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## **Viewpoint: The party's nearly over**

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In certain respects, this was the most ominous election in U.S. history.

What was ominous about it? The Republican victories across the country allowed George W. Bush to increase and consolidate his power. He now has full control of Congress.

What's wrong with that? The president has announced that this week he intends to push through the lame duck session legislation creating the Department of Homeland Security.

So? The night after the vote, James Carville, Democrat axeman, strategist and analyst for the Clinton administration, commented: "The American people just don't have a clue as to what's coming."

Against a backdrop of widespread reports of vote fraud and disenfranchised voters, not only in Florida but in other states, the military transport ships loaded with tanks and other equipment were steaming toward the Mideast while armored troop units and air cavalry were departing in small groups for the same destination.

With creation of the Department of Homeland Security, a \$37 billion bureaucracy will be put in place for the sole purpose of finding and destroying enemies of the state or anybody who is critical of the administration—you or me. Yes, conceivably, that "anybody" needn't be a fanatic or armed terrorist, just anybody the Bush crowd doesn't like.

The enemies list will continue to grow because bureaucracies are self-perpetuating and must justify bigger and bigger budgets.

Once the new department is set up, the USA Patriot Act will be implemented. If you've been wondering what it is like to live in a police state, stand by, you are about to find out. Last year, one whistleblower was warned by an FBI agent that the things the whistleblower had been saying would be considered seditious speech in a year's time, and he would be jailed.

That could mean no election for president in 2004 because criticism of his Bushness will not be tolerated. Do you think his image will be on our coins, too? Get ready for King George II or V, if you add on to the one we kicked out in 1776.

Last August, a lot of this was predicted by Mike Ruppert, publisher of From The Wilderness, an Internet news Web site.

Ruppert wrote then: "... most of the American people, with their bankrupt and corrupt economy, will welcome cheap oil, while it lasts, and they will engage in a multitude of psychological and sickening rationales that will, in the end, amount to nothing more than saying: 'I don't care how many women and children you kill. Just let me keep my standard of living.'"

Oil is one of the main things this new war is about; not Saddam, not weapons of mass destruction, but oil. There's only so much of the stuff on the planet, and they're not making any more.

Bush is determined to grab all of the oil he can. He needs it to keep his mammoth military machine rolling. As someone observed, you can't operate B-2s on solar power. He also needs the oil to keep the U.S. economy from collapsing.

But waltzing into the oilfields in Iraq and Saudi Arabia will not be a walk in the park this time. When the body bags begin to flow back in rising numbers, and the slumbering American public wakes abruptly as it begins to feel the pinch of sacrifice that will result from this conflict, Dubya will be ready to put down any civil unrest.

The Department of Homeland Security, don't you know. Only it's the administration's security, not ours. They have been training the troops to deal with their fellow citizens and quietly preparing places to put dissenters for some time now.

Don't expect the Democrats to do anything about it. For all intents and purposes, there is no Democratic Party. They were mostly a farce in this year's campaign. In practical terms, we have only one party, and it is controlled by the globalists.

Our votes may have made some small difference in local issues, but at the national level it is pretty much out of our hands. CNN recently reported that new proprietary software may rule out inspection of electronic voting machines.

That's the ballgame, folks. No elected officials count your votes now, and this means nobody but the private companies involved will be able to tell what's going on inside these machines. There is no audit trail, no way to tell what happens to your vote after it is cast.

Maybe you also noticed that the exit polls, usually trumpeted by Voter News Service, were not done this year. That's most interesting because that removes the standard by which the totals from the machines could be compared with the polls.

We've told you in the past that Voter News Service is owned by the networks, and the major

metropolitan newspapers and the wire services. The voting machine companies, of which there are few, are reluctant to disclose their ownership. One has ties to the Rothschild family, another to the Bush family and one to a Republican senator.

We needn't worry any longer about hanging chads, dimpled chads, or any other conjured distractions. The entire process has been removed from public scrutiny forever. And it will all be certified by your friendly county clerk.

It was quiet after the vote. Nobody was protesting. There was no outcry from the electorate, except for small segments here and there. Nobody questioned the honesty of the tallies, even though it was claimed in Florida that a vote for the Democrat gubernatorial candidate resulted in a tally for the Republican, Jeb Bush.

They say the definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over and expecting different results. We did the same thing again and went back to sleep. This time, however, there will be a different result. We will discover the America we thought we knew is not there anymore.

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