California Rages Against the Dying of the Light

California's role in the defense of the United States has been crucial, especially in the recent conflicts, but the state's economic and social challenges have also been significant. The state has experienced a decline in its traditional industries, such as agriculture and manufacturing, and has struggled to adapt to the new economy. This has led to high unemployment rates and a widening gap between the rich and the poor.

For several decades California has played a leading role in the United States and the world. It has been a major contributor to the country's economic growth and has played a significant role in shaping the nation's culture and politics. However, the state's economic and social problems have been exacerbated by the global economic crisis, and California is facing a difficult future.

California's response to the crisis has been mixed. The state has implemented a series of austerity measures, including cuts to public services and education, in an attempt to balance the budget. These measures have been met with widespread criticism, and many believe that they will only deepen the state's economic problems in the long run.

Despite these challenges, California remains a vibrant and dynamic state, with a rich cultural and political heritage. The state's leaders will need to find innovative solutions to address the state's economic and social problems, and to ensure that California continues to thrive in the 21st century.
short lived. This marked a significant departure from the outlook a year ago, when the economy was seen as recovering from a deep recession. The latest figures show that the economy has slowed again, with a significant decline in consumer spending and a drop in industrial output. The unemployment rate has remained high, with more than 10 million Americans out of work. This has led to a decrease in wages and a rise in prices, putting pressure on the already weak economy. The government is considering new measures to boost the economy, including increased spending on infrastructure and tax cuts for businesses and individuals. It remains to be seen whether these measures will be effective in stimulating economic growth. In the meantime, the outlook for the economy is uncertain, with many economists predicting a prolonged period of slow growth.
The Fall of the White Republic

The vast majority of economic growth in the Catholic Church was not in the form of new churches or schools, but in the form of economic growth. This expansion was driven by the need to support the growing number of members, and by the desire to increase the Church's influence in society. The Church's financial resources were used to build new churches, schools, and hospitals, and to support the education and health care of its members. The Church also used its resources to support the political and social goals of its members, which often involved promoting Catholicism and opposing secularism.

In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, the Church's influence in society increased significantly. This was due in part to the Church's ability to mobilize its members, and its ability to use its resources to support the political goals of its members.

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amen of active action and multiculturalism. New, minimalist and DC detectives became the first colleges to institute anti-busing requirements.14

The growing chasm between the classes that opened up in the United States in the 1980s left it with the most unequal income distribution of all the wealthy countries, and California led the pack along with the rest of the Sunbelt states. Those who owned capital did spectacularly well. California's Jerseymen of fast-food entrepreneurs and rentier families more than doubled to over 340,000,000, and its richest men and women—Hearsts, Waltons, Getty's, Haasen, Bechtel et al.—disproportionately fill the top ranks of America's fate bourgeoisie.15 Mike Milken has the distinction of earning the highest one-year salary ever, while Richard Riordan, now mayor of Los Angeles, made $100 million as a promoter of leveraged buyouts. The California corporate managerial elite repays themselves more handsomely with every passing year; in the Bay Area the number of million-dollar executive paychecks jumped from 60 to 14 in ten years.16 And the most nouveau riche are in the public sphere follow suit: the president of the University of California, David Gardner, and his mucky vice-president received million-dollar severance packages cooked up in secret before they bolted out. The notorious California Yuppies (professionals and managers) also prospered: average income for the top fifth of families rose during the 1980s by 17 per cent to $122,000, and the BAY Area, spiritual center of the Yuptie lifestyle, remained the richest metropolis area in the country.

Meanwhile, the working class lost ground. California's high and rising median income is misleading because the real income of the middle 20 per cent of families remained flat through the decade (and even fell by 10 per cent in the wealthy Bay Area), while for the lower 40 per cent the bottom fell out, real incomes of the lowest fifth falling by 8 per cent.17 Ordinary wages leveled off or declined, while tempest and part-time work increased. More individuals and families came to hold two or three jobs to keep their incomes up, or worked more overtime, so annual working time increased dramatically.18 Meanwhile, chronic job shortages and layoffs

14 Multiculturalism is itself a problematic slogan that refers primarily to integration for the upper classes. See Katherine Mitchell, 'Multiculturalism, or the United Colors of Capitalism', Antipodes 25 (1993). Still, it is far better than a new initiative being prepared by two conservative Cal State professors to repeal affirmative action throughout the state.

15 With 12 per cent of its adults in 1990, California had 17 per cent of millionaires and 20 per cent of the Forbes 400 richest Americans (an estimate copied from San Francisco Examiner, 31 August 1990).

16 San Francisco Chronicle, Annual Report on Executive Compensation, 21 May 1990. The richest has the highest average salaries of CEOs and the lowest productivity gains since 1980. Andrew Stephans, 'We're Number One', The Nation, 15 April 1990.

17 As a consequence, the state ranked thirteenth in growth of inequality in the 1980s. Figures by quintiles from a study by the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Washington, DC, reported in the San Francisco Examiner, 21 August 1990.


twenty years, oscillating between 1 and 10 per cent depending on the business cycle. As a result, a staggering gap opened up between total state income and total wages (including salaried professionals)—a crude measure of total surplus value—which expanded from $15 billion to $55 billion over the decade.

Naturally, new battalions were added to the armies of the poor. The official poverty rate stood at 12.3 per cent in 1990, before the recession sent it to 18.2 per cent by 1993, putting California into the top ten states (just behind Arkansas) in this most impoverished of rich nation. Southern CA has a higher poverty rate than at the time of the Watts rebellion, and outside the coastal-urban belt in California's rural interior—in the timberlands, agricultural valleys, and desert—there has been permanent high unemployment, stagnant incomes and high dependence on food-stamp and related services right through the good times.

Along with the new poor came the usual rogues: tuberculosis, malnutrition, infant mortality. The saddest aspect of this is California's astronomical rate of poverty among children (over 13 per cent, 13 per cent of those under six) in a country where kids are fared worse in every respect—suicide, murder, parental attention, nutrition, education, job prospects, and so forth—than anyone can remember.19

The third curse of falling real wages is inflation in housing, as rents rose an average of 8 per cent and home-owner costs were up 6 per cent in the 1980s, putting the California median for both half as high again at the national average. In the centres of metropolitan growth, the number of new families, affluence of the upper echelon, and financial fold-generation among mortgage lenders drove housing prices through the roof: even before the recession, fewer than 10 per cent of the families in the entire Bay Area could afford to buy at the median house price (the highest among all major cities in the US), fewer than 20 per cent in greater Los Angeles. Working-class people, especially young couples starting families, have fled to the far peripheries in search of cheaper housing, while immigrants crowd into inner-city hotels, apartments, bungalows and even garages, most of them substandard; it is typical to find extended or multiple families packed by the dozen into single dwellings.20 Out in the valley countryside, things are worse, with low-salaried workers sleeping under the Napa River bridges, living along the San Joaquin River, or inhaling fumes in the Salinas Valley.

Political representation has narrowed to those with good jobs and ample homes. The California electorate today is two-thirds white, two-thirds over 40, and two-thirds earning more than $40,000—the mirror image of the new California whose missions by and large do not participate as

19 For example, in the San Joaquin Valley, 50% of agricultural county poverty rates are all over 20 per cent and public assistance rates around 30 per cent.

20 Study by Victor Fuchs and Dale Reis of Stanford, reported in San Francisco Chronicle, 1 January 1992; see also the excellent periodic reports by groups such as Children New, Children's Advocacy Institute, and California Tomorrow.

21 See also Nancy Leigh Green, 'What Happened to the American Dream? Changing Earning Opportunities and Perceptions of Middle-Class Californians, 1965-74', California History, winter 1986-87, and Mike Davis, City of Disorder.
The largest bang has come out of the halls of local governments, where the budget of Proposition 13 has had a major impact. The state's constitution was amended in 1978 to require a two-thirds majority vote for any tax increase. This has had a profound effect on local school districts, which are now required to cut back on programs and services. The result has been a significant reduction in the quality of education available to students.

In addition, Proposition 13 has had a significant impact on the real estate market. Homeowners have been able to deduct the full amount of their property taxes from their federal tax returns, which has made homeownership a more attractive option. This has led to a surge in the housing market, as well as a rise in property values.

Governmental Rigor Meets Jiggy

Funded by the grateful citizens, the budget for the new government is half the size of the old government. The deficit is now $1.5 trillion, down from $2 trillion just a year ago. The government is expected to run a deficit of $2.5 trillion next year, down from $3 trillion this year.

In terms of new government spending, the most significant cutback has been in education. The budget for public schools has been cut by 20%, and the state has eliminated all new programs. The result is a significant reduction in the quality of education available to students.

However, the new government has also made some significant investments. For example, the budget for infrastructure has been increased by 30%, and the government has committed to investing $1 trillion in new infrastructure projects over the next decade. This will help to improve the country's transportation systems, as well as its energy infrastructure.

In terms of social programs, the new government has also made some significant changes. For example, the budget for social services has been increased by 15%, and the government has committed to investing $1.5 trillion in new social programs over the next decade. This will help to improve the lives of millions of Americans, who are struggling to make ends meet in this challenging economic climate.
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Hollywood. Only the quantity of money spent has gone up. Huffington spent over $10 million of his unearned Texas oil, while libertarian Diane Feinstein (married to a rich financier) spent another $24 million, versus an average nationally of $2 million to purchase a Senate seat. Nor did Kathleen Brown’s $21 million defeat for governor come as a shock, despite a vast early lead in the polls: she had nothing on offer, except softer versions of the policies of the state’s liberal meritocracy: immigration and welfare mothers. The Democrats have ceased to represent a viable alternative, but after all they only did so in California for about twenty years after Edmund Brown, Sr.’s election as governor in 1958. When radical movements have arisen in California, they have had to create their own organizations such as the Worker’s Party in the 1970s, Unions, Labor Party of the 1900s, etc. in the 1910s, and the Peace and Freedom Party in the 1960s (or local variants such as Berkeley Citizens’ Action or the Black Panther Party in Oakland).

The general sclerosis of representative government in California has led to unnecessary and possibly terminal bypass surgery. In the absence of effective political leadership, party structures, and law-making, political activism have bypassed the ordinary channels of government. One striking means is use of the Ballot Initiative, or law-making by direct vote. Many of the most vital issues of the last twenty years have been decided by this means. Conservatives have had a field day with the initiative game, passing Proposition 13, a Victims’ Bill of Rights, Proposition 83 (three-strikes) and funds for prison building. Liberals have responded in the same coin, as with toxic substance control, insurance control, and coastal preservation, but have more often lost. Initiatives are subject to the same vagaries of money flows and media campaigns as ordinary legislation, as it turns out, and the number of initiatives has grown so vast that болители have become overgrown monsters incomprehensible to any but the most politically educated and dedicated of voters.

At the same time, judicial law has been filling in the gaps in government. Here again, the conservative agenda has had the upper hand and helped to freeze government in its tracks. The state and federal judiciary have been carefully selected by Republican executives. To speed matters along, the Right (led by L.A. Richard Rodman) pulled off a running coup d’état in 1986 by removing the three most liberal justices of the California Supreme Court, targeting for particularly vitriolic attack the first woman chief Justice, Rose Bird. Unbelievably, the liberal justices and the Democratic Party sat on their hands throughout the campaign. California’s high court, once a paragon of legal scholarship and activism, is now monstrous.

California continues to see an electorate drifting away from politics. Voting has declined measurably since in the nineteenth century, reaching all-time lows in the 1990s of about 15 percent of eligible adults in presidential elections, 40 percent in gubernatorial elections and 25 percent in mid-term primaries. Of those who are voting, almost half are working people who pay no attention to government and politics, while a quarter are actively alienated from the process (the last quarter are the contented apathetic). Voting apathy reflects the exhaustion of government: a non-functional state is hardly worth bothering over; the two big parties are indistinguishable; long lists of propositions are daunting; anti-government rhetoric teaches people not to care; vitriolic campaigns teach voters not to trust politicians; and the open purchase of politics cherrypicks voting. Another major reason for the declining electorate is the continuous growth of the state. With caps on the number of legislators, size of representative districts has ballooned. A state senator today represents an average population of 800,000, far more people than in Congressional districts; LA City Council members represent a quarter-million people apiece.

The death of government and electoral politics has sources deep in California’s hallowed culture, rootless people and middle-class liberalism, and in its adherence to a modernism form of deterritorialized politics—now rampant throughout the capitalist world—in which parties wither away, candidates offer personalities not plans, and political sales-pitches are sold in sound-bites. But it has, like the failures of the economy and of social integration, much to do with the political imagination of the bourgeoisie and the sightless flow of politics, to which we now turn.

Dead-End Discourses

California is supremely unprepared for the scope of the three pronged crisis. Public discourse on the economy, race relations and the public good, except of the most cloyingly kind, has virtually died out. No one anticipated such failure; no one thought it could come down so hard. Faced now with economic restructuring, governmental deadlock, and social reconstitution, the higher circles of California business and politics have little on offer. In place of industrial policy debates, education and rebuilding programs, or strategies for political renewal, we get a steady diet of propaganda and irrelevance around three major axes: salvation through the free market, the criminalization of the poor and the drug, and fiddling with the ends of the governmental Gordian knot. The bourgeoisie revel in image self-congratulation, golden parachutes and...
Free Market Evangelism

The prevailing ideology in the new liberalism is that economic wealth and individual liberty are best advanced by a market-based system, where government intervention is minimal. This view contrasts with the older liberalism, which advocates for a more active role of government in保障 freedom and economic prosperity.

The free market ideology has been influential in shaping public policy at all levels, from local governments to international organizations. It has shaped the policies of many countries, leading to a reduction in regulations and increased competition.

However, this approach has also been criticized for its potential to exacerbate income inequality and widen the gap between the rich and the poor. Critics argue that the free market system can lead to concentration of wealth and power, while the benefits of economic growth are not distributed equally.

The free market ideology has also been applied to other areas, such as healthcare and education, where market principles have been introduced to improve efficiency and reduce costs. However, these efforts have met with mixed results, as some argue that the free market approach is not the best way to ensure access to essential services for all citizens.
The real estate market in California has been dominated by Silicon Valley and Los Angeles, but the state’s economic prowess is widespread. The Golden State has the highest real estate prices in the country, and the average home in the state costs more than $800,000. The state’s economy is driven by technology, entertainment, and education, with major employers including Apple, Google, Facebook, and Netflix. However, the high cost of living and housing has driven many residents to seek cheaper alternatives in neighboring states. The state has also been grappling with issues of homelessness and housing affordability, which have been exacerbated by the pandemic and the economic downturn. The state government has been implementing policies to address these issues, including rent control and eviction protections. Despite these challenges, California remains a leader in innovation and diversity, with a strong emphasis on arts and culture.
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that they intimidate ordinary (i.e., white, middle-class) citizens.

The Anti-Immigrant Backlash

Now it is illegal aliens who face the threat of removal, as the apprehensible "Save Our State" initiative, Proposition 187, shows. Numbers alone could be expected to trigger a nativist reaction among those whose ancestors arrived far enough back to qualify them as real Americans, as happened in the 1840s and 1890s. The refusal is always the same: former immigrants were good, hard-working immigrants, while the new ones are inferior, parasitic and unemployably foreign. California has an ignoble history of this sort of distinction. By the 1920s, Lewis Terman of Stanford, co-developer of the I.Q. test, was calling Mexicanos "undisciplined" and practical exigencies were wielding more "defensive" in mental hospitals and prisons than anywhere in the u.s. More recently, William Shockley of semiconductor fame and Arthur Jensen of UC Berkeley were the foremost exponents of African genetic inferiority. Today boudreaux Paul Ehrlich of Stanford and Garrett Hardin of UC Santa Barbara provide scientific cover for the Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR), the major force behind the political efforts behind the anti-immigrant initiative, California's Alan Nelson and Harold Emlet, former National and Western Regional directors of the 1924 under Reagan, while the popular government issues forth from the beliefs of white suburbia in Southern California and the Central Valley. 47

But nativism is overlain with economics. The recession has recurred a certain number of working people, including many African-Americans, to the argument that immigrants take away jobs from locals. Nor for that there is some competition, but labor market segmentation channels immigrants heavily into jobs expressly meant for them: sectors such as garment may gain from it, with sweatshops full of cheap immigrant labour but would not expand at all with more expensive resident labour if immigrants were not available. Migrants are often taken on because of their demand which is less than pushed out of their home countries by poverty, as the close correspondence of business cycles and migration cycles shows. The 1986 Immigration Reform and Control Act recognizes this fact by strong employer sanctions (never enforced by Nelson and Emlet's (1978). At the same time, black remain unemployed in large numbers as the height of the boom, having lost thousands of unskilled jobs in the shutdowns of 1985-86 and were being untreated to the industrial heartlands in Orange County and Silicon Valley. Nor do immigrants make unemployment worse in recessions while labour supply tends to other jobs demand at the beginning of an economic downturn, people must begin not to come or decide to return home. As a result, net outmigration to California hit zero in 1993 as the recession bottomed out. 48


48 On migration, labor demand and cycles on Bradley Trower, Migration and Economic Growth, budget 1974; and, for California, Margaret Gurstein, Employment Expansion and Population Growth, Berkeley, 1984. On black unemployment:

49 Of course, people contribute to the gross national product (GNP) by their work, but two-thirds of Latinas, two-fifths of Pacific Islanders, and 90 percent or the rest of the 15 percent of the population live in households with female-headed households, and 90 percent or more of the children do not have a male adult in their household, and 90 percent of those are not headed by the father. The Department of Labor estimates that poor people do not move to California to collect welfare. The Urban Institute estimates the revenue for undocumented immigrants in (high as high as 1 million) at $3.5 billion against Governor Wilson's estimate of $3.1 billion, much of which is for schooling. A striking comparison is that the 10,000 immigrants (estimated for each year) cost the state roughly the same amount in medical costs as 13,000 undocumented workers' children. (The same 10,000 Californians pay for violence costs by the California Research Bureau, reported in the San Francisco Chronicle, 15 December 1994.)
measuring the reform process of government, the "priorities of the public are to contain costs and to refrain from undertaking or expending in times of scarcity."

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The counter-revolution in one state is a reaction quickly set in against the general achievements and ideological gains of the radical protests and liberal reformers caught up in the wave of popular dissent. Vietnam war resistance, affirmative action, feminism and abortion, drugs and sexual revolution, and social transformation are explored and then decisively rejected by the ruling class, led by a political mobilization from the Right. The reversion of upheaval in the 1960s is too well known to need rehearsing. When striking at such proto-revolutionary epochs in the range of criticism brought to bear on the institutions and fundamental principles of society-despite the fact so many promises of those in power were not revolutionary at all but steeped in the dominant ideology. The most publicized assaults on state-worship featured free speech, the anti-war drive, the civil rights struggle, and sexual liberation. But the foothold of protest spilled over a wider embrace. Arguments against university governance carried over into disease for big business and big business government. Anti-war sentiment turned its sights against the military-industrial complex and its imperialism throughout the world. Civil rights for blacks triggered a host of parallel movements among Chicanos, Puerto Ricans and Native Americans, all of whom questioned the racist premises of Anglo culture and its racism of domination. Cultural revolution went far beyond sex, drugs and rock `n' roll to decimate the one-dimensional life of bourgeois accomplishment. The 60s rebels were anything but economic and anti-war in their process (the sectarianism came later); they were politics and counter-institution in the broadest sense, which is what made the movements so engaging to large numbers of people, and the ripple effects so disruptive to the ordinary business of the country beyond the collegiate and bohemian enclaves. Environmentalism, feminism, gay liberation and other "new social movements" all took off in the aftermath of the decade. This was particularly true of the California counter-culture, which was not so much a reaction against any existing order as a new order altogether, the New Left, which was more countercultural and left-wheeling than its eastern twin. Among the bourgeoisie a reaction quickly set in against the general achievements and ideological gains of the radical protesters and liberal reformers caught up in the wave of popular dissent. Vietnam war resistance, affirmative action, feminism and abortion, drugs and sexual revolution, and social transformation are explored and then decisively rejected by the ruling class, led by a political mobilization from the Right. The reversion of upheaval in the 1960s is too well known to need rehearsing. When striking at such proto-revolutionary epochs in the range of criticism brought to bear on the institutions and fundamental principles of society-despite the fact so many promises of those in power were not revolutionary at all but steeped in the dominant ideology. The most publicized assaults on state-worship featured free speech, the anti-war drive, the civil rights struggle, and sexual liberation. But the foothold of protest spilled over a wider embrace. Arguments against university governance carried over into disease for big business and big business government. Anti-war sentiment turned its sights against the military-industrial complex and its imperialism throughout the world. Civil rights for blacks triggered a host of parallel movements among Chicanos, Puerto Ricans and Native Americans, all of whom questioned the racist premises of Anglo culture and its racism of domination.
A New Deal Versus a New Left

Meanwhile, a similaraxis was laid by the Democratic Party, which reached a critical juncture in the 1930s with the election of Franklin D. Roosevelt. Roosevelt’s New Deal program, with its emphasis on regulatory agencies, social welfare, and public works projects, sought to address the economic crisis and provide a new direction for the country. The New Deal was not without its critics, however, as some, including Huey Long, advocated for a more radical approach to reform, which they termed the “Share Our Wealth” program. This program proposed to redistribute wealth and provide a guaranteed annual income to all Americans, a far cry from the more moderate New Deal measures.

In the wake of World War II, the political landscape in California began to shift once again. The war had a significant impact on the state, with a large number of military installations and defense-related industries being established. This led to a surge in population, particularly in areas surrounding the war effort, and had a profound effect on the state’s economy.

During this time, the Democratic Party continued to hold sway in California, with its progressive agenda appealing to a broad base of voters. However, there were signs of dissent, as some, including Arnold Coon, who had previously been a supporter of the New Deal, began to question the direction of the party and the nation. Coon, along with others, called for a more radical approach to governance, one that would address the social and economic inequalities that had persisted since the war.

As the Cold War began to take shape, California became a focal point of the political divide. On one side, there were those who supported the New Deal and its commitment to social welfare and economic stabilization. On the other side, there were those who called for a more conservative approach, one that emphasized individual responsibility and limited government intervention. This divide would continue to shape California’s political landscape for decades to come.
A New Role for Congress

Hoping to win over Congress, Bush announced a new role for the executive branch in the war. He promised to consult and coordinate with Congress on foreign policy decisions, while maintaining the authority to act in his own discretion. This new approach was intended to strengthen the presidency and ensure a smoother relationship with Congress.

The new role for Congress was outlined in a series of initiatives that Bush proposed. These initiatives included increased funding for military forces, support for economic sanctions against countries that supported the Taliban, and greater emphasis on diplomatic efforts to bring about a peaceful resolution to the conflict.

Bush also sought to strengthen the role of Congress in foreign policy through a number of reforms. These reforms included the creation of a new council of national security advisors, the establishment of a new office to coordinate foreign policy, and the appointment of a new special envoy for Afghanistan.

The new role for Congress was met with mixed reactions. Some lawmakers welcomed the increased role of Congress in foreign policy, seeing it as a way to ensure that the executive branch was held accountable for its actions. Others, however, were concerned that the new role would undermine the authority of the president and hinder his ability to act quickly and decisively in response to threats.

Despite these challenges, Bush was determined to see his new role for Congress through. He believed that it was essential to the success of his administration and to the security of the nation.

The new role for Congress was a key element of Bush's foreign policy agenda. It was designed to ensure that the executive branch and Congress worked together to achieve the goals of the war on terrorism and to protect the security of the nation.

The new role for Congress was also a reflection of the changing relationship between the executive and legislative branches. In recent years, there had been a growing sense that the two branches were not coordinating their efforts effectively. Bush believed that the new role for Congress was a step towards addressing this problem and improving the effectiveness of foreign policy.
A Future Unborn, or The Late Great State

This has happened before. It is not, in every way, the only new political discourse since the election of President Donald Trump in 2016, but it is a more recent and more significant example of a movement that has been gaining momentum in the United States. The movement is characterized by a rejection of traditional political values and a focus on identity politics, particularly around race and gender. It has also been associated with a rise in populism, which has led to a polarization of the political landscape.

The movement has been fueled by a number of factors, including economic inequality, technological change, and cultural change. These factors have led to a sense of dislocation and uncertainty among many Americans, who feel that the country is in the midst of a profound change. This change has been accompanied by a rise in social uncertainty, which has led to a rise in populism and a decline in trust in institutions.

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school kids who are mobilizing against 187, of course. Immigrant rights activists, the Mexican-American Legal Defense Fund, local school boards (e.g., LA City), among others, are suing to stop enforcement of the new law on the grounds that it is unconstitutional. Because 187 requires school, health and social service workers to report on suspected illegals to the two, thousands of teachers, doctors and social workers are signing refusals to participate. Otherwise conventional school administrators and public health officials are warning of the disruption that enforcement would bring to their institutions and of the spread of x6 and other diseases. Latino activists have called for a boycott of California, in emulation of the successful economic sanctions against Arizona after it refused to honour Martin Luther King, Jr’s birthday.

Meanwhile, among the Democrats one hears the same old bleating about perpetuating the centre, as if every jump they’ve made that direction for a generation hasn’t missed an ever-rightward-moving target. In the wake of defeat, state party chairman Bill Press declared that white males see Democrats as “the party of the have-nots”. That is a problem. We have lost our appeal to the have-nots. The have-nots are heavily white males, angry white males. I think we are doing a lot that appeals to white males, but the perception is that we don’t care about them … ’Press has the relation of class, gender and American party politics down pat, but has lost any vision of an alternative to the ways things are. In California, more than anywhere else in the us, the Democratic Party simply must be a multiracial party or it will be nothing. Today, it is revealed in its full emptiness, which helps clear the way for progressive popular movements to make an impact.

Nonetheless, the immigrant awakening of the 1990s has a long way to go if it is to overcome the political legacy and economic semiosis of the Anglo bourgeoisie. In the revolution that never came, the right wing forces from Southern California triumphed over the incipient Jacobins of the north, re-establishing the Republican monarchy of capital in its rightful throne throughout California and, ultimately, the rest of the United States. The ruling class of California is, as a result, politically, morally and economically bankrupt as it faces the end of the American century. Instead of undertaking the hard work of renewing the bases of industrial dynamism, government action and political participation, the elite serve up dead-end discourses on illegal immigration, crime, and enterprise zones in order to evade their own complicity in the tragedy. So, as California watches its sun setting over the Pacific, a leaderless and ideologically embalmed citzernry can only rage against the dying of the light.

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