The liberal media attacks on President Donald Trump and his administration every day are surreal. They are brutal, and they are personal. No president, except perhaps Ronald Reagan, has had to face such a vengeful press. They want Trump destroyed. They want his White House to fall. They want him removed from office.

Yet when Trump and his allies fire back at the liberal media and expose them as partisan hacks, lefty journalists cry foul. They insist it’s wrong for the president to criticize news outlets that smear him and misrepresent his policies.

They are so self-important they think the First Amendment belongs only to them, and if Trump defends himself, calls them “fake news,” then he is imperiling the Republic. CNN’s Jim Acosta, for instance, has called Trump’s self-defense “un-American” and CNN’s Brian Stelter labels Trump a “dictator.” They like to dish it out but they sure can’t take it.

Trump’s criticism of the left-wing media, moreover, is warranted and welcome. As the MRC has documented and exposed through its divisions — NewsBusters, MRC Business, and MRCTV — the liberal media bias against the Trump administration is relentless — and fanatical.

An MRC analysis of the evening news stories of President Trump’s first 80 days, for instance, shows 89% negative coverage. Last October, it was 91% negative. Nothing has changed. Think about those numbers. Almost every story on President Trump is an attack on President Trump. And they have the gall to call it “objective” “news.”

Furthermore, for all their attacks on Trump, the liberal press is viewed less favorably than the president. Gallup reports that only 32% of Americans trust the media. America is sick and tired of it. Trump is justified in calling out the liberal media when they run false or misleading stories.

They deserve to be chastised for sloppy and vindictive reporting. The First Amendment swings both ways.

Yet the left-wing media really don’t believe that, and their hypocrisy is palpable. Let’s look at some examples. During a discussion with other journalists at the Newseum, CNN’s Jim Acosta complained about Trump calling CNN “fake news,” adding the understatement of the year, that the
president “has an unhealthy attitude toward the news media.”

“He is doing real damage to the First Amendment in this country when he refers to the news media as the enemies of the people,” whined Acosta. “When you have a side of the news media [conservative/alternative news] that just insists time and again that, you know, CNN is out to get the president or out to get certain people in this country, I think it just does a tremendous disservice to all Americans.”

What does a disservice to the country is a liberal media so partisan they can’t report the truth. CNN is trying “to get the president,” and so are ABC, CBS, NBC, MSNBC, The New York Times, The Washington Post, Hollywood, and late-night TV.

It was The Tonight Show’s Stephen Colbert, after all, who said President Trump’s mouth was nothing more than a “[penis] holster for Putin.” The liberal media did not condemn that obscene insult. Imagine their reaction had Sean Hannity said Obama’s mouth was a “[penis] holster for Rev. Wright.”

The hypocrisy is nauseating. Yet Acosta pleads, “We have got to get to a point where we are not demonizing each other and cutting each other’s throats because we do not agree with one another.”

Acosta should talk to his comrade Jim Stelter. Prior to the White House Correspondents Dinner, Stelter attacked Trump’s media criticism at a rally that day as “poisonous.”

“No president until now gets up at a rally and calls news outlets fake,” Stelter ranted. “It is insidious, it is poisonous.”

Stelter lectured on, “Everybody in the audience here [Correspondents Dinner] has this pin, this First Amendment pin, that’s been handed out, and President Trump needs to wear one as well.” Apparently, Trump mocking CNN is not allowed under the First Amendment.

Back in December, Stelter warned that Trump’s election constituted a “national emergency.” He also advised journalists to refer to Trump as an “authoritarian” “strongman.” Following the inauguration, Stelter hyperventilated, “Do citizens in dictatorships recognize what’s happening right here right now? Are they looking at the first two days of the Trump administration and saying, ‘Oh, that’s what my leader does?’”

Stelter’s liberal colleagues gave him a Walter Cronkite Award in March. The self-congratulatory ceremony warned of “news under fire” and “this seriously dangerous moment for our democracy.” (What they really meant was “liberal news under fire.”)

The NYT’s Dean Baquet frets that Trump “is dangerous” because he’s “portraying the media as his enemy,” doesn’t understand “the role of the media,” and “that’s bad for the country.”

What Baquet means is that exposing left-wing news bias is “bad” for left-wing news, which is the real story.

Liberal media don’t want to be professionally scrutinized like other institutions. They believe they’re above it all, that they know what’s best for America and who is best for the presidency. If you expose their failures, you aren’t just a critic, you are a threat to the Fourth Estate, the First Amendment, and the Republic. Thus, you must be discredited. You must be destroyed.

Make no mistake, the leftist media will not stop attacking Trump. The press’ goal is to remove him from office while discrediting his policies, particularly the conservative ones.

The MRC is exposing these left-wing radicals 24/7. You can help us in this necessary fight by mailing a donation to the MRC. Use the reply card and postage-paid envelope enclosed with this newsletter to send your most generous gift today. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

L. Brent Bozell III
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Celebrities Boil With Rage on Twitter Over Obamacare Repeal, Swear Revenge

Liberal celebrities could not contain their anger on May 4, when the House of Representatives voted to repeal and replace Obamacare with the American Health Care Act. Turning to their Twitter accounts, these celebrity “warriors” railed against conservatives and vowed revenge.

Actor Ron Perlman smeared the lawmakers as “felons,” comedian Patton Oswalt railed “f—k” these “frauds,” gay author Dan Savage spewed the F-word, as well, and Conan O’Brien’s sidekick fumed that the White House should “wipe its ass with our flag.”

Below are some of the more offensive Tweets sent out by America’s supposedly more cultured and enlightened figures. When these radicals become so unhinged, you know you’ve done something right.
Aetna What?

When major health insurance provider Aetna announced in May that it was exiting the last two states where it operated with Obamacare, ABC and NBC did not report the story and CBS gave it only a few seconds. This is no surprise as the networks have been censoring the truth about the disastrous health care program to protect President Barack Obama and his socialist legacy.

Last August, for instance, Aetna — after losing $300 million because of Obamacare — said it would be leaving the program altogether. ABC and NBC didn’t report that story and CBS barely mentioned it. Yet in May of this year when President Trump declared Obamacare to be “exploding right now,” ABC, CBS, and NBC trotted out “experts” to counter that claim.

When it comes to Obama and his “signature achievement,” the networks are propagandists, not credible news sources.

Toobin Explodes

Within about 30 minutes of President Donald Trump’s firing of FBI Director James Comey, and citing no evidence to back up his hysterical assertions, CNN’s Jeffrey Toobin said America was descending into dictatorship. The firing is “a grotesque abuse of power” railed Toobin. “This is the kind of thing that goes on in non-democracies. That when there is an investigation that reaches near the president or a leader of a non-democracy, they fire the people who are in charge of the investigation.”

It’s like “when President Nixon fired Archibald Cox, the Watergate special prosecutor,” ranted Toobin. “That firing led to the resignation of President Nixon, and this is very much in that tradition. This is not normal.” Again, presenting no evidence, Toobin roared, “They will put in a stooge who will shut down this investigation…. The FBI is running an investigation of Trump’s campaign and Russia and apparently it’s getting too close for comfort.”

Trump Hurts Kids

Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue announced in May that some of the school lunch rules set by former first lady Michelle Obama would be rolled in over time, not enacted immediately. Predictably, the liberal media went ballistic. ABC’s Good Morning America declared the Trump administration was “taking steps to roll back Michelle Obama’s healthy food initiative for kids” and “targeting” her “legacy.” NBC’s Today warned, “Some important news for parents this morning. The Trump administration now rolling back some school lunch rules that had been championed by former first lady Michelle Obama.”

CBS This Morning also got the liberal talking points and charged, “Off the Menu; President Rolls Back Obama School Lunch Standards.”

For the liberal press, Trump not only wants to poison your children’s nutrition, he’s also Hell-bent on destroying the “legacy” of Michelle Obama.

Aetna What?
Die, GOP, Die!

Apparently unclear about what being a journalist should mean — at least a small effort to be fair and balanced — Newsweek’s Kurt Eichenwald called on family members of Republicans who voted for “Trumpcare” to be tortured and to die. After the House vote to pass the American Health Care Act, Eichenwald tweeted, “As one w/ preexisting condition: I hope every GOPr who voted for Trumpcare sees a family member get long-term condition, lose insurance & die.”

“I want them to be tortured,” he wrote in another Tweet. “GOPrs only gain empathy when they are touched by the consequences, never before.” When asked why anyone would wish such a thing, Eichenwald tweeted, “I wish it on the ppl who chose it for me. Why should they not feel the consequences of their inhumanity?” In another Tweet about House Republicans celebrating the vote, Eichenwald ranted, “They want to drink beer celebrating killing people? Then it should be their loved ones who die.”

Eichenwald is a senior writer for Newsweek, contributing editor with Vanity Fair, and a NYT’s bestselling author of four books. Best of all, in 2006, he won the Payne Award for Ethics in Journalism.

Die, Trump, Die!

Although BuzzFeed Editor-in-Chief Ben Smith insisted on Tucker Carlson Tonight that “people don’t get into the business of reporting” because they are “political activists,” his news site’s internal chat site for employees tells a different story. Screen captures taken by former BuzzFeed staffer Tim Treadstone show BuzzFeed workers “joking” about Donald Trump being assassinated prior to the election.

BuzzFeed’s Director of Social Media Maycie Thornton wrote, “Maybe someone will assassinate him.” BuzzFeed’s Social Media Strategist Nick Guillory responded, “LOL.” Video Research Manager Kari Koeppel also responded, “LOL Maycie I have thought the same thing.” (LOL = Laugh out loud.)

Treadstone also disclosed, “They hated conservatives so much they even held an office party when Justice Scalia died. It was a toxic environment and you were declared a heretic if you were a Trump supporter, bottom line.” BuzzFeed admitted that the assassination remarks were true but claimed Maycie Thornton was an “entertainment employee” and “not a reporter.” Oh, I guess it’s okay then.
Sudden Media Anger at Happy Talk to Dictators

Situational ethics define the liberal media. There is no pursuit of truth. There is only a double standard.

When Barack Obama bowed to dictators in Cuba and Iran, it was “historic” diplomacy. When Donald Trump talks up meeting with autocrats, that’s another dangerous and disgusting sign of his lack of respect for human rights.

The Washington Post front page on May 2 carried this headline: “Praise for strongmen alarms rights advocates: Trump’s vocal affection for totalitarians marks major U.S. policy shift.” Pictures included Russia’s Vladimir Putin, Egypt’s Abdel Fatah el-Sisi, and North Korean crackpot Kim Jong-Un.

So when President Obama launched a Russian “reset” with Vladimir Putin, that was different? When Obama praised Muslim Brotherhood tyrant Mohammed Morsi in Egypt, that was smart? Did the Post freak out on the front page in 2008 when candidate Obama stared down Hillary Clinton and said he would talk to dictatorial regimes, that refusing to talk is “ridiculous”?

You won’t find the Washington Post headline on “Obama’s vocal affection for totalitarians.”

What about the media’s happy talk for murdering brutes? Go back a few months to Fidel Castro’s death. “Revolutionary remade Cuba,” oozed the Post headline. Their obit gushed he was “a romantic figure in olive-drab fatigues and combat boots” and a “spiritual beacon for the world’s political far left.” The New York Times preferred “fiery apostle of revolution.”

Do we really need to revisit the media’s opportunistic tendency to kiss dictatorial rings to gain access for softball interviews? Should we have to recall Scott Pelley celebrating the ethics of Mahmoud Ahmedinejad, Dan Rather babbling to Saddam Hussein, or 20 different anchors lauding Fidel Castro to his face?

Nevertheless, CNN anchorman Jake Tapper opened his show on May 1 with blazing snark: “The world according to Trump: journalists are the enemies of the people, but he would be honored to meet Kim Jong-Un.... President Trump today saying he would be honored to meet where North Korea’s despotic dictator under the right circumstances. And that’s not the first maniacal and murderous strongman he’s opened up to in the past day.”

Trump called the current North Korean tyrant a “pretty smart cookie,” and Tapper offered a rebuttal: “Kim Jong-Un had his uncle murdered. That doesn’t make Kim Jong-un a smart cookie. That makes him a murderer.”

This on the network that confessed it squashed tales or torment and murder for years in order to keep its Baghdad bureau, to distribute only “news” that was acceptable to that great humanitarian, Saddam Hussein.

Here’s another CNN blast from the past. In June 1994, Jimmy Carter went to Pyongyang and hugged North Korean despot Kim Il-Sung. Here’s how CNN anchor Frank Sesno summarized it: “Jimmy Carter, Korean peacemaker! Did his trip to Korea reduce the threat of war?” Carter even called the Stalinesque dictator the “Great Leader” without getting scalded.

And let us not forget CNN was founded by Ted Turner, who himself did embarrassing interviews with “murderous strongman” Fidel Castro and broadcast a documentary in 1988 called “Portrait of the Soviet Union” that fawned over the communist revolution with lines like this howler: “Once, the Kremlin was the home of czars. Today, it belongs to the people.”

Tapper concluded his commentary by quoting Ronald Reagan, that “a violation of human rights anywhere is the business of free people everywhere.” That sounds great. But that same press fought Reagan tooth and nail in his day, assaulting him for being a crazy Red-baiting warmonger for statements like that.

It’s good for journalists in free countries to question leaders about their commitment to advocating human rights instead of pragmatically enabling dictators. Unfortunately, our media display a reflexive habit of questioning only Republican presidents. The Carters, Clintons, and Obamas skate free.
The experts at the Media Research Center are interviewed almost every day on stories of national importance, often reaching millions of Americans daily. They provide analysis and commentary on radio, TV, the Internet, social media, in magazines, books, and in newspapers, always striving to help restore political balance to the major media. Some of the MRC’s latest media appearances include the following:

**Television**

**BLAZE TV:**
- Dana Show, Apr. 11

**CNN:**
- Reliable Sources, Apr. 30

**FBN:**
- Cavuto Coast to Coast, Apr. 27
- The Intelligence Report, Apr. 13, 19, May 1
- Kennedy, Apr. 19
- Lou Dobbs Tonight, Apr. 19
- Risk & Reward, Apr. 20
- Varney & Co, Apr. 20

**FNC:**
- America’s Newsroom, Apr. 21
- The Factor, Apr. 19, 20, 21
- Fox & Friends, Apr. 17, 20, 22
- Hannity, Apr. 19
- Outnumbered, Apr. 21, May 12
- Tucker Carlson Tonight, May 1, 21
- Watters’ World, Apr. 23

**MSNBC:**
- MSNBC Live, Apr. 29

**NEWSMAX TV**
- America Talks Live, Apr. 21, 28, May 10, 15
- Steve Malzberg Show, Apr. 5, 20

**OANN**
- Daily Ledger, Apr. 8, 20, 25, 27, May 2, 4, 5, 9, 11

**Print**

**Boston Herald,** Apr. 30
**Investor’s Business Daily,** Apr. 19, 21, 25, May 2, 5, 9, 14, 17, 19
**LA Times,** Apr. 20
**National Review,** Apr. 17
**Newsweek,** May 4
**New York Times,** May 4
**Seattle Times,** May 10
**USA Today,** May 2
**Washington Times,** Apr. 11, 13, 18, 19, 21, 24, 25, 28, 30, May 1, 10
**Washington Post,** Apr. 3, 4, 20, May 10

**Internet**

**Slate,** Apr. 17
**CNN Money,** May 18
**RealClearPolitics,** Apr. 12, 29
**Breitbart News,** Apr. 10, 11, 16, 18, 19, 23, 24, 28, 29, 30, May 1, 2, 5, 7, 8
**The Hill,** Apr. 24, 25, 29
**PJ Media,** Apr. 29
**Washington Free Beacon,** Apr. 24, 25
**ABCNews,** Apr. 20
**LifeZette,** Apr. 12, 20, 21, 27, 29, May 1, 9
**WND,** Apr. 17, 20, 22
**LifeNews,** Apr. 10, 17, 27, May 1, 3, 4, 8
**Charisma News,** Apr. 21
**Lucianne,** Apr. 20
**Breitbart News Daily,** Apr. 17, 24, May 1, 8
**American Family Radio,** Apr. 12, 13, 17, 19, 24, 26, 28, May 2, 9, 10, 11
**AFA, Focal Point,** Apr. 10, 17, 24, May 1, 8
**Sean Hannity Show,** Apr. 14, 17, 27, 28
**Rush Limbaugh Show,** Apr. 10, 24, May 1
**Tim Constantine’s Capitol Hill Show,** Apr. 10, 26
**Lars Larson,** Apr. 5, May 9, 12
**Herman Cain Show,** Apr. 24
**Trending Today USA,** Apr. 10, 13, 18, 25, May 4, 5, 8
**Daily Caller,** Apr. 17, 30
**Rusty Humphries Show,** Apr. 19
**The Phil Valentine Show,** Apr. 20
**Alan Nathan Show,** Apr. 20, 21, 26, 28, May 4, 8, 11, 12
**Radio America,** May 12
**KPRZ,** San Diego, CA, Apr. 12, 19, 26, May 3, 10
**KVOR,** Colorado Springs, CO, May 3, 4, 5, 7, 11, 15
**WFTL,** Miami, FL, Apr. 19, 25, May 9
**WTOP,** Washington, DC, May 18
**WXIX,** Madison, WI, Apr. 10, 12, 13, 19, May 4, 9, 10
**KFTK,** St. Louis, MO, Apr. 20, 22, May 10
**WLOQ,** Hartford, CT, Apr. 10, 11, 25, May 10
**WIBW,** Indianapolis, IN, Apr. 10, 17, 24, May 1, 8
**WROK,** Aurora, IL, Apr. 11, 18, 25, May 2, 9
**KNHT,** Houston, TX, Apr. 17, 20, 24, 27, May 1, 4, 8, 11
**WTVF,** Morehead City, NC, Apr. 14, 21, 28, May 12
**WEHY,** Almira, NY, May 10, 17, 24, May 1, 8

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May 12: On Fox’s *Outnumbered*, Sandra Smith highlights an MRC study documenting the liberal media’s obsession with destroying President Trump.

The results of MRC’s study on the media’s coverage of President Trump’s first 100 days was everywhere in April — television, radio, print and online.
Standing outside a Trump property in Turkey, MSNBC’s Malcolm Nance tweets, “This is my nominee for first ISIS suicide bombing of a Trump property.” CNN guest Jeremy Scahill lectures, “We need to understand the historical context of how a butcher like Assad actually has more in common with someone like Dick Cheney than he does with the average Syrian or the people who are on these airwaves as brave reporters.” The Daily Beast’s Dean Obeidallah predicts repealing Obamacare “will kill people. Why not just call it ‘Death to Poor People’?” MSNBC’s Mika Brzezinski pleads with operative Valerie Jarret, “Could you do a favor for me and ask President Obama something for me? Could he come back and save the party and tell them [Democrats] what to do?” Dan Rather rambles mindlessly on Facebook, “There’s a trained monkey dancing in the corner. The magician is buckling his cufflinks. The misdirection meter is turned up full. We cannot let ourselves be distracted….We know that Russia — led by a former KGB agent — actively worked to undermine our election. That is the story. Everything else is just noise and dust until proven otherwise.” NBC’s Chuck Todd opines that, three months in, and Trump’s presidency is “on the brink of what? Is it on the brink of collapse?” Former Daily Beast Editor Tina Brown tells CNN, “It’s almost like being in the ward of a mental hospital half the time with what’s going on with Trump. You can’t make it up.” CNN’s official Twitter account reads, “Cuts to the Environmental Protection Agency’s budget are likely to hurt children the most, experts say.”