

Twelve score and Ten years ago, our forefathers brought forth, on this continent, a new nation: [A.Lincoln; See NOTE #1]
a Constitutional REPUBLIC conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to LIBERTY...
Now, we are engaged in a great **COUNTER-REVOLUTION**, testing whether that REPUBLIC, that LIBERTY, or any nation so conceived can long endure. The battlefield of that new COUNTER-REVOLUTION is a "War of Words" where definitions are distorted to achieve political ends. [cf. G.Orwell; "Newspeak"; #2]

The American Revolution replaced the TYRANNY of monarchy (& a "Ruling Class") with a "**REPUBLIC**" (from the Latin "*res publica*" = "*a thing of the people*" (i.e. govt is the BUSINESS of **ALL** of the people -- not just a "Ruling Class"). More importantly {in Jefferson's words in the Declaration}. [See NOTE #3]
the **only legitimate purpose** of "govt" is to secure inalienable Rights, such as Life, Liberty, Property, your right to CHOOSE [cf., Milton Friedman]
FREE TO CHOOSE how to pursue whatever **you** define as "happiness"

Yes, it was also a "**DEMOCRACY**" -- which **merely** means "**countable**"
*A state that elects rulers (by **counting** voters)*
Historically, most "Democratic Republics" are overthrown by a **COUNTER-REVOLUTION** that usually becomes a **TYRANNY** -- destroying LIBERTY when some **wannabe-dictator** gains absolute power --- after winning only **ONE** election ("*democratically*" counting votes).
*** Such COUNTER-REVOLUTIONS have become more or less inevitable, **UNLESS** govt powers are enumerated & LIMITED by a written Constitution OTHERWISE, counter-revolutions usually lead to UNLIMITED powers, where the majority does whatever it wants to minorities & where **rulers** dictate what individuals & minorities are allowed to do
For Example: what kind of car you may drive, what govt schools teach your children, what price you're allowed to charge for the products of **your own** labor, what foods you may eat (*bought from govt-monopoly of grocery stores*), etc., etc., etc.

Some examples of **Pure Democracy** w/o a Constitution to LIMIT powers of govt. include:

- a democratically elected "Chancellor" named Corporal Adolph Schicklgruber
- a socialist journalist Benito Mussolini
- a Theology student (and bank-robber) named Joseph Dzugashvili (Stalin)
- a Librarian named Mao Tse Tung
- a pardoned prisoner named Hugo Chavez & a bus driver named Nicholas Maduro
- a Jacobin named Maximilien Robespierre
- a Mamdami +++, etc

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The purpose of the **CONSTITUTION** is to preserve LIBERTY
by limiting the **powers** to a Federal "union" of (sovereign) states.

*** QUESTION #1: "How is LIBERTY preserved?" ***

1. Separation of Powers: President can't make laws, Congress - NO powers, Judicial stops abuse.
2. The 10th Amdt. says: Everything else is RESERVED to the people & the sovereign states ...
3. Federation of SOVEREIGN states -- each state, County, Yown makes its own LOCAL LAWS..

"We the People" give the Fed. Gov't ONLY a carefully-delimited set of enumerated powers.

Only 17 powers are listed (Article I, Section 8), under the phrase:

"Congress shall have the power to ... {blah, blah, blah} ..." [cf NOTE #4]

(i.e.: The 10th Amd't was added to assure a (*logically superfluous!*) LIMITATION).

Thus, it is like the punctuation we use to end a sentence: . Period .

In effect, the 10th says: Federal Powers are as stated above, and ...

. That's IT, PERIOD! . *There are no further powers.*

*** QUESTION #2: "How does **COUNTER-REVOLUTION** win?"

(w/o muskets & cannonballs) Weaponize WORDS to deceive & increase vote counts.

*** The "War of The Words" ?" Definitions // Newspeak controls THOUGHT

REPUBLIC;

DEMOCRACY;

LIBERTY vs COLLECTIVIST (=Socialist, Fascist, Communist, "People's Democratic Republic")

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REFERENCE NOTES:

1 {A. Lincoln}.

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth,
on this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty,
and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.
Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation,
or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure.
We are met on a great battle-field of that war. . . .

2. {George Orwell "Brave New World"}

3. {T. Jefferson}

... whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these Ends,
it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and
to institute new Government, laying its Foundation on such Principles

4. {Constitution}

... A few additional powers are granted elsewhere, stated either as
powers of Congress or as powers of the other branches
(Executive and Judicial) that the Congress authorizes to carry them out.
Logically speaking, the Federal government, created by the Constitution,
is limited to only those (twenty or so) powers, explicitly granted to it by
that document It has no additional powers, and cannot assume additional powers
- except via the amendment process.

++. {old notes}

Republic: res publica

Democracy: People RULE

(majority rules over minority". NO CHOICE unless allowed by rulers:

what cars to drive, what you may EAT (govt-owned grocery stores), what you may say, +++,

e.g. Adolph Hitler, Benito Mussolini, Mao Tse Tsung, (ALL were democratically elected.)

Constitution: restrict the powers of govt (rules to rule). How?

1. Separation of Powers:

Exec. - cannot make laws,

Legislature - has NO power

Judicial - decide what powers allowed (by the rules)

2. Federation of SOVEREIGN states

>>> 10th Amdt. -- reserved to ...