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If Media Would Just Be Honest For Once

I've been running an organization that fights media bias for 35 years now, and I sometimes wonder what it would be like if suddenly our mission was accomplished.

What would happen if the media suddenly decided to play fair, report all the facts, remove the leftist lens through which seemingly every story must pass?

I started thinking about this again last month when it came out that people connected with Hillary Clinton's campaign had spied on President Trump's campaign and White House offices to gather "evidence" it could use to create the false impression Trump was a Russian agent.

That narrative dominated half of Trump's presidency. It rendered his attorney general ineffective and deprived the country of the leadership it had elected. The Mueller probe, with its \$40 million price tag, 11 Democrat-donating attack-dog prosecutors, 50 FBI agents and 10 million documents, found no wrongdoing on Trump's part.

In this dream world, Kristen Welker of NBC News would be ashamed of herself for impudently asking Trump if "Yes or no, have you or are you now — have you ever worked for Russia?"

Lawrence O'Donnell would tell his 10 remaining viewers he regrets saying, obviously with no evidence, that Trump "is a Russian operative" and that his administration should be known as the "Trump-Putin regime."

Savannah Guthrie finally would understand why then-press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders was so incensed when she asked her "Did Robert Mueller

deserve better from the president than this kind of language and behavior? ... Does he owe Robert Mueller an apology for that kind of rhetoric?"

Mueller tried to criminalize the routine firing of an FBI director — just one example of the malicious and wrong and lawless fishing expedition he ran. And Guthrie thinks Trump owes him an apology?

Sunny Hostin of *The View* would admit she got a

little carried away when she said Russia did meddle in the election, and even though Trump was completely exonerated, Putin's purchase of a few Facebook ads "called into question the very legitimacy of this presidency."

Lesley Stahl not only would apologize for her condescending attitude toward Trump in a *60 Minutes* interview, she would announce she was taking some time off to reflect on how she had been so utterly unprepared

for this interview and wrong in her conclusions.

"They spied on my campaign," Trump told her. "There is no real evidence of that," Stahl replied. "Of course, there is," Trump said. "It's all over the place." And it was. By then, news of leaks, monitoring, and misdeeds involving secret courts had been made public.

"No," Stahl said. Trump then replied, "Lesley, they spied on my campaign, and they got caught."

Then, "Can I say something?" Stahl said. "You know, this is *60 Minutes*, and we can't put on things we can't verify."

We can assume this is known as the Dan Rather Policy.



In 2019, the leftist media chanted there was no spying on President Trump and any talk otherwise was a "conspiracy theory." Today they are trying to ignore or bury any news about the Durham report because not only does it prove President Trump was right, it also proves the media were lying to America.

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Joe Scarborough and Eugene Robinson of MSNBC would admit that comparing Trump's claims to PizzaGate was not their finest moment. Malcolm Nance would admit that Trump was joking when he said "Russia, if you're listening ..."

Brian Stelter would admit his criticism of Good Morning America in January 2019 for using airtime to cover snowstorms and "scares at malls" that could have gone to more Trump-Russia conspiracy mongering probably was out of line.

It would be interesting to hear him reflect on this quote: "Trump's odd behavior with Vladimir Putin is compelling so many people to ask 'What does Putin have on Trump?' Has Trump been compromised? All of those people, those experts, those reporters, they are looking at the fact pattern and seeing something strange, even sinister."

What fact pattern? What evidence? What strange things did these reporters and experts see? What does this say about their ability to judge fact patterns? Why should anyone ever trust them again?

I have every confidence MRC won't shut down anytime soon. Our work is far from done. Leftist media has dispatched its various fact-checkers and Pinocchio-

awarders to cloud the matter. *Vanity Fair* claimed Trump was obviously lying about Durham's findings because Trump said his offices were "infiltrated" and Durham did not actually use that word.

NPR titled its piece "The John Durham filing that set off conservative media, explained," then promised to "break down the truth behind their outlandish claims." *The Washington Post* says there's nothing to see here because a statute of limitations on one charge against one possible defendant has expired.

So we'll keep showing up at work, and I hope you will keep supporting us (you can use the enclosed envelope to send us a tax-deductible contribution). Because no matter how much proof the media have that they got it wrong on Trump, they'll never relent or admit one bit of it.

Sincerely,



L. Brent Bozell III,
Founder and President

Visit [NewsBusters.org](https://www.newsbusters.org) and search "Flashback: 2019 Media Chant There was no Spying" to see the video compilation prepared by MRC's Bill D'Agostino.

YOU'LL ENJOY EVERY STOP!

Released just before Christmas, Brent Bozell's new book *Stops Along the Way* has received many 5-star ratings, and rave reviews. The internet is abuzz with accolades. If you haven't picked up your copy, you'll find it at your favorite local bookstore or online bookseller.

The real-life adventures experienced by Brent Bozell will have you believing truth really is stranger than fiction (and more fun, too!). You'll be telling yourself, "Brent did what? Really? No way? That can't be true!!!!"

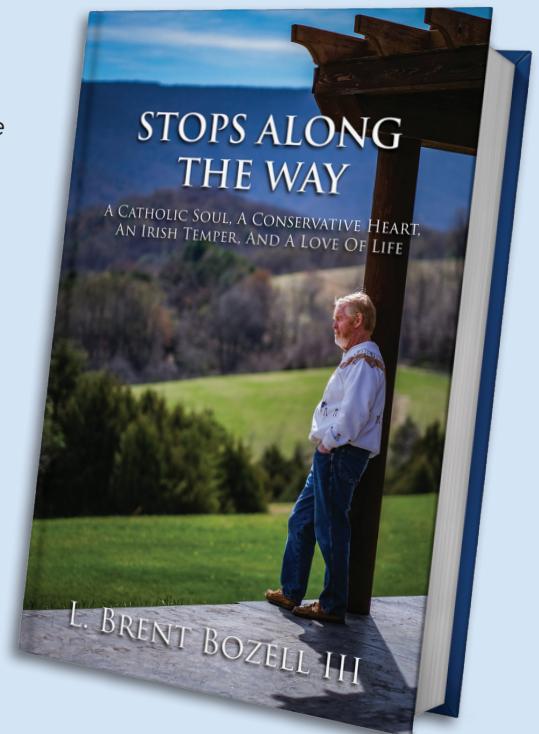
Well, it's all true ... according to this witty disclaimer at the end of the book: "If any inaccuracy managed to break through, I declare it to be my truth and take any criticism as an act of micro-aggression."

Let us whet your appetite:

Go to info.MRC.org/brentsbook and
read an excerpt from Section One: "Montejurra."
You'll be hooked!

Now, if you have already read the book, please send us your review. We'd love to hear from you. Email digitalcommunications@mrc.org.

"What a great set of parents that went into creating a great man, L Brent Bozell III, whose life is an inspiration that proclaims that indeed you can make a hell of a difference in our world if you get into the thick of things after obtaining a serious education marked by an intense and disciplined upbringing in a cradle of Christian culture that allows for more than a few hijinks." — Online review



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INSIDE THE MRC



THIS MONTH FEATURING:

Eric Scheiner — Director, MRCTV & MRC Culture

Where are you from and how did you get to MRC?

I'm from New England, where I began by producing a conservative talk radio show and went on to become a local television reporter in New Hampshire.

Eventually, I became an anchor, switched stations, and moved into directing and producing local programming. I then moved to Pennsylvania and launched an interactive news/talk program.

By the time that contract wrapped up, I had had it with liberal producers. So I joined CNSNews in 2010 as a video news producer and took the helm of MRCTV in 2017.

What do you do at the MRC?

I oversee the MRC studio, television appearances by staff, the MRCTV.org website, and all the videos produced by the MRCTV team. This includes videos for our social media platforms (YouTube, TikTok, Rumble, Facebook, etc.). Our man-on-the-street interviews, documentaries, and fundraising videos generate about 6 million video views a week.

Tell us about your weekly video program on MRCTV and your regular on OAN.

The weekly series, called *Wacky M.O.L.E.* (moments of leftist extremism), focuses on media's most outrageous moments of bias each week. I also appear weekly on *In-Focus* on OAN to discuss media bias in a fun segment of the show.

How was the MRCTV-produced *Killing Keystone* mini-documentary created?

We used MRC's news video archives to assemble a timeline showcasing all the hurdles the Keystone project overcame. It was studied and scrutinized for 20 years. Then,



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right after it finally began to move forward, Biden just ended it with an executive order. This also ended America's energy independence and drove gas prices to near-record levels.

We then went to South Dakota and Montana and asked business owners and leaders about the long-lasting damage Biden imposed. Their personal stories added a strong, emotional element.

The documentary has been viewed more than 2 million times online and has been shown on TV 12 times. It will be shown at CPAC, has won a Media Content 2022 award, and perhaps will be showcased at more festivals this year.

What was your biggest accomplishment in the last year or so?

We launched a TikTok video channel to provide younger audiences (35% on TikTok are ages 10-19) with information they won't get in leftist-run public schools. The videos have received millions of views, and 64,000 have subscribed.

What is one of the most satisfying aspects of your work?

Watching the MRCTV team develop and execute great video ideas. They alert me to trending video themes on social media and propose ways we can capitalize on them.

What is most important about MRCTV and MRC Culture that you'd like supporters to know?

MRCTV videos are not only being promoted by the MRC marketing team, they are embedded in other conservative platforms and media such as *Breitbart* and *Daily Wire* and discussed on Fox News and One America News Network. They are being used to tell the conservative story, and their impact may go far beyond the simple "view" count on the video.

What do you do when you are not dismantling the Left for MRC?

I focus on my wife and two daughters, but I enjoy collecting records, especially those by The Monkees. As a video guy who enjoys making music as well, they've always intrigued me.

BITS & PIECES

'Always keeping an eye on what we do.'

As President Joe Biden began to speak in Culpeper, Va., on Feb. 10, CNN en Español anchor Juan Carlos Lopez set the scene for viewers.

Biden was there to promote his economic agenda, Lopez said, but neither he nor his agenda is very popular. Biden had 41% approval and 58% disapproval. Only 46% approved his handling of democracy, only 45% his handling of the pandemic, only 40% his approach to stopping crime, and 37% his economic management.

He then pointed out that less than a third of whites, half of Latinos, and 69% of blacks approved of Biden's performance — numbers that represent weakness across the board. These aren't good numbers for the president, Lopez said, and they are ...

"figures that should please our friends at MRC, who always keep an eye on what we do."

It does not "please" us at MRC that our country is reeling under the strain of a failed president who seems to have no answers for his problems. But it does please us that CNN knows we're "always" keeping "an eye on what we do."



That's right CNN and CNN en Español, our news analysts at the MRC are *always* watching.

NewsBusters report gets Whoopi suspended for two weeks

Whoopi Goldberg found herself with some "splaining" to do after she said on *The View* that the Holocaust, the systematic slaughter of 6 million people by the Germans in their efforts to rid the world of what they considered subhuman beings, was not about race. She described the Holocaust as "white people doing it to white people. So this is y'all go fight amongst yourselves."

Fellow panelist Ana Navarro pushed back, saying, "But it's about white supremacy. It's about going after Jews and Gypsies and Romas." Joy Behar also objected. But Goldberg wasn't having it.

"The minute you turn it into race, it goes down this alley," Goldberg said. "Let's talk about it for what it is. It's how people treat each other."

It might've passed unnoticed, but MRC covered it on NewsBusters, breaking the story nationally with a video tweet, which forced the rest of the media to acknowledge it and eventually led to Goldberg being suspended for two weeks.



Whoopi Goldberg was suspended after saying the Holocaust was just "white people doing it to white people" and not about race.

Yes, Biden is really handing out crack pipes

Don't let the alleged "fact-checkers" fool you ... the Biden administration does indeed plan to hand out crack pipes in the name of racial equity.

When news broke in early February that the government was giving nearly \$30 million in grants to organizations that serve people of color to hand out crack pipes, some media tried to "debunk" the story.



The fact checkers' only actual objection to the stories was that they didn't sufficiently stress the other materials. Perhaps that was because government has supplied syringes and other articles to addicts before, but this was the first time it handed out crack pipes.

No one asked about the administration's claim that distributing crack pipes would promote racial equity. Does the administration think crack smoking is a "black" problem? If so, how does it think handing out crack pipes improves the prospects of black addicts?

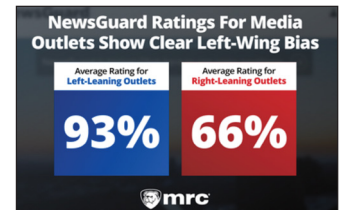
Teachers' Union Teams Up With Liberal News 'Rating' Organization

Teachers' unions are trying to make sure your kids see nothing but liberal-approved news and information.

In January, the American Federation of Teachers announced it made a deal with NewsGuard, the left-leaning organization that purports to rate the reliability of news produced by various organizations, to use its traffic-light rating system on the information kids access to do their homework.

NewsGuard's ratings of publications show a decidedly leftist bias. According to MRC research, it declared 93% of leftist media organizations to be reliable but only 66% of the conservative organizations it studied. This means parents may soon find their kids being steered exclusively to leftist sources for their reports and research projects.

MRC Founder and President Brent Bozell blasted the partnership, which includes NewsGuard making its findings available to all 1.7 million-member teachers. "The left has found a dangerous and equally disingenuous new way to indoctrinate our children without their parents knowing," Bozell said. "This is purposely designed to go under the radar of public scrutiny."



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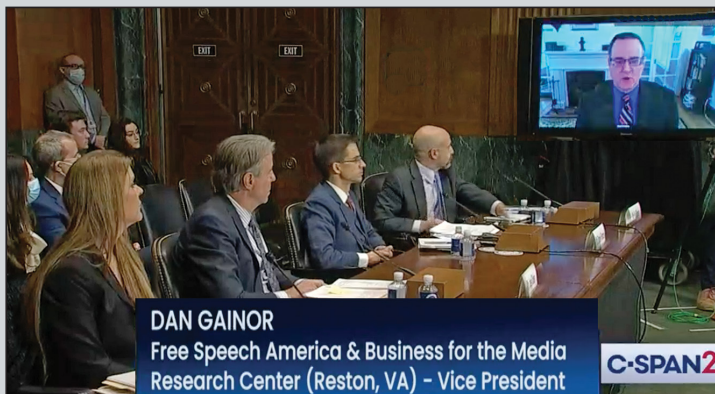
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Senator Turns to MRC for an Expert on Big Tech and Journalism

When we think of congressional hearings, we think of Watergate and *Mr. Smith Goes to Washington* and Hillary Clinton saying "At this point, what difference does it make?" that American heroes were killed in Benghazi.

But most are not that exciting. They feature experts giving expert opinions on topics familiar and obscure. Expertise is key. Witnesses can be disagreed with, but they must be recognized by both sides to have expert-level knowledge of the topic.

So when Sen. Mike Lee, R-Utah, needed a witness to testify before a Senate subcommittee on legislation that could dramatically affect the relationship between journalism and Big Tech, he knew who to call — Dan Gainor, vice president of Free Speech America and Business at MRC.



MRC's Dan Gainor, president of Free Speech America testified via Zoom before the Senate Judiciary Committee's Subcommittee on Competition Policy, Antitrust and Consumer Rights on Feb. 2, 2022.

Big Tech could effectively silence stories, such as the Hunter Biden laptop saga, that Americans need to know about to make informed decisions and that the law's attempt to create definitions for journalists and journalism outlets could undermine the First Amendment.

"It is unreasonable to expect journalists funded or supported by politicians to turn around and report aggressively on those same politicians," he told the senators. "We can't expect journalists to hold powerful people accountable when they are accountable to those powerful people for their paychecks."

Through his work at the MRC, Gainor is one of the few people in America who rightfully can claim to have identified Big Tech bias and censorship and to have produced content that has been censored by Big Tech.

Gainor told the panel the idea of allowing journalism companies to join together in negotiations with Big Tech may sound benign, but it looked to him like "just a concerted effort to get government involved in the practice of funding of journalists and journalism."

He said he worried Big Journalism could make deals with Big Tech that locked out independent voices, who have been key to getting to the bottom of the government's bungled pandemic response and other matters. He also worried that a cabal of Big Journalism in a deal with

Big Tech Censorship Prolonged The Misery For Everyone

Last month, Facebook deleted the official page for The Great Barrington Declaration, a statement from scientists and international disease experts that criticized government lockdown and vaccine/mask mandate policies.

The declaration, which had been signed by 900,000 scientists, was removed as part of a systemic effort by Big Tech to silence all voices of dissent from the US government's views on pandemic management.

MRC Free Speech America has found 808 cases of Big Tech censorship on COVID-19-related issues alone from Mar. 17, 2020, to Feb. 3 of this year.



Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, LinkedIn, Google Ads, TikTok, YouTube, and others censored the work of epidemiologists, curious scientists, working journalists, and even lawmakers.

In all, it has logged more than 3,300 cases of censorship on Big Tech platforms on issues ranging from elections to COVID-19 to climate change to race. MRC itself has been censored 33 times.

Big Tech censored the *British Medical Journal*, one of the most respected medical journals in the world, after it published an article that accused vaccine producer Pfizer of undermining data integrity related to the company's vaccine trials.

According to CensorTrack, MRC's 2-year-old database of censorship of non-leftist views, Big Tech platforms have censored 32 doctors and scientists and nine medical/science groups since March 2020.

They've taken stories in the *British Medical Journal* and *MIT Technology Review* offline because they didn't espouse government-approved views.

They censored podcaster Joe Rogan and radio hosts Dan Bongino and Mark Levin. They censored Liz Wheeler of One America News and Daniel Horowitz of *The Blaze*.

They stopped videos from Tucker Carlson, Fox News, *Reason* magazine, and even from Sens. Ron Johnson, R-Wisc., Rand Paul, R-Ky, and five other current members of Congress.

They've censored Dr. Robert Malone, who helped develop mRNA technology on which COVID-19 vaccines are based, and Dr. Peter McCullough, a cardiologist with a large following.

They've censored Laura Ingraham and David Rubin and Steven Crowder. They've censored Candace Owens, Charlie Kirk, a member of the CensorTrack Board of Directors, and radio hosts Buck Sexton and Steve Deace.

But it's not just the info they prevented you from accessing. It's also the false information Big Tech actively pushed. It condemned therapeutic drugs that doctors said showed great promise against COVID.

It disputed the lab leak origin of the disease, which is now widely accepted. It endorsed and cleared the field of any dissent of China's preposterous conclusion that human-to-human transmission is not possible with COVID-19. That tweet remains on the platform to this day without so much as a warning label.

Heritage Enters the War on Big Tech Censorship

The Media Research Center picked up an important new ally in its battles to keep Big Tech from censoring conservative views on the Internet.

The Heritage Foundation has joined the fight! Its recent report, "Combating Big Tech's Totalitarianism: A Road Map," outlines the problem and details reforms that include removing Section 230 liability protection from big tech entities that censor, prohibiting the growing and dangerous alliances between government and big tech to crush alternative opinions, denouncing or paying for ties to the Chinese Communist Party, and requiring transparency on algorithms and content moderation.

Heritage Foundation's new president, Kevin Roberts, called Big Tech "a grave threat" and "the enemy of the people," and policy expert Kara Frederick appeared before Congress, where she said MRC "has been a lion" in defending free speech.

We stand ready to help where needed in Heritage's quest to take on Big Tech — and to continue to fight this battle ourselves.



Stephanie Hamill of OAN *In Focus* and MRC's Eric Sheiner chuckle over CBS *Mornings* lamenting how Democrats must not be discussing Biden's (non-existent) "victories" enough and how Whoopie spent time "thinking" about her suspension.



NewsBusters managing editor Curtis Houck frequently appears on OAN's *The Real Story* to discuss the top news of the week being buried or distorted by the leftist press.



Appearing on *Varney & Co.*, MRC president Brent Bozell discussed how the "radical, militant and sometimes Marxist left" along with the media are dictating Biden's Supreme Court nominating process.

Durham probe: Media suddenly develops 'laryngitis' after years of pushing Trump-Russia collusion, critics say

'It seems some media outlets were so interested in perpetuating a lie they can't now say they were wrong,' Jason Chaffetz said

By Brian Flood, Joseph A. Wulfsohn | Fox News

"The networks and major papers avoided touching this news like Durham was a leper," NewsBusters executive editor Tim Graham wrote.

On Feb. 16, Fox News highlighted findings from NewsBusters Durham study to demonstrate how corrupt the leftist media are in their efforts to promote and protect Hillary Clinton.

MRC IS EVERYWHERE!

DAILY CALLER

EXCLUSIVE: Big Tech Censored Dozens Of Doctors, Over 800 Accounts For COVID-19 'Misinformation,' Study Shows

On Feb. 9, *Daily Caller* featured findings from a recent MRC Free Speech America study on Big Tech removing, suppressing or flagging the accounts of more than 800 prominent individuals and organizations. The article quoted MRC's Dan Gainor: "Big Tech set up a system where you can't disagree with 'the science' even though that's the foundation of the scientific method. If doctors and academic journals can't debate publicly, then it's not science at all. It's religion."

Rep. Don Bacon (@RepDonBacon)

Thank you @theMRC for hosting a great discussion on POTUS' EO to cancel the Keystone XL Pipeline. Not only did this cost thousands of US jobs, it undermined our energy independence and increased the safety risk of transporting fuel. Meanwhile, Biden approved the Russian pipeline.

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Rep. Don Bacon (R-NE) Tweeted a thank you to MRC for hosting him at our recent showing of *Killing Keystone*.

Check out MRC's new documentary at: <https://info.mrc.org/KeystoneDocumentary>.



NewsBusters managing editor Curtis Houck discussed the leftist media's ongoing efforts to race-bait and attack conservatives on NewsMax's *Cortes & Pelligrino*.



Sometimes it takes two MRC experts to discuss CNN's latest antics or scandals. On Feb. 5, both Dan Gainor and Curtis Houck appeared on NewsMax's *The Count*.

Rep. Jody Hice (@CongressmanHice)

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Leftist TV networks spent only 13 minutes in one year on the ongoing genocide of the Uyghurs in China.

Rep. Jody Hice (R-GA) retweeted a report by MRC Director of Research Geoff Dickens showing numerically how the networks cover up genocide in China but claim Republican-backed voter ID laws are JimCrow 2.0.

Peace through strength or chaos through weakness?

Ronald Reagan was a leader, determined and unyielding in defense of his country. He understood how to project power and keep global tyrants in check. In 8 short years, Reagan won the Cold War – without firing a shot.

Reagan adopted Teddy Roosevelt's "Walk soft and carry a big stick" philosophy, reframing it: "Peace through strength."

Then, you have Joe Biden. America's adversaries smell weakness. In one short year, Biden oversaw the chaotic withdrawal from Afghanistan, the rebirth of Isis, and saber-rattling from North Korea, China, Iran, and Russia.

The media can try to hide the capitulation, the feckless leadership. Make excuses, spin failure into victory. But you know the truth. Show the leftist media and your woke friends, you're not buying it. Go to shop.mrc.org and get our latest apparel!

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Biden: Chaos through weakness.



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Poynter Report readers know there's some useful news on journalism to be gleaned from the popular journalists-on-journalism e-newsletter but that it remains a classic example of leftist media bias. But even longtime eye-rollers had to take notice Jan. 19 when NBC President **Noah Oppenheim** was quoted as saying his network is "ferociously defending the idea that it's possible to ... be objective and non-partisan." His employees undermined the case. "Donald Trump is no Adolf Hitler," said NBC presidential historian **Michael Beschloss**. "No one is an Adolf Hitler, who is in a category of evil all his own. But yesterday, in 1933 on that day, that's the day Adolf Hitler came to power." The occasion

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for this history lesson? Trump gave a speech the same day. **Joy Reid** also didn't help. "The great parent revolt is bankrolled by conservative organizations and think tanks ... It's about getting up the Republican vote by riling up white voters," she said on her NBC program. "It's about selling white grievance and rage, the same rage that produces attacks on Asian-Americans and Jewish people and on our Capitol. Rather than fight inflation, let's howl over critical race theory. Rather than policy let's give them anger, radicalized anger." **J.A. Adande** of ESPN said "Who are we to criticize China's human rights records when we have ongoing attacks by the agents of the state against unarmed citizens and we've got assaults on voting rights of our people of color?"

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