

## **Revised History**

## A Second Phase of Reconstruction

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The so-called "reconstruction" period in the South after the shooting phase of the War of Northern Aggression ceased set in motion an insidious trend that has yet to be reversed in this country. That avoidable war brought monstrous federal intrusion into the private lives of individuals on a heretofore undreamed-of level. Reconstruction in the South set up virtual military dictatorships in all the (still un-surrendered) Confederate States. The banner of what today is referred to as "reverse racism" was raised atop the federal flag pole and flown on high. It has yet to be taken down, in fact they are building a higher pole for it.

This trend toward centralized pre-eminence has never been reversed, nor will it be until the country either wakes up or folds up, and if it folds up it won't make any difference.

Several years ago my family and I took a (one of many) trip. On the way back home, we visited the National Historical Park at Harpers Ferry (West) Virginia. At that site the town has been in the process of being reconstructed so that it will eventually appear as it did when abolitionist/terrorist John Brown first visited it. They filmed part of the movie *Gods and Generals* there. Many claim that Harpers Ferry has now been turned into a secular shrine for John Brown. Apparently, those that have done this must approve of his terrorist tactics.

While on our visit there we chanced to visit the building that had housed the Provost Marshall's office. A lady there, dressed in the costume of that period explained to the tourists that, during most of the War of Northern Aggression (she didn't use that term) Harpers Ferry was under federal jurisdiction, and was, therefore, under the control of the Provost Marshall. When the lady explained what powers this man had, I could not help thinking that the Provost Marshall was, for all intents and purposes, the local federal dictator. As I pondered how the War had paved the way for future federal dictatorships, a picture of the Supreme Court suddenly flashed through my mind.

Court watchers have noted with some apprehension over the years, some of the "interesting" decisions of the Court. The decisions that Comrade Obama's forcing everyone to buy his "health insurance" or be fined was little more than judicial quackery, but the court seemed to have no problem with it. There was a decision back in 2005, I think it was, in the state of Connecticut that allowed a city to use eminent domain to attempt to seize property of several homeowners. Apparently some cities in Connecticut felt they could make better use of some people's property than the owners could and so property was taken under the eminent domain clause. This is something I have never agreed with. It seems to be one of those weak spots the Constitution is famous for.

George Will has never been one of my favorite columnists, but on occasion he comes up with an article that shows some insight. Several years ago, he did a column dealing with a decision of the Supreme Court. He noted: "The Court bestowed, prospectively, its constitutional imprimatur on virtually any racial spoils system Congress enacts. The court selectively overturned a series of precedents that had at least limited the proliferation of what are euphemistically called 'race-conscious policies'."

In this particular instance Will observed that the court, by a 5-4 majority ruled that Congress "may assign special benefits to particular government-preferred minorities (to the detriment of all who do not make the 'preferred' list) and Congress may do so without regard to any injury resulting from discrimination. Reverse discrimination is now cut loose from the pretense that it is merely a remedial measure." Take another look at Will's comment. Doesn't it make you feel good if you happen to belong to some group that hasn't made the governments' "preferred" list–like white, Christian Southerners for example?

Some have taken exception to court rulings of this nature, arguing that they violate the constitutional guarantee of equal protection under the law. Sorry, folks, but that one was thrown out a long time ago! According to Will: "Equal protection is not violated if the injury done by reverse discrimination serves 'an important government objective'." Did you get that? Equal protection is not violated by unequal treatment as long as "important government objectives" are being served. Question–Where is this situation any different than what occurred during the first phase of "reconstruction" after the Marxist/Lincolnist Revolution of 1861?

C. Gregg Singer aptly pointed out in his book *A Theological Interpretation of American History* that the real aim of Thaddeus Stevens and his fellow Northern revolutionaries was a program of "reconstruction" that would start in the South and would be handled in such a way as to eventually include the entire country. The entire fabric of American life, North and South was to be "reconstructed" according to their revolutionary aims. And guess what, folks, due to the advent of the government school system, first in the North, and then in the South, it has mostly worked.

So let's summarize. The "reconstruction" in the South set forth a policy of reverse discrimination where there was no equal protection under the law for Southern whites because it had been determined that reverse discrimination in regard to freed slaves served "an important government objective" of working to ensure the "perpetual ascendancy of the party of the Union" (the Republican Party).

Both North and South lived through that first phase of "reconstruction" until both became "reconstructed" enough so that most memories of a truly Christian America were obliterated.

That having been accomplished it is now time for us to begin to realize that we are, at present, and for the discernable future, in the midst of a second phase of "reconstruction". The perpetually-ascending federal government (the secular deity) via its court system, is busily enacting quotas and racial preference agendas, and telling local school districts that they have power to raise taxes on their own, even if voters have voted down the proposed tax increase. Supposedly with Mr. Trump in office we will have a more conservative Supreme Court, and I think he is trying, but he's only one man and he gets precious little support or good advice from the Deep State moles in his administration.

It would seem that the chickens of American apostasy, turned loose in the 1820s, have now come home to roost. Years ago, Rev. R. L. Dabney in his *Defense of Virginia and the South*, wrote: "A righteous God, for our sins toward Him, has permitted us to be overthrown by our enemies and His." Although he was speaking at that time to Southerners, the commentary is appropriate for the entire country. One of the fruits of apostasy is more and ever repressive government. Until apostasy is repudiated and a Christian culture is sought after and worked for, things will only get worse.