

To the Editor August 2, 2020

Bigots

I believe that an enterprising newspaper journalist, after hearing bigoted comments from an elected official in a public setting, would want or feel obligated to follow this up.

Any number or all of the following questions could be asked. These are True or False questions.

1. Anti-Fascist groups like ANITFA are bad because Fascism is better than Democracy
2. Native American genocide was a necessary evil
3. Slavery was a necessary evil
4. The earth is flat and not a sphere
5. 9/11 was an inside job
6. The moon landing was faked
7. Vaccines are mostly bad
8. The white race is intellectually superior to any other race of peoples
9. System and systematic racial discrimination is a historic an integral part of our society
10. Other world Aliens live among us
11. The Covid virus is fake news
12. Requiring the wearing of masks to avoid sending and receiving the virus is an attack on your personal freedoms
13. The news media is the enemy of the people

I believe that you will discover that there is an alarming alignment between the thinking of bigots and white supremacists and that of conspiracy theorists.

Certainly, this fact is equally important as any governing body public servants views on an on how government tax revenues are spent and if the tax rates are, correct.

Whether it is the local city council woman who said that the virus would not affect **regular** people, just the **other** people (immigrant meat packing plant workers) or a county supervisor, these views are typically based on a hatred of someone or something. This is anecdotally evidenced by angry email responses to me regarding my letters, which are filled with hateful name-calling.

Holding private beliefs is one thing, but the time is long overdue to hold paid public officials to account when they stick their heads out and share their ugly views in public, by naming and shaming them. Not doing this is how we got where we are now, and why my generation has had to continue to see these issues go unresolved for some sixty plus years now.