

13 WAYS THE TRUMP/PENCE FASCISTS HAVE MOVED TO TIGHTEN THEIR GRIP IN JUST THE LAST MONTH



The 13 points below make clear that we may be living through a stage of rapid fascist advance. The message is clear: not only does this regime pose an immediate danger to humanity, far from slowing down its pace of fascism during the pandemic it is actually speeding it up. These points should ring out with the urgency of an alarm summoning people to put out a raging fire.

1. Assaulting checks and balances and the rule of law to centralize unchecked power in Trump's hands.

2. Voter suppression and election rigging aimed at locking in minority Republican rule in perpetuity, including in the upcoming presidential election.*

3. Declaring a "State of Emergency," laying the groundwork to greatly expand unchecked executive power.

4. Gutting environmental regulations, accelerating capitalism's plunder of the earth.



Trump's EPA is rolling back enforcement of environmental protection laws, giving industry free rein to pollute. Here a belching coal plant. (Photo: Roger W/Flickr)

5. Ongoing attacks on health insurance, safety-net programs, and unions.

*Assuming the 2020 election actually happens.

6. Using the pandemic as an excuse to ban abortions.

7. Covering up the extent of damage being done in Black, Latino, Native American Indian and other oppressed communities hit hardest by pandemic due to white supremacy.



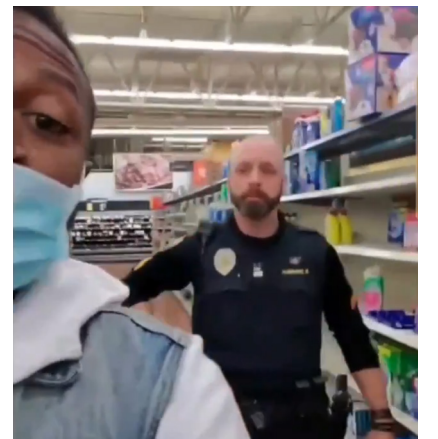
A woman and her child walk home after getting lunch at a South Side Chicago school, April 7. (Photo: AP)

8. Opposing release of prisoners and detainees trapped in potential death camps.

9. Blocking asylum and accelerating deportations.

10. Promoting fascist ultra-chauvinism, white supremacy, and "America First" poison, enflaming international tensions and racism, at a time when global cooperation is a life-and-death need.

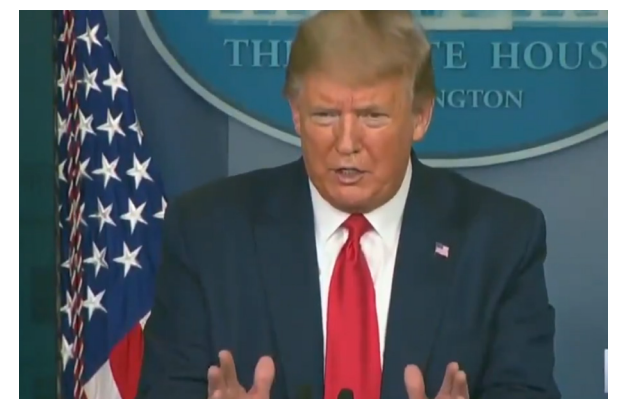
A shopper in an Illinois Walmart video-documents a cop forcing him to leave for wearing a mask, claiming there was a presidential order disallowing masks.



11. Turning pandemic briefings into platforms for Trump fascism.

12. Embodying the message that all power rests in the great Führer Trump's hands.

13. Ominous moves by Attorney General Barr to possibly use the coronavirus epidemic to curtail basic rights.



April 13 press conference: "When somebody is the president of the United States, the authority is total and that's the way it's got to be. It's total! It's total!"

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