

The Party of Noooooooooope!

During the Obama Presidency, Democrats and Leftists gave the Republican Party a nickname, “The Party of No” because they opposed Obama’s agenda. Gee, an opposition party not wanting a President from a certain party to succeed? Why that’s...completely expected!

Lately, though, I’ve had to wonder what is in the DNC’s water supply or whether they’ve moved their headquarters to Colorado because the Left has gone beyond merely opposing Donald Trump’s agenda. They’re heading into Bad Idea Territory. Here are a few examples.

1) In the light of the recent March for Future Democrat Votes (also known as the March For Our Lives), the Left has made a renewed push to repeal the Second Amendment. But they’re totally not trying to take away anybody’s guns.

2) A Planned Parenthood center’s Twitter account had a tweet lamenting there should be a Disney Princess who had an abortion. Oddly enough, that tweet was deleted. I wonder why...

3) The state of California is suing the Trump Administration for including a citizenship question on the 2020 Census. This might have a bearing on why the state openly defied federal law and declared themselves to be a “Sanctuary State.”

4) The relaunch of “Roseanne” was met with Leftist resistance because the main character voted for Trump.

And those have just happened this week!

The Left has never been an ideology that has attracted the best and brightest, but even so, some of these ideas are dumber than putting Joe Biden in charge of sexual harassment training. (Note to Leftists reading this: This is *not* a serious suggestion. Do *not* treat it as such.) The ideas coming

out of the Left within the past few years have not made them any friends, but it has made them plenty of detractors.

At this point, I see the Left pandering more for votes than at any other time in recent history. A big part of that is because of Bernie Sanders. During the 2016 election, Sanders gave the Left a choice: continue on the path they were on, or blaze a new trail. Although Hillary Clinton ultimately won the nomination, it wasn't without a lot of Leftists wanting to continue on the new trail instead of circling back. And these Leftists will vote outside of the prescribed candidates to further their ideological goals. Combine with that the fact Democrats keep voting in people who swing to the Left of even Clinton, and you have a voter bloc that can be boom or bust for the DNC.

Hence, the reason behind their recent insanity. Behind the cries for a living wage or stricter gun laws from Democrat politicians is a political calculation with more than a little cynicism mixed in for good measure. The problem is the potential voters they're courting might not be so quick to come back. These voters are looking for a bit more ideological purity than the DNC can provide, and they aren't afraid to rock the boat in favor of candidates and policies they want, no matter how outrageous they are. This will force Democrats to walk the walk and talk the talk if they want these votes.

And that is going to backfire spectacularly. As the Democrats go further Left, the vaunted middle (of which your humble correspondent is a member) isn't willing to go along with them. More often than not, the Left will cross a threshold that make people outside of its ideological bubble think twice about the logic, judgment, and sanity behind the move. If the Democrats aren't careful, they will be giving up the middle to chase votes that may or may not show up when it counts.

But, hey. You do you, Leftists!