

# The Oxymorons of Woke Capitalism



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“The problem with the world is that the intelligent people are full of doubts while the stupid ones are full of confidence.”

–Charles Bukowski

Many years ago, I would watch movies and become irritated at occasional films which had an anti-rich, or if you will anti-capitalist, element. I lived in Cuba and have always been on the lookout for Marxist tropes that occasionally saturate American culture. Knowing of Communist influence in Hollywood, and having a libertarian outlook, I was particularly irritated at the absurd caricatures, particularly when the rich person in films would engage in obviously self-destructive actions. Two instantly pop into my head, *The Fifth Element* and the *Alien* franchise, among others; in both, a capitalist or a

company actively tries to enable an alien species come to Earth which will result in the destruction of life on the planet. Totally absurd premise. Such decisions, I felt, were stupidly unrealistic and done for the sake of besmirching capitalism—a caricature that I have typically come across in Marxist writings and stage plays from the former Soviet Union.

Now, I am not so sure.

Take, for instance, capitalists who are/were Communists. Capitalist-Communists are the consummate [oxymoron](#). Example: Ted Turner the creator of the Central News Network (CNN) and husband of Hanoi Jane was a [great](#) admirer of Fidel Castro and often boasted of having met him. He visited [North](#) Korea and found nothing out of the ordinary there. Klaus [Schwab](#) (“You will own nothing and be happy”), George Soros and Armand [Hammer](#) also come to mind, among others.

Most everyone agrees that contemporary American society has become toxic because of relentless fanatics who call themselves “woke,” “social justice warriors,” “activists,” “anti-fascists,” etc., such terms simply being euphemisms for “Communists” by their opponents who are too timid to use the C-word, or by Communists themselves.

America is disintegrating before our eyes due to the activities of these fanatics and the lack of effective response from the rest of the population. A considerable force in this disintegration are capitalists and companies that have become “woke.”

For example, you will find many businesses—such as [Kellogg's](#)—that are run by whites giving 80 [million](#) dollars to [Black Lives Matter](#) (BLM is also known as [Buy Large Mansions](#)). Or that—like [Coca-Cola](#)—will urge its customers and employees to “be less [white](#).” Or that companies—like [Verizon](#), [Walmart](#)—will have mandatory Critical Race Theory (CRT) and/or Diversity Inclusion Equity (DIE) indoctrination sessions where

[whites](#) will be insulted by either [black](#) supremacists or by white Judas Goats, where employees will be told that white people are responsible for every evil in the world while blacks are like [gods](#) walking among mere mortals. [Best Buy](#) has a management training program available open to everyone—except whites. In all these instances of corporate-sponsored racism some whites are being convinced how enlightened and humanitarian and intellectual white people could be if they would only agree to cut their own throats. [Dove](#) recently gave money to a pro-BLM black hippopotamus who carried out a hate hoax against a skinny white student.

Or companies that will hire [men](#) pretending to be women—instead of hiring real women—to [sell](#) products to women, thereby [insulting](#) and [infuriating](#) its [customers](#) and [losing revenue](#) as a [result](#) (think Gillette, think Bud [Lite](#), think [Adidas](#)). Or company executives [who](#) will just be downright [moronic](#). Even though these companies are in business to sell a product, i. e., to make money, they [insist](#) on continuing to insult their customers with “inclusivity,” a buzz word which includes promoting freakish looking perverts, even though they are losing money in doing so, which is the acme of fanaticism.

And then there are the banks and lending agencies. Paypal decided to team up with ultra-hate groups [ADL](#) and [SPLC](#) to persecute those people or organizations whose views are guilty of wrongthink (which is why I opted to default on my Paypal loan, my credit rating be damned). Several banks have decided that they will deny services to individuals whose viewpoints oppose the totalitarian ideology. Two banks, Minnesota Bank & Trust and Heartland Financial [USA](#) closed Mike Lindell’s accounts (his products were also removed by woke companies). Chase [Bank](#) closed the personal accounts and credit cards of Retired US General Michael Flynn. [Gofundme](#) shut down a fundraiser for a teenager, Kyle Rittenhouse, who had the unforgivable crime of defending himself from three leftists trying to kill him. Florida’s Banks United, Professional Bank,

Signature Bank in New York, and Deutsche Bank have closed the accounts of who the left consider the devil himself, *President Donald Trump* (as one commenter put it, “ Why in the world would Trump’s 74,216,722 voters entrust their money to any of those banks?” Good question).

Kind of makes you wonder if [conspiracy](#) theories should not be automatically discounted.

Unfortunately, the totalitarian virus has spread overseas and we see that [Metro](#) Bank refused to give an account to an organization that opposes the mutilation of children, while [Nigel](#) Farage—who was the architect of Brexit—had his account [closed](#) by [Coutts](#) Bank (which is owned by National Westminster Bank). He is not the only one in the UK [who](#) has been victimized. In Australia [ING](#) Bank has closed the accounts of independent journalists who are not a cog in the media hivemind. The Royal [Bank](#) of Canada has denied mortgages based on lenders’ politics. [Gofundme](#) in Scotland shut down a fundraiser for a teenager who was expelled from school for having the audacity to insist that there were only two genders.

And, of course, there is the constant censorship practiced by [Google](#), [YouTube](#), [Facebook](#), [Amazon](#) and other websites to [keep](#) out facts and viewpoints the totalitarians [deem](#) to be anathema (Twitter no longer censors wrongthink ever since Elon [Musk](#) acquired the company and [purged](#) it of totalitarians, [revealing](#) in the [process](#) the [vast](#) censorship [Twitter](#) had [imposed](#)).

What is ironic and underlines the oxymoronic element to all these policies is that the people facilitating the leftist totalitarian policies will be some of the first to be put up against the wall and shot by future commissars. Which would be poetic justice except that the rest of us will be right there next to them.

Traditionally, the Republican Party has been seen—rightly or

wrongly—as the party that is business oriented while the Democratic Party has been seen as the advocate of blue-collar workers (unfortunately, part of the problem is that Republicans have never come to grips with the fact that many CEOs, CFOs and CIOs are SOB). Considering [how](#) much [contempt](#) the [liberals](#) [have](#) recently demonstrated for the [common man](#) and how much [businesses](#) have become [woke](#) and the [elites](#) are intent on shoving leftist ideology down their workers' throats, it is time to realign interests. The reader may remember that at one time leftists used to fulminate against rich donors. Now, with the kind of twisted logic typical of Marxists, one [Jonah Goldberg](#) claims that small donors are a threat to democracy

But since the Republican Party is rightly known as being the [Stupid](#) Party, I am [doubtful](#) it [will](#) do so.

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