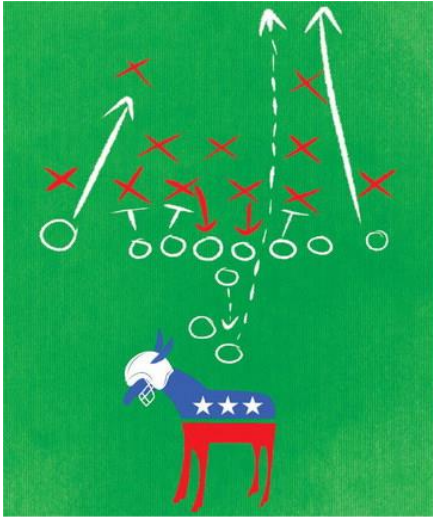


Democrats continue to run 2024 playbook, apparently unaware they have already lost

As Obama once explained, elections have consequences, and Trump won

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Perhaps former President Joseph R. Biden's cognitive problems have infected his fellow Democrats because they don't seem to have any recollection that they lost the 2024 election.

Make no mistake: They did lose, and it was not particularly close. Donald Trump won the Electoral College by 312-226 over Vice President Kamala Harris. He also won the popular vote and all seven battleground states.

You would never know that by examining the behavior of Washington Democrats. Since Mr. Trump's inauguration in January, they have spent every moment fighting the same battles they lost in November.

The election went the way it did for many reasons, but some of the overarching issues are obvious. Mr. Trump won over voters because he promised to do specific things on specific issues.

He promised to stop the woke nonsense of biological men invading women's spaces.

He promised to crack down on illegal immigration.

He promised to cut outrageous and wasteful government spending, and that Elon Musk would help him do it.

He promised to attack inflation and bring back American manufacturing jobs, and he would, yes, use tariffs on imported goods to achieve some of those goals.

These were all things he discussed in detail on the campaign trail, and he won.

So, it's puzzling, and seemingly self-destructive, for Democrats to keep fighting on that same ground some five months after Election Day. Indeed, numerous public polls show that congressional Democrats have never been more unpopular.

Nevertheless, they keep trotting out their failed vice-presidential candidate, Minnesota Gov. Tim Walz, for fake town hall events that are open only to Democrats.

"If you say you love freedom and you want to restrict that, and restrict certain groups, you don't love freedom. What you love is privilege, and that's a different thing," Mr. Walz said at one of the Democratic pep rallies falsely billed as a town hall meeting.

That's pretty rich coming from the running mate of Ms. Harris, whose administration treated concerned parents as domestic terrorists because they objected to their daughters getting raped in school bathrooms by boys pretending to be girls. Democrats also don't want parents involved if minor children undergo irreversible surgery on their sexual organs.

Yes, restricting parental rights was on the ballot in 2024, and Democrats lost.

Sen. Christopher Murphy, Connecticut Democrat, has been one of the leaders in the charge to oppose President Trump's efforts to deport illegal aliens or foreign nationals who have engaged in behavior that undermines the United States.

Mr. Murphy told MSNBC near the end of March that the president had placed the country under "quasi-martial law" because he was arresting and removing noncitizens with cause.

To apply an old joke to Mr. Murphy, it's clear that the most dangerous place in Washington is between the senator and a television camera. You can bet that if

Mr. Murphy is on TV, he is probably sticking up for criminal illegal aliens or foreign subversives over the interests of law-abiding Americans.

When they aren't trying to thwart Mr. Trump's efforts to make the country safer, Democrats have been defending every single dollar of federal government spending as indispensable to global survival. Even though Mr. Trump announced his plan to attack the bloated federal budget, and that Mr. Musk would lead it, fully two months before Election Day, Democrats and their followers have been defending ridiculous government programs as if they are their children.

Sen. Cory A. Booker, New Jersey Democrat, took to the Senate floor to rail against Trump policies for more than 25 hours, a record for time wasted all at once in that chamber, in a massively monotonous display of performance art. The media loved him, and he will no doubt use this as his origin story when he runs for president again, but his actual impact will be like that of a glass of water thrown into the sun. Inflation is down, gasoline is cheaper, and job creation is up.

Democrats can't talk about any of that, so they wail about Mr. Trump's imposition, and then suspension, of tariffs on countries around the globe. Naturally, many Democrats have strongly supported tariffs in the past but now think they are bad because it's Mr. Trump using them. In ancient times, before Mr. Trump, a Democratic president named Barack Obama had an answer to Republicans who complained about his policies.

Elections have consequences, he explained. "I won," he chided. Now, years later, maybe Democrats will grasp that they have already had a chance to stop everything Mr. Trump is doing.

It was the election last year. And they lost.