

DISINTEGRATION

Might be a useful word to describe what is happening in a number of societies/countries right now. At the same time people of power, be they politicians or military, want to tighten their grip on the levers of power and control not only dissent but different views.

Under the heading SAFEGUARDING we have a programme called PREVENT. Its purpose is to stop young people being 'radicalised'. That concerns me, particularly as we have a government that regards criticism of capitalism as 'extremist' and a Schools Minister famous for interfering in the Politics A-Level syllabus and paper. Young people are being fitted into a template.

Meanwhile, in the USA my eyes are particularly focussed upon the Republican Party. It wants power but might it be just a little at risk of disintegration? The case against Trump is watertight but still so many of them are willing to let him off. Party or Country? They have chosen. I wonder if any of them have read any of the predictions that the US Empire will soon end. I think the closest predicted date is 2030, though I think that prediction relates, not to internal disintegration but to losing world dominance.

Possibly this is one reason for the establishment of a breakaway group of Republicans. It might become a new party. Perhaps they should call themselves the Reasonable Republicans. Third political parties do not do well in the US but the formation of them can be a sign of a more general disintegration.

A general thesis is that Trump is more a symptom than a cause. How on earth could someone like him be put forward by any political party with half a grey cell? Or, more importantly, any decent public values. But, then, the Conservatives chose Boris. And, having assassinated Corbyn, Labour chose Starmer. Incidentally, I think that if only the votes of the under 45s had been counted Corbyn would have won overwhelmingly. Might there be generational issues at work?

My conclusion is that we have so many politicians that yearn for yesterday when all their troubles seemed so far away. Few of them are equipped to deal with tomorrow. They cannot even deal with today.

Cliff Jones February 12th. 2021

www.criticalprofessionallearning.co.uk