

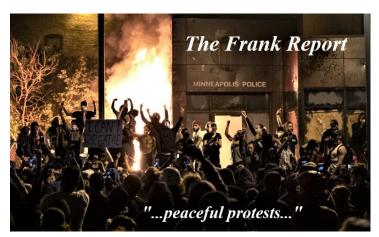
Recipe Corner 1775 RUM PUNCH Got this from a former neighbor/friend (Marine) with whom I had a running battle. Hung bras on his Marine flag and he found jockstraps to hang on my Navy flag. Any civilian that tried that would be hung on both flagpoles. Point being, can't stand what's happening to today's military but I'm sure the grunts are going to survive this even though we have 43 four star generals/ admirals now while only seven during WW2.

This traditional beverage was served to potential Marine Corps recruits at Tun Tavern, Philadelphia, during the American Revolution.

-one part dark Jamaican rum -four parts lime juice -maple sugar and grenadine to taste pour over cracked ice in a glass punch bowl

Here's to Bob's memory!





8.26.2023 #397 All the news I see fit to print. Freedom of the press belongs to those who own one.

Consulting the current Minneapolis crime dashboard, auto thefts in the city stand at 5,177 year-to-date (as of August 7). That works out to almost exactly one car stolen every hour. Data show that Minneapolis recovered just 40% of its pre-pandemic activity, above only Portland, Cleveland, and San Francisco.

Well, duh?

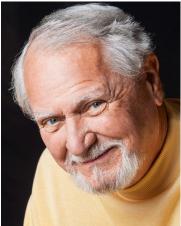
The Minneapolis Police Department is in the process of enacting a Use of Force policy that is 72 pages long. Considering that the defining case law on the issue, Graham v. Connor, is much less in length with the objective reasonableness standard just a paragraph, you may be asking why the policy is so long.

The answer is quite simple.

The longer the policy, containing very specific language combined with extremely vague language, gives the agency the best possible chance to discipline, fire, and even prosecute a police officer that has been tasked with making a split second decision under extreme amounts of stress. There were 585 sworn officers in the Minneapolis Police Department compared to a force of 892 in 2018, a decline of about 34%. The city charter mandates a minimum of 731 police officers. Only six percent Minneapolis Police Department officers live there.

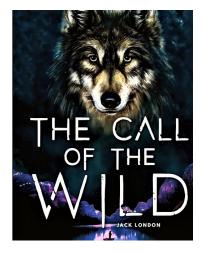
The last Republican elected mayor of Minneapolis left office in 1961. The last Republican on the city council was decades ago. *Come to think of it...I haven't been there for decades either.*

The Obama administration resettled nearly 43,000 Somali refugees in the United States. Where did they go? By 2018, approximately 43,000 people born in Somalia were living in Minneapolis, and 94,000 Minnesotans spoke Somali. Ilhan Abdullahi Omar is an American politician serving as the U.S. rep for Minnesota's 5th congressional district and a member of the DFL Party. Omar pushed for defunding the police...and spent more than \$125,000 for "personal security".



Book Report

Clive Cussler (1931-2020) is among the list of authors I can always rely on for pure reading entertainment. He hit the NY Times Best Seller list more than 20 times with more than 80 books that I'm slowly but surely collecting. Look him up and you'll find he did more than write books.



Jack London (and this book) was the first author to get my attention when I was in grade school. *To Build A Fire* is his short story that will chill you in the middle of summer. With 50 books, he kept me digging for more. John D. MacDonald got me going with detective novels as *Travis McGee* was the blueprint for *Jack Reacher*. Yes, I'm building bookcases as fast as I can to keep up as I find more.



Avoid any food that has a TV commercial.

Alien abduction has become a rescue mission.

It costs \$256,000.00 to raise a child today. That's just for the alcohol.

You know you're an adult when you get excited to just go home.

I can pretend to be normal until it gets boring. Then I go back to being me.

You don't get smarter as you age. You just run out of stupid things to do.

For my subscribers: I'm more inappropriate in real life.

If you really want to be somebody, please be more specific.

Don't give up on your dreams...hit the snooze button and stay in bed.

What if that social media block worked in real life?

At my age, the only thing I'll ever pretend is sobriety.

Those that really know me never put me on their speakerphone.

I'm starting to wonder if that special place in hell is a throne.

Sometimes you have to keep your head high ... and your middle finger higher.

Never believe anything until it is officially denied.

I do all my own stunts. But not intentionally.

Lie to the government: It's a felony. If the government lies: It's just politics.



As of March, there are now more than 1.6 million border crossers in the U.S. with "unresolved" asylum claims. That's more applicants than residents in 11 U.S. states. The Biden administration has broken the asylum system, and seeks to hide the damage. Total number of illegal immigrants has reached seven million (that we know of). Biden sold the Trump border wall parts worth \$300 million

for \$2 million and has begun to weld the gates open. There are apps that tell illegals where to cross the border. (They have phones?) Government assistance for illegal immigrants are numerous and free including \$2243.00 as soon as they cross the border. Compare that to the average \$1400.00 social security payment the government calls a "benefit" instead of acknowledging that it is finally returning the money they confiscated from taxpayers. But, if the taxpayer dies before retirement, the government keeps those confiscated funds.

Meanwhile, The United States "... shall guarantee to every State in this Union a Republican Form of Government, and shall protect each of them against Invasion".

Guarantees by the current government are hollow as the politicians strip every dollar they can for their personal wealth while ignoring their oaths of office. It's very obvious when the IRS is bloated with 84,000 agents and an arsenal of weapons and ammunition where this is going. Politicians need tax money to launder through "foreign aid" to countries that hate us because a lot of that money is filtered back through nefarious methods to campaign funds that the politicians who run but lose reelection walk away with their campaign funds after their constituents get wise and boot them out of office. They grin and join companies like the Pharma cartels they allowed to run rampant. With limited seats available to just the more devious politicians, the others become lobbyists supporting changes in laws the politicians supported in order to get elected. Need proof? Mitch McConnel is prime example.

It's way past time to repeal the 17th amendment.



Fox News was telling everyone in media not directly affiliated with them that the Republican debate is exclusively theirs and no one is allowed to air any clips of the broadcast beyond three total minutes, and never again after a seven day window. In other words, they're treating this debate as if it's

an NFL or MLB broadcast. Meanwhile, there are multiple internet links for the Trump/Tucker interview. Before the Fox show was over, Tucker had over 100 million views of his Trump interview while Fox was still trying to control the debate. View count better than "likes" since you have to be a member to "like" thus Fox will

report low number of "likes" and insist they had better ratings. The Lame Stream Media will side with Fox because they now realize cable news is circling the drain. They haven't realized that their debate

"format" is the organ grinder controlling the monkeys who participate believing their part in the debate is "required". The RNC support of this farce is also very telling. They now realize they have lost complete control over the MAGA crowd and the RNC/Deep State are vastly outnumbered.

Until next week...

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