

Right to Keep and Bear Arms

In their own words

"I don't want it in our stores, and it will never be in our stores." Dick's sporting Goods CEO Ed Stack, on HBO's *"Real Sports with Bryant Gumbel,"* referring to AR-15's

"Universal background checks ... have been shown to reduce gun violence by 50 percent." Democrat presidential candidate Robert O'Rourke making absurd statement based on no facts

"If you need an AR-15 to defend yourself you need more target practice because you're a terrible shot." Gun expert (not) and (former) Parkland High School student David Hogg, who is now being famous via his anti-gun rights activism

"There is more regulation over toy guns than real ones." Democrat presidential candidate and U.S. Senator D-NJ Cory Booker demonstrating either his ignorance or lying skills

"Assault weapons and high-capacity magazines should be banned from civilian ownership... supports universal background checks" Democrat presidential candidate and former VP under Obama, Joe Biden, from his campaign website

Democrats – Trying To Separate You From Your Firearms Since 1934

"While we know the National Firearms Act as a law to disarm criminals from having machine guns the original intent, and the original version pushed by FDR, was nothing less than comprehensive disarmament for the common man."

"The definition of a "Machine Gun" originally included any semi-automatic firearm that could hold 12 rounds or more, basically, ANY semi-automatic with a magazine, Add in the barrel length restrictions and lots of generic rifles also get tagged. All pistols and Revolvers would have also been banned. Or taxed out of existence really."

"The purchase of every firearm would require registration and a fee. The \$200 fee in 1934 is the equivalent of over \$3,700 today. So sure, you COULD buy a gun, but only if you were rich and more than likely these firearms would have been squeezed out of the American Culture."

"The intent of the NFA of 1934 was to disarm America."

"How did FDR (Franklin D. Roosevelt) sell the NFA? Like all good Democrats he used fear and spin by focusing on criminal use of machine guns."

"The Roosevelt Administration went to print and radio outlets and asked for their help. Just like today, the media took a side, to assure that any use of a machine gun was an evil event, even though most machine guns were on one gangster vs. another."

"If any of this sounding familiar? Senator Feinstein offers an "Assault Weapons Ban" so broad it included 1911's! The liberal media makes every use of an "AR patterned firearm" into a national disaster. Just like they did in 1934."

“Disarming America is a CORE belief of an FDR Democrat in that time. Corry Booker and Eric Swalwell (that crowd) are doing NOTHING but following an 80-year-old playbook. They long to be the politician to fulfill Roosevelt’s dreams. In the halls of the Ivy League, the failure to disarm America is taught as Roosevelt’s only major failure. Good liberals line up to continue the battle not even knowing why.”

“The National Rifle Association was caught off guard by this. The NRA of 1934 was not the political juggernaut that it is today. Unprepared gentlemen rifle shooters of that day 1st stumbled in their testimony until the full weight and reality of the bill sunk in. Then nationally gun owners rallied and helped block many of the most egregious parts of the NFA.”

“Gun control is and never has been about saving lives. It is the last unfulfilled dream of the Roosevelt Administration. Then as now the Democrats’ strategy is to lie, use fear and scare tactics with the help of a supportive media.” <https://www.ammoland.com/2019/05/democrats-trying-to-separate-you-from-your-firearms-since-1934>

The Radical Left’s First Order Of Business: Disarm The Public, Part Four

“False is the idea of utility that sacrifices a thousand real advantages for one imaginary or trifling inconvenience; that would take fire from men because it burns, and water because one may drown in it; that has no remedy for evils except destruction. The laws that forbid the carrying of arms are laws of such a nature. They disarm only those who are neither inclined nor determined to commit crimes. Can it be supposed that those who have the courage to violate the most sacred laws of humanity, the most important of the code, will respect the less important and arbitrary ones, which can be violated with ease and impunity, and which, if strictly obeyed, would put an end to personal liberty. . . . and subject innocent persons to all the vexations that the guilty alone ought to suffer?”

“Such laws make things worse for the assaulted and better for the assailants; they serve rather to encourage than to prevent homicides, for an unarmed man may be attacked with greater confidence than an armed man.” ~ From the essay, “Of Crimes and Punishments,” by Cesare Bonesana di Beccaria, Marquis of Gualdrasco and Villareggio (born March 15, 1738 – died November 28, 1794); Italian criminologist, jurist, philosopher, and politician; widely considered as the most talented jurist and one of the greatest thinkers of the Age of Enlightenment.

“What the jurist, Cesare Bonesana di Beccaria, pointed out most eloquently in the Eighteenth Century, concerning the disarming of the civilian population, is no less true today.”

“Yet, radical Left politicians, in the Twenty-first Century are spouting the same inane remarks about firearms’ ownership that antigun politicians evidently spouted in the Eighteenth Century, which, then, would account for Beccaria’s essay, and, tacitly, for Beccaria’s scathing rebuke of them. And, what are those absurd remarks that anti-gun politicians, and anti-gun advocates, and zealots crow endlessly, mindlessly about? It all boils down to this:

“In order to enhance public safety, it is necessary to confiscate firearms. This is done for your [the public’s] own good. Gun violence will be curtailed, once confiscation of guns has been

accomplished. Fewer guns mean less crime. And, if you do not surrender your firearms, we will make an example of you—all for the public good, of course!”

“Antigun politicians recited words to that effect in Eighteenth-Century Europe, just as they do today—thus, Beccaria’s strong rebuke. But, whether any of the anti-gun politicians and anti-gun zealots of the Eighteenth Century, as with their counterparts today, truly believed in their imbecilic remarks, that is debatable. But, what isn’t debatable, today at least, is that anti-gun politicians intend to harass law-abiding gun owners to the point that most of us—as these antigun politicians and zealots undoubtedly hope—will relent, and surrender, albeit reluctantly, our firearms to Government authorities.”

“Of course, the criminal element will continue merrily along to obtain their firearms, as they obtain most of the firearms they use to commit acts of violence now: on the black market, or through theft, or deceit. And there will, of course, be no concomitant decrease in gun violence in the U.S. But, then, gun confiscation to reduce crime isn’t the radical Left’s reason to confiscate firearms from the civilian population of this Country, anyway. It never was. That is a mere pretext. It plays well in the Press. The goal of the radical Left here is, and always has been, population control, not gun control.”

Population Control, Not Gun Control

“A perfect case study of this point, and ongoing at this very moment, is the situation presently playing out in Venezuela, under the Madura Socialist Dictatorship. A reporter for the Washington Examiner, Claude Thompson, poignantly pointed out, on April 30, 2019:

“Videos emerging from Venezuela Tuesday show anti-Nicolás Maduro protesters being reportedly shot at and run over by military members while civilians are unable to use conventional weapons to defend themselves following a private gun ownership ban in 2012.”

“Are the scenes coming out of Venezuela, in recent days, a foreshadowing of what we can expect with the installation of a Socialist Dictatorship in our Country? We can very well expect such a sad state of affairs if the Collectivists in our Nation come to power. They will begin the dismantling of our Free Republic by instituting a massive gun confiscation program. We know that Collectivists disdain the very idea of fundamental rights, as natural rights, preexistent in the individual—rights bestowed on each American citizen by Divine Grace rather than by the grace of Government.”

“After all, the very existence of an armed citizenry galls the radical Left—the Collectivists—who are intent on creating an omnipotent, omnipresent central Government, a Government that isn’t answerable to its citizenry. The founders of our Nation would be appalled. But, then, the Collectivists don’t give a damn about what the founders thought or would think, about the Collectivist agenda.”

“The Collectivists envision a new world order, where sovereign, independent Western Nation States, including the United States, will cease to exist. The Collectivists envision the erection of a new political, social, cultural, economic, financial, and legal system of governance; one where

edicts emanate from the European Union's Executive arm, the European Commission, whose headquarters is in Brussels, the Capital region of Belgium.”

“Recall the Globalist President Barack Obama's address to the European Union, delivered in Hannover Germany, on April 25, 2018. In pertinent part Obama said,

“And this is what I want to talk to you about today—the future that we are building together—not separately, but together. And that starts right here in Europe.”

“Was Obama's remark mere pleasantry, or was it something more; a portentous foreshadowing of something sinister; something ominous in store for Americans: heralding the dismantling of our institutions, the destruction of our Free Republic, the loss of our National sovereignty; the abject subordination of the United States to a foreign power; the subjugation of a free people; the abrogation of our Constitution; the rescission of our Nation's fundamental, unalienable, sacred and inviolate rights and liberties?”

“But whether these Collectivists know it or not, their vision will lead to Armageddon. Our citizenry will not bow easily to subjugation. They did not do so in the 1700s, as the British Empire learned well. And they will not do so now. If the Collectivists seek to thrust their vision on Americans by force of arms, they will be met with force of arms.”

“It is galling to hear people like Governor Andrew Cuomo and Representative Eric Swalwell, sanctimoniously bellowing, by turns both belligerent and flippant, for ever more restrictions on the sacred right of the people to keep and bear arms. Indeed, Cuomo and Swalwell, like other radical Leftists in our midst, are no longer maintaining the pretense that the right of the people to keep and bear arms is worth securing at all.”

“It is, rather, the tacit implication of their message—namely that guns signify something bad in and of themselves and, so, no one, aside from the police and military should have access to them—that is the real message blared out, behind the banter of gun violence, that they seek to convey to the public.”

“So it is that Cuomo and Swalwell, and other radical Leftists—using the pretext of gun violence, perpetrated by the occasional maniac, lunatic, criminal, and gang-banger—denigrate tens of millions of average, rational, law-abiding American gun owners who do continue to cherish their sacred right to keep and bear arms and who do not take lightly nor kindly to the attack on both them and on their responsibly owned and possessed firearms.”

“It has become patently clear that Cuomo and Swalwell place the law-abiding gun owner in the same camp as psychopathic criminals and the maniacs who happen to use firearms to commit violence. Cuomo and Swalwell remain unperturbed at the outlandishness of their remarks and their policy goals.”

“They continue to castigate, taunt, and deride gun owners mercilessly—people like you and me who seek merely to exercise our God-given right—YES, GOD-GIVEN RIGHT—to keep and bear arms.” <https://www.ammoland.com/2019/05/the-radical-lefts-first-order-of-business-disarm-the-public-part-four/>

Richard Stouder
oakridger48@msn.com