## Mainstream Media and What it Fails to Recognize

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In 1960, there was a coup in Turkey and a new government was established. A US newspaper headlines the coup as a bloodbath in Turkey. Those who were in Turkey never saw a bloodbath. In fact, in Istanbul, Turkey's largest city, only four people were killed and these were not as a result of the coup. When the reporter who filed the story was asked why there was so much misrepresentation in the story, his response was that it made headlines.

Today, we are probably more aware of main stream Medias' bias toward the left than any other generation. This is partly caused by media's move into commentary rather than straight reporting and partly because Americans want others to think for them.

This leftist movement is not new and the media has used the first amendment of the US Constitution as the basis of the movement. Instead of just reporting the news straight forward, journalists are taught both in school and on the job to become excellent wordsmiths. One definition of wordsmithing can be the "choosing of words and phrases to incite emotions." We are well aware that politicians do this all the time but fail to recognize that the media also does it, not to gain a political position but to gain favor among the populace, and today to steer Americans toward a desired way of thinking and acting.

Lately there has been much discussion about media bias. The problem though is that there will always be media bias unless double stories are written on each event. It is difficult for a reporter to report "both" sides of a story. In a way you could say that it is against human nature to act both ways without some cataclysmic event occurring. Media bias has existed for decades, in fact centuries.

The problem is that current the leftist media fails to recognize that their bias will dramatically change the media industry. On the surface it appears that mainstream media is supporting the left on the bases of what the politicians are expounding while political actions are essentially being ignored by the leftist media. The result is that the American population concentrates on verbiage and not actions.

The president and his cabinet have essentially ignored the US Constitution in many aspects in order to promote their own agenda. Whether out in the open or through unpublicized executive orders, memos, telephone calls, etc. our government is slowly changing from being a republic to that of a socialistic country. The media as a whole has failed to recognize the Healthcare Act (Obamacare) as socialized medicine. At the same time, little known executive orders have quietly undermined the control of the private sector over the national infrastructure, commerce, and economic development.

The first amendment has been abrogated such that freedom of speech at political rallies, protests, and other such meetings can be curbed and those who speak out arrested, even in peaceful and legal demonstrations. The second amendment is also being disbanded through an economic process controlled by those who against the amendment. Our freedom of religion likewise is coming under government control. In essence, if the elements of the Constitution and our Bill of Rights are dissected it would be easy to see how our lives and freedoms under the left are slowly being taken over and controlled by the government. While this is a failure of individuals, it is a greater failure of the media to inform and present these changes. However that is not the greatest failure of our leftist media.

The greatest failure of our media is to realize that even they are being taken over as well. High placed government employees not only release information that they should not to the public, they also suggest which stories and events need to be followed up on. A look at what the CIA has done in the past to take down governments and replace them with other governments, we can easily see the same actions taken by our current government in order to facilitate the change that the president said he would carry out.

The problem that the leftist media now face is that if Obama is elected for another term, control of the media and its reporting will be controlled even more. As we move toward socialism, the freedom of speech is greatly curtailed and soon the media will not be able to print or broadcast what it wants to. Such articles and broadcasts will be controlled and censored by the government much as it had been in communist Russia, Hitler's Germany, and currently by North Korea's and China's communist government. In essence we will see the demise of the liberal left media only to be replaced by a propagandizing system that will attempt all aspect of our lives.

So, those of the liberal left media, wake up before it is too late for even you to report!