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The Federalist

The New York Times vs. Israel

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In 2012, the *New York Times* [also incorrectly reported](#) that building of settlements would destroy any hope of peace because it would make the dream of a "contiguous" Palestinian state an impossibility. This assertion was concocted, or more likely sold to the reporter by Palestinians. The *Times* issued a tortured and lengthy correction that, when decoded, basically left the whole dramatic piece toothless.

But even that small level accountability is rare. Also, in 2013, Rudoren wrote a piece claiming that "Israel's separation barrier" had caused contact "between the two peoples" to have "dwindled." The problem with that claim is that at the time [the number of work permits](#) allowing Palestinians to come to Israel had been rising steadily and by the end of 2013 they were at their highest level since the start of the second intifada in 2000. Not to mention, that the piece failed to take into account the health care Israelis provide Palestinians. The only place contact has dwindled was in the West Bank. No correction.

Editorial section corrections are particularly rare. In 2013, Thomas Friedman [wrote](#) that "One should never forget just how crazy some of Israel's Jewish settlers are. They assassinated Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin when he tried to cede part of the West Bank for peace." Problem is, that the nutcase Yigal Amir [wasn't a settler](#)—unless, that is, Friedman considers buildings on Israel's side of the 1967 line settlements. No correction. In another 2013 piece, contributor Ali Jarbawi ("[The man who made peace impossible](#)") claimed that Israel controls the border between Gaza and Egypt (this falsehood went uncorrected) and he also repeated the anti-Israel myth that Ariel Sharon had ignited the second intifada by entering the El-Aqsa Mosque, when in fact he had only gone to Temple Mount (this was corrected).

The *New York Times* makes so many "mistakes" on the topic Israel—not merely innocent or inconsequential mistakes but errors that undermine the entire thrust of numerous hit pieces—that it never hurts to be reminded it can't be trusted at all.



Contentions

Even the Media's Corrections Are Deceptive

by Seth Mandel

Earlier this week I [wrote](#) about the thoroughly dishonest and ignorant editorial in the *New York Times* on the recent abduction and killing of four teens in Israel. The *Times* strove for moral equivalence since the victims included Jews and an Arab. To review: the *Times* editorial wrongly accused Benjamin Netanyahu of a delay in condemning the killing of an Arab teen and the editors took a Netanyahu quote that denounced the desire for vengeance and claimed it meant Netanyahu was doing the opposite and inciting vigilante terrorism. After wide condemnation, the *Times* corrected the editorial. Sort of.

Here is the *Times's* correction of just one of the falsehoods the editors pushed:

An editorial on Tuesday about the death of a Palestinian teenager in Jerusalem referred incorrectly to Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's response to the killing of Muhammad Abu Khdeir. On the day of the killing, Mr. Netanyahu's office issued a statement saying he had told his minister for internal security to quickly investigate the crime; it is not the case that "days of near silence" passed before he spoke about it.

But in reality the way the editorial now reads is not all that much better. Here is the initial, false sentence, as pointed out immediately by CAMERA's [Tamar Sternthal](#):

On Sunday, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu of Israel, after days of near silence, condemned that killing and promised that anyone found guilty would "face the full weight of the law."

Sternthal had made it clear that even the *Times's* own reporting showed this to be wrong; Netanyahu had spoken up days earlier. Yet here is how the corrected sentence now reads:

On Sunday, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu of Israel condemned that killing and promised that anyone found guilty would “face the full weight of the law.”

Notice the problem? The editorial still uses Netanyahu’s condemnation days after the murder instead of his earlier statements on the crime, leaving the reader to come away with the same mistaken impression. The *Times*’s new version of the editorial is closer to the truth, but still not all that close. The *Times* editors’ allergy to the truth is inexcusable: they should pop a Claritin, endure the hives, and be honest about Israel.

But that’s not the end of the objectionable content in the *Times*’s faux correction. The correction makes no mention of the other, arguably greater mistake on the Israeli poem, and the editorial still includes that line. It’s one thing to get the date of Netanyahu’s condemnation of the attack wrong; that’s bad, especially because it shows the *Times* editors don’t read their own (or any other) newspaper. But there is a dangerous aspect to the editors’ pernicious misreading of the poem.

To put this in simple terms: Netanyahu read a poem that denounced earthly vengeance and vigilantism. The *Times* editorial claims the poem *encourages* earthly vengeance and vigilantism. This is a serious slander of Netanyahu, the poet, and the Israeli people. It includes Netanyahu in a group of Israelis the *Times* accuses of displaying vicious anti-Arab bigotry and violent tendencies, when in fact the prime minister was criticizing them in a bid to lower the temperature and promote restraint.

Only the *New York Times* can so blithely add a “correction” to its own false claims that muddy the waters even more and further concretize a dishonest narrative that tosses a match into a tinderbox. And the really dispiriting aspect to this is that we can expect more of the same. The desire of the leftist media to perpetuate a lie that the Israeli and Palestinian leadership are morally equivalent will only produce more hateful anti-Israel propaganda now that Hamas and Fatah have joined in their unity government.

That’s because Hamas is guilty of even more terrorism and anti-Semitism than Fatah is, so if the media want to equate the Israeli leadership with the Palestinian leadership they’ll have to drop Israel to Hamas’s level. And they’ll be taking their cues from Washington, apparently. While the State Department [recently offered](#) the laughable nonsense that America’s leaders “have no evidence that Hamas plays any role in the interim technocratic government,” other countries are taking a more serious approach to foreign affairs and recognizing reality.

In a *Times* of Israel [story](#) about how several Western countries have been more supportive of Israel during this crisis and possessed a greater degree of moral clarity than the Obama administration, we read the following tweet from Canadian Foreign Minister John Baird:

The new Palestinian government must exercise its authority in [#Gaza](#) and bring an immediate end to Hamas’s rocket attacks on [#Israel](#)

I don’t know whether the *New York Times* editors are getting their information from the Obama administration or the White House is getting its information on the conflict from the *Times*, but there’s a quite delusional feedback loop here. And it helps explain why even the *Times*’s corrections warrant their own corrections.

SteynOnLine

Bill of Sale

by Mark Steyn

Toronto Dominion is a Canadian bank which also operates south of the border under the amusing name of "TD - America's Most Convenient Bank". It's certainly proved remarkably convenient for Bill Clinton. TD has paid millions to the future first First Gentleman of the United States, during his wife's tenure as Secretary of State and in her ongoing role as designated President-in-Waiting.

What exactly are they paying for? Speeches? He's less dull a public speaker than the average politician, or average former president (Gerald Ford, say). But nothing he says would seem to merit, for example, [the \\$525,000 TD paid Bill in one 24-hour period alone](#), which convenience-wise is about as good as it gets. So again: what exactly are TD getting for their shareholders by putting all this money in the Clintons' pockets?

I've nothing against top stars or even lowly fellows like myself seeking top dollar for live appearances, but there is something unseemly about a former president pimping himself out to Gulf emirs and Saudi princes and even Canadian bankers for six-figure sums night after night. Hitherto, it has never been necessary explicitly to prohibit such conduct because it would have never occurred to, oh, Harry Truman to carry on like this.

But don't worry, when it comes to her own robotic speeches, Mrs Clinton gives all her \$225,000 checks from state universities to charity. So that's okay. Oh, by the way, [any charity in particular?](#)

"All of the fees have been donated to the Clinton Foundation for it to continue its life-changing and life-saving work," she told [ABC News](#). "So it goes from a foundation at a university to another foundation."

The Clinton Foundation is a euphemism for the Clinton Machine. The life it's intended to change is that of Hillary, replacing the honorific "Madam Secretary" with "Madam President". In 2011, the Bill, Hillary and Chelsea Clinton Foundation spent \$12.1 million on travel, which, when you consider how much of their travel is paid for by TD Bank, the Emir of Dubai and the University of Nevada-Las Vegas is kind of impressive.

~I have minimal expectations of the 2016 election, but in my wildest fantasies I dream of a regular bloke moving into the White House. As a child, I had always heard that "in America anyone can grow up to be president", but by the time I got here the choice had apparently narrowed to rich legacy nominees or obvious hucksters with a pronounced malodorousness. By "regular bloke", I'm thinking of someone like Australia's Tony Abbott, who [flies coach even as prime minister](#).

Why is such a figure all but entirely lost to the upper echelons of American politics? By way of an interview with my compatriot F H Buckley, the libertarian lads over at *Reason* are pondering whether the presidency is "[degenerating into the 'elective monarchy' George Mason warned about at the Philadelphia convention](#)":

Prime ministers are "more likely to be figures of fun...or the butt of slanging matches during Question Period in the House of Commons." Indeed, the parliamentary practice of Prime Minister's Questions, in which the chief executive is regularly and ruthlessly grilled by the opposition, goes a long way toward explaining why there's no such thing as the Cult of the Prime Minister.

Presidents can isolate themselves in a cocoon of sycophants, even putting protesters in "Free-Speech Zones," where their signs can't offend the liege. And his role as head of state "tends to make criticism of a president seem like lese-majeste"—as Justice Samuel Alito learned when he dared mouth the words "not true" while Obama pummelled the Court in his 2010 State of the Union.

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Washington Post

[The immigration no-brainer](#)

by Charles Krauthammer

As is his wont, President Obama is treating the border crisis — [more than 50,000 unaccompanied children crossing illegally](#) — as a public relations problem. [Where to photo op](#) and where not. He still hasn't enunciated a policy. He may not even have one.

Will these immigrants be allowed to stay? Seven times was Obama's homeland security secretary [asked this on "Meet the Press."](#) Seven times he danced around the question.

Presidential press secretary Josh Earnest was ostensibly [more forthcoming](#): "It's unlikely that most of those kids will qualify for humanitarian relief. ... They will be sent back." This was characterized in the media as a harder line. Not at all. Yes, those kids who go through the process will likely have no grounds to stay. But most will never go through the process.

These kids are being flown or bused to family members around the country and told to then show up for deportation hearings. Why show up? Why not just stay where they'll get superior schooling, superior health care, superior everything? As a result, only 3 percent are being repatriated, [to cite an internal Border Patrol memo](#).

Repatriate them? How stone-hearted, you say. After what they've been through? To those dismal conditions back home?

By that standard, with a sea of endemic suffering on every continent, we should have no immigration laws. Deny entry to no needy person.

But we do. We must. We choose. And immediate deportation is exactly what happens to illegal immigrants, children or otherwise, from Mexico and Canada. By what moral logic should there be [a Central American exception](#)?

There is no logic. Just a quirk of the law — [a 2008 law intended to deter sex trafficking](#). It mandates that Central American kids receive temporary relocation, extensive assistance and elaborate immigration/deportation proceedings, which many simply evade.

This leniency was designed for a small number of sex-trafficked youth. It was never intended for today's mass migration aimed at establishing a family foothold in America under an administration correctly perceived as at best ambivalent about illegal immigration.

Stopping this wave is not complicated. A serious president would go to Congress tomorrow proposing a change in the law, simply mandating that Central American kids get the same treatment as Mexican kids, i.e., be subject to immediate repatriation.

Then do so under the most humane conditions. Buses with every amenity. Kids accompanied by nurses and social workers and interpreters and everything they need on board. But going home.

One thing is certain. When the first convoys begin rolling from town to town across Central America, the influx will stop.

When he began taking heat for his laxness and indecisiveness, [Obama said he would seek](#) statutory authority for eliminating the Central American loophole. Yet when he presented his [\\$3.7 billion emergency package](#) on Tuesday, it included no such proposal.

Without that, tens of thousands of kids will stay. Tens of thousands more will come.

Why do they come? The administration pretends it's because of violence and poverty.

Nonsense. When has there not been violence and poverty in Central America? Yet this wave of children has [doubled in size in the past two years](#) and is projected to double again by October. The new variable is [Obama's unilateral \(and lawless\) June 2012 order](#) essentially legalizing hundreds of thousands of illegal immigrants who came here as children.

Message received in Central America. True, this executive order doesn't apply to those who came after [June 15, 2007](#). But the fact remains that children coming across now are overwhelmingly likely to stay.

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Chicago Tribune [King James returns home](#)

by John Kass

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You see it in literature, the adventure of the hero of many faces, the young man on a quest who is all but dead and buried before finally making the return home.

LeBron James isn't an archetype. He's a ballplayer.

But he's pushing 30, his knees won't hold up forever under all that power and muscle he's been carrying. His odyssey is about done.

Now, he's all about the return.

It's a Midwestern thing, about family and neighborhood and the people who knew you when you were a kid. And I'm not saying other people, born in other parts of the country, don't feel it.

Sure they feel it. They often talk about it. But Midwesterners act on it.

Perhaps that's because the only time our insides feel comfortable and settled is when we're home.

Yes it's tribal, about being part of a clan, whether you're from the city and can still smell the neighborhood in your memory or if you're from some town surrounded by soybean fields.

Iowa knows this, and Indiana, Illinois, Nebraska and Kansas and Minnesota, Michigan and Missouri know it. North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin and Ohio know it, too.

Cleveland knows. Chicago knows. LeBron knows.

And the outlanders trying to mock it? Or the ones who call us "The Heartland" as they fly overhead?

You can't explain it to them. They can't comprehend it. It's as if they're from another country, without the language for understanding.

Perhaps that's because they are from another country, usually one of our coasts, or they're from Washington, the capitol of the world, which might as well be another country for the psychic distance between us.

Washington is a place, like LA, like New York, where people go to make new lives. And in exchange for those lives, in media, politics, business or the arts, they give up a great deal of their past.

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He was at college. Not in class, not in a university, but he went away, removed himself from the people who knew him, tried different things, smelled different air.

Drafted into the NBA right out of high school, and then seven years with the Cleveland Cavaliers, he'd never gone to college. Ohio born, he'd never left.

So he went away. And now he's back and talks of inspiration.

For years, he inspired envy and anger. We hated him when he was in Cleveland the first time, muscling Derrick Rose and Joakim Noah of the Bulls.

"I never heard anyone say I'm going to Cleveland on vacation," said Noah famously a few years ago during our "Cleveland Sucks" period.

And later, when LeBron held that ridiculous ESPN special and announced "I will take my talents to South Beach," we hated him even more.

On the court, when he wanted to take over the game, when it was right in his mind and his body, there was nothing anyone could do about it.

We'll probably hate him again — sports-hate only — during the NBA season. But it won't be the same. It can never be the same.

LeBron is doing what's expected. And whether he or we comprehend the cultural history of those expectations, the centuries of imprinting and obligation, it really doesn't matter.

The man's gone on his voyage. He won his treasure. And now he returns home.

He's a Midwesterner. And we understand him.

CNS News

[‘I,’ ‘Me,’ ‘My’—Obama Uses First Person Singular 199 Times in Speech Vowing Unilateral Action](#)

by Terence P. Jeffrey

Not counting instances when he quoted a letter from a citizen or cited dialogue from a movie, President Barack Obama used the first person singular—including the pronouns "I" and "me" and the adjective "my"—199 times in a speech he delivered Thursday vowing to use unilateral executive action to achieve his policy goals that Congress would not enact through the normal, constitutional legislative process.

"It is lonely, me just doing stuff," Obama said at the speech in Austin, Texas, [according to the official transcript and video](#) posted on the White House website.

"I'm just telling the truth now," Obama told the crowd. "I don't have to run for office again, so I can just let her rip. And I want to assure you, I'm really not that partisan of a guy."

To prove this, Obama went on to say Abraham Lincoln was his favorite president, and then gave a list of what he called "great Republican presidents"—which included Richard Nixon.

"My favorite president is the first Republican president, a guy named Abraham Lincoln," Obama said. "You look at our history, and we had great Republican presidents who--like Teddy Roosevelt started the National Park System, and Dwight Eisenhower built the Interstate Highway System, and Richard Nixon started the EPA."

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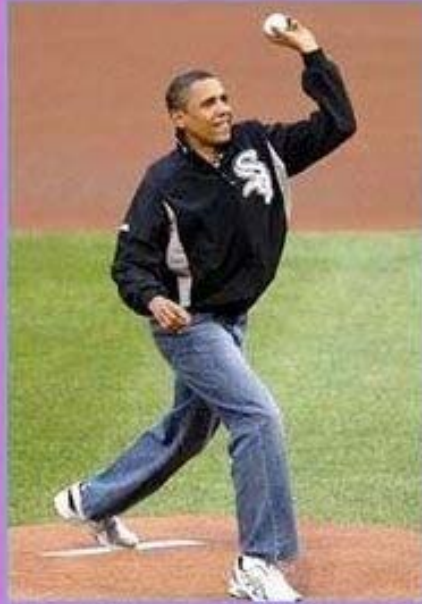
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