**

**He claims to have come forward to corroborate the information in the Biden hard drive because Adam Schiff (D) sullied his name by saying the whole thing was Russian disinformation. But, we also learn that a large payment or preferential loan that was meant to be shared by all the partners went to everyone except for TB.**

**Finally, we learn that he has two law suits against him in California stemming from a court order in the Cayman Islands, which handed down a judgement against TB for \$634,000 due to his previous dealings with a company by the name of China Branding Group (since acquired by Remark Holdings). Folks, I find none of this in the widely circulated press, but, if true, it would certainly be good incentive to get to work on a book, especially now that Tony Bobulinski is a household name. Why is no one asking questions about the mystery man?**

## **THIS CAN'T BE AMERICA**

**“I have never seen a threat environment as dynamic, complex and dangerous as the one we are in right now.” John Cohen, a former Homeland security counterterrorism coordinator, speaking about the challenge police departments face in preparing for possible violence or disruptions to the election. U.S. as a third world country?**

**Oh, come on, isn't that over the top? Not so as attested to by law enforcement and businesses around the country. Nordstrom will be boarding up 350 stores and hiring extra security for election day. I can just see it now; security guards without adequate training facing off against veteran looters. Get this, some retailers are purchasing different screws for the plywood from the ones they used last June to thwart looters who, with tears in their eyes for George Floyd, were using screw guns to take down protection. There are even those who come with dollies and hand trucks to carry away big items, Hey guys, you'll want to get there early, the Sub Zero fridges and Bosch dishwashers go really fast.**

**Don't even think about Rodeo Drive -totally closed off; probably Worth Avenue in Palm Beach, as well. All in all, just a really frightening scenario. Looters have already trashed thousands of black and minority owned businesses, so this time they want to target the Guccis and Tiffanys. Pray for this to be nothing more than a bad dream.**

**Your faithful scribe, PB**



