

Yankee Steve's Column
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The Auction Resumes . . .

From last week we continue our sale of creeds in the style of Lucian.

Nancy Pelosi, the auctioneer, knows that she has to get with it. Her handlers fully appreciate the fact that she is no Zig Ziglar. She can't unload her agenda.

You can almost feel the atmosphere tense with mistrust as more common folk flood the hall. When Pelosi boasts that she now heads up the most transparent U.S. House of Representatives in history, it meets with a guffaw from the angry crowd. She seems to stand for the Democrat party which by all appearances has been radicalized. Citizens no longer know who or what they will get when voting for a Democrat.

Pelosi: What am I bid for this genius who saved America from another depression? He is the first black man to sit in the Oval Office. His greatest accomplishment thus far is that he successfully passed through Congress a stimulus bill costing \$787 billion. Had he not done this many Americans would be standing in soup lines.

So what will you give me for President Barack Obama?

Crowd: Hsssss! Booh!

Pelosi: Is that any way to treat your president?

Crowd: Bring him to the podium! We want to ask him some questions. We have discovered that this guy is long on rhetoric and short on performance. We also have learned that he adheres to the Socialist agenda of Rahm Emanuel, his chief of staff.

Pelosi: I will let him speak for himself because he's better than I am at explaining things.

Obama: I am glad to speak to you my fellow Americans. [a pause] Please look at things within context. Remember I inherited the mess I was given; I did not cause it. My predecessor ruined the economy. The buck stopped with him, and he got the Congress to pass it on to me.

Unemployed individual: Then why did you take the job if you knew you were inheriting a mess?

Obama: Because I am a believer, I believe in America. And besides all that I believe in myself. You see I am smart, and I hang around with smart people. Isn't obvious that I am smart? Trust me; I will work wonders.

Another of the unemployed: If you saved America from the brink of ruin why am I out of work? I just lost my home. You are wining and dining dignitaries at the White House and I am living in a motel with my family paid for by a charity group. When that runs out I may have to

move in with my in-laws. Oh God, I want to punch something. My creditors are after me, my kids need shoes, and I hang around the gym and the library all day. Man, this stinks!

And you say we can't blame anyone?

Obama: Blame Bush. Besides, the stimulus has not kicked in yet. You have to give it time. Maybe you should check out the government. It's always hiring.

Another unemployed person: Why did you use most of the stimulus money for things that wouldn't create jobs? Weren't you paying back those who got you elected?

Obama: [long pause] I think we should talk about Iran, health care, and global warming.

Unemployed Individual: Maybe you do not know what's happening. We couldn't care less about what is happening in Iran, and we now know that global warming is being used as an excuse to raise taxes; and when it comes to health care I think I speak for most Americans. Even if we had full medical coverage, what good would it do us if we can't put food on the table? Malnutrition, poor health, it's that simple! The best cure for health is a good job.

Pelosi: Mr. President, thank you for making an appearance here today. I believe in you. I know that you will change America and that we should hang on to hope because change is coming.

Crowd: [bellicose laughter]

Voice from the crowd: For his first year in office, I bid one dollar!.

Pelosi: One dollar! Are you serious?

Crowd: Yes! A dollar and not a penny more!

Guy with a sign which reads "I don't care for Obama-care:" Considering his past performance a dollar seems like a lot.

Anonymous voice: I am wondering Madam Speaker why **your** president is pushing nuclear energy? Is it because the two most important insiders in the White House are Emanuel and David Axelrod just happen to be well-connected to Exelon Corporation, a Chicago company that builds nuclear plants?

Pelosi: Isn't he your president, too?

Crowd: [silence]

Pelosi: You don't like Obama because he is an African-American!

Crowd: We like Alan Keyes, and he is.

Pelosi: Time is running out. Let's finish these proceedings. I have one more notable, a wonderful woman from Chicago and a friend of the president.

Unknown from the crowd: Hey, I know who she is; that's Alice Palmer. She is known to the FBI and is thought to be a member of the Communist Party USA. As a matter of fact she helped to mentor Obama for a career in politics.

Pelosi: And what makes you so knowledgeable?

Unknown: I'm Herbert Romerstein. I used to be an investigator with the House Un-American Activities Committee. Years of experience in investigative work have taught me that we should not get ahead of ourselves; before we bid on this woman's ideology or permit her to hold office again in Illinois, we should look into her past. And while doing so we should try and determine why so many people connected to Obama have ties to Socialism?

Another unknown: I can tell you why.

Pelosi: And who are you, if that matters? Are you one of those Tea Party people? They cannot be the voice of the people because they do not think like me. I think the Tea Party people are the "TEA Klux Klan." They're all right-wing fanatics stirred up by professional agitators. I will bet that every one of them owns a gun. They're all second amendment nuts.

Unknown: I am John Rich. I can tell you why so many Communists and left-wing radicals have had access to Obama's inner circle.

I attended Occidental College in Los Angeles at the same time Obama did. As a matter of fact we knew each other. While a student, he openly confessed his ties to Marxism. I remember hearing him say that the real enemy of the world's poor was America.

In those days I was a Marxist so that is why I made his acquaintance. However, I grew up and I'm more conservative now. Apparently Obama hasn't changed, or he would not have tried to pass through Congress a government health care option, nor would he have nominated the radical Sonia Sotomayor to the Supreme Court.

Crowd: [buzzing with excitement looking as if they would like to tar and feather Obama] Have we elected a Marxist ideologue? How did this happen?

John Rich: You certainly have elected a Marxist. And it happened because the Democrat Party has turned against free enterprise. European Socialism is just around the corner. This reminds me of a statement made by George Orwell, *"To see what is in front of one's nose requires a constant struggle."*

Pelosi: I refuse to label people. Jesus said we must not judge others, and I'm a good Catholic no matter what the bishops say. I believe we should listen to Jesus who said we should not judge. I never judge anyone. As a matter of fact I paraded in San Francisco in honor of a member of NAMBLA (North American Man/Boy Love Association). Besides that, Congress was polled recently, and some Congresspersons said that they like Marx, so there!

Romerstein: I am not surprised Madam Speaker. Two hundred, twenty members of the House followed your lead and voted for socialized medicine. I am not sure who is an American any more.

Bubba from the back of the crowd: You're a Jew, so how come you ain't no Socialist?

Romerstein: There are many Jews who know that Marxism is the flip side of Nazism. Do you want me to name some?

Bubba: Go'h head boy. Ahh's listenin'.

Romerstein: I will name only two, the best of the best, economist Milton Friedman and Ludwig von Mises.

Bubba: Miz Pelosi I never heerd tell of those fellas, can you tell us who they are?

Pelosi: [long silence] [She reaches for water and gulps it down appearing uncomfortable.] Let's change the subject. We shouldn't be arguing. Let's use the magic word. You know that word: "bipartisanship." I just love it when we all work together. Can't we work together?

Crowd: Not if you want to promote Socialism.

Romerstein: Just say "NO" to Socialism.

Bubba: Alright boy!

Pelosi: You keep harping about Socialism. You and all those nuts on talk radio. Sing a different song, why don't you? If it wasn't for French Socialism women would still be in chains.

Angry homeschooler: That's nonsense. Capitalism gave us the marriage contract which has protected women more than any other measure.

Pelosi: {~!@#\$\$%^&*}

Kid in the crowd: Hey, you cursed! I thought this was "No Cussing Week" in California, your home state.

Pelosi: I'm getting out of here. I have a lunch date with that poor persecuted American from Harlem, Charlie Rangel.

Ever Yours,

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