Will Trump Resign?

Following Trump’s first formal rally of the 2020 election, ‘Monday morning quarterbacks’ report that the president is furious with his staff and in particular his election team: only one third of the anticipated attendees showed up to a huge amphitheater. (Apparently, many deliberately bought tickets with no intention of attending...) Many devotees may have stayed home for fear of catching the Corona virus, however, the fact that they didn’t take advantage of the outdoor ‘overflow’ area either, suggests Trump’s support may be eroding. Since he was elected, I have often thought he would eventually resign. Here is what I wrote on April 18, 2018, on my website:

>I’m going out on a limb here, but as of two days ago, I’m beginning to think that Donald Trump will resign rather than be impeached or removed for incapacity under the 25th amendment.

>It’s hard to imagine him sitting down with Mueller. With his volatile temper, I believe he will throw in the towel alleging that Washington cannot be reformed and that he is not going to allow the hard work of a lifetime in business to be thrown away for a ‘basket of ungratefuls’.

The United States has changed more in the two years since that post than at any period that I — with my limited eye-witness experience — can remember. Civil war is openly recognized as a possibility, as the Democratic Party continues to sacrifice its progressive wing to the dictates of Wall Street. With 16% of the population leading the way on the back of Martin Luther King — and increasingly, the Black Panthers — the United States is being dragged kicking and screaming toward the social democracy that has ensured decent lives for Europe’s working class since the end of World War II.

Since that time, the world has been America’s oyster, as the saying goes, but that time is over as it witnesses White Supremacist workers abandoning Donald Trump for failing to deliver.

The latest book on the Trump White House, in stores today, having survived a judicial challenge, is by the former National Security Advisor and uber-hawk, John Bolton, and it is the most authoritative of the steady stream of tell-alls by former Trump staff and government officials, all of which have questioned his fitness for ‘the highest office in the land’. As someone who was ‘In the Room Where it Happened’ Bolton, no white lily, emphasizes Trump’s anti-social, but also, his unpredictable personality, and it was like living inside a pinball machine. I believe that rather than risk another embarrassment such as the one in Tulsa Oklahoma, on the weekend when Black America remembers the destruction of a ‘Black Wall St’ by white mobs in 1921, Trump will ‘go with his gut’ and resign.

He will say something like:“Why should I be stuck in this swamp, when I could be building beautiful buildings in sunny Istanbul — and even frigid Moscow”, leaving America’s White Supremacists to pick up the pieces of their campaign to ‘take America back’ to the time of their unchallenged rule.

The early twenty-first century saw the culmination of an Americanized world. But a hundred years after Western efforts to stop the Russian Revolution in its tracks were defeated in the White Russian Civil War, of 1917 - 1923, America’s black population has not only come into its own, it has empowered the non-Caucasian world majority of eighty-four over sixteen.

Should Trump throw in the towel, Attorney General William Barre is the ‘Musketeer’ least likely to survive. As he fires the Attorney General of New York’s famed ‘Southern District’ who is investigating Trump’s tax returns and other ‘hot button’ issues related to the presidency, a perfectly-timed article, describes him and his brothers as famous bullies at a New York private prep school. Meanwhile, America’s allies will worry less about Barre’s mockery of its vaunted ‘rule of law’ than about National Security under the other two, Secretary of State Pompeo and John
Bolton.

A President who listens to his gut is unlikely to ‘stick around’ indefinitely on a sinking ship, nor will he be concerned with the reaction of his gun-toting base, as American cities and towns seek to reform their police forces amidst America’s long-overdue racial reckoning.

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